

A Child like Eleanor

For the past two years, The AMBER Trust has supported Eleanor and her brother, Joseph, who both have a rare eye condition, called Achromatopsia. This means that they cannot see colours, things appear blurry, and bright light is painful. But eleven-year-old Eleanor's world is completely immersed in music. Eleanor playing at a concert at the Hilton

She has an amazing musical ear and since finding music, her self-confidence has soared. Eleanor enjoys nothing more than to perform in front of an audience.

The AMBER Music Awards enable her to attend the Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama, where she studies the piano and clarinet and takes singing lessons. Eleanor is making great progress. Her father, Gareth, says that Eleanor "comes alive" in the atmosphere of the college. One of Eleanor's teachers says: "Eleanor is an absolute pleasure to teach - a positive, enthusiastic and interested student with clear potential".

How the Awards have helped

An AMBER Music Award has allowed Eleanor and her brother Joseph to access specialist music lessons and develop their passion and talent. Money donated to AMBER helps to pay for Eleanor's lessons and instruments. Through The AMBER Music Awards, children like her are given grants to continue their enthusiasm for music so that they can reach their full potential.

Eleanor and Joseph's father, Gareth "I cannot fully express my gratitude to The AMBER Trust for making it possible for my children to pursue their musical ambitions. It has truly changed their lives. Thanks to the Trust, Eleanor and Joseph now receive first-class tuition, and have a clear purpose and road ahead. Thank you again."