



SFSS Email Group Instructions

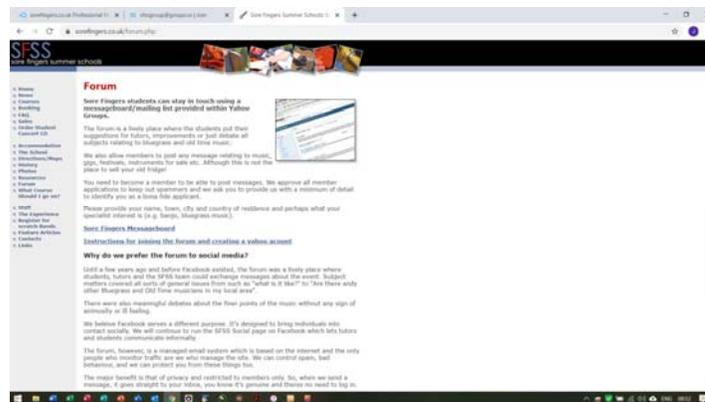
How to join

In most cases, the SFSS group moderators will send out an invite to anyone not registered and by accepting the invitation, you are automatically joined.

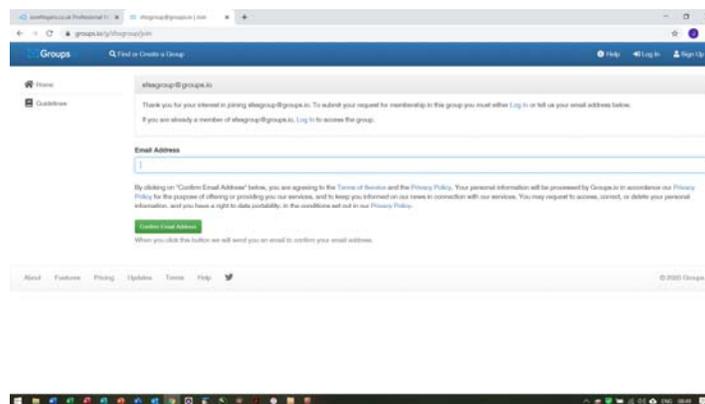
You can also join to group by following the instructions below:

Go to the Sore Fingers Website and open the "Email Group" page from the left hand menu or follow this link: <https://www.sorefingers.co.uk/emailgroup.php>.

This page will appear in your browser.

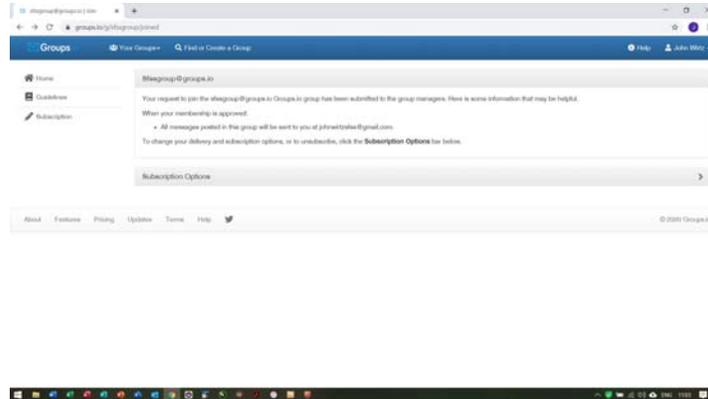


Click the "Join Sore Fingers Email Group" link to take you to the group joining form as shown below.



In the "email address" box, enter your email address and click the green button "confirm your email address"

The system will display the following message:



Wait for your membership approval message. You can then edit your account profile, add your location for example or add a photo and signature if you wish to.

You will then receive three messages:

- Confirmation your application has been approved
- A welcome message
- The email Group guidelines (i.e. do's and don'ts?). Please read these before your start posting.

And that's it!

The site is absolutely private and only accessible to registered members. The group is operated by "groups.io" and is independent company. They charge SFSS for their services so we can be sure their motivation isn't to harvest people's personal data.

- The group cannot be found by searching, neither is it listed in the Groups.io. directory.
- You will not see distracting adverts appear on the site.
- Only registered members can post and see messages or site content.
- You are only required to provide your name and email address.
- You use your own email address and messages are sent direct to your inbox.
- You can leave the group at anytime.
- You have options on how to receive messages.

The group is moderated by John and Moira Wirtz and you can contact them by sending an email to this address: sfssgroup+owner@groups.io.



To post, just send a message to sfssgroup@groups.io and you are done, it's that simple. Make sure "sfssgroup@groups.io" is in your safe list of emails to prevent messages being filtered into your spam folder.

You can visit the group online, start reading messages and posting them by going to the group website and login in using your email address and password (if you haven't selected a password, the system will prompt you to): <https://groups.io/g/sfssgroup>.

Setting your Preferences

Go to <https://groups.io/g/sfssgroup> and log on using your email, On your first visit, you will be prompted to enter a password and you should do so and memorise it.

Edit your group profile

Click on the "group Profile" button and you will be offered some options to add information about yourself.

Please note that any information is only visible to the moderators and not to the general membership. All are optional.

- You can add a photo,
- You can add a custom signature to appear at the foot of your messages
- You can add a biography or additional information such what instrument you play,
- Please add your general location, not your full address. Town, County/Region and Country is enough,
- Add a website link should if you wish.

Edit your group profile

Click on Membership to set your preferences for receiving group messages.

The recommended setting is "individual messages" to ensure you don't miss anything.

Note: **Email traffic:** SFSS has run an email group since 2001 and have experienced little trouble with spam, bad behaviour, etc. In terms of traffic, the volume of emails tends to increase in the build-up period preceding an event or at times when there might be a lively discussion about banjos. But for most of the time, it will be fairly quiet and will not flood your inbox with unwanted messages. Average annual email traffic is 175 messages approx.