



Brighton & Hove Music & Arts

BHJO, BHYP & BYO SEATING AND LEADER AUDITIONS

What are the benefits and responsibilities of a seating/leader audition?

The leader of the orchestra (violin) or section leader is expected to represent and be responsible for leading the orchestra or their section, and to make musical decisions in collaboration with tutors. BYO players should do a seating audition if they want to advance up the section, be a front desk player, be the leader or section leader. (past section leaders can reapply). Players not auditioning will be placed and must accept the given seat.

Who is expected to apply for an orchestral leader audition?

BHYP and BHJO leader auditions are voluntary but players should apply if they wish to lead the orchestra or be considered for front desk in the orchestra the following season.

Who is expected to apply for a section leader audition?

We only hold auditions for section leaders in BYO.

Who will hear the auditions?

The conductor and a tutor involved with each orchestra on a regular basis.

On what basis are the decisions made?

A combination of orchestral experience, instrumental facility, musicianship, leadership qualities, a spirit of 'go-for it' and acceptance of responsibility.