



Drumming Events

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About us

"We specialise in providing inclusive events for team building and corporate entertainment, which are enjoyed by all members of a team. Over the last 15 years, we have successfully delivered thousands of team events around the world, involving tens of thousands of participants."

Mark Hunter, Head Facilitator at Creative Team Events

Events EVERYONE will enjoy

Events

that really

WORK

EXPERT

facilitators

We focus only on events that are enjoyed by everyone. So, forget outdoor events with intense physical challenges, regardless of fitness level or keenness to participate. Say goodbye to rain, wind and the cold and say hello to a fun, inclusive and enjoyable team building experience.

Our events really bring teams together, and the effects last for a long time. We specialise in team events that are based on performance, such as drumming, singing and dance, because they massively enhance team building.

Your team activity is only as good as the way it is facilitated. We pride ourselves in offering the very best facilitators and instructors, who will guide, lead and entertain your group. They are hand-picked, extensively trained and have many years of experience.

Events for ALL occasions Our events are suitable for a wide variety of situations, including as icebreakers and energisers, for before-, during- and after-dinner activities, and for all types of team building events and corporate entertainment.

NO prior skills required You don't need to have a particular skill (such as music) to join in. Our events are specifically designed to be accessible by EVERYONE. We set a completely level playing field to eliminate existing organisational hierarchies.

ANY LOCATION

We'll deliver a unique event for you in **any** location in the UK, USA or worldwide

ANY ROOM

Absolutely **any** room will do, including your office or conference room

ANY GROUP SIZE

We provide events for **any** group size, from five to 5,000

ANY DURATION

We'll fit in with your agenda, with event durations from ten minutes to a whole day

QUOTE IN AN HOUR

We'll provide a quote within 60 minutes



From G 30 minutes to all day 5

Group size from 5 to 5,000

Drumming Events

We have been at the forefront of using drumming to benefit a wide range of organisations, in conferences, team building workshops and corporate events. Even after 15 years, our drumming events continue to remain incredibly popular. In fact, drumming accounts for over 50% of the events we deliver every year.

Why choose drumming?

Early man used rudimentary objects to create rhythm within tribal communities. Drumming in its



earliest form was used for team building.

For tens of thousands of years, people have drummed together as a group as a prelude to many kinds of decision making.

40,000 years later, we are now uncovering the many benefits of group music making for team building within an organisational context.

We offer you the most up-to-date and progressive form of this type of high-performance team activity, designed to build teams quickly and effectively.

Drumming is now widely recognised by team building experts as one of the most effective and inclusive team building activities available. Compared with many other team building tools and techniques, drumming can deliver disproportionate benefits relative to its duration and cost.

Our team building drumming events are the perfect way to build teams quickly, for a number of reasons:

- *Removal of organisational hierarchy.* Drumming is a great group activity that allows participants to break free from traditional organisational hierarchies. In our drumming events, everyone is starting from a level playing field. This means that any hierarchy is quashed, letting every participant make an equal contribution. This is not always possible in many traditional team building events. We ensure that each person's contribution is recognised.
- *Total inclusion.* Anyone and everyone can have a go, irrespective of culture, language, age or fitness level. You don't need any specific skills to take part and everyone can do it. No previous musical experience is required!
- *Lack of competition*. Unlike many so-called 'team building' activities that actually encourage unproductive competition, drumming does not create divisions between participants. No-one loses out or is humiliated.



- *Stress release.* Drumming releases natural endorphins and the creative process of drumming enables people to relax and just have fun.
- *Listening skills development*. Drumming requires that participants listen to each other. Everyone has to work together as a cohesive team.
- *Fun*. We promise that participants will have a memorable and fun experience.
- *Long-lasting effects*. Most people that have participated in one of our team building drumming events have reported that memories of the event stay with them for a long time.

What happens in a drumming session?

At the beginning of the session, each participant is normally greeted by a stunning drum on his or her seat.



Our highly-trained leaders introduce themselves. In our drumming events your team learns simple drumming techniques and rhythms step-by-step.

In no time at all, the basics of playing are covered and the team is well on its way to creating a drumming orchestra.

For the team, it doesn't feel like learning, because

there is so much fun and laughter. We only use world-class drum facilitators, who are all in-house. They specialise in entertaining, teaching without teaching and consistently getting your group playing, sounding and feeling great.

Along the way, there is lots of audience participation, both on and off the stage. Anyone can drum and, led by the skills of the head facilitator, the new ensemble gradually begins to believe in itself.

We progressively add more and more ideas and sections to create the final performance. Different rhythms are then layered together to accomplish a percussion masterpiece.



We build towards a final, spectacular performance, which draws on everything that has been learnt. This is usually an uplifting and emotional spectacular, which never fails to energise the team.

The feedback we receive is often all about the journey itself. "How was it possible to take a mass of people and, in such a short period of time, have them achieve this?" We demonstrate to the team that people can

achieve amazing things if they are having fun, build on small successes and just have a little faith.



What do I need in terms of time and space?

Whatever suits you. We pride ourselves in our flexibility, so we're happy to work within any constraints you have in terms of available space or time.

