

THE CROSS BORDER ORCHESTRA OF IRELAND – INFORMATION FOR NEW MEMBERS



EXCEPTIONAL PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITIES: The Cross Border Orchestra of Ireland provides exceptional performance opportunities for young people, coupled with orchestral training which is second to none. If you are a young musician between the ages of 13 and 24 years, who is passionate about music, not afraid of hard work and commitment and wants to work with like-minded young people, now is your chance to become part of one of Ireland's leading cultural initiatives.

ARENA CONCERTS IN IRELAND, NORTHERN IRELAND & THE UK. CBOI members get the incredible opportunity to perform in our Peace Proms Arena Tour each Spring. This involves up to 17 concerts with audiences in excess of 60,000 people. Concerts take place in iconic arenas including the SSE Arena, Belfast; the Simmonscourt Arena, RDS, Dublin; Limerick University Sports Arena; and SETU Arena, Waterford Arena.

WORKING WITH PROS: CBOI members get the opportunity to perform to professional concert-orchestra standard, and work with leading conductors and professional musician. who coach members during workshops and perform along-side them during concerts.

REQUIREMENTS: The CBOI accepts members from every county in Ireland and Northern Ireland. Applicants should be between 13 and 24 years. Rehearsals take place on 3 Sundays per month from August to January, in Coláiste Chu Chulainn, Dundalk. Concerts take place at weekends from January to March. **Commitment is a key requirement.** CBOI is in recess from mid-March until August to facilitate members taking school & college exams. The minimum standard requirement is Grade 5 RIAM or ABRSM with honours. More information, terms and conditions, a provisional rehearsal and performance schedule, Child Protection Statement, Policies and Procedures are available in the 'members' section on our website www.peaceproms.com

Applicants will be asked to submit a video audition. For your audition, you should prepare two contrasting pieces (preferably of contrasting tempo) at the appropriate level e.g. If you have completed Grade 8 you should play grade 8 pieces.

START DATE: New applicants should be in a position to join from July 28th 2025. Our non-residential Summer workshop is from Monday 28th July to Friday 1st August, inclusive, and is compulsory for all members.