Audition Guidelines

BMus (Hons) Popular Music Performance (Vocals)

What to expect

Auditions last one hour and are 1-1 with a BIMM assessor. You will be asked some questions about yourself and will have the opportunity to ask any questions you may have about the course.

What to prepare ahead of the day

• Please prepare two songs to perform vocally that you feel comfortable with. The songs must be contrasting styles e.g. pop, jazz, blues, soul, punk, rock. Please prepare a verse and a chorus and you can either perform to a backing track or accompany yourself.

• If you are performing to a backing track, please ensure you bring this with

you, or that it is available through a web browser, such as YouTube.

- Please prepare to work through some technical exercises during the audition such as:
 - Major/minor scales
 - Intervals within one octave
 - Ability to harmonize
- You will be asked to work through some sight reading and music theorybased exercises. Please do not worry if your theory knowledge is limited. We offer a practitioner support scheme to those who need to brush up their theory in the first year of their course

If you have any questions about what to prepare please email submissions@bimm.ac.uk

