

Conducting Scholarship 2023-24

Homerton College would like to appoint a **Conducting Scholar** for the academic year 2023–24. This award is open to all current student members of College as well as those holding an offer to begin studying here in Autumn 2023 who have an interest in learning orchestral conducting.

No prior conducting experience is necessary, with an emphasis is placed on candidates' potential.

The value of the scholarship is £300 per annum, *plus* an additional grant for conducting lessons and – for students studying subjects other than Music – another grant for instrumental lessons. Where possible, the Conducting Scholar will be provided with a digital piano in their college room. The scholarship will be awarded for one year in the first instance, but may be extended for a subsequent year with the agreement of both parties.

Further particulars:

The Conducting Scholar

- will be the official conductor for the Homerton College Orchestra (which currently performs in end-ofterm concerts organised by the student-led Homerton College Music Society (HCMS));
- will work with HCMS's Orchestral Manager to devise a rehearsal timetable, choose repertoire, and fix players;
- is expected to promote music at Homerton more generally, especially by encouraging talented instrumentalists at Homerton to participate in the College Orchestra, and also by exploring opportunities for other orchestral performances throughout the year;
- will automatically, for as long as (s)he is the recipient of the scholarship, hold a position on the HCMS Committee;
- is required to take regular conducting lessons with a suitably qualified teacher, and is also encouraged to take instrumental lessons (both paid out of the lessons grants);
- should pursue other conducting experiences within Homerton, the University, and beyond (for example, trying some choral conducting, or entering conducting competitions).
- may be asked to participate in school outreach visits, etc.

Auditions will be held at Homerton College on the date(s) below. At the audition, candidates will be required to conduct a short excerpt of music with an instrumentalist, and will be given some sight-reading and conducting exercises.

Those interested in applying are invited to contact the Director of Music, Dr Daniel Trocmé-Latter (<u>directorofmusic@homerton.cam.ac.uk</u>), with any questions. Completed application forms should be sent to Ms Shanna Hart (<u>sh816@homerton.cam.ac.uk</u>).

Closing date for application forms: Wednesday | March 2023 Dates of auditions: Friday 3 | March and Monday | April 2023

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