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Music Performance



# Advice for Skype Auditions

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# Prepare

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**We understand it's not always possible to attend ICMP London in person, so thank you for undertaking this audition online via Skype.**

Most important for the audition, please ensure you have provided us your Skype Username prior to the audition.

On the day of your audition you will receive a Skype video call at the arranged time from one of our tutors using the Institute's Skype account; *theinstitutelondon*

All audition booking times are quoted in GMT; please ensure that you have taken international time zones into account. A good website for working this out is: [www.timeanddate.com](http://www.timeanddate.com)

Please be aware that we may record the audition and by accepting to undergo the audition you are accepting that we may distribute your video internally to staff that will need to assess your performance. *It will not be made public.*

Please ensure that you have an internet connection that is as reliable and as fast as possible to allow the best quality of audio and video to be captured.

You will need to perform a piece of your own choice. If you choose to use a backing track, the backing track must be played from a source other than your computer. If it is currently in an MP3 format, for example, please burn to a CD and play this through your stereo or HiFi. The computer must be used solely for the audition. Again, please check that both you and the backing track are audible.

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# On the day

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You will need to be aware of the following:

- Set up the camera so that you are clearly in shot and your instrument is in full view; we must be clearly able to see both your face and your instrument. Drummers, please set up so that we can see your upper body. We may ask you to move the camera during the audition to observe pedal technique.
- Please check in advance that your instrument level is set so that your microphone records clearly without distortion; we suggest you try a Skype call to a friend in advance.
- Please set up the camera to avoid any glare or screen flare; again the quality of the video captured is important.

*For BMUS auditions only, you will need to have ready:*

- Blank manuscript paper
- A dark pencil
- A rubber
- A metronome

If you have any questions on the above, please contact the Admissions team on:  
020 7328 0222 or email [enquiries@icmp.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@icmp.co.uk).

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