



Name: Dano Homer

Age: 18

Time involved with the Garage: 2 years

Activities: Slam Nights in Norwich and Sheringham, Young Musicians Development Programme participant, performed at Bernard Matthews Youth Awards, Lord Mayor's Celebration, Royal Norfolk Show and Holkham Hall.

"I love the feeling of being on stage, being able to connect with the audience, making a room go quiet and then the round of applause at the end"

Dano started at the Garage 2 years ago. She first took part in Slam Nights in Norwich and Sheringham, performing songs by Jessie J, Amy Winehouse and Adele. She then joined the Garage's Young Musicians Development Programme, performing across Norfolk. She came to the Garage because she wanted to develop her skills, meet other musicians and learn more about becoming an artist. She has particularly enjoyed performing with dancers and has learnt lots from them including how to be more confident and be in character.

"The Garage is a fun, friendly environment – somewhere you can meet other people interested in the same things as you, learn new skills and have new opportunities"

Dano says that the Garage's tutors have helped her to improve her vocal range, be more confident and take every opportunity given to her. They love working with her because she's always willing to try something new and to go outside her comfort zone. She is fantastic to watch because she really loses herself in the music and has great stage presence.

Dano wants to carry on taking part in Garage projects, performing in bigger and better shows and is also about to start an undergraduate course at Access to Music. Ultimately she wants to become a professional singer songwriter and producer.

