

## Brent Music Academy - Student Referral Form

Thank you for your interest in making a referral to the Brent Music Academy Pilot Programme running May-July 2022. We wish to identify students who are already excelling or have the POTENTIAL to excel at music and related industry skills. We will provide a supported, professional learning environment for these students to realise their potential and accelerate their musical development.

There are two pathways available on the Academy scheme:

**Performance Pathway** - creative, collaborative, cross-genre opportunities for young people interested in playing or singing on any instrument or voice type, including electronic instruments.

**Industry Pathway** - this pathway will cater for young people interested in gaining experience of music business, administration or production - from audio engineering to event management, promotion and beyond.

As a music, education or youth professional, your observations form an important part of the assessment for Brent Music Academy (BMA) places. Those students matching the referral criteria will be invited to participate in a workshop to be assessed by BMA staff before a final decision to accept is taken. **NB:** This form is only to be completed by a music, education or youth professional with knowledge of the named young person. We are not accepting referrals directly from parents or young people at this time. If you are a parent or young person, please speak to a trusted adult professional at school or in a community group and ask them to complete the form for you.

BMA is not a replacement for a young person's current musical learning provision. Young people accepted onto the programme are expected to continue lessons with their current teachers and continue to participate in any school/borough/community music groups of which they are currently a member.

We aim to work with young people from a range of backgrounds and experiences, and recognise that different skills are required to be successful at different aspects of the music industry and Academy programme. Please answer the following questions as fully as possible, but don't worry if some questions are not specifically relevant to the interests or experiences of the specific young person.



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### Initial Details

\* 1. Name of professional making this referral

\* 2. Email of referring professional

\* 3. Role of professional and relationship to young person being referred

4. Telephone number

\* 5. Name of Young Person

6. School

\* 7. Age or Year Group

8. Does this young person have any known additional needs?

\* 9. Name of Parent/Carer

**NB:** Professionals are required to gain consent from a parent/carer before supplying the following details.

\* 10. Email of parent/carer

11. Phone Number of Parent/Carer

\* 12. Desired Pathway

**(NB:** If your young person is interested in both pathways, please complete the form twice, selecting one pathway each time.)

Performance Pathway

Industry Pathway

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### **Performance Pathway**

We are looking for passionate young people excelling or with POTENTIAL to excel in music, performing and/or creating music on any instrument or voice type, including those using electronics to create beats, etc.

We do NOT expect all young people to already be playing/learning instruments or demonstrating all characteristics listed below, but expect that young people will display aptitude and potential in most relevant areas.

13. If learning already, principal instrument (including voice)

14. Grade or equivalent standard achieved (if relevant)

15. Any additional instruments played and standard achieved

16. Current membership of any music groups, bands, choirs, orchestras etc.

\* 17. Please consider the following qualities typical of Brent Music Academy students, and provide a detailed description of the young person you wish to refer. We do NOT expect young people to demonstrate all characteristics. Please also include any additional qualities or skills you believe the young person demonstrates that you find relevant to their musical potential.

### **General Characteristics**

- Shows enthusiasm for music and music-making
- Responds joyfully and emotionally to music
- Displays exceptional concentration/motivation
- Grasps new concepts quickly and applies knowledge to new contexts with ease
- Shows persistence and perseverance in tasks
- Takes time to think when presented with new ideas or challenges
- Works independently and uses initiative
- Asks questions and is curious
- Accepts feedback and uses it to improve
- Has a vivid creative imagination
- Seeks additional learning opportunities in and/or out of school

### **Musical Characteristics**

- Can move to the beat accurately and confidently
- Can maintain a steady pulse
- Waits for the appropriate moment to begin singing/playing
- Can match pitch accurately in voice or on instrument (sing or play in tune)
- Can replicate melodic/rhythmic phrases accurately (age/standard appropriate)
- Responds to dynamics
- Can confidently maintain an independent part in a group
- One of the strongest in a group
- Responds to music with great sensitivity
- Performs with energy and intensity
- Can communicate feelings in performance
- Improvises spontaneously
- Seeks out opportunities to invent
- Can play/sing easily and confidently by ear
- Creates sound in original ways

This young person should be achieving well above the usual expectation for their age/stage.

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### **Industry Pathway**

We are looking for passionate young people excelling or with POTENTIAL to excel in

music industry skills. We do NOT expect all young people to have extensive experience of their relevant industry interest or characteristics laid out below, but expect young people to demonstrate passion and commitment to learning and practicing new skills in a professional environment.

18. What area(s) of the music industry is/are of interest to the young person?

- Production (including audio engineering, mixing/mastering, etc.)
- Business (including marketing/promotion, talent identification, copyright, etc.)
- Administration (including event management, programming, tour scheduling, etc.)

Please give more information if available

19. What, if any, experience does the young person have in relevant fields?

\* 20. Considering the following general characteristics typical of a Brent Music Academy student, please provide a description of the young person you wish to refer. We do NOT expect young people to demonstrate all characteristics. Please also include any additional skills, characteristics or experiences you believe are relevant.

**General Characteristics**

Shows enthusiasm for one or more aspects of the music industry

Shows persistence and perseverance in tasks

Asks questions and is curious

Demonstrates interest in gaining hands-on, practical experience of new skills

Driven to develop self-guided learning with professional support  
Displays exceptional concentration/motivation

Takes time to think when presented with new ideas or challenges

Works independently and uses initiative

Accepts feedback and uses it to improve

Has a vivid creative imagination

Seeks additional learning opportunities in and/or out of school

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Thank you for the details of the young person you wish to refer. To submit your referral, please confirm you accept the following data processing conditions below.

\* 21. Upon clicking 'Submit' below, the details in this form will be submitted to and held by the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra (RPO).

In order to process your referral, the RPO will share the data from this referral form with the Brent Music Academy Lead Tutors and Administrator, as well as relevant members of the Brent Music Academy Steering Group. We will only use this data to process your referral and, if successful, to contact you and/or the young person referred regarding the new music academy in Brent. We will not pass on details to any other third parties or use them for marketing purposes.

For more information on how we will hold and analyse your data, please read the RPO privacy and data statement here: <https://www.rpo.co.uk/privacy-statement>

I consent to the data in this form being submitted