



Introduction

The music industry is full of talented people, but a career in music is about more than just talent and dedication- you will need strong business, theatrical and practical skills.

At Kirklees College our courses support students to plan a career in the music industry as a performer or technician through studying music performance or music technology and production.

Students studying with us have the opportunity to learn in our three rehearsal rooms, performance spaces, have access to Mac Suites and four recording studios complete with a range of instruments and professional equipment. The recording studios use DAW and Logic software. Lessons and music production sessions are taught in Mac suites fitted with individual audio interfaces, MIDI keyboards and KRK monitors. Rehearsal sessions taught in practice rooms, live stage and recording studios.

Our Music team have links within the local industry to support students in gaining performance opportunities at local venues in Huddersfield. Students also do live sound for college shows and all students get involved in arranging gigs and events as part of the course.

Learners from our courses predominantly progress to higher education at their first choice university or successfully gain employment.

Alumni include Justin Hawkins from "The Darkness".

Music Competitions

Welcome to the Kirklees College Music Competition booklet. This year we are offering students in Years 9, 10 and 11 the opportunity to take part in the following competitions

- Battle of the Bands (must already be part of a band at school)
- Music track in a day (individual competition)

Please read through this booklet as it will provide you will all the details you need to take part in competitions.

We look forward to your entries.



Scan here to watch a video about our music department

Battle of the Bands

Competition description:

We are looking for bands to take part in Kirklees Colleges Battle of the Bands competition. The competition is open to surrounding schools with established school bands and is designed to provide an exciting opportunity for finalists to perform in a high quality environment with a full PA stage and lighting rig. Your task is to prepare a set to perform in front of a judging panel.

Band requirements:

Participants must already be in a band consisting of no more than 6 band members.

It is recommended, but not essential that your band members play the following roles:

- vocalists
- keyboard players
- drummer
- guitarists
- players of other instruments
- bassis

Panel:

Please bring your music teacher with you to form part of our judging panel if you are shortlisted.

You may perform:

Duration: 20 minutes performance, you are encouraged to bring your own musical instruments if you play something not listed below.

Your band will be given access to:

- keyboard
- electric guitars
- bass guitar
- drum kit
- bass and guitar amps



How to enter:

Please register your interest to let us know that you are interested in taking part. Send a three track demo no longer than 15 minutes via email with the entry form to sturec@kirkleescollege.ac.uk. Shortlisted bands will be contacted via email and invited into college for the final.

Guidelines and band rules:

- This competition is open to students in Years 9 to 11
- Participants must already be in a band consisting of no more than 6 band
- Bands must express interest in taking part by emailing sturec@kirkleescollege.
- Bands must submit a three track demo to sturec@kirkleescollege.ac.uk by Wednesday 1 March 2023
- Demo tracks must be submitted as mp3 or wav file format for finalist shortlisting
- Each band's set must fill 20 minutes but must not exceed 30 minutes at the final
- Songs can be the bands own material or covers
- You are only allowed ONE submission, which must include your 3 track demo
- The judging panel will be made up of college staff and a music teacher from each school
- Judges will select the winning band that they think gives the best performance at the final on 28 April. Judge's decision is final.
 - Winning band: £120 high street vouchers for the winning band to share and a trophy for each of the band members
 - Runner up band: x1 Trophy for the band
- Please note that video footage from the final can and may be used by Kirklees College on social media and for college marketing purposes.

Deadline for entries: Wednesday 1 March 2023 at 12pm

> **Finalists shortlisted:** Monday 13 March 2023

> > Final:

Friday 28 April 2023, 10am - 3pm at Kirklees College, Huddersfield Centre



BATTLE OF THE BANDS ENTRY FORM

SCH00L	
BAND NAME	
GENRE	

MUSIC TEACHER CONTACT

NAME	
PHONE NUMBER	
EMAIL	

STUDENT INFORMATION

NAME	DATE OF BIRTH	YEAR GROUP	NOTES

Please note we may take photographs and video footage of students during the final for college marketing purposes. We may publish your student's name and school in the marketing materials. Please tick all areas you are happy for your students to feature in:

Marketing type	Permission to use photos and videos with name and school	Permission to use photos and videos but not name and school	Cannot use photos and videos
College publications			
Social media			
Website			

Stay Informed

From time to time the Kirklees College student recruitment team would like to share upcoming events, promotions, progression opportunities and updates with you. If you want to stay informed about what's happening at Kirklees College, please select from the communications options listed below:

Yes, I would like to hear from Kirklees College via: Post

Text

No. I do not want to receive communications

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Music track in a day

Competition description:

Challenge yourself to produce a track in a day using your own resources to create the demo. You could source your own backing track on U-tube (copy right free) or use one of your own backing tracks.

Feel free to experiment with different genres and styles. You can get creative with atmospheric effects and vocals.

What do you have to do?

Please register your interest to let us know that you are interested in taking part. Your task is to create a 1 track demo to showcase your production skills. Send your track via email with the entry form to sturec@kirkleescollege.ac.uk.

Duration:

You must aim to limit your track to 4 minutes (maximum) and use either traditional and/or digital audio software techniques.

Panel:

Please bring your music teacher with you to form part of our judging panel if shortlisted.

Guidelines and music track rules:

- This competition is open to students in Years 9 to 11
- You must express interest in taking part by emailing **sturec@kirkleescollege.ac.uk**
- You must submit one track demo of a minimum of 2 minutes to sturec@ kirkleescollege.ac.uk by Friday 31 March 2023 @12pm. Demo tracks must be submitted as a mp3 or way file format for shortlisting
- You can use either traditional and/or digital audio software techniques
- You are only allowed ONE submission, which must include your 1 track demo
- The judging panel will be made up of college staff, school music teachers and our current Level 3 music students

- Judges will select the winning music track they think best meets the brief. Judge's decision is final.
 - Winner: £50 high street vouchers and a copy of the winning track created at the final
 - Runner up: £30 high street vouchers and copy of the track created at the final
- Please note that video footage from the final can and may be used by Kirklees College on social media and for college marketing purposes.

Deadline for entries: Friday 31 March 2023 at 12pm

Finalists shortlisted: Monday 17 April 2023

Final: Thursday 11 May 2023, 9.30am - 12.30pm at Kirklees College, Huddersfield Centre





MUSIC TRACK IN A DAY ENTRY FORM

NAME:			DATE OF BIRTH:				
ADDRESS LINE 1:							
ADDRESS LINE 2:							
TOWN/CITY:			POSTCODE:				
CONTACT EMAIL:			CONTACT NUMBER:				
EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBER:			EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME:				
SCHOOL:			YEAR GROUP:				
MUSIC TEACHER CONTACT:							
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