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**MUSICIAN EDUCATORS**

Music Generation Kerry is a performance music education[[1]](#footnote-1) service for children and young people in County Kerry that provides opportunities for children and young people to access a range of high quality, subsidised vocal and instrumental tuition in their local area. This offers a unique opportunity for dynamic musicians to join the Music Generation Kerry team at a time of exciting change in the music education landscape in Ireland.

Music Generation Kerry is managed and funded locally by Kerry ETB, Kerry County Council and Munster Technological University. Kerry Education and Training Board, as Lead Partner for Kerry Music Education Partnership, now wishes to recruit suitably qualified and experienced musicians/music tutors to deliver:

1. Traditional Irish Instrumental and Group Performance
2. Vocals and Choral
3. Piano/Keyboard
4. Woodwind & Brasswind
5. Classical Strings
6. Popular Music Programmes
7. Early Years Music Programmes
8. Hip Hop, Rap and Music Production

**Instruments/Vocal Styles**

Musicians practicing in the following instruments and/or voice in any musical genre are eligible to apply:

Traditional Irish Instruments, Vocals and Choral Direction, Popular Music Instruments, Early Years Music Practice, Classical Strings/Woodwind/Brass & Hip Hop/Rap/Music Production.

Musician Educators will work with children and young people in group contexts, online and in person, and may work on one or more programmes at any given time. The ability to deliver tuition at more than one location throughout County Kerry will be advantageous and a willingness to teach via teleconferencing is essential. Applications are particularly welcomed from musicians who can teach through the medium of Irish.

**Essential criteria**

**To qualify for appointment candidates must:**

* Be a motivated, accomplished, practising musician with demonstrable skills in at least one instrument/voice.
* Have a proven track record of at least two years’ experience in delivering vocal and instrumental music tuition to a high standard in a music education context.
* Have a strong ability to connect with children and young people, and a passion for and commitment to performance music education.

**Person profile**

**We are seeking musicians who:**

* Can motivate and inspire children and young people to learn and perform music.
* Demonstrate an understanding of effective tuition in a group context and an ability to set learning objectives and monitor achievements.
* Work effectively as an individual and as part of a team.
* Demonstrate a passion for performance music education and a commitment to their own continuing professional development.
* Show an understanding of the Music Generation local and national programme and be prepared to work positively to promote its goals.

**Desirable criteria**

* An appropriate third level qualification in music and/or music education and/or equivalent quantifiable experience
* Experience in leading and developing instrumental and/or vocal ensembles in any genre
* An ability to play an additional instrument(s) to a good standard

**How to apply**

Application forms can be downloaded from <https://www.kerryetb.ie/organisational-support-development/human-resources/job-opportunities>. Please submit a completed application form and return by email only to [jobs@kerryetb.ie](mailto:jobs@kerryetb.ie).

The closing date for receipt of online applications is **12:00 noon Wednesday, 19th March 2025**. Only an official application form will be accepted (no CV’s).

If you have any queries, please contact Kerry ETB or Music Development Officer Deirdre Johnson at Music Generation Kerry [djohnson@kerryetb.ie](mailto:djohnson@kerryetb.ie).

**Recruitment process**

A shortlisting process will operate. The recruitment process will comprise of a formal interview, and an 8-minute practical demonstration of your approach to a performance music education session, including a two-minute musical performance on your primary instrument or voice.

**Terms and Conditions of Employment**

**Tenure**

Successful applicants will be offered a Fixed Term Contract when opportunities arise for their particular area of expertise. All contracts are subject to sufficient uptake by participants and the continuation of Music Generation funding.

**Hours**

Hours of working vary and will be discussed and notified in advance. Tuition and rehearsals may take place within school hours, outside of school hours, during weekends and/or school holidays.

**Tuition, Meetings and Professional Development**

The role of a Musician Educator working on Music Generation programmes will require:

* delivery of high quality performance music education (in person and/or online, as required);
* attendance at and engagement with Continuing Professional Development and training;
* participation in planning and other such meetings as may be required from time to time;
* any other reasonable duties as may be determined from time to time.

The Musician Educator role may also require:

* collaboration with the Musician Educator team on the creation of programmes;
* creation of online content to support the delivery of work.

**Garda Vetting and Child Protection Policies**

Garda Vetting will be sought in accordance with the National Vetting Bureau Act, 2014 and there being no disclosure of convictions which XXETB/County Council considers would render the candidate unsuitable to work with children/vulnerable adults. This process will commence prior to appointment.

**Remuneration**

Salary Scale and Conditions of Service will be in accordance with the regulations of the Government pay policy and may be adjusted from time to time in line with Government pay policy.

**Transport**

Successful applicants will require access to own transport and a full clean driving licence.

**Notes**

* Late and/or incomplete applications will not be accepted
* The selection decision of Kerry Education and Training Board is final
* Kerry Education & Training Board/Music Generation Kerry reserves the right to pursue other selection processes at its discretion
* Selected musicians may not sub-contract work to third parties
* Canvassing will disqualify
* Kerry Education and Training Board is an equal opportunities employer.

1. *Recognised by the Department of Education as non-mainstream music education, performance music education complements and enriches, but does not replace, the mainstream music curriculum provision of the formal education system.* <https://www.musicgeneration.ie/content/files/Music-Generation-Strategic-Plan-2022-2026.pdf> [↑](#footnote-ref-1)