WELCOME TO THE ROYAL COLLEGE OF MUSIC

INDUCTION WEEK 15 – 19 SEPTEMBER 2025

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London

During Induction Week, the first week of the autumn term, the RCM runs an extensive programme of events, designed to enable you to acquaint yourself with life at the RCM and get your studies off to a great start. Do take the time to check the final schedule carefully noting the sessions you will need to attend that relate to you and your programme. Updates to this schedule will be published in the lead-up to Induction Week and sessions relevant to you will be added to your individual Asimut schedule.

KEY EVENTS

- New Student Check-In
- Faculty introductions
- Programme/year group meetings
- Music-making activities
- Freshers' Fair
- Programme of social events run by the Students' Union (SU).

You will find out who key individuals are and who can help you, learn about using the resources and facilities available, engage with your programme of study and understand what is expected of you. Some events are for certain groups of students; some are for everyone. One-to-one teaching does not usually start until after Induction Week, but you should contact your professor and arrange your lessons. Little academic teaching takes place in Induction Week, the focus being on familiarisation and orientation.

***Please note the compulsory session titled RESPECT AT THE RCM: ETHOS & VALUES, AND INTRODUCTION TO THE STUDENTS' UNION, 6-7pm Monday 1.5 September

INDUCTION WEEK SCHEDULE

PRIORITY MEETINGS/EVENTS are indicated in darker shaded boxes. You must attend these if they are relevant to you.

MEETINGS/EVENTS that you are advised to attend if relevant to you are indicated in paler shaded boxes.

RCM STUDENTS' UNION events are indicated in lime green boxes. Tickets are required for some events, available from the <u>SU website</u> from early September.

'DROP-IN' EVENTS, where you do not need to attend from the start or for the whole duration, are shown in blue boxes.

Orchestral Auditions take place from Tuesday 16 September onwards: details will be sent by email with information on learn.rcm (Performance & Programming).

All new students, except MPerf, will receive a **library tour** as part of their programme. MPerf or any other students are welcome to the library and may ask for a tour at any time during the first week.

The **RCM Museum** maintains one of the richest and most relevant collections of music-related objects in the UK and Europe. It is open daily for visitors (10.15am-5.45pm). The SU tour will also include a brief introduction to the exhibits.

MONDAY 15 SEPTEMBER

New Student Check-in Day for most students commencing a new programme (all undergraduate new starters including direct entrants into Years 2 or 3 and Year 1 postgraduates except for Keyboard, Composition and MSc students)

Undergraduate programmes: BMus/Experience/Exchange Programmes; Postgraduate programmes: All Masters Programmes/GradDip/ArtDip/Doctoral

9am-10am	10am-11am	11am-12pm	12pm-1pm	1pm-2pm	2pm-3pm	3pm-4pm	4pm-5pm		Evening
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	TOURS OF THE Students' Union	RCM BUILDING starting	from the Amaryllis Flemi	ng Concert Hall			Dr Diana Salazar, Nicola Smith, alongside SU President & Committee BRITTEN THEATRE		
			12-12.45pm WELCOME MEETING FOR EXCHANGE STUDENTS (Boston and Princeton		BMUS YEAR 2 GROUP SESSION For all Year 2 BMus students Dr Ann van Allen-Russell		4-5.30pm PERCUSSION FACULTY INT David Hockings PERCUSSION SUITE	TRODUCTION	7:15pm-8pm STUDENTS' UNION UNDERGRADUATE FIRST YEAR DRINKS RECEPTION Tickets free but required – drink included with ticket VENUE TBC
			Programme students do not need to attend) Nicola Peacock, Kevin Porter 210		PERFORMANCE HALL				7:15pm-8pm STUDENTS' UNION POSTGRADUATE MEET AND GREET SPEED DATING STYLE Tickets free but required VENUE TBC
									8pm-TBC STUDENTS' UNION JAZZ NIGHT Tickets required VENUE TBC

