

## 2024 Hong Kong Youth Music Camp: Guidance Notes of Audition Video Submission for Non-local Applicants

1. The applicant must make the audition video recording in the following order:
  - a. Announce:
    - i. the name of applicant;
    - ii. the name of training group(s) applied for;
    - iii. the name of composer;
    - iv. the title of piece.
  - b. Show the applicant's photo and name on student identity card/ student handbook/ identification document to the camera for no less than two seconds;
  - c. Show the completed "Audition Video Submission Form for Non-local Applicants" (please see Appendix) to the camera for no less than two seconds;
  - d. Perform an own-choice piece/ excerpt (not more than 5 minutes for Junior Chinese Orchestra/ Junior String Orchestra/ Choir; not more than 8 minutes for Chinese Orchestra/ Symphonic Band/ Symphony Orchestra).
2. The audition video must be recorded according to the following specifications:
  - a. Resolution of video must be 720p (1280x720) or above;
  - b. The video must be a **single, continuous shot video footage** without any pause;
  - c. The video must be recorded live and no dubbing is permitted;
  - d. The audio and video must be synchronized and smooth, and the sound quality is clear;
  - e. The shooting must be done indoors in a quiet environment with sufficient lighting. Backlight has to be avoided;
  - f. The applicant's face, both hands and the whole of instrument (if any) must be clearly shown throughout the video;
  - g. The camera must be kept stable when shooting. Fixed shooting without any movements or zooming is required;
  - h. Where an accompanist is part of the performance, he/she must also be visible in the video;
  - i. Only applicant and accompanist (if any) are allowed to be visible in the video;
  - j. No special effects (such as filters, transitions, colour adjustments, light adjustments or subtitles, etc.), mixing, editing or post-production are permitted.
3. Name the video title/ file name according to the following specified format:  
  
2024HKYMC Audition-<<name of training group(s) applied for>>-<<instrument>>-<<name of applicant>>

4. For **online** submission of audition video link, please observe the following guidelines:
  - a. If the audition video is uploaded to YouTube channel, please set the video as “Unlisted” (Do not set as “Private”, otherwise, assessment cannot be proceeded);
  - b. Please enter the audition video link into the online application system, and ensure the link is accessible before 1 July;
  - c. If the applicant applies for more than one training group with different musical instruments, please create separate links for the respective musical instruments. Each link is only for a single musical instrument.
  
5. If an audition video link is not provided in the online application system, the applicant must **mail** the audition video together with the completed “Audition Video Submission Form for Non-local Applicants” (please see Appendix) to the Music Office (Address: Activities & Promotion Section, Music Office, 5/F, South Tower, West Kowloon Government Offices, 11 Hoi Ting Road, Yau Ma Tei, Kowloon, Hong Kong) by the application deadline. Please observe the following guidelines:
  - a. Please save the audition video onto a CD/USB drive and ensure that the video can be played by Windows Media Player or Quick Time (the file format must be in MOV, MPEG4 or M4V);
  - b. Please put the name of the applicant and musical instrument on the CD/USB drive;
  - c. If the applicant applies for more than one training group with different musical instruments, please submit separate CD/USB drives for the respective musical instruments. Each CD/USB drive is only for a single musical instrument.
  - d. The video will be used for the audition for the 2024 Hong Kong Youth Music Camp only. The CDs/USB drives received will be destroyed and abandoned afterwards.
  
6. Any application without providing audition video on time will not be considered.

Appendix: "Audition Video Submission Form for non-local applicants"

| 2024 Hong Kong Youth Music Camp – Audition Video Submission Form for Non-local Applicants*   |           |           |
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| Name of Applicant  | (Chinese) | (English) |
| Training Group (1 <sup>st</sup> choice):   |           |           |
| Camp A <input type="checkbox"/> Chinese Orchestra <input type="checkbox"/> Symphonic Band <input type="checkbox"/> Symphony Orchestra    |           |           |
| Camp B <input type="checkbox"/> Junior Chinese Orchestra <input type="checkbox"/> Junior String Orchestra <input type="checkbox"/> Choir |           |           |
| Instrument:  |           |           |
| Name of composer and piece:  |           |           |
| Training Group (2 <sup>nd</sup> choice) <i>[if applicable]</i> :   |           |           |
| Camp A <input type="checkbox"/> Chinese Orchestra <input type="checkbox"/> Symphonic Band <input type="checkbox"/> Symphony Orchestra    |           |           |
| Camp B <input type="checkbox"/> Junior Chinese Orchestra <input type="checkbox"/> Junior String Orchestra <input type="checkbox"/> Choir |           |           |
| Instrument:  |           |           |
| Name of composer and piece:  |           |           |
| Training Group (3 <sup>rd</sup> choice) <i>[if applicable]</i> :   |           |           |
| Camp A <input type="checkbox"/> Chinese Orchestra <input type="checkbox"/> Symphonic Band <input type="checkbox"/> Symphony Orchestra    |           |           |
| Camp B <input type="checkbox"/> Junior Chinese Orchestra <input type="checkbox"/> Junior String Orchestra <input type="checkbox"/> Choir |           |           |
| Instrument:  |           |           |
| Name of composer and piece:  |           |           |

\* Please tick as appropriate.