Fast-track route

You can join the ISM through the fast-track route if you satisfy one or more of the criteria below.

- You are booked or employed to play for an orchestra or are part of a professional freelance group or ensemble, musical theatre company or opera group on our fast-track list
- You are booked by any choir or chorus on our fast-track list
- You are currently represented by a management company which is a member of IAMA (International Artist Managers’ Association)
- You have a recording contract with a label which is a member of AIM (The Association of Independent Music) or the BPI (British Phonographic Industry)
- You are a member of the music teaching staff at a higher education institution which offers a degree or equivalent with music as a significant component or you work in a specialist music school
- Your compositions are published by a company which is a member of the MPA (Music Publishers Association)
- You are or have been part of a young or emerging artist scheme on our fast-track list
- You have won or been nominated for a recognised award on our fast-track list
- You have won funding from a major arts funding body on our fast-track list

Please provide the name of the relevant ensemble, funding body, award, artist management company, young or emerging artist scheme, record label, higher education institution or publisher when completing the application form.

Fast track list

Academic staff
You are a member of the music teaching staff at a higher education institution which offers a degree or equivalent with music as a significant component or you work in a specialist music school.

Awards
You have won or been nominated for one or more of the awards below.

- BBC Cardiff Singer of the World competition
- BBC Young Jazz Musician (over 18)
- BBC Young Musician of the Year (over 18)
- BCU The Alfred Corfield Trumpet Prize
- BCU The Ambache Prize for the Performance of Music by Women Composers
- BCU The Andrew Downes Performance Prize
- BCU The Ashleyan Opera Prize
- BCU The Bernard Brown Brass Ensemble Prize
- BCU The Beryl Chempin Beethoven Prize for Pianists
- BCU The Birmingham Philharmonic Orchestra Concerto Prize
- BCU The Cecil Drew Oratorio Prize
- BCU The Doris Newton Music Club Prize
- BCU The Philip Bates Composition Prize
- BCU The Renna Kellaway Piano Prize
- BCU The Tony Levin Drum Prize
- Birmingham Conservatoire Student Awards
- Brit Awards
- British Jazz Award
- Bruce Millar Gulliviar Singing Prize
- Classic Brits
- Clonter Opera Prize
- D Afan Thomas Memorial Award for Music
- Dankworth Prize for Jazz Composition
- Daryl Runswick Composition Prize
- – Trinity Laban
- Deutsche Bank Award in Music with RAM
- Gramophone Artist of the Year
- GSMD Chairman’s Prize
- GSMD Gold Medal
- GSMD Lord Mayoress’ Prize
- GSMD Principal’s Prize
- GSMD Sheriff’s Prize
- GSMD The Guildhall Wigmore Recital Prize
- GSMD The Ivan Sutton Award
- GSMD The Susan Longfield Prize
- Humph Trust Hump Award (in partnership with RAM Jazz Department)
- Ivor Novello Awards
- Jazz Lifetime Achievement Silver Medal
- John Christie Award to a singer at Glyndebourne
- Kathleen Ferrier Award
- Leeds International Pianoforte Competition
- Mercury Prize
- MOBO Awards
- MTV Europe Music Awards
- New Music Scotland Awards
- RAM Patrons’ Award
- RAM Richard Lewis/Jean Shanks Award
- RCM Chappell Medal competition
- RCM Joseph Horovitz Prize
- RCM President’s Award
- RCM Tagore Gold Medal
- RCM The Queen Mother Rosebowl
- RCS Bach Prize for Harpsichord, Piano and Organ
- RCS Dunbar- Gerber Prize for Chamber Music
- RCS Governors’ Recital Prize Brass
- RCS Governors’ Recital Prize for Percussion
- RCS Governors’ Recital Prize for Singing
- RCS Governors’ Recital Prize Strings
- RCS Hilda Bailey Prize for Violin
- RCS Hugh S Robertson Scots Song Prizes
- RCS Jock Holden Memorial Mozart Prize
- RCS Lamond Prize
- RCS Mabel Glover String Quartet Prize
- RCS Norma Greig French Song Prize
- RCS The Elgar Spedding Memorial Lieder Prize
- RCS Tony and Tania Webster Prize for Voice
- RCS Walcer Prize
- Richard Lewis Award Singing Competition (RAM PGs)
- RNCM Chopin Prize
- RNCM Christopher Rowland RNCM Chamber Ensemble of the Year Award
- RNCM Elizabeth Harwood Memorial Award for Singers
- RNCM Hirsch Prize
- RNCM James Mottram International Piano Competition
- RNCM Joyce and Michael Kennedy Award for the Singing of Strauss
- RNCM Raphael Sommer Prize For Cello
- RNCM Schubert Prize
- RNCM Sir John Barbirolli Cello Prize
- RNCM The Helen Porthouse Paganini Prize
- RNCM Viola Prize
- RNCM Weil Prize
- Royal Academy of Music Bach Prize
- Royal Over-Seas League Music Competition
- RPS Awards
- RPS/ABO Salomon Prize
- RWCMD Ian Snitker Prize
- RWCMD Mansel Thomas prize
- Songlines Music Awards
Awards (continued)
The British Composer Awards  
The Queen’s Medal for Music  
Trinity Laban Gold Medal  
Urban Music Awards  
Wigmore Hall International String Quartet Competition  
Wigmore Hall/Kohn Foundation International Song Competition  
The Walter Willson Cobbett Medal for services to Chamber Music (with WCOM)  
Worshipful Company of Musicians – Collard Life Fellowship  
Worshipful Company of Musicians Awards (over 18)  
Worshipful Company of Musicians  
The Busenhart Morgan Evans Award  
Worshipful Company of Musicians  
The Prince’s Prize

Funded
You have received funding for a music project through one of the following bodies.

