

TESTIMONIALS

We have been promoting live music events at Daltons under the banner **sector** since the summer of 2024 and I must say that the Team there has been an absolute pleasure to work with. Daltons is fast becoming a Brighton institution as a grass roots live music venue. Too many small live music venues in Brighton have closed in recent years and these spaces are so important in nurturing community, creativity and innovation in music and are an essential part of the economy for locals and visitors alike. Incorporating dj performances into their premises license and extending their license at weekends would be hugely beneficial to us and help enable us to put on even finer live shows with dj's playing between the bands. We would be hugely grateful if the amendments to the license are approved.

Extending our love and support of @daltonsbrighton for having us for 24 shows this year! We are so so grateful for the space you've allowed us to have, a beautiful, safe and exciting venue which is always there to listen to its promoters and make a positive nightlife experience.

We are so thankful for your support during our grassroots pride weekend, and all of our trans fundraisers and community events. A special shout-out to for being the most generous and dedicated events manager and to for being the best light and sound doll we could ask for, always so kind and will do the most for our shows!

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Daltons is an incredible venue run by lovely people. It's so incredibly important to grassroots musicians and I myself as a promoter have loved hosting there! Unlike many venues they don't have a ridiculously high hire fee and have a back line which makes a big difference!

The venue is a wonderful space and also the fact that it's completely wheelchair accessible is very important as most venues are not. Everyone should have the opportunity to be able to enjoy live music and Daltons plays a huge part in making that possible. Small artists are not often rich people and so having this accessible space that also has equipment, isn't tiny and is disability friendly is so incredibly important. This doesn't just extend to live music but also to DJs, Cabaret performers and drag artists who all rely on venues such as this one!

Myself and my wife host a local radio show and have recently started putting on gigs at Daltons after visiting the venue numerous times during its first year since opening. To us Daltons is a unique music venue which offers a wonderful vibe and puts on vibrant affordable gigs showcasing both local and national up and coming bands and artists. Music, comedy, cabaret, arts of all kinds are found here. The staff are the nicest and most welcoming in the city and have made us feel part of their family. Daltons is the best music venue in town! Daltons is more than just a venue—it's a community hub that brings together artists, bands, promoters, and music lovers in a way that few places can. As a grassroots music venue, they pride themselves on being a stepping stone for up-and-coming artists, offering them a space to grow, connect, and share their art with the world.

For promoters and event organisers, Daltons provides an accessible, welcoming platform to showcase their vision, fostering collaboration and creativity. For audiences, they offer an intimate and authentic space to experience live music in its rawest and most honest form— a rare and irreplaceable experience. Daltons is more than just a venue; it's a place where memories are made, where passion is celebrated, and where the heartbeat of Brighton's music culture thrives.

We respectfully ask the board to consider the vital role Daltons plays in supporting the local music community, empowering artists, and nurturing creativity in Brighton. If they need to extend their license to allow scope for wider audiences and different types of events over longer weekend hours, to be able to continue supporting the local music community, then so be it. Losing venues like Daltons would mean losing the lifeblood of our city's music scene—a loss we cannot afford.

Daltons was one of the very few venues that welcomed me with open arms as a new promoter when I first started. Their support on marketing gigs, sharing all content made to promote the gig, and overall support and professionalism during soundchecks and running of events has made it one of the most pleasant venues and people I have worked with as an independent promoter.

On behalf of **Section**, we fully support Daltons' application to extend their license to weekends and include DJ performances. Daltons has been a vital partner for us, offering an inclusive, accessible, and welcoming space for our events. The venue is community-led and values-driven, and they allow **Section** to host our events for free so that all our proceeds go directly to supporting trans asylum seekers' gender-affirming care. Their staff are always helpful and the atmosphere they foster is one of community, collaboration, and creativity. Daltons is a cornerstone of our local arts, music, and fundraising scene, and Daltons and the Brighton community would greatly benefit from the opportunity to host more events with an extended licence. We wholeheartedly support their request.

Daltons in its short time being opened has provided us with a great safe space for bands in our local community to flourish. This venue has given us plenty of opportunities to do good for the community including allowing us to put on a New Years show raising money for local charities.

At the beating heart of the Brighton grassroots drag scene is Daltons. Over the past year, it has become the host to some of the most exciting and interesting queer shows in Brighton, and as a result we find ourselves there at least once a week- whether it's life changing poetry, outrageous live singing, or the silliest drag you've ever seen, it will be on stage!

For us as event hosts, the team at Daltons have been a joy to work with, everyone from the programming manager, to the bar staff, to the incredible tech team are lovely, exceptionally skilled, creative, and make this community space a delight to be in. As a result of our experiences, we have five more shows booked at Daltons for 2025- and that's just the ones we're hosting, let alone the shows we will attend!

At daltons, we have made some of our closest friends and forged lifelong creative bonds, as performers, hosts and as customers. We can't wait to be back next year.