

SongSight 2022 is the first annual mentoring retreat which will immerse blind and visually impaired attendees in the world of music. Over 3 days, attendees will take part in activities ranging from song writing workshops to musical instrument experimentation and the weekend's highlight activity - recording an original song which will be released online after the retreat.

This one-of-a-kind program will be an intimate experience with room for only 10 attendees, so each activity will not only be hands-on, but will allow participants to truly explore their potential and discover the life-changing power of music.

WEEKEND ACTIVITIES

Instrument experimentation, song writing sessions, music in the round, instrument focus, fireside chat and interaction with professional artists, guest lectures and performances from blind American Idol alum Scott MacIntyre and blind veteran producer Mark Dowdy, recording an original song for release, a trip to the world-renowned Musical Instrument Museum and more!

What's included for attendees:

- All activities mentioned above
 - Lunch and Dinner
 - Hotel accommodations
- Ground transportation to and from the hotel to the activity venue in Scottsdale, AZ

Only 10 people will be accepted into this year's retreat program.

How can those interested apply?

In mid-March 2022, registration will be available online. Registrants will fill in a simple questionnaire and upload a video explaining why they want to take part in SongSight 2022.

Selected applicants will be announced May 2022.

About the Founder, Scott MacIntyre:

From his early days as a classical concert pianist to capturing the hearts of millions of American Idol viewers with his engaging presence and vocal prowess, Scott MacIntyre has never let challenges keep him from achieving his dreams. Having performed with such notable acts as Michael W Smith, CeCe Winans, and Greater Vision, he has traveled the globe inspiring audiences with his music and story.



Blind from birth and a two-time kidney transplant recipient, Scott knows what it means to persevere despite seemingly insurmountable obstacles. He was first diagnosed with stage-four kidney failure at nineteen years old, and after becoming extremely ill, he began emergency dialysis. After a year on dialysis, his college piano teacher's wife donated her kidney to Scott and saved his life. It was less than a year later that he auditioned for American Idol. In June 2015, Scott underwent his second successful kidney transplant and has since made a full recovery. His incredible story is recounted in the documentary film, I Am Hope: Scott MacIntyre's Inspirational Transplant Journey.

As a dynamic communicator, Scott's keynote speeches have inspired corporations and nonprofits across many industries. In his autobiographical book By Faith, Not By Sight, he writes about how he learned to create opportunity, take risks, and turn his disability into possibility. His road to success was anything but easy, and he is living proof that with commitment, diligence, and humility, anything is possible.

Scott has appeared on Jimmy Kimmel Live, Regis and Kelly, the Today Show, Canada AM, Larry King Live, Huckabee, and many other programs. In 2010, Scott was honored by Dr. Robert and Arvella Schuller with the annual award for "promoting positive values in the media." In 2012, he partnered with Donate Life America and FOX to launch a national PSA for organ, eye, and tissue donation. He wrote a song for the PSA entitled "I Am Hope," and it quickly became a theme song for the transplant community. The song was released on Scott's 2014 album Lighthouse.