TUESDAY 16 SEPTEMBER

9am-10am	10am-11am	11am-12pm	12pm-1pm	1pm-2pm	2pm-3pm	3pm-4pm	4pm-5pm	Evening
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	TOURS OF THE RC BUILDING starting Amaryllis Fleming C Students' Union	from the	BMUS YEAR 3 GROUP SESSION Dr Ann van Allen- Russell RECITAL HALL	1-1.30pm INTRODUCTION TO PERFORMANCE LABORATORY AND SIMULATIONS Dr George Waddell PERFORMANCE STUDIO	MASTER OF MUSIC EDUCATION INTRODUCTION Dr Mary Stakelum 210	BMUS YEAR 4 GROUP SESSION Dr Ann van Allen-Russell RECITAL HALL	BRASS FACULTY INTRODUCTION Amos Miller RECITAL HALL KEYBOARD FACULTY INTRODUCTION Prof Vanessa Latarche & Ian Jones PERFORMANCE HALL	5-7pm BRASS PLAY-THROUGH SESSION Bring your instruments Amos Miller RECITAL HALL
IN FC Dr	45-11.45am TRODUCTION TO THE B OR YEAR 1 STUDENTS Ann van Allen-Russell and RFORMANCE HALL		SERVICES	MONEY MATTERS WORKSHOP All students welcome Nicola Smith PERFORMANCE HALL		WELCOME AND INFORMATION MEETING FOR ALL NEW INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS Kevin Porter, Nicola Peacock, Bea Bacon, Laurence Astill & Nicola Smith BRITTEN THEATRE	COMPOSITION FACULTY INTRODUCTION For all Composition and Composition for Screen students Prof Jonathan Cole, Dr Ed Bennett & Dr Dimitri Scarlato PERFORMANCE STUDIO	5pm Following Keyboard Faculty Introduction: MASTERS COLLABORATIVE PIANO SPECIALIST MEETING Simon Lepper PERFORMANICE HALL
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WEDNESDAY 17 SEPTEMBER

9am-10am	10am-11am	11am-1	2pm	12pm-1pm	1pm-2pm	2pm-3pm	3pm-4pm	4pm-5pm	Evening		
	10-10.30am INTRODUCTION TO ARTISTIC PROGRAMMES, PERFORMANCE & PROGRAMMING AND FACULTIES 10.30am-12.15pm RCM CHORUS: S Coleridge-Taylor N Poulenc Gloria Compulsory for all BI BMus Year 2 non-ord		r Meg Blane BMus Year orchestral stud	1 students, dents,	1.15pm DIRECTOR'S ADDRESS to all students, followed by address by the President and	UNDERGRADUATE E INDIVIDUAL MEETING Dr Ann van Allen-Russe Staples EXCHANGE MEETIN 2.15-5pm	4.30-5.15pm INTRODUCTION TO CHAMBER MUSIC Sign up for groups Bethan Lloyd PERFORMANCE HALL				
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	10-11.30am MEETING FOR NEW DO STUDENTS Prof Robert Adlington, Dr: Charlotte Rutherford, with Representatives PERFORMANCE HALL	Sarah Whitfield &		INTRODUCTION TO MPERF, MCOMP, MMUS AND MMUSED FOR NEW MASTERS STUDENTS Including information on Electives Prof Mark Bowden PERFORMANCE HALL		MASTERS YEAR 1 ELECTIVES CLINIC Prof Mark Bowden Elly Taylor, Irene Goldáraz & Charlotte Rutherford PERFORMANCE HALL	Composition	MASTERS COMPOSITION MEETING For all new MComp and MMus Composition students Prof Jonathan Cole & Dr Ed Bennett 403	5.30-6.30pm COMPOSER/PERFOR MER MIXER EVENT Jonathan Cole PERFORMANCE HALL		
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THURSDAY 18 SEPTEMBER

