



Careers Education

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A Stable Careers Programme
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Career of the week – Musician

Monday 12 October 2020

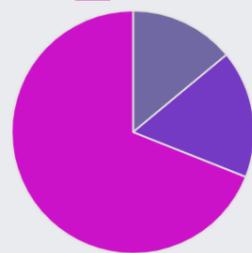
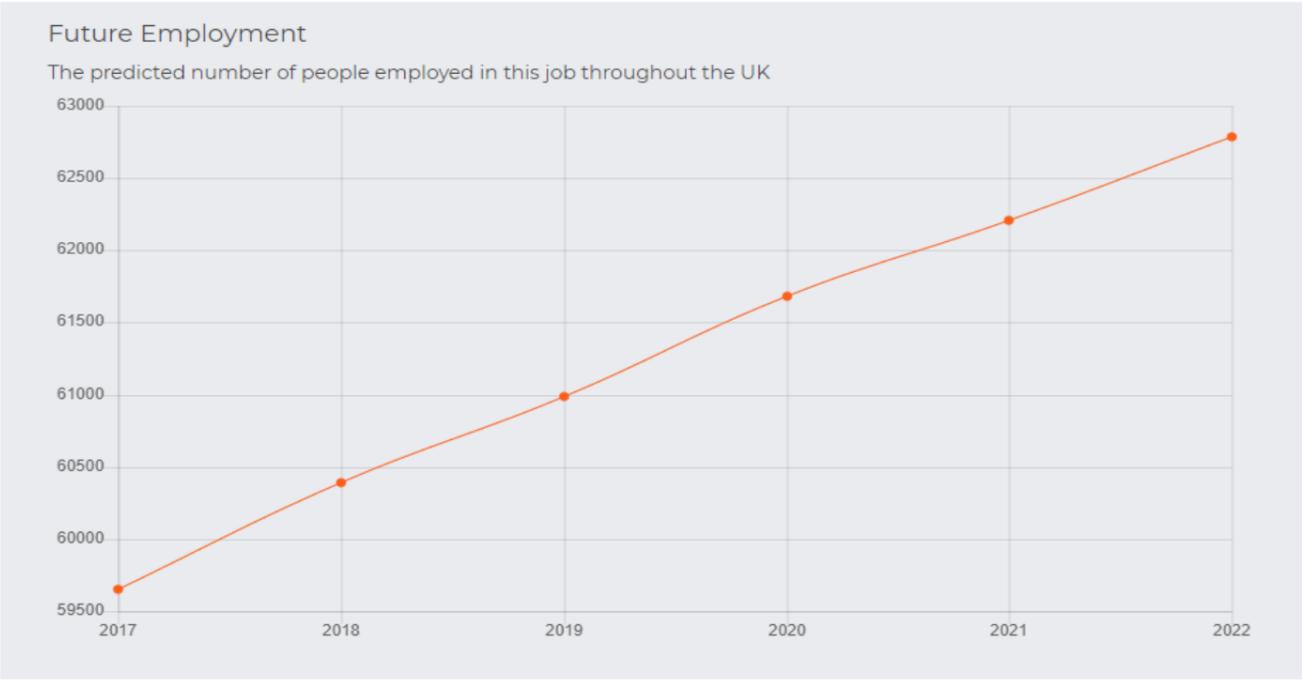
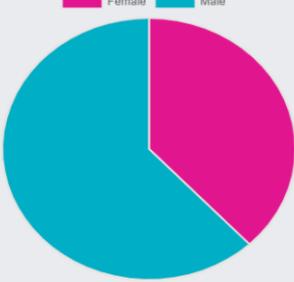
Labour market information

SONG OF THE WEEK

Strawberry Fields Forever by The Beatles



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<p>Employment Status</p> 	<p>Future Employment</p> <p>The predicted number of people employed in this job throughout the UK</p> 		
<p>Gender Split</p> 	<p>Starting Salary</p> <p>£18,038</p> <p>Source: U-Explore National Research</p>	<p>UK Average Salary</p> <p>£29,364</p> <p>Source: U-Explore National Research</p>	<p>Videos:</p> <p>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tAQE9C6L8qU</p> <p>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FuNa4bkzDyM</p>
<p>Useful GCSE / BTEC subjects for this career: Music, English, Maths.</p>			
<p>Job title:</p>			
<p>Musician</p>	<p>Classical musicians and singers perform music in concert, or on film, TV, or radio recordings.</p>		

<p>Career Pathways / Entry requirements:</p>	<p>How to become a classical musician You can get into this job through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a university course • applying directly • specialist courses run by private training organisations <p>University You'll need a high level of musical skill and talent. To develop these skills, you could get a degree or postgraduate award in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • classical music • music composition • music performance <p>You'll need to train at a university or a music college, often known as a conservatoire. You'll usually specialise in one main instrument and study a second instrument. Some music degrees focus more on music theory than performance, so research the courses carefully to make sure they're right for you.</p> <p>Entry requirements</p> <p>You'll usually need:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 or 3 A levels including music, or equivalent qualifications • grade 8 in your main instrument • to pass an audition • a degree in a relevant subject for postgraduate study <p>Direct Application To apply directly to work as a classical musician you'll usually need to have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • learned at least one instrument from an early age • taken graded music exams • studied music theory
<p>Labour Market Information. Skills required:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skills and knowledge • You'll need: • to be thorough and pay attention to detail • active listening skills • the ability to work well with others • ambition and a desire to succeed • persistence and determination • knowledge of the fine arts • the ability to accept criticism and work well under pressure • excellent verbal communication skills • to be able to carry out basic tasks on a computer or hand-held device
<p>What you'll do:</p>	<p>Your day-to-day duties may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • learning and rehearsing music pieces • looking after your voice and instrument • setting up your instrument before performances • preparing for and attending auditions
<p>Labour Market Information. What you'll earn:</p>	<p>£23,000 - £40,000</p>
<p>Labour Market Information. Working hours, patterns and environment:</p>	<p>You could work in a hotel, at a music venue, in a theatre or at a recording studio. Your working environment may be emotionally demanding.</p> <p>Hours 34-36 evenings, weekends/ bank holidays/ away from home</p>
<p>Career path and progression:</p>	<p>With experience, you could progress in an orchestra to principal player or section leader. You could move into conducting, or start your own ensemble.</p>

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