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## Apply for the National Youth Folk Ensemble 2024-25

Hello! Thank you for your interest in the National Youth Folk Ensemble.

Please fill in this form to apply for the 2024-25 National Youth Folk Ensemble.

To find out about the steps for auditioning, visit this webpage: [www.efdss.org/learning/young-people/national-youth-folk-ensemble/join](http://www.efdss.org/learning/young-people/national-youth-folk-ensemble/join)

Please send your audition film to [ensemble@efdss.org](mailto:ensemble@efdss.org) with the subject line 'Application for National Youth Folk Ensemble 2024-25'.

Deadline for film and application form: Midnight on 3 June 2024

If you have any specific access needs relating to completing the form, or you'd prefer to submit your application form as an audio or video file, please let us know. Contact us at [ensemble@efdss.org](mailto:ensemble@efdss.org).

Good luck!

### **Applicant Details**

Email address

Name

Home Address

Email

Home phone number

Mobile phone number

Date of birth

Age (please note you must be aged 14-18 on 1 September 2024 to apply)

What is your gender?

What are your pronouns?

## **Parent / Guardian Details**

Parent/guardian name

Parent/guardian email

Parent/guardian mobile number

Parent/guardian home phone number

## **About you as a musician**

What is your main instrument?

How long have you played this instrument and at what level do you play? (approx. grade or level)

Do you play any other instruments?

If yes, please list your other instruments.

What is your experience of playing and learning by ear?

Are you involved in your local Music Service / Hub?

If so, what is the name/location of your Music Service / Hub?

Tell us about your experience of performing music, playing in bands / orchestras / youth groups, and any music exams or competitions.

Do you have prior experience of folk music and/or dance?

Please give brief details.

How did you hear about the National Youth Folk Ensemble?

Why are you interested in joining the National Youth Folk Ensemble? (Please tell us in up to 300 words)

## **Further information about you – to help our planning in case you are invited to a Creative Audition Day in July 2024**

Do you have any access needs we should be aware of (disability, medical condition, allergy)?

- Yes
- No
- Prefer not to say.

If yes, please tell us about your access needs.

Name of additional emergency contact (not the parent / guardian above), their relationship to you, and a contact number.

I (parent or guardian) give permission for my young person (under 16 years old) to leave the premises unaccompanied by adults at break/lunch times.

- Yes
- No

I (parent or guardian) give permission for my young person (under 16 years old) to leave the course unaccompanied at the end of the day.

- Yes
- No

If you've answered 'No' to the above question, please tell us the name of the person who will be collecting your young person and their relationship to the young person.

### **Equal Opportunities Monitoring**

This section is for statistical purpose only and doesn't form any part of our selection criteria.

School/college name (please indicate if home-schooled or not in education)

Local Authority

What kind of school / college is it?

- State-funded school/college.
- State funded specialist SEN/D school or college.
- Independent (fee paying/private) school or college (non-music specialist)
- Independent Specialist Music / Advance Training School
- Independent Specialist SEN/D school or college
- Home-educated
- Other

If you answer other to the above, please detail below.

Is the young person disabled? (Note: Under the Equality Act 2010 you are considered disabled if you have a physical or mental impairment that has a 'substantial' and 'long-term' negative effect on your ability to do normal daily activities. This can include long term health conditions. For more information please see: <https://www.gov.uk/definition-of-disability-under-equality-act-2010>)

- Yes
- No
- Prefer not to say.

Please tell us your ethnicity

- White British
- White Irish
- Gypsy/Roma
- Traveller of Irish Heritage
- Any other White background
- White & Black Caribbean
- White & Black African
- White & Asian
- Any other Mixed background
- Indian
- Pakistani

- Bangladeshi
- Chinese
- Any other Asian background
- Black African
- Black Caribbean
- Any other Black background
- Arab
- Any other ethnic group
- Prefer to self-describe.
- Prefer not to say.

If you selected prefer to self-describe please write in here

If you selected any other background, please write here

I would like to sign up for the EFDSS Youth Newsletter (termly)

- Yes
- No

I would like to sign up for the EFDSS Education Newsletter (monthly)

- Yes
- No

Email address for Newsletter.

### **Signatures**

Please sign electronically by ticking the box below. If you are under 18, please ask your parent/guardian to fill in this section.

Question

- By ticking this box, I am signing this form.

Print name.

Relationship to young person

Date

Print name.

Date

### **Thank you!**

Don't forget to also send your audition film to [ensemble@efdss.org](mailto:ensemble@efdss.org) with the subject line 'Application for National Youth Folk Ensemble 2024-25' by Midnight, 3 June.