

Encore! School of Music - Trinity Exams 2011

Information Sheet for Students/Parents/Caregivers



Teacher to Complete:

Student's Name: _____ Instrument: _____

1. Type of exam and date recommended (circle one type of exam and one date to work towards):

MUSIC (classical)	ROCKSCHOOL (contemporary)	WRITTEN Music Theory
a) August	a) August	a) May
b) Oct/Nov/Dec		b) November

2. Grade level recommended (circle one grade level to work towards):

INITIAL/DEBUT 1 2 3 4 5 6

3. Teacher's Comments:

Exams are not compulsory here at Encore! but we are excited about providing our students with the opportunity to sit for exams if they wish to. Trinity College is a leading international music examinations board. Trinity exams are designed to help students progress in their musical journey and to mark an achievement at each stage of their development.

The following Trinity exams are available to Encore! students in 2011:

MUSIC Exams (classical)

- Instruments: Piano, Guitar, Singing, Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone, Violin, Percussion (Drum Kit)
- Grade Levels: Initial, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

EXAM DATES:	CLOSING DATES:
August / Sept	Saturday 16 April
Oct and Nov / Dec	Saturday 16 July

ROCKSCHOOL Exams (contemporary)

- Instruments: Piano, Guitar, Singing, Bass, Drums
- Grade Levels: Debut, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

EXAM DATE:	CLOSING DATE:
August	Saturday 16 April

WRITTEN Music Theory Exams

- Grade Levels: 1, 2, 3, 4

EXAM DATES:	CLOSING DATE:
May	Wednesday 16 Feb
November	Saturday 16 July

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS:

Q1) What will it cost to sit an exam?

A1) There are three things you will be invoiced for if you choose to sit for an exam:

1) An exam fee set by Trinity – see table below.

2) An exam music book or workbook:

Practical exams – this will contain a selection of songs/pieces/exercises to select from.

Theory exams – this will contain the skills and exercises required and a sample exam paper.

3) An admin fee of \$12.00.

Trinity Exam Fees 2011:

MUSIC: (Classical)	Fee:	ROCKSHOOL: (Contemporary)	Fee:	WRITTEN: (Music Theory)	Fee
Initial	\$111.00	Debut	\$139.00		
Grade 1	\$128.00	Grade 1	\$149.00	Grade 1	\$87.00
Grade 2	\$139.00	Grade 2	\$173.00	Grade 2	\$104.00
Grade 3	\$162.00	Grade 3	\$184.00	Grade 3	\$115.00
Grade 4	\$180.00	Grade 4	\$197.00	Grade 4	\$128.00
Grade 5	\$197.00	Grade 5	\$208.00		
Grade 6	\$229.00	Grade 6	\$253.00		

Q2) What type of exam and grade level should I sit for?

A2) Your Encore! teacher has knowledge about the requirements for each exam and what might suit you best. Therefore it is an Encore! requirement that students engage in discussion with their teacher before signing up for any exams, and that the teacher's recommendations above are adhered to.

Q3) What are the requirements for each type of exam and grade level?

A3) You can go to <http://www.trinitycollege.co.uk> to download syllabuses for the exam(s) you're interested in. These provide specific information as to the requirements for each exam/grade level and the skills/knowledge examiners will be assessing. Encore! also has a selection of these syllabuses in our library.

Q4) What is the Encore! process for completing an exam?

A4) The table below details the process for Encore! students who wish to sit for exams:

1. Expression of interest	<i>Student/teacher will engage in discussion about which exam might suit the student best, considering the student's current ability and the length of time available to prepare.</i>
2. Sign up	<i>The student/parent will complete a sign up sheet and hand it in at Encore! reception <u>before the closing dates listed above.</u></i>
3. Book for student	<i>The student will receive a music book from their teacher, appropriate to the exam they are sitting for.</i>
4. Invoice	<i>The student/parent will be invoiced for the exam fee, music book and admin fee.</i>
5. Date/time/venue	<i>Encore! will receive from Trinity date/time/venue information for the student's exam and will communicate these via email.</i>
6. Preparing for exam	<i>The student will be required to spend plenty of time practicing/preparing at home for their exam – as set by their teacher. The student's teacher will also dedicate time in lessons to prepare them for their exam.</i>
7. Sit exam	<i>The student will be responsible for attending their own exam.</i>
8. Results	<i>The teacher will receive the student's exam results and feedback form and pass them on in to the student in their lesson.</i>
9. Certificate	<i>At a later date, the teacher will also receive the student's certificate, which will also be passed on in their lesson.</i>

We trust you will gain a great deal of enjoyment and musical accomplishment in the process of sitting for Trinity exams. If you have any questions that are not answered in this information sheet please don't hesitate to contact us!

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Sign-Up Sheet for Students/Parents



Student's full name: <i>Please circle the FAMILY NAME</i>	
Parent/caregiver's name:	
Date of birth:	(day) (month) (year)
Gender:	
Any special needs?	
Instrument:	
Type of exam: <i>Music, Rockschool or Written</i>	
Month of exam:	
Grade level sitting for:	
Exam fee:	

Please tick the following to give your consents:

- I agree to Encore! invoicing me for the above exam fee, an exam music book and the admin fee of \$12.00.
- I agree to dedicate time outside of lessons to ensure I am fully prepared for my exam, following the instructions set by my teacher.
- I agree to Trinity Guildhall publishing my exam results in their electronic and hard copy publications. (*Publication is not guaranteed*).
- Drum students only. I require a left handed drum set-up.

Signed: _____ Date: _____