

BMUS PIANO FOR THEATRE

CANDIDATE'S BRIEFING FOR IN-PERSON INTERVIEWS











What to prepare for your audition and interview

Once we receive your application, you will be invited to an audition and interview within 2 weeks. The audition and interview will take place in-person at Mountview in Peckham and will last no longer than 45 minutes.

On the day, you will be allocated time to warm up in a practice room, ahead of meeting with the panel.

Candidates are asked to prepare the following:

- 1. Prepare two or three pieces of contrasting styles to play on the piano; one of these should be a classical art-music piece (e.g. baroque, romantic era, etc.). All pieces should be no longer than 15 minutes in length in total.
- One set piece from the Musical Theatre canon, which will be sent to you in advance of your audition date (this does not need to be played from memory). You are not expected to play every note on the page, but rather to give a musically coherent, harmonically and stylistically accurate reading of the piece.

There will be an interview where the panel will discuss with you your previous musical experience, as well as your aspirations for the future. There are no 'wrong' answers – the interview allows us to see how you might benefit from Mountview training and is also an opportunity for you to ask any relevant questions you may have about the course.

After your audition and interview, we aim to confirm the result within 2 weeks. All results are communicated via email to the applicant by the Admissions Team. Results cannot be confirmed over the phone.

You will then receive your official offer letter by email, following which you will have 2 weeks to respond.

Additional information

Mountview is committed to providing a supportive environment for applicants during their time with us. We understand that auditions can be a source of stress and anxiety for many people and we aim to support our applicants through this process. Our Student Welfare Manager works with the Admissions Office to ensure that any applicant who discloses a need for support or adjustments can participate fully with the audition experience.

If you have any access requirement or have any further questions please contact:

Admissions

admissions@mountview.org.uk · 020 8829 0037

Be prepared...

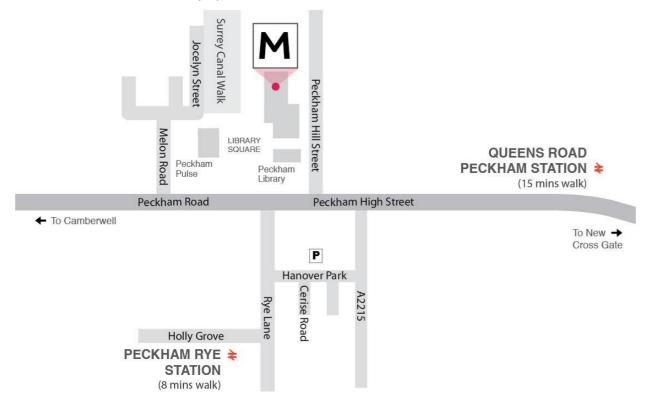
Please ensure that:

- 1. You allow plenty of time to get to the site (the auditions will start promptly at the time stated on your audition offer letter). If using public transport in London, it is advised that you check the Transport for London website (tfl.gov.uk) for any travel updates that may affect your journey.
- 2. You are sufficiently prepared and warmed up.

Getting to Mountview

Mountview 120 Peckham Hill Street London SE15 5JT

Note: Mountview's entrance is on Library Square



Transport links

Mountview is well served by the Transport for London (TfL) Overground train and bus networks. Further information about travel by bus, train or tube can be found on the TfL website: <u>Transport for London – plan your journey</u>

By train

Peckham Rye station has four services per hour to London Bridge (12 minutes) and two services per hour to Victoria (15 minutes). In addition, the Thameslink service serves major central stations including Blackfriars and St Pancras International. National Rail services link up to TfL's networks from Gatwick, Heathrow, Luton, Stansted and London City airports.

Parking

Mountview has very limited parking for disabled patrons only which is booked on a first come, first serve basis. This must be booked in advance by emailing admissions@mountview.org.uk. A public pay-and-display car park can be found behind the Aylesham Shopping Centre.

Confirmation

To confirm your audition deadline date, please email the following information to admissions@mountview.org.uk

- Your Name
- Your Date of Birth
- Your Audition Deadline Date
- Whether or not you are able to attend (if you are unable to attend, please also list any other dates when you will be unavailable to attend)
- Any Access Requirements

You must confirm attendance within 14 days of this email. If we have not received confirmation from you, the audition date will be withdrawn and requests for a further date will count as a reschedule. If you turn up for an audition without confirming attendance, we will not be able to audition you.

If you are **unable to make this deadline date**, please let us know by responding to this email. Please be aware that you will only be able to **reschedule your audition once**. In your reply e-mail, please state the audition dates that you can make (these are posted on <u>our website</u>) and we will endeavor to place you in one of these audition dates.

If you need to reschedule your audition date more than once, or you do not attend, you will need to pay the full audition fee again to book another audition date. This will be payable over the phone or by bank transfer and we will only issue you with another audition date once this has been paid.

You will not need to re-submit another application.	

We look forward to seeing you at your audition.