

New year, new music building

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The new year will bring music into the heart of campus when the Bramall Music Building opens its doors for the first time.

Exterior construction work on the building, which houses a 450-seat auditorium and will be home to Birmingham's Music Department, is nearly complete with the final dome now in place.



The shell will be handed over in late January or early February and after a six-month internal fit-out the building will be ready for a grand opening festival in November 2012.

Professor John Heath, Pro-Vice-Chancellor for Estates and Infrastructure, says: 'The building is going to be amazing and the concert hall in particular is going to be very special as it manages to achieve an intimate atmosphere in quite a large space.'

Leading early music soprano Carolyn Sampson (BMus Music, 1995) has agreed to perform at the opening festival's main concert and further details of all events planned will be released early next year.

The Bramall Music Building became a reality thanks to the amazing response of alumni, friends and charitable organisations to our fundraising campaign.

There is still a chance to reserve your place in history or buy a unique festive gift by sponsoring a seat or having your name included on a donor panel in the foyer. As the building is almost complete, all future gifts will go towards supporting the Music Department at Birmingham.

For further details of naming opportunities, contact Phil Addy on +44 (0)121 414 8641 or p.w.j.addy@bham.ac.uk (<mailto:p.w.j.addy@bham.ac.uk>)

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