The WI, proud supporters of Thank You Day in 2023

/Together is one of the biggest and most diverse coalitions ever assembled in the UK; chaired by the Archbishop of Canterbury and including a broad range of national organisations and individuals, from the NHS and ITV to the Scouts, Guides, the NFWI, the Football Association, the coalition is dedicated to bridging divides in our country, and building communities that are kinder, closer, and more connected. **'Thank You Day'** is the flagship campaign of the /Together Coalition. It is an annual day dedicated to bringing communities together, across divides and to foster meaningful ongoing connections and in 2022, more than 8.7 million people took part around the country.

Saying Thank You with Music This year music will play a central role in Thank You Day and so /Together have teamed up with the Music for Dementia campaign to say a great big musical thank you – to the UK's unseen – and unsung – army of carers, who provide tireless friendship and care to loved ones with dementia, so they can stay in their own homes, and live as well as they can in their communities. If anyone deserves a genuine heartfelt thank you – they do.

How can WI's get involved? WIs are invited to say thank you through music and take part in a big national sing-along on Sunday 2 July 2023. Here's a couple of ideas to get you thinking…

- Are you a member of a WI or local choir? Come together and perform the Thank You Day song at care homes, community centres, local supermarkets and any other appropriate venue or event.
- Like the element of surprise? Organise a flash mob – break out into song when its least expected and surprise the public in town centres, supermarkets, pubs or cafes.
- Not keen on singing in public? Then why not hold a WI karaoke night, invite a music teacher to a WI meeting to learn the song together.
- Don't fancy singing at all? Create a short video content and thank your unsung heroes.
- Spread the word and share your musical enthusiasm with all by posting a recording of your WI singing using the hashtag #WIthankyou



Want to find out more? This year, the WI is proud to be supporting Thank You Day on Sunday 2 July 2023, and we are delighted to invite members to join us on Wednesday 10 May 2023 at 7pm for a 1hr session to find out more about how WIs can get involved on the day... and of course, to hear from Tony Christie himself!



Singing legend, Tony Christie, has joined with Music for Dementia and recently appeared on BBC Breakfast to announce he is re-recording ‘Thank You for Being a Friend’ by Andrew Gold as the Thank You Day anthem (the theme tune to ‘The Golden Girls’)

Tony says, *“I continue to tour as I’ve found music improves the symptoms associated with my dementia, so every time I go on stage and work it’s helping me. It’s important for me to stay positive and try not to let dementia affect my life but I still need some support. If anyone deserves a thank you it’s the UK’s unseen – and unsung – army of carers. This one is for them!”*

So don’t miss out, register now for free and let’s make this Thank You Day a truly memorable one.

Online Event : Thank You Day Event with Tony Christie (Free)

Further information & Zoom log in details will be included at the bottom of your confirmation email after you have registered.

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