

## NYOW Young Composers Residency 2017:

Following four very successful years, the National Youth Orchestra of Wales will once again run a composers programme as part of this summer's NYOW residency. Successful applicants will receive tuition in compositional techniques, instrumental writing and analysis of existing repertoire, all delivered by Mark Bowden (former Composer in Residence with BBC NOW).

In addition, composers will have the opportunity to write new music for groups of musicians drawn from within the ranks of the NYOW itself. You will be able to work with some of Wales' foremost young musicians to develop and rehearse your music before presenting it in three stand-alone performances.

<b>Pre-Residency Workshop:</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> July 2017 (Cardiff)
<b>Residency Dates:</b>	25 <sup>th</sup> July – 5 <sup>th</sup> August 2017
<b>Residency Venue:</b>	University of Wales Trinity St David, Lampeter
<b>Performances:</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> August – Old College, Aberystwyth University tbc 4 <sup>th</sup> August – Fishguard International Music Festival tbc 5 <sup>th</sup> August – Level 3 Day Stage, St David's Hall
<b>Pre-Residency Workshop Cost:</b>	£40
<b>Residency Cost:</b>	£534

**We are keen to ensure that no-one is deterred from accepting their place on the NYOW for financial reasons.**

Bursaries are available through the **Neil and Mary Ellen Webber Bursary Fund** and depending on your circumstances can provide up to 90% of the cost of attending the NYOW Residency.

NB - All applications for financial assistance will be treated in the strictest confidence.

**Eligibility Criteria:** All applicants should be based in Wales and be aged between 13 and 21 years on 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017. No formal qualifications are required, but applicants are required to submit a portfolio of work (two original compositions) in support of their application.

**Auditions:** Auditions will take the form of group workshops where you will be required to complete a creative musical exercise. There will also be a short informal interview involving a discussion around your existing portfolio, creative ideas and musical influences.

### **Audition Dates:**

CARDIFF: Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April (1pm - 4pm)  
WREXHAM: Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> April (1pm - 4pm)

These dates/locations are based on the typical geographical spread of candidates and are subject to change if there are fewer than 12 candidates per venue. Equally an additional date/location may be arranged if there is sufficient demand.

**THE AUDITION FEE IS £20.** Please send a cheque made payable to National Youth Orchestra of Wales and post to NYOW, WJEC, 245 Western Avenue, Cardiff, CF5 2YX or you can pay via online banking; please contact us for details.

### **How to Apply: Deadline 10<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

- Complete and submit the online form, found on the NYAW website: [www.nyaw.co.uk/e\\_nyow.html](http://www.nyaw.co.uk/e_nyow.html)
- Send your supporting portfolio and £20 audition fee to the address below

For further information about the National Youth Orchestra of Wales or this programme, please contact the office on 029 2026 5060 or email [nyaw@nyaw.co.uk](mailto:nyaw@nyaw.co.uk)

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