



MUSIC PERFORMANCE

BTEC Music Performance allows you to develop practical and industry skills whilst also improving your music theory. The BTEC course is equivalent to one full A Level. This course is designed for those who are looking at performance only routes into music and would work well paired with Music Production and/or A Level Music.

Specific course entry requirements

College entry, plus any ONE of the following:

- GCSE Music (minimum grade 4)
- Grade 5 in an instrument
- Grade 5 in music theory
- Related experience of music inside or outside of school
- By audition

Introduction

Music Performance will provide many performance opportunities. Paired with other music subjects, you will gain access to music theory, music production, and music technology skills essential for a full career in music.

As part of the course, you will have the opportunity to perform both as a soloist and as part of an ensemble in a variety of situations. If you enjoy performing and want to focus on the more contemporary and popular side of music and performance – this is the course for you.

How will I be assessed?

You will be assessed through external and internal vocational and academic assessments. Just over 30% of the course will be externally assessed, 70% internally assessed.

Assessment may include performances, rehearsals, community projects, research presentations, or written reports.

What will I study?

On the Music Performance course, you will study four units:

- Session Styles
- Ensemble Performance
- Professional Practice in the Music Industry
- Practical Music and Theory

The course offers students the chance to focus on their performance skills as a starting point for their further musical study. The course particularly appeals to students with popular contemporary musical interests. Students perform in a variety of situations across the two years on the course. To study the BTEC course at St John Rigby College, you must be a confident performer with a desire to perform in front of others.

Where will this course lead me?

Due to the transferable skills that music offers, this course is likely to lead to a performance-based university course, such as those offered by BIMM, Leeds, or Salford.