



**ARMONICO**  
CONSORT

## Memory Choir Volunteer Role Description

### How long and how often

Each session will last for 90 minutes, although you will be needed for longer to help set up and pack away the room. The group will run weekly and volunteers will work on a rota basis.

### Minimum age

18

### Location

Unitarian Chapel, High Street, Warwick

### Why we need you...

Armonico Consort is working in partnership with the Alzheimer's Society's *Singing for the Brain* initiative to deliver a high quality and fun singing group for people living with dementia and their carers. We need your help to support this by engaging with the participants through music and singing, you will also be contributing to the future of local services for people affected by dementia.

## Have you got what it takes to help people affected by dementia?

### This role will suit you if...

You have an interest in music and great communication and listening skills. You must also be confident, empathetic and have an enthusiasm for the group. You should be committed to enabling and empowering others and enjoy making people feel welcome and supported.

### The impact you'll make...

You will play an integral role in supporting the delivery of the sessions. You will also be encouraging people affected by dementia to engage at the group and therefore, contributing to increased feelings of wellbeing and a reduction in isolation.

### Volunteer Duties

- Helping set out the room in an agreed layout
- Putting out signage
- Recording attendees
- Welcoming and talking with people with dementia and carers of people with dementia
- Making and distributing beverages and other refreshments, collecting in and washing up
- Encouraging people to join in with the singing
- Tidying up the room after the session
- Following service standards, service boundaries and recognising the range of policies and procedures that impact on the group.

### Have you got what it takes?

- You are keen to enable and champion a high standard of service for people affected by dementia.
- You know about or are willing to learn about dementia and its impact on people.
- You have good communication and listening skills.
- You treat others with respect.
- You are confident speaking to groups of people and are able to convey enthusiasm and passion for the group.
- Are committed to inclusion and treating people from all backgrounds with dignity.

### What's in it for you?

- You will play a key role in supporting the delivery methods of the group and shaping the future of services for people affected by dementia
- You will develop/build on your skills and experience of engaging with people affected by dementia through music and singing.

### Learning and development

To ensure you have the tools and knowledge needed for this role, including safeguarding and information governance, you will need to complete around 2 hours of induction training and development within the first 4 weeks. You may decide to become a Dementia Friend in order to gain a basic understanding of dementia.

### What can you expect from us?

You will be supported by the Armonico Consort and will receive expert guidance and support to develop in the role.

### How to apply...

You will need to complete a short application form and provide 2 references. Contact Sarah Riddell to register your interest:

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Does this role require a criminal records check?	No
Does this role require references?	Yes
Does this role involve driving?	No