We can deliver drumming workshops in any space available: hotels, conference rooms, and even in your offices. We impose no restrictions on the type of room required, so any room will do. The only thing that participants need is some space between their legs for a drum whilst sitting on a normal chair.

Our drumming events can extend from 30 minutes to an all-day activity. The duration of a typical drumming event is in the range of one to two hours.

Where can I hold a drumming event?

Absolutely anywhere. In the UK, USA or worldwide. We bring the drums and our expert facilitators to you.

How many people can be in a group?



No drumming workshop is too large or too small for us. We have substantial experience of running large drumming events, with up to 5,000 participants. We are sponsored by Remo, the world's largest drum company, so we have plenty of drums!

Equally, we're happy to provide more intimate drumming workshops for five or more people.

Which occasions are best suited to drumming?

One of the best characteristics of drumming is its suitability to a broad range of occasions, including:

- team building events
- team meetings
- conferences
- meeting and conference openings
- icebreakers
- corporate away-days
- conference and meeting energisers



- management and leadership training
- motivational events
- corporate parties
- product launches.

Other information

You can leave participants with an everlasting reminder of the day – their very own drum. We have a relationship with a fair trade company that produces wonderful hand-painted drums. These come in many different sizes and are the perfect giveaway for each person. Furthermore, these can even have your own company logo or conference messages engraved on them.

For an extra special surprise, we have a traditional African drumming group, which can stun your team with their power, energy and talent. They can be introduced at the end of the event as a special finale surprise to play alongside your group. Or why not introduce them later in the day, perhaps after dinner?



Testimonials

Please do not take our word for it, and read our testimonials for recent events.

"I have never seen a group of people transformed so dramatically." Kerry Wright, BP Oil

"Your facilitators were very talented and held the attention of the 80+ people throughout. After the event, I solicited feedback about the whole day. One of the questions was "What could we do to improve this event next time?" One person replied, "I think you'll struggle to top Junk Funk to be honest". This was a good reflection of how the event went. In the 17 years I've worked here, I can't think of a time when an event has brought people together in a one-team way and dropped inhibitions so low." Chris Starke, SAS Software

"As an event planner, I have arranged motivational speakers and team building activities, but nothing compares to this. We were all totally blown away." Debbie McHarrie, Associate Event Planner

"I just wanted to say a big thank you to the team. The feedback has been fantastic. Everyone really enjoyed the activities. The great facilitator made the session lots of fun. The general consensus was that it was probably one of the best team building days we've had."

Sejal Patel, Deputy Head, NHS City and Hackney, Community Health Services

"Following our recent HR Conference, I'm delighted to let you know that we have received nothing but the most positive feedback on both your own facilitation of the session and the boomwhacker session itself....Your session was inspired and worked a treat to get us to realise what we can achieve when we all work together!" Graeme Wilkinson, Senior Learning Manager, Lloyds Banking Group

"Uplifting and motivating. I thought the whole audience bought into the session." Velux National Conference "Astounding! Amazing! This beats everything we have ever done before. You made the day memorable. Thank you!" Matthew Johns, PWC

"Wow! Over 800 people taken on a journey through a day's event to one 'tribal culture' with passion, energy, enthusiasm, hands-on coaching and above all tremendous fun. You provided HSBC West Midlands with a day to remember. In fact, to quote one of the team, "the best day I have ever had in over 20 years working for the bank." Leon Marklew, Regional Director, HSBC

"Thank you for such an amazing experience. The team is still buzzing over the session and the feedback has been so very positive. The highlight for my day was seeing the negative body language from some of the team when you first came in translate into smiles and enthusiastic participation by the end! One comment was "to be able to walk into a team of hard-nosed sales people that you do not know and earn their total 'buy in' within two hours takes an awesome level of skill and talent.""

Mike Ryall, Managing Director, Parkside Recruitment Limited

"Your team was absolutely fantastic and the feedback has been brilliant. I know, when we talked, you really gave me a good idea of how it would be on the day, but, seriously, it was beyond my wildest dreams. You should be really proud of the work that you all do. Your team are an inspiration and have created memories that I believe will stay with my graduates and certainly with me for a long time."

Sue Coles, Graduate Recruitment & Development Manager

"What a great experience, which has had a fantastic impact on our teams in ways I didn't think possible!!!" Nathalie, BNP Paribas



"The Haka was great! Now our finance department is ready to move forward and work as a team."

Lorraine Copeland, AXA-PPP

"Your session was a superb finale to the day, and I've had nothing but positive feedback about the event. Thanks for helping us to make it such a success." Carol Chapman, Director, Balfour Beatty

"Everything about the boomwhacker session was excellent and the feedback very positive. To have 550 people all taking part was a feat in itself, which we didn't really expect. Facilitation was excellent. I cannot think of a single thing that could have been improved."

David Rist, MD of Hidden Hearing

"How immensely impressed I was with all your team. Your professional attitude, enthusiasm and your impact on the audience. Fantastic!"