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Managed
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Published
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Signed
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Professional orchestras
You are or have been employed or engaged by one or more of the following orchestras.

- Academy of Ancient Music
- Academy of St Martins in the Fields
- BBC Concert Orchestra
- BBC National Orchestra of Wales
- BBC Philharmonic Orchestra
- BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra
- BBC Symphony Orchestra
- Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra
- Brighton Philharmonic Orchestra
- Britten Sinfonia
- City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra
- City of London Sinfonia
- English Baroque Soloists, Monteverdi Choir & Orchestra
- English Chamber Orchestra
- English Classical Players
- English Concert
- English National Ballet Orchestra
- English National Opera Orchestra
- English Sinfonia
- Ensemble Cymru
- Garsington Opera Orchestra
- Glyndebourne on Tour Orchestra
- Grange Park Opera Orchestra
- Garsington Opera Orchestra
- Hallé Orchestra
- Lancashire Sinfonietta
- London Handel Orchestra
- London Mozart Players
- London Philharmonic Orchestra
- London Sinfonietta
- London Symphony Orchestra
- Milton Keynes City Orchestra
- National Opera Studio Orchestra
- New London Orchestra
- New Queen’s Hall Orchestra
- Northern Chamber Orchestra
- Northern Sinfonia
- Opera North Orchestra
- Orchestra of St John’s
- Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment
- Orchestra of the Sixteen
- Oxford Philomusica
- Philharmonia
- Royal Ballet Sinfonia
- Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra
- Royal Opera House Orchestra
- Royal Philharmonic Orchestra and Royal Philharmonic Concert
- Royal Scottish National Orchestra
- Scottish Ballet Orchestra
- Scottish Chamber Orchestra
- Scottish Ensemble
- Scottish Opera Orchestra
- The Sixteen Orchestra
- Sinfonia Verdi
- Southbank Sinfonia
- Ulster Orchestra
- Welsh National Opera Orchestra
- Welsh Sinfonia
You are or have been employed or engaged by one or more of the following choirs or choruses.

**Professional/cathedral choirs and opera choruses**

- Bath Abbey Cathedral Choir
- Durham Cathedral Choir
- Birmingham Cathedral Choir
- Blackburn Cathedral Choir
- Bradford Cathedral Choir
- Bristol Cathedral Choir
- British Youth Opera
- Canterbury Cathedral Choir
- Cardiff Metropolitan Cathedral Choir
- Carlisle Cathedral Choir
- Chelmsford Cathedral Choir
- Choir of St George's Chapel
- Choir of the Chapel Royal
- Chorus of Opera North
- Chorus of Welsh National Opera
- Christ Church Oxford Cathedral Choir
- Coventry Cathedral Choir
- Derby Cathedral Choir
- Ely Cathedral Choir
- English National Opera Chorus
- English Touring Opera
- Exeter Cathedral Choir
- Gloucester Cathedral Choir
- Glyndebourne Chorus
- Guildford Cathedral Choir
- Hereford Cathedral
- Leicester Cathedral Choir
- Lichfield Cathedral Choir
- Lincoln Cathedral Choir
- Liverpool Cathedral Choir
- London Pro Arte
- Manchester Cathedral Choir
- Newcastle Cathedral (St Nicholas)
- Norwich Cathedral
- Peterborough Cathedral
- Portsmouth Cathedral Choir
- Ripon Cathedral Choir
- Rochester Cathedral Choir
- Royal Opera House Chorus
- Salisbury Cathedral Choir
- Sheffield Cathedral Choir
- Southwark Cathedral Choir
- St Edmundsbury Cathedral Choir
- St Mary's Cathedral Choir Edinburgh
- St Mary's Cathedral Choir Glasgow
- St Paul's Cathedral Choir
- Tallis Scholars
- The Sixteen
- Truro Cathedral Choir
- Wakefield Cathedral Choir
- Wells Cathedral
- Westminster Abbey Choir
- York Minster Cathedral Choir

**Military bands**

You are or have been employed or engaged by one or more of the following military bands.

- Band and Bugles of The Rifles
- Band of Her Majesty’s Royal Marines CTCRM
- Band of HM Royal Marines Collingwood
- Band of HM Royal Marines Plymouth
- Band of HM Royal Marines Portsmouth
- Band of HM Royal Marines Scotland
- Band of The Adjutant General’s Corps
- Band of The Army Air Corps
- Band of The Blues and Royals
- Band of The Brigade of Gurkhas
- Band of the Coldstream Guards
- Band of the Corps of Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers
- Band of the Corps of Royal Engineers
- Band of the Grenadier Guards
- Band of the Irish Guards
- Band of The King’s Division
- Band of the Life Guards
- Band of The Parachute Regiment
- Band of The Prince of Wales’s Division
- Band of The Royal Air Force College
- Band of the Royal Air Force Regiment
- Band of the Royal Corps of Signals
- Band of The Royal Regiment of Scotland
- Band of the Scots Guards
- Band of the Welsh Guards
- Central Band of the Royal Air Force
- Heavy Cavalry and Cambrai Band
- Light Cavalry Band
- Minden Band of The Queen’s Division
- Royal Air Force Squadronaires
- Royal Artillery Band
- Royal Logistic Corps Band

**Young or emerging artist schemes**

You are or have been part of one or more of the following schemes.

- BBC Introducing
- Live Music Now!
- City Music Foundation
- Concordia Foundation
- Jette Parker Young Artists Scheme
- Music in the Castle New Generation Artists
- Park Lane Group
- RPS Philip Langridge Mentoring Scheme
- RPS Wigmore Hall Apprentice Composer Scheme
- RPS Young Musicians Programme
- Southbank Sinfonia
- The Genesis Sixteen scheme
- Women Conductors (with RPS)
- Young Concert Artists Trust