



## JAY STANSFIELD



### Founder of The Songwriting Company

**The singer/songwriter formed The Songwriting Company in 2018 to create a special way for people to be remembered in music.**

Now in the 25<sup>th</sup> year of his music career, **Jay Stanfield** is no stranger to generating new and exciting ideas. But after his grandmother passed away in 2014, he realised that he had nothing physical to remember her by. And that's why in 2018 he decided to start up **The Songwriting Company**, where he is commissioned to write songs by relatives who want a legacy for their loved ones after they're gone.

After being approached by Elizabeth Dee, she asked him to write a song in memory of her son, who had lost his life to meningitis and sepsis at the age of just 10. Thus, **A Song For Edward** was born. Written to raise awareness for both Edward's life, along with charities that support those battling these illnesses, it reached **Number 7 on the Amazon Music Chart**, as well as gaining backing from celebrities such as **Matt Lucas, Leigh Francis, and Fern Britton**.

It's currently the only company of its kind in the world. Jay says "My aim is to put music back into the hands of the people, and forge a new landscape of support, enjoyment and creativity for everyone involved."

Previously a founding member of tRANSELEMENT, a band that **John Peel** described as "one of the most important and undiscovered bands of the Manchester music scene's history", Jay also received rave reviews for his self-released album 'Birth And Death' in 2015, as well as being a member of All Hail Hyena, whose track 'Stranger's Song' was championed by Tom Robinson on **BBC 6 Music**. The band were also named as one of **Louder Than War's** Ones To Watch in 2017.

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