

NYO Inspire 2022- Application Information



We are excited to announce that applications for NYO Inspire will remain open throughout the year to ensure as many musicians as possible are able to access NYO musical opportunities this year.

This is your chance to take your playing to the next level and get that breakthrough orchestral experience. At the heart of the programme is the power of peer inspiration and learning – we believe you can gain so much from openness, generosity and sharing with fellow teenage musicians.

NYO Inspire aims to accelerate learning in and through orchestral music for those musicians traditionally underrepresented in the orchestral music: musicians in state education, and musicians who are Black, Asian or ethnically diverse, playing at Grade 6+ standard.

Engaging with NYO Inspire brings you into the NYO community of like minded musicians, sharing music, ideas and spirit. You be invited to specific Inspire projects and invited to events for the whole community.

Who is this information sheet for?

- Musicians who are aged 13 to 18 on 1 September 2021 and...
- Who play at Grade 6 – 8 standard and...
- Who are a British citizen, or resident or studying in the United Kingdom and...
- Who are state-educated or home-schooled (or, if you are now at university, you need to have attended a state school or have been home schooled) OR...
- Musicians who are Black, Asian or ethnically diverse
- And... you are not studying full-time at a college of music, or on a joint course with a music college.

Projects

NYO Inspire 2022 will consist of a variety of digital and 'in person' activity to be held across the country when we are able to do so. All activity will enable you to work alongside NYO musicians and NYO tutors, focusing on instrumental learning, orchestral repertoire and much more! Every musician will experience a bespoke musical journey through the programme enabling you to develop and reach your full potential at whatever level. Some activity may include (but not limited to):

NYO Inspire Days are immersive one-day events of orchestral workshops and rehearsals and offer you a chance to play as a symphonic orchestra.

NYO Inspire Ensembles are 3-day residencies in orchestral family groups – Strings, Winds, Brass and Percussion – that explore challenging repertoire and ensemble playing techniques.

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NYO Inspire Digital are online residencies that offer you the chance to meet peers from across the country, learn from one another and make music together. This activity may be used in preparation for 'in person' projects. In addition, NYO Inspire Musicians will connect regularly with NYO Musicians through webinars, online creative projects and occasionally be invited to take part in NYO Digital activities.

Dates are unconfirmed for NYO Inspire 2022 activity, but we will update all NYO Inspire applicants when we are able to do so.

How much will it cost?

NYO Inspire activity is for teenage musicians who would benefit most from the opportunity, irrespective of individual means, which is why we fund places as a charity.

How to apply

We recommend that you complete the application form using a computer or laptop rather than on phones or tablets. Below are step-by-step instructions for your application.

Create your NYO online account

- Visit <https://musicians.nyo.org.uk>
- Click 'Musicians' Area' and then 'Register for an account'
- If you already have an account just sign in on the Musicians' Area
- If you have not taken part in NYO Inspire before, please select 'new applicant'

Completing the application

- You will need to work through the online forms from Step 1 to 5. Begin Step 1 by clicking on the red button labelled 'Start an application'
- The website will guide you through each step.
- Please note you will also need to provide a clear headshot photograph of yourself.
- To start answering questions in the section, you will have to click on the pencil sign on the top right corner of the section. This will reveal the relevant text boxes, dropdowns or tick boxes for each question.
- Make sure you save each section before you move on. You can come back to it at a later stage before submitting if needed.
- Once you completed all the sections, you must submit your application on the final step to be registered on our system.

Parent / Guardians

There are some questions that you may need your guardian to help you with, including household income. We ask this information so that we are able to statistically report back to the Arts Council and other high-level funders. The Arts Council and other funders will not be given any personal information. This information will not be used for any other purpose in NYO and will not be passed on to any other third party.

Can I apply for multiple sections?

If you would like to be considered on multiple instruments, you are able to let us know on Step 1 of the application. During project allocation we will assign people to their primary instrument first, and then revert to secondary instruments if there is specific availability to fill. Therefore, please

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put the instrument you are most competent on and would like to be initially considered on as your 'Primary Instrument' and the other as your 'Secondary Instrument'.

Your Musicians' Area on the NYO Website

We will always communicate via email. Messages will be sent to the email address that you set up your NYO account with. You will have the option to add your primary parent or guardian's email address to the email notifications when you complete your application. Please check your junk mail folder if you haven't received anything before contacting us with any issues.

Contacts

If you have any questions, please email the team at inspire@nyo.org.uk