

Audition Guidelines

L3 Extended Diploma in Music Performance (Bass)

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 a song to perform on bass that you feel comfortable with that lasts around 3 minutes. It can be an original or cover and you can perform solo or to a backing track. We will have a bass amp and lead for you to use on the day.
- 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 approximately 16 bars of one contrasting style to play at any preferred tempo. Examples include, rock, blues, punk, soul, metal, reggae, funk etc.
- Your assessor may ask you to work through some technical exercises during the audition such as:
 - Bass line, riff or exercise of your choice to a metronome (can be one of the above)
 - Plectrum technique
 - Slap bass technique
- Please note that any technical exercises that the assessor goes through with you does not affect the outcome of your audition.

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



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