



Apply for a  
programme running  
from **September**  
**2026 - July**  
**2027/28**

# future talent

*The charity supporting young  
musicians from low-income  
backgrounds for over 20 years.*

Future Talent supports gifted young musicians from low-income backgrounds in the UK, across all genres. We deliver tailored programmes at every stage of musical development and provide financial support for essential music-related costs.

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**APPLY  
FROM  
25TH FEB**

Visit [our website](#) to learn about special Named Awards with increased financial bursaries.

## Our programmes:

Applicants for the Junior programme are selected from written application and video performance only. Development and Senior applicants are shortlisted for a live audition in June/July 2026.

### Junior

- Ages: 8-14 approx.
- £500 per year funding
- Duration: 2 years
- Level: Grades 1-5+ or equivalent

**£500 FUNDING**

### Development

- Ages: 12-16 approx.
- £1000 per year funding
- Duration: 2 years
- Level: Grades 6+ or equivalent

**£1000 FUNDING**

### Senior

- Ages: 16-18
- £1000 per year funding
- Duration: 1-2 years
- Level: Grades 7+ or equivalent

**£1000 FUNDING**

## Who is eligible?

If you are...

- From a household with income of £39,000 or less
- 17 years old or under as of 1st September 2026
- Living in the UK for at least 3 years

Then you are eligible to apply! Extenuating circumstances are considered.

**DEADLINE  
24TH  
APRIL**

# What we offer

## Funding

Each musician we support receives a financial grant for their musical expenses: tuition costs, instrument purchases, sheet music, exam fees and more.



*"Being a part of Future Talent has helped my musicianship so much and without it, I'd be so stunted in my musical growth. Thanks to Future Talent, I feel like I am going somewhere and am much more confident than I was"*

Kadisha, 17 year old pianist from Liverpool



*"My favourite thing was going to the recording studio. I met a lot of cool people there and it was great meeting people with similar interests. Future Talent has meant a lot as it has opened up a lot of opportunities to me"*

Daniel, 15 year old drummer from Hertfordshire



## Masterclasses

The chance to learn directly from a professional, world-class musician.



## Performances

Performing in front of a live audience is crucial to a musician's development, and we help provide these opportunities.



## Workshops

Meet fellow musicians and try something new at fun and interactive workshops.



## One-to-One Mentoring

Dedicated, one-to-one support in the field you're interested in.



# Next steps to a place on the programme

You can read our full guidelines on making an application [here](#).

## Part 1 - Musical Application

Applications open 25<sup>th</sup> February 2026. You may submit via online form or post. The application includes two recordings on the applicant's primary instrument, and questions on musical aspiration and experience. Applicants are assessed and shortlisted for Part 2.

## Part 2 - Financial Application

You will be asked to complete a financial application to assess your eligibility. You must provide details of your income to confirm it is no more than £39,000 per annum. Extenuating circumstances are considered. Successful applicants to the Junior Programme are selected by Part 1 and Part 2 only.

## Part 3 - Audition

Development and Senior applicants will be invited to a live audition in June/July 2026 in locations across the UK. Audition panels are comprised of local professional musicians. The applicant will perform two short pieces and have an informal discussion.



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