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Sponsorship and partnership opportunities

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The Ulster Consort Foundation is a charity committed to music education and outreach, and in particular to choral singing education. Our aim is to share the joy and benefits of choral music and singing together with as many people as possible, right across Northern Ireland. We are dedicated to nurturing the current and next generations of musicians and seek to inspire our local communities through music.





Courses for Children

Our courses cater for children from ages 5–15. These are open to all, and we have scholarships available to ensure that all children are able to join us, whatever the financial circumstances. Participating in choral music activities is fun, and our positive-learning environment helps increase confidence in even the most timid of children, and it broadens children's horizons and educational experience.

"My son has really gained in confidence after attending the summer school"



Adult Courses

We also run adult day courses which, again, are open to all, irrespective of experience or skill level. Performing choral music means being part of a team, and participants forge strongly bonded new friendship groups across different generations and communities.

Talent Development Programme

The Ulster Consort Foundation is dedicated to training skilled young singers through our Talent Development Programme. This is an auditioned group for those considering a career in music and who are aged between 16–25. It offers young singers professional experiences and mentoring right at the start of their musical careers.

As an organisation, we are passionate about extending opportunities to all, with the aim of performing fabulous music to the highest standards and inspiring the widest possible audience.



The Ulster Consort is Northern Ireland's newest professional music ensemble and one of the very few professional vocal ensembles in the country. The large core of the Consort's performers consists of Northern Irish singers, and singers based in Northern Ireland. The Ulster Consort Players are some of the UK's finest specialist period instrumentalists, playing on historical instruments or modern copies.

The Ulster Consort's 'home' is Belfast, but it has also recently performed in Armagh, Ballymena, Belfast, Dublin, Enniskillen, Holywood, Londonderry/Derry, Newcastle and Portaferry.

In August 2025 the Consort made its first recording of works for a major commissioning project, the *Cranmer Anthem Book*. Our project partners in this venture include the choirs of Westminster Abbey, St. Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh, Llandaff Cathedral, Cardiff, St Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin, and St Thomas's, Fifth Avenue, New York. The Ulster Consort is proud to call renowned composer Bob Chilcott its Patron.



Corporate Sponsorship

The Ulster Consort and Ulster Consort Foundation offer bespoke sponsorship packages that can align closely to your business objectives, your social value strategy and your investment in your people.

There are wide-ranging opportunities to support us, from the sponsorship of a single performance, to principal sponsorship of an entire season of concerts and educational and enrichment events.

In addition to corporate entertainment and brand awareness opportunities within sponsorship packages, we can offer a diverse range of creative solutions to address your corporate social responsibility, tailored to meet the goals of your company.

This could include:

- Being the sole sponsor of a summer music school for children from wide ranging socio-economic backgrounds, providing exciting opportunities for them to experience the magic of music
- Supporting a bespoke music programme to help to alleviate loneliness and isolation of the elderly
- Sponsoring a commercial recording of our work, helping to shine a light on emerging composer and performer talent within the world of music and enabling us to share the Ulster Consort offering both nationally and internationally

Our corporate sponsorship packages range from **£3,500** for host sponsorship of a single concert through to **£25,000** for a globally-released recording – and everything in between.

To arrange a meeting to discuss your objectives and develop a bespoke opportunity for your business, please email hello@ulsterconsort.org

Corporate Partnership

Our corporate partnerships provide an 'always-on' opportunity for businesses to support our work, while benefiting from long-term relationships with the Ulster Consort, and with our artistic and educational projects.

Whatever the level of your partnership, you can be sure that our dedicated team will do as much as we can to maximise recognition of your support by our audience and other stakeholders. You will benefit from **unique opportunities** to entertain clients and colleagues, and to network with other corporate partners, with the knowledge that your support is having an important impact on arts and culture, and in communities across Northern Ireland and throughout Ulster.

Every corporate partnership is tailored to your specific requirements, with branding, marketing and hospitality opportunities alongside the chance to interact with our conductor and artists, and attend a rich programme of performances in beautiful venues.

A member of the Ulster Consort team will be assigned to help you maximise the return on investment from your partnership with the charity, and will be on hand at any receptions and concerts you attend to ensure you and your guests have a truly memorable experience.

Our Corporate Partners scheme is available from as little as £2,000 per year.

Why support the Ulster Consort and Ulster Consort Foundation?

Your investment will support the Ulster Consort by helping to:

- **Deliver and expand our education and enrichment programmes for people of all ages.**
- **Support exceptional emerging young singers through our Talent Development Programme.**
- **Commission new music and the production of exceptional recordings of national and international interest.**
- **Fund individual or multiple performances in beautiful venues throughout the nine counties of Ulster.**

In return, the Ulster Consort can provide bespoke packages in line with the level of your support, including:

- **Brand and Profile:** promote your brand through our growing NI audiences with concert sponsorship, benefitting from concert programme advertisements, logo placement across all our marketing channels, and in our direct mailings to our extensive audience database
- **Client Entertainment:** blow your guests away with a breathtaking performance by the Ulster Consort's professional singers your corporate event
- **Networking opportunities:** meet other corporate sponsors at our concerts and receptions
- **Employee Activities:** Treat your employees to something completely different with a unique experience or teambuilding musical workshop activity
- **Corporate Social Responsibility:** align your brand with our community work through our education workshops and courses, and through our Talent Development Programme
- **Matched Giving:** if your organisation has a matched giving programme, your company may be able to match your personal donation to the Ulster Consort at no extra cost to you

Examples of what the Ulster Consort can do with your sponsorship:

- Support a young singer at the beginning of their professional career **£2000**
- Sponsor a concert with 8 singers, accompanist and conductor **£3000**
- Sponsor a concert with 12 singers, instrumentalists and conductor **£5000**
- Sponsor our annual summer school for up to 50 children **£10,000**
- Sponsor an authentic, period-instrument performance of Handel's *Messiah* for a 500-strong audience, with naming rights **£20,000**
- Become our annual Season title sponsor, with naming rights across at least 10 performances during the year and a bespoke partner programme, tailored to your requirements **£50,000**



To arrange a meeting to discuss with our General Manager and Chair please email us at hello@ulsterconsort.org

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