

The (concurrent) auditions for the University of York Symphony Orchestra and Chamber Orchestra will take place in **Week 1** in the Music Department.

Times and Dates (September 29/30 October 1-3)

Wednesday	From 9.30 (all day)
Thursday	From 2.00
Friday	from 9.30 (all day)
Saturday	From 9.30 (all day)
Sunday	from 11.00 (all day)

Applying for an audition

Before term: please contact John Stringer on john.stringer@york.ac.uk with the approximate time that suits you the best.

Once term starts: visit the Music Department Reception (Sally Baldwin D block) to sign in person (you can still email).

Remember that signing in advance takes away some of the stress of the first week.

Please tell me what you play as well; if possible, please tell me your York email address.

If you play an orchestral instrument but it is not your first study, please do audition.

If you play viola and bassoon (for example), please apply for two auditions!

FAQ

What should I play for the audition?

For the audition you will be asked to play about five minutes of a prepared piece. This should be a work that you know well and displays you to your best advantage.

Will there be sight-reading?

There may be some sight-reading and if so it will be taken from a standard orchestral work.

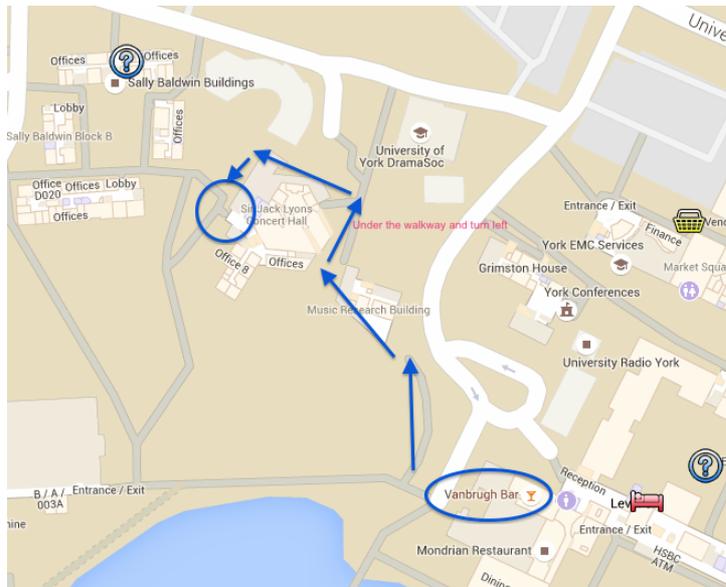
Will the audition be accompanied?

Most are not, but at the start of term we may have a list of people interested in accompanying. You can always bring your own.

Where does the audition take place?

Throughout the week the auditions are held in the Music Department (Lyons building) in Room 106 (up the stairs in the Lyons building and to the right).

Aim for the signposted **Sir Jack Lyons Concert Hall** and there will be signage there to the rooms.



Is there a place to warm up before the audition?

A room next to the audition room is reserved for warm up time and to meet the accompanist (if available). Any accompanist will only be available 10 minutes before your audition. Keeping things safe this year: please arrive no earlier than 10 minutes before your audition.

For further information about the orchestra, please visit:

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<http://www.facebook.com/uyso.uk>

Hope to see you soon.

Best wishes,

John Stringer