10am-11am	11am-12pm	12pm-1pm	1pm-2pm	2pm-3pm	3pm-4pm		4pm-5pm	Evening
MASTERS CONTEMPORARY PIANO SPECIALIST MEETING Prof Vanessa Latarche & Andrew Zolinsky 201	THE EAR AND HEARING Dr George Waddell reviews the impact of practice and performance on musicians' hearing and introduces the RCM's Hearing Awareness Scheme BRITTEN THEATRE	MSC IN PERFORMANCE SCIENCE INTRODUCTORY SESSION Prof Rosie Perkins & Centre for Performance Science colleagues PERFORMANCE STUDIO	ALEXANDER TECHNIQUE INTRODUCTORY SESSION FOR NEW STUDENTS Catherine Fleming AMARYLLIS FLEMING CONCERT HALL	2-3.30pm INTRODUCTORY SESSIC NEW MMUS STUDENTS Instrumentalists, Conducto Composers and Vocalists Prof Mark Bowden & Dr I RECITAL HALL S101	ors,	3.30-4pm VOCAL FACULTY BUDDY SCHEME INTRODUCTION JAY MEWS UPPER STUDIO	MEETING FOR MASTERS YEAR 2 STUDENTS Prof Mark Bowden & Diana Roberts RECITAL HALL S101	6:30-11pm STUDENTS' UNION BOAT PARTY Tickets required Arrive by 6.30pm at Westminster Pier for departure at 7pm sharp. Nearest Underground stations: Westminster Disembark 11pm (Black Tie dress code)
10-10.30am MASTERS ORCHESTRAL PERFORMANCE ELECTIVE MEETING For all students taking this elective module Andrew Moore, Florence Ambrose & Daniella Rossi PERFORMANCE HALL	INTRODUCT For all Year studying this	TORICAL STUDIES TON 1 BMus students unit Dr Sarah Fuchs, nson & seminar	1-2pm LEARN.RCM STUDENT HELPDESK EXCHANGE SG01	2-2.30pm INTRODUCTION TO BELLE SHENKMAN STUDIO Studios Staff BELLE SHENKMAN STUDIO	INTRODUCTI	BMus students iri	4-4.30pm INTRODUCTION TO BELLE SHENKMAN STUDIO Studios Staff BELLE SHENKMAN STUDIO	5-6pm ARTIST DIPLOMA PROGRAMME WELCOME DRINKS AND INTRODUCTION All ArtDip students welcome Heads of Faculty, Prof Mark Bowden & Dr Diana Salazar COURTYARD CAFE
9.30-11am PRINCETON UNIVERSITY EXPERIENCE INDUCTION MEETING Dr Gerardo Gozzi 210	MASTERS CONDUCTING MEETING Toby Purser 114a	MASTERS ELECTIVES CLINIC FOR STUDENTS IN ALL YEARS Prof Mark Bowden, Dr Ingrid Pearson, Elly Taylor, Irene Goldáraz & Charlotte Rutherford RECITAL HALL	DROP-IN TOURS OF WOLFSON CENTRE	RETURNING DOCTORAL STUDENT MEETING Dr Robert Adlington & Dr Sarah Whitfield 213	DOCTORAL COMMUNITY EVENT For all Doctor Meet the new introduce you your work Dr Robert Adl Sarah Whitfie 213	Y WELCOME STU all students. y cohort and reself and weld other ington & Dr representations.	DPM-5pm CRNATIONAL DENTS' WELCOME NKS On-UK students are come to meet each r, RCM staff abers and SU essentatives URTYARD CAFE	
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	MEETING FOR ALL SINGERS ON THE MASTERS PROGRAMMES Audrey Hyland BRITTEN THEATRE	HISTORICAL PERFORMANCE MEETING For all Masters and BMus Historical Performance players Ashley Solomon FARINELLI ROOM G13		2-2.30pm HISTORICAL PERFORMAN Introduction to for all keyboa Prof Ashley So Geoffrey Gov FARINELLI RO	Fortepiano rd players blomon & ier	Performanc string playe Prof Ashley Catherine I	ANCE n to Historical se for all ers Solomon &	4-4.30pm INTRODUCTI HISTORICAL PERFORMAN Vocal student Prof Ashley S Audrey Hylar FARINELLI RC	NCE For all s olomon & nd	

AND LOOKING FURTHER AHEAD

MONDAY 22 SEPTEMBER 1-3pm LEARN.RCM STUDENT HELPDESK

EXCHANGE SG01

MONDAY 22 SEPTEMBER 3-4pm DROP-IN SESSION WITH PROF MARK BOWDEN

For any Masters students

Prof Mark Bowden

EXCHANGE MEETING ROOM

MONDAY 22 SEPTEMBER 6pm

STRINGS AND PIANO CHAMBER MUSIC EVENING

An opportunity for new and returning students to play piano trio repertoire together in an informal, relaxed setting. More details to be provided at the Chamber Music Introduction on Wednesday 13 September.

Bethan Lloyd

MULTIPLE PERFORMANCE VENUES

WEDNESDAY 24 SEPTEMBER 6pm STRINGS CHAMBER MUSIC EVENING

An opportunity for new students to play string quartet repertoire in an informal, relaxed setting. More details to be provided at the Chamber Music Introduction on Wednesday 13 September.

Bethan Lloyd

MULTIPLE PERFORMANCE VENUES

THURSDAY 25 SEPTEMBER 11am-12pm DROP-IN SESSION WITH PROF MARK BOWDEN

For any Masters students

Prof Mark Bowden

EXCHANGE MEETING POD

WEDNESDAY 1 OCTOBER 5.30pm

PIANO AND VOCAL CHAMBER MUSIC EVENING

Commencing with a 'Welcome' talk taking place in the Recital Hall from 5.30pm, vocalists will be paired with different pianists throughout the evening. A great opportunity to get to know your fellow students in a low-pressure, fun environment.

