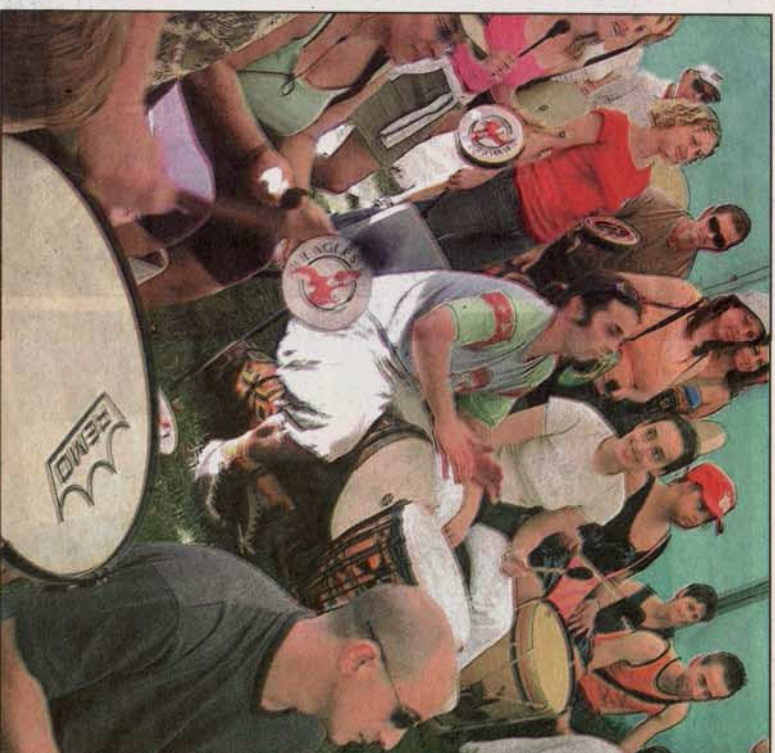


Chance for city drummers to experiment with percussion from around the world at series of workshops

Finding the rhythm: People of all ages participate in a drumming workshop. HumDrumStrum is to hold a Community Drum Circle once a month in Westbury-on-Trym



We're pounding the beat

Budding drummers are being offered the chance to make music through a series of workshops.

HumDrumStrum is made up of two Bristol-based musicians, Jason Finler and Simon Carver, who run workshops using drums and percussion from around the world.

"They are offering Community Drum Circles once a month, for anyone of any age or musical ability," Jason said.

"We all have a need to belong, to be part of a group who share interests and who come together for a common purpose."

"Drumming is a great way to bring down barriers and allows people to express themselves in a relaxed, uninhibited manner. It's also a great stress

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reliever and a perfect antidote for the hassles of modern living."

HumDrumStrum put on a variety of rhythm-based events, from corporate team building seminars and school workshops to festivals, local clubs and community-based activities.

They aim to encourage staff energies at work, boost morale and strengthen team dynamics.

Their work with school children helps develop communication skills, focus and confidence as well as the importance of respect, diversity and individualism.

Simon said: "Our vision for these monthly sessions is to

offer the absolute beginner an uninhibited platform to see what's inside them rhythmically, as well as giving the experienced drummers an opportunity to try out their techniques in an improvisational environment."

HumDrumStrum will be holding their first Community Drum Circle on Thursday, January 27, and then every Thursday of each month throughout 2005 at Newman Hall, Grange Court Road, Westbury-on-Trym.

Doors open at 7pm, with events from 7.30pm to 9.30pm. Tickets are priced £6 for adults and £3 for under 12s.

Soft drinks and snacks are included. To book, telephone 979 0588 or send an email to info@humdrumstrum.co.uk



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