



Manchester Camerata announce Samantha McShane as new Head of Creative Programming

Manchester Camerata, Manchester's world-class orchestra, is delighted to announce the appointment of Samantha McShane as the new Head of Creative Programming. Samantha replaces Manus Carey who has taken up the role of Executive Producer for the Royal Scottish National Orchestra.

Samantha McShane joins Manchester Camerata from the Royal Scottish National Orchestra (RSNO), where she was previously Artistic Planning Manager (A&R). Samantha's experience covers artist, chamber ensemble, orchestral and venue management and includes the role of Assistant Orchestra Manager for the RSNO in addition to planning placements with IMG Artists and RSNO. Samantha founded, managed and performed with one of the UK's leading brass ensembles Pure Brass, where she secured performances at major venues and Festivals including The Wigmore Hall, Purcell Room, Sounds New Festival and the St Magnus Festival.

Samantha says, "I am thrilled to be taking up this role with such an innovative and creative orchestra as Manchester Camerata. I very much look forward to working closely with the team as they build on their current success and achieve new creative highs."

Bob Riley, Chief Executive Officer of Manchester Camerata says, "Performing to 70,000 people each year, Manchester Camerata is an ambitious and creative world class orchestra. We have a bold artistic vision and extensive plans for future growth and are extremely fortunate to have Samantha join our team at this exciting period in our development."

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SAMANTHA McSHANE

- Samantha studied the French horn at the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland and quickly established herself as a regular freelance musician with all of Scotland's leading orchestras.

MANCHESTER CAMERATA

- Manchester Camerata is a world-class chamber orchestra whose purpose is to transform people's lives through the power of music. The orchestra is renowned for vibrant performances, innovative programming, and empowering Learning and Participation work with schools, early years, health groups and young people. The orchestra present an annual concert series in Manchester and tour throughout the UK.