Olivia Grant & Alex Beattie

MULTIPLE PERFORMANCE VENUES

IEVEL 7 MASTERS MODULES - FIRST SESSIONS

MONDAY 22 SEPTEMBER 1.30-3pm CRITICAL PORTFOLIO – FIRST SESSION

For all Year 1 MMus Performers and Composers

Prof Mark Bowden & Dr Ingrid Pearson

CARNE ROOM

MONDAY 22 SEPTEMBER 3-4.30pm

CONTEXT MATERIALS & REPERTOIRE - FIRST SESSION

For all Year 1 MMus Screen Composers

Dr Dimitri Scarlato & Enrica Sciandrone

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THURSDAY 25 SEPTEMBER 9.30-11am RESEARCH PROJECT – FIRST SESSION

For all Year 2 full-time MMus Performers and Composers and part-time students taking this module

Dr Ingrid Pearson & Dr Ed Bennett

INNER PARRY ROOM

FRIDAY 26 SEPTEMBER 12-1pm CONCERTO PERFORMANCE – FIRST SESSION

For all Masters students taking this module

Richard Uttley

RECITAL HALL

MONDAY 20 OCTOBER 11am-12.30pm ORCHESTRAL PERFORMANCE - FIRST SESSION

For all Masters students taking this module

Florence Ambrose, Daniella Rossi and colleagues

AMARYLLIS FLEMING CONCERT HALL

WHO'S WHO?

Prof Robert Adlington	Head of Research
Florence Ambrose	Head of Performance, Programming & Faculties
Bea Bacon	International Students Officer
Isabella Bartlett	Orchestra Coordinator
Alex Beattie	Faculties Manager
Dr Ed Bennett	Coordinator for Masters Programme in Composition
Prof Mark Bowden	Head of Postgraduate Programmes
Prof Jonathan Cole	Head of Composition
Helen Cooney	Programmes Operations & Quality Assurance Manager
Dr Kirsty Devaney	Lecturer in Music Education
Dr Anna Détári	Lecturer in Performance Science
Miranda Francis	Area Leader for Aural
Dr Sarah Fuchs	Area Leader for Historical Studies
Thom Gilbert	Digital Learning Manager
Dr Caroline Gill	Lecturer in Historical Studies
Irene Goldáraz	Registry Administrator (Postgraduate Taught Programmes)
Dr Gerardo Gozzi	Area Leader for Musicianship & Improvisation
Olivia Grant	Vocal Faculty Assistant
David Hockings	Head of Percussion Faculty
Leila Hooton	Students' Union President
Audrey Hyland	Head of Vocal & Opera
Erin Jones	Registry Scheduling Officer
lan Jones	Deputy Head of Keyboard Faculty
Asher Joyce	Students' Union Diversity & International Representative
Prof Vanessa Latarche	Head of Keyboard Faculty
Simon Lepper	Assistant Head of Keyboard (Collaborative Piano)
Peter Linnitt	Librarian
Bethan Lloyd	Chamber Music Manager
Marie Lloyd	Head of Woodwind Faculty
Andrew McCrea	Lecturer in Historical Studies
Amos Miller	Head of Brass Faculty
Andrew Moore	Artistic Director
Nicola Peacock	Deputy Academic Registrar

Dr Ingrid Pearson	Senior Academic Tutor, Area Leader for MMus in Performance
Prof Rosie Perkins	Programme Leader for MSc in Performance Science
Kevin Porter	Deputy Director
Toby Purser	Head of Conducting Faculty
Diana Roberts	Head of Creative Careers Centre & Entrepreneurship Tutor
Dr Paul Robinson	Lecturer in Historical Studies
Dr Jane Roper	Lecturer in Historical Studies, Personal Advisor
Michael Rosewell	Director of Opera
Daniella Rossi	Orchestra Manager
Prof Gabriele Rossi Rognoni	Curator of RCM Museum
Charlotte Rutherford	Registry Administrator (Doctoral & Music Education Progs)
Gary Ryan	Head of Strings Faculty
Dr Diana Salazar	Director of Programmes
Dr Dimitri Scarlato	Area Leader for Composition for Screen
Nicola Smith	Student Services Manager
Prof Ashley Solomon	Head of Historical Performance Faculty
Ann Somerville	Manager of Vocal & Opera
Dr Mary Stakelum	Area Leader for Music Education
Ellie Staples	Registry Administrator (Undergraduate Programmes)
Peter Stark	Conducting Professor
Elly Taylor	Academic Registrar
Dr Ann van Allen-Russell	BMus Programmes Coordinator
Amy van Walsum	Opera Assistant
Dr George Waddell	Area Leader for Performance Science
Dr Sarah Whitfield	Head of Doctoral Programmes
Prof Aaron Williamon	Head of Centre for Performance Science
James Williams	RCM Director
Andrew Zolinsky	Contemporary Piano Coordinator