

# BTEC Level 2 First Award in Music

## What will I learn?

You will study a range of units reflecting the nature of the music industry in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. These include: The Music Industry, Event Management, Solo Performance and Composition, Live Sound or Recording Techniques.

## How is the course structured?

The two-year course will consist of project work for 4 different units, two which are core units, including an externally-assessed exam on the nature of the music industry, and a unit involving organising the students' own concert. The other two units are chosen from a suite of optional units covering a range of skills as detailed above.

## How will I study?

With the exception of Unit 1, the other three units are completed as long-term projects. You will be undertaking a range of tasks during the course - many will be practical, some will be written. Throughout various projects you will be required to keep a logbook and build a portfolio of evidence which may include written work, recordings, video and photographs.

## How will I be assessed?

Assessment is mainly through internally-assessed coursework with one externally-assessed exam unit. All work is assessed using Pass, Merit and Distinction grading criteria. Meeting deadlines is an important part of the professional music industry and also the assessment process. Unit assessment deadlines will be communicated with students and parents and it is expected that these will be met in all cases.



**Please note: The BTEC Level 2 qualification is set to change in September 2018, although no specification has been published as of yet. The above is an outline of the current qualification offered at BOA.**