

BBC TEN PIECES

BBC Ten Pieces Coaching Scheme

The BBC Orchestras and Choirs are offering free coaching from our professional musicians for 7-18 year olds across the UK.

Who is the scheme for?

Schools and organisations working with young musicians aged 7-18 years old looking to improve their musical experience and performance skills by working with professional BBC musicians.

We are inviting expressions of interest from schools and organisations in England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland including Ten Pieces Champions, Music Hubs, Music Services, NI Education Authority, or any other organisation working with young musicians.

What we can offer you?

The BBC employs over 300 musicians in its Orchestras and Choirs and a further 80 in our partner group in Northern Ireland, Ulster Orchestra. Beyond world-class performers we also have music educators, leaders and conductors with a range of skills and talent. Through this scheme our musicians will share their knowledge and expertise with aspiring young performers nationwide. Coaching can be based on any of the repertoire from Ten Pieces I, II, III and the new Ten Pieces repertoire to be announced in March 2019.

We encourage applications from all schools including special schools.

Through the scheme there are 5 different options we can offer:

BBC Orchestras Coaching

- **Instrumental Coaching** – Is your ensemble playing or planning to play any of the Ten Pieces? BBC Musicians can visit your orchestra, band or whole class instrumental group and offer coaching and support to help develop their confidence and performing skills and offer an inspiring experience working with professional musicians. Coaching will be given on any of the Ten Pieces repertoire. This can be either a half or whole day workshop working with one or multiple ensembles.
- **Ten Pieces Creative Workshop** – Do you think your students would like to create something new? BBC Musicians can work with young people of any age and musical experience to create new music inspired by one (or more!) of the Ten Pieces. This can be a half or whole day workshop for up to two classes.

BBC Singers Coaching

- **Build a performance in a day** – A one-off workshop with members of the BBC Singers, suitable for singers of all abilities, including beginners. Explore one of the Ten Pieces and create an informal performance to share with the rest of the school or another group at the end of the day.
- **Vocal Coaching** – Explore different singing techniques brought to you by Ten Pieces to develop singing in your classroom or with your school/youth choir. Members of the BBC Singers will offer coaching and support to help develop their confidence, vocal technique and performing skills and offer an inspiring experience working with professional musicians. This opportunity is offered to choirs of all sizes and abilities and can be either a half or whole day workshop.

BBC Orchestras and/or Singers

- **Bespoke Workshop** - Do none of the options above fit what you need? Do you have another idea about how the BBC Musicians might be able to have an impact with your young people? If so we would love to know! In special circumstances we can offer bespoke workshops. Please note we can only deliver a limited number of bespoke workshops that work within our scheduling and budgetary constraints and for which we have the expertise.

There are free multi-ability arrangements of Ten Pieces I, II and III repertoire available at bbc.co.uk/tenpieces. Arrangements for the fourth set of Ten Pieces to be announced in March 2019 will be available from August 2019.

Please note the offer will be subject to scheduling and resource restrictions.

How to apply

Please complete the Expression of Interest Form and submit to tenpieces@bbc.co.uk by **Friday 15 February 2019** with 'BBC Ten Pieces Coaching Scheme Form' in the subject line. Please read the eligibility criteria below before completing the form. The form must be completed by the organisation/school undertaking the musical activity.

Eligibility criteria

- The activity takes place between February and July 2020
- The activity involves young people aged 7-18 years old (however provision may be offered to groups with wider age ranges that also include this age group)
- Groups must be able to provide appropriate adult supervision (DBS checked staff) for young people throughout the activity (BBC musicians and staff must not be placed in a position of responsibility for any young people and therefore are not subject to disclosures through DBS, Disclosure Scotland or AccessNI)

Selection process

In our selection we will consider the following:

- A geographical spread of opportunity across the UK
- Variety of activity and repertoire delivered across the UK
- How much access to professional ensembles you currently have
- Your anticipated impact and legacy of the visit from BBC musicians

Expressions of interest will be reviewed and selected by:

- Learning Managers from the BBC Orchestras and Choirs
- BBC Ten Pieces Manager and Co-ordinator
- Representatives from Arts Council of Wales, Arts Council England, Arts Council Northern Ireland and Creative Scotland

Successful applicants will be notified in the week of the **18 March 2019**.

Between the **18 March** and the **29 March** successful applications will be contacted by a member of the BBC Learning teams by phone for a short conversation to plan the detail, logistics, and timing of the activity, and talk about what support that the BBC requires. You will need to provide details of how we can contact you.

If selected – you will be sent a range of possible dates when your visit could happen. You will be required to let us know during your phone conversation as many dates as possible that work for you. We will do all we can to find a date that works for both you and the orchestra.

About the BBC Orchestras and Choirs and Ulster Orchestra

The BBC's Orchestras and Choirs each play a unique role in British cultural life. Based in Cardiff, Glasgow, London and Salford, the BBC National Orchestra and Chorus of Wales, BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra, BBC Symphony Orchestra and Chorus, BBC Concert Orchestra, BBC Singers and the BBC Philharmonic, reach an audience of millions with their wide-ranging and distinctive programming.

The Orchestras and Choirs organise more than 200 learning and outreach projects across the country, bringing music to tens of thousands of people of all ages across the UK. They are an integral part of the BBC's Ten Pieces, an initiative designed to encourage children to get creative with classical music.

The BBC Orchestras and Choirs are pleased to be working with Ulster Orchestra as a delivery partner for the BBC Ten Pieces Coaching Scheme in Northern Ireland. The Ulster Orchestra is one of Europe's foremost symphony orchestras and a treasure of Northern Irish culture. The main concert season takes place from September to May and offers a rich and varied programme, ranging from lunchtime shows and live film score performances to beautiful classical concerts, all attracting a plethora of world-class guest soloists and conductors. In addition, the Orchestra tours extensively around Northern Ireland, bringing its world-class musicians to the whole community and undertakes a wide variety of education and outreach work.

Contacts

If you have any questions about the scheme or would like to discuss how our musicians can support your activities before submitting your Expression of Interest Form please contact Chloe Shrimpton (BBC Ten Pieces Project Manager)

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