

Instrumental Music Training Scheme intermediate and advanced year-one courses start recruitment

The Instrumental Music Training Scheme (IMTS), organised by the Music Office of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department, is now recruiting intermediate year-one and advanced year-one trainees for 2021-22. The deadline for applications is May 16.

The IMTS provides training in a wide variety of string, wind and Chinese musical instruments including violin, viola, cello, double bass, clarinet, oboe, bassoon, trumpet, French horn, trombone, percussion, erhu, pipa, sheng, suona and yangqin. Courses on musicianship and music theory are also included.

One-hour group lessons, conducted in Cantonese, are held once a week at the Music Office's five music centres in Wan Chai, Kwun Tong, Mong Kok, Sha Tin and Tsuen Wan. Annual tuition fees of \$3,377 for intermediate level and \$4,312 for advanced level are payable in four instalments.

Online applications are available at www.lcsd.gov.hk/musicoffice. Course pamphlets and application forms are now available at all Music Office music centres. Applicants must have attained the required music qualifications. Qualified applicants will receive details of their submission of an audition video by June 2. The deadline for submission of an audition video will be June 20. Applicants will be notified of the results in early August and the training will commence in early September.

For enquiries, please call the Music Office's music centres at 2802 0657 (Wan Chai), 2796 2893 (Kwun Tong), 2399 2200 (Mong Kok), 2158 6462 (Sha Tin) and 2417 6429 (Tsuen Wan).

In view of the latest situation of COVID-19, visitors to music centres of the Music Office are required to scan the "LeaveHomeSafe" QR code or register their name, contact number and the date and time of the visit before being allowed to enter. They will also need to use hand sanitiser, wear their own masks and be subject to temperature checks.