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JOIN THE JAM New Guitar and Bass Group

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A new free monthly Guitar and Bass group supported by Seed Sedgemoor has been set up for guitar players to dust off their fretboards and get those rusty strings strumming again! It is designed for anyone with a guitar who maybe hasn't played for a while, would like to build a bit of confidence or just have a good reason to play. This group will help budding guitar players to get started in a supported and fun way. The group meets at Bridgwater Arts Centre on Wednesday evenings once a month starting 17 Aug 2022 with Zoom meetings on alternate weeks for those who can't attend in person.

The idea for the group came from February's successful Clashmob where 30 local players from all around Sedgemoor gathered around the Blake Statue in Bridgwater for a one-off performance of 'Should I stay or should I go' as part of International Clash day. The group was so much fun there was a demand to continue the meet-ups.

Facilitator and local musician John D Revelator said *The Clashmob was a musical blast we're looking forward to playing together again and hopefully welcoming some new guitarists. It's open to all so if you are curious come and give it a try!"*.

Sharon who played guitar in the February Clash mob said "I've never done anything like it before so it was good to try a new experience, meet with other guitarists and have some fun".

This group is supported by Seed, the Arts Council England funded Creative People and Places project for Sedgemoor. The first meeting is 7.30pm on Wednesday 17 August at Bridgwater Arts Centre.

Find out more about this new group visit <u>www.seedsedgemoor.com/get-creative</u> email the group contact the group facilitator John Diment at <u>guitarandbass@seedsedgemoor.com</u> or call 01278 433187 the Guitar and Bass group is also on Facebook.

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Seed is a Consortium of local organisations comprising:

Homes in Sedgemoor, Community Council for Somerset, Bridgwater Senior Citizens Forum, Somerset Film; and Bridgwater Town Council.

We believe that arts, culture and creativity are not elite activities, but should be an ordinary part of everyday life, created by, with and for the people. This can be achieved in partnerships with artists in all forms of the creative arts, working in response to the collective imagination and reflecting the things that are important to the communities of Sedgemoor. We seek to make creative arts, culture and heritage part of everyday life in Sedgemoor by growing new opportunities for its people to participate, create and celebrate.

Seed is part of Arts Council Engalnd's **Creative People and Places** programme **(CPP)**. Creative People and Places is about more people taking the lead in choosing, creating and taking part in arts and culture experiences in the places where they live. There are 33 projects, each located in a place where people are least likely to engage with arts and culture. We've committed £108 million to the programme so far, covering 33 Projects, 33 Places, 30 consortia and 45 local authorities. Since 2013, there have been 4.5

million engagements with the CPP programme and 86% of people who participate in weren't previously engaging regularly with arts and culture.

www.creativepeopleplaces.org.uk www.artscouncil.org.uk/creative-people-and-places/creative-people-and-places-projects

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