

JOB DESCRIPTION NYOS AMBASSADORS

The National Youth Orchestras of Scotland (NYOS) is seeking to appoint 7 part-time Jazz Project Ambassadors and 12 part-time Course Ambassadors to support the delivery of our outreach work in local authority schools in Glasgow and gain in-person learning opportunities throughout the NYOS 2022 year at our residential courses.

These are entry-level positions for candidates aged up to, and including, 25 years old. All successful applicants will be paid to attend training sessions before commencing work.

Roles:

NYOS recognises the challenges many young people face in building a career in the music industry, and the need for paid work experience and training opportunities. We have created 19 Ambassador roles to provide a structured programme of training and work experience suitable for young people aged up to, and including, 25 years old.

These roles are best suited to recent music graduates, current music students or those with a strong foundation in music and ability to play an instrument to ABRSM Grade 8 standard or equivalent. If you are applying to become a member of NYOS yourself in 2022, you are still eligible to apply for this separate opportunity.

The Jazz Project Ambassadors will work with teachers and instrumental tutors in three local authority schools in Glasgow to deliver a 10-week programme of jazz-based project work to pupils. The Ambassador team will be supported by the local authority teachers, as well as receiving direction from NYOS Jazz staff. As the project develops, the Ambassadors will be able to become more involved in developing the project delivery, responding to the needs of the participants.

If you are applying to be a Jazz Project Ambassador, we are also offering one **Project Coordinator** position, which requires 4 additional days of office-based work and the ability to gain project management and administration experience.

The **Course Ambassadors** will work with NYOS members and Staff on our NYOS 2022 residential courses, primarily our Junior and Senior Orchestras in the Spring, and Training Ensembles in Summer. With mentorship from professional musicians drawn from leading orchestras, conservatoires, and higher education sectors nationwide, this is a valuable opportunity to gain teaching experience within a national organisation. We have 12 positions available: 4 for string players, 4 for wind players, and 4 for brass players

All Ambassadors will receive specialist training from professional musicians on teaching and outreach delivery, as well as broader topics aimed to support young people to manage a freelance, portfolio career. Ambassadors will be paid to attend training sessions, which will be held digitally and at our Glasgow offices.

Reports to:

Jazz Ensembles and Outreach Manager

Terms

This is a freelance, part-time position. Ambassadors will be required to be available on the dates detailed overleaf for their respective roles.

Salary

£80 per day (max. 7 hours), training days are compensated at the same rate.

Ambassadors will be compensated for travel outwith Glasgow. We also have a small bursary allocation for Ambassadors to cover the costs of travelling to training or project work within the Glasgow area or require additional support meeting the technological requirements of digital training sessions, such as stable internet connection or access to a laptop and webcam. Successful applicants will be invited to apply for this additional support, which will be assessed according to financial need.

Experience required:

Essential

- ABRSM Grade 8 or equivalent standard in one, or more, musical instruments
- An enthusiasm and commitment to youth music
- Willingness to deliver music tuition in a range of settings, following training
- A positive and can-do attitude, being open to taking initiative and demonstrating flexibility
- Availability on relevant dates outlined below

Days of work:

JAZZ PROJECT AMBASSADORS		
15 November 2021 – 4 March 2022		
	Training Week	
15 – 20 Nov	2 days at the NYO	S Office, Glasgow – dates
	to be confirmed	
Week 1	22,23,26 Nov	Monday, Tuesday, Friday
Week 2	29,30 Nov,3 Dec	Monday, Tuesday, Friday
Week 3	6,7,10 Dec	Monday, Tuesday, Friday
Festive Break		
Week 4	17,18,21 Jan	Monday, Tuesday, Friday
Week 5	24, 25, 28 Jan	Monday, Tuesday, Friday
Week 6	31 Jan, 1,4 Feb	Monday, Tuesday, Friday
Week 7	7,8,11 Feb	Monday, Tuesday, Friday
Week 8	14,15,18 Feb	Monday, Tuesday, Friday
Week 9	21,22,25 Feb	Monday, Tuesday, Friday
Week 10	28 Feb, 1,4 Mar	Monday, Tuesday, Friday

COURSE AMBASSADORS December 2021 – August 2022		
1 Dec	Meet & Greet 1x day at NYOS Office or digitally	
Feb 2022	Training Day 1: (date & time tbc) 1x day with section & Ambassador Mentor	
April 2022	Spring Course shadowing Shadow 1x day at a NYOS Spring Course	
June 2022	Training Day 2: (date & time tbc) 1x day with section & Ambassador Mentor	
24 Jul – 6 Aug	Training Ensembles x3 day course Participate with section at residential course	
August 2022	Training Day 3: (date & time tbc) 1x day with section & Ambassador Mentor	

The **Jazz Project Ambassador** who is appointed as **Project Coordinator** will be required to work an additional 4 days to be agreed with the candidate and Jazz Ensembles and Outreach Manager, either digitally from home or in person at our office in Glasgow.

Application procedure

To apply please submit an online application via the link below.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch with Jill Dykes, Jazz Ensembles & Outreach Manager <u>jilldykes@nyos.co.uk</u> if you have any questions regarding the roles.

The NYOS Ambassadors Programme has been made possible thanks to generous support from Creative Scotland's Youth Arts Targeted Funding. We understand that some young people may face additional barriers to accessing opportunities to develop a career in the music industry. As part of our commitment to increase the diversity of our participants, and of people leading youth music delivery, we will offer guaranteed interviews for all applicants who meet the minimum criteria and identify themselves as a member of one of the following groups at the time of application:

- Residing in an area of social and economic deprivation, as measured by postcode on the Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivations (SIMD) https://simd.scot/
- From a Black and/or Minority Ethnic background
- Self-identify as disabled and/or having additional support needs
- Experiencing or at risk of homelessness
- Experiencing or at risk of experiencing poor mental health, either diagnosed or self-acknowledged
- Have experienced or are experiencing an impact on their right to wellness
- Have previously offended
- Care leavers
- Young carers
- Young parents

The deadline to apply is **12 noon** on **Monday 25 October 2021.** Interviews will take place during the week of **Monday 1 November** via Zoom.

NYOS is committed to offering pre- and post-application support to any candidate who might require additional assistance or have access requirements. Please do contact us at the above email address in the strictest confidence if you require support at any stage of the process.

Link to online application: To Apply Click Here

Further details about NYOS are available on the website www.nyos.co.uk

The National Youth Orchestras of Scotland is committed to a Policy of Equality of Opportunity which respects the identity, rights, and value of each individual and welcomes applications from all sections of the community. NYOS is positively committed to oppose all direct and indirect discrimination in the organisation, irrespective of race, religion, creed, colour, national and ethnic origin, political beliefs, gender, sexual orientation, age, disability, including mental illness, HIV status, marital status, responsibility for dependants, geographical area, social class, income level or criminal record.