M. Thomas, Marketing Director

"Thank you for all you did. You were awesome! Our staff had as great time. The feedback has been excellent. You certainly made our day a day to remember!" Claire Sturman, Personnel Manager, Hereward Housing

"I wanted to say how immensely impressed I was with all of your team, your professional attitude, enthusiasm and your impact on the audience. Fantastic!"

Mandy, Marketing Director, Argos

"What an exciting evening! The feedback from staff has been fantastic. It seems everyone had a great time. It was an amazing success and people are still talking about it today!"

Sian, HR Department, Electronic Arts

"What a fantastic day! I have received amazing comments from everyone. A huge thank you for delivering such a fantastic event. A real pleasure to have such a fun and energetic person amongst us. I am not sure how I will ever top that one for next year's team build!"

Jennie Vaudin, Collas Day Solicitors

"I just wanted to let you know that the team building event you organised for us in Budapest was FANTASTIC. People are still talking about it now!! It was really good, and the way the session was led was really professional. The real underlying message about teamwork really got through to everyone as well."

Caroline Hayes, Shell Chemicals Europe

"Even after a packed day, delegates still went away buzzing following a rousing boomwhacker session. The session leader had everyone on their feet and getting into the rhythm with their own boomwhacker to become one giant percussion orchestra." Liz Bayram, Chief Executive NCMA

"What a truly amazing way to start the day. Your team showed us what passion 'Maoristyle' was all about! The conference felt lifted afterwards – and people still talk about it now!"

Fujitsu

"Everyone cannot stop talking about the event, including how they laughed with people they have never met and how they really felt like they could view people differently and that we were all working towards one goal. Thanks for a great day." Nina Mansell, Learning and Development Manager, Domestic & General

"Well what can I say? Brilliant and the whole team had an amazing time!!!!! We look forward to using your services again in the near future."

Julie, Call Centre Manager, Warner Leisure Hotels

"I never expected all of the guests to get so involved and participate so willingly. Thank you ALL very much." Director, Deutsche Bank

"One of the best events we have ever had. Outstanding!" Ben O'Grady, Senior Manager, Dell

"We would like to say a huge thank you for making our conference such a memorable event."

Conference Team, Ministry of Defence



"You made my day yesterday. You were inspiring and lifted the energy levels to great heights at the end of a very heavy conference. The smiles on everyones' faces were real, not 'corporate'. It's the first time that I've seen those smiles. You were the hot topic when we had dinner later. Even my cab driver is a fan after hearing me rave about you. Thank you so much." Dee Kahn, HSBC

"I thought it was an excellent workshop. The facilitators were friendly, knowledgeable and very good at engaging all the members of the team."

Paul Brindle, American Express

"I was confident that it was going to be an enjoyable experience for the delegates, and I was correct, as the feedback has been brilliant." Fay Smith, IBR Limited

"We had a fantastic night. The Crashing Waiters were an absolutely resounding success!! Everyone thoroughly enjoyed being so involved in creating the entertainment and the three guys were fabulous. It's going to be hard to beat this success next year!" Cathryn

"We had a smashing day and the drumming workshop was all you had promised. It got everyone involved, even the most reserved in our group. Your facilitators did a fantastic job and really raised the energy in the group." Rosie, Yorkshire Primary Care Trust

"You managed to revitalise 270 dozing delegates after they had sat through a 'day of OHP' and completely transformed the atmosphere of the room from that of sombre silence to pulsating, rhythmic energy, which had every single person in the room engrossed and grinning from ear to ear." Microsoft

"I just wanted to let you know how great the session was and how much we appreciated your enthusiasm and energy. The event was a huge success. The delegates loved having the drums to take away with them. It helped make it a very memorable event." Michele, Serono, Boston, USA "We all had a brilliant time and your team were fantastic and made this unusual event very easy to get into. I'll definitely be recommending you to anyone looking for a fun, energetic and team building experience."

Liz Purdy, Design and Engineering solutions, Atkins

"Your session was inspired and worked a treat to get us to realise what we can achieve when we all work together!" Lloyds Banking Group

"It was great watching peoples' faces. Everyone was so involved and spellbound and....happy! It's such a great activity and you and your team were just brilliant." Kati Pauk, KP Events

"I can wholeheartedly recommend you as a thoroughly professional and effective team, who addressed our brief with understanding and designed an exciting programme, which more than fulfilled our criteria." Mike Grey, Business Development Manager,

Microsoft

"We've never done drumming as a team before, but it was fun, entertaining, invigorating, and it was great to do something with a difference. Everyone in the group thoroughly enjoyed it, and expressed positive feedback of the whole session. It was a brilliant start to a great day, and well worth the experience."

Maria, Masquerade Productions

"We purposely kept our team building event a closely-guarded secret and the tension mounted as the conference wore on! I was able to see the end of the session and the atmosphere in the room was electrifying! Our Marketing Director came along early in order to take part and loved it. Our Sales and Marketing Director has said that he wants a drum for Christmas!! Without exception, all the team thoroughly enjoyed themselves and really felt the benefits of the workshop." Louse Joslin, Sales Support Coordinator, Sunrise Senior Living Limited



Clients

We have delivered events for more than a thousand companies and listed below are some of them.

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