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## Performances not to be missed...



#### Senedd Reception, Friday 19th June

Ten of our finalists will be performing unaccompanied at this year's reception, hosted by Jane Hutt AM. Everybody is welcome to come along and enjoy the performances and incredible acoustics of the Oriel. The Reception starts at 5.30pm and the performances will start a little after that and last for about an hour.

## Glanfa Stage, Saturday, 22nd August - (1:00-2:00pm)

Another selection of our 2008 finalists will be performing at the Wales Millennium Centre and your support would be very welcome. This will be the final opportunity being offered to our young 2008 finalists to enjoy performing before an appreciative audience.



## **2009 Competition**

This year's dates are 28<sup>th</sup> November for the singers and 29<sup>th</sup> November for the instrumentalists. Following the increased entries last year, we are optimistic that this year's competition will be well supported and another success.

We are sorry to say that sponsorship is looking poor during these difficult economic times and this has forced us to take the decision to charge a nominal fee for our official accompanist and also make increase entry fees across the board. We very much hope that our competitors understand the difficult choices we are faced with and continue to attend. We very much believe that the experience, written feedback and cash prizes at the competition and also the additional performance opportunities throughout the year, will ensure continued high numbers of entry.

Music in the Vale still also relies on private funds from the public and for a minimum contribution of £5, anybody can become a friend and have entry to our competitions free of charge. Please send your cheque made out to Music in the Vale to the Secretary.