

Samling Academy 2025/26 Application Form Questions

Please note that this document is not the application form: it is simply a reference to help you gather the information that you need. Applications must be submitted via our online form at samling.org.uk/samling-academy/samling-academy-application-form/

The deadline for applications is 11.59 pm on Thursday 27 February 2025

PERSONAL DETAILS

Name / Email address / Date of birth / Telephone number / Address

If you are under 16, we will also ask for the contact details of your parent or carer.

ABOUT YOU

Voice type: soprano/mezzo-soprano/countertenor/tenor/baritone/bass-baritone

How did you hear about this opportunity? (check box list)

Please tell us about your musical achievements to date

This can include, for instance, taking part in a particular music project or performance, or attainment in music examinations (for example, with the Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music).

Please tell us a bit about yourself and your reasons for applying to Samling Academy

What kind of music do you enjoy singing? What do you hope to gain from being a Samling Academy Singer? What are your aspirations?

Can you read music? Yes / no

Which of the following languages have you performed in?

English / French / German / Italian / Other

EDUCATION

Where are you currently studying?

School / University / Gap year

We would like to know which institution you are currently attending. (Please do not give details of an institution you recently left). If you are currently in your final year of studies at school or university, we'd like to know about your plans for next year.

Which school or university do you attend?

If university, what are you studying?

If you are on a gap year, please tell us a little about what stage of education you are at and how singing fits within this. For example, you might sing regularly in a choir or be on a gap year and studying singing privately.

SINGING OR MUSIC TEACHER DETAILS

Your singing or music teacher's name

Their telephone number (if known)

Their email address (if known)

Please remember to let your singing or music teacher know that you have applied, as we may contact them for further information.

PREVIOUS SAMLING ACADEMY EXPERIENCE

In this section we will ask whether or not you've auditioned for Samling Academy before and, if so, what was the outcome.

Have you auditioned for Samling Academy before?

- Yes, I have auditioned before and been offered a place
- Yes, I have auditioned before but have not been offered a place
- No

If you answered yes, we will ask you which years you previously auditioned.

Which years have you previously attended Samling Academy?

AUDITIONS

For auditions, you will be asked to prepare three pieces of music to perform from memory, including one in a language other than your own. We also ask that you arrange to bring your own accompanist. We would like to know your availability and/or preferences for the date of your audition and will do our best to accommodate this. However, we cannot guarantee that you will get the time you select. Further details will be sent out following your application. Auditions will take place in Newcastle and Durham.

Please select your first, second and third choice audition dates/time

- Friday 21 March 4–9pm (The Glasshouse, Gateshead)
- Saturday 22 March: 10am 12 noon (Durham)
- Saturday 22 March: 2.30 6.30pm (Durham)
- Sunday 23 March: 10am–1pm (Newcastle)
- None of these options work for me

NOTE: Piano accompanists

We will provide a piano accompanist for your audition at no cost or you may bring your own.