Careers Sector: Performing Arts, Dance, Drama, Music, Acting, Theatre

Sector & Career Overviews

- [http://ccskills.org.uk/careers/advice/job-profiles/any](http://ccskills.org.uk/careers/advice/job-profiles/any) - Over 200 job profiles from the creative and cultural sectors (includes Music and Theatre)
- [www.prospects.ac.uk/creative_arts_design_sector_overview.htm](http://www.prospects.ac.uk/creative_arts_design_sector_overview.htm) - Overview of the creative arts sector in the UK (including music and performing arts)
- [https://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/soc/ier/ngrf/lmifuturetrends/sectorscovered/creative/](https://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/soc/ier/ngrf/lmifuturetrends/sectorscovered/creative/) - industry information about the creative and cultural sector (including performing arts and music)

Jobs, Work Experience, Internships & Volunteering

Many opportunities within this sector may not be formally advertised, so building contacts and networks and making speculative approaches will be essential.

- [http://guru.bafta.org/opportunities](http://guru.bafta.org/opportunities) - Opportunities from BAFTA (including training programmes and jobs), film festivals, competitions and opportunities from partner organisations e.g. BFI, 4Talent etc.
- [www.spotlight.com](http://www.spotlight.com) - Spotlight (UK’s leading casting resource for actors, performers and dancers) including the Contacts Listings [https://www.spotlight.com/contacts](https://www.spotlight.com/contacts)
- [www.artshub.co.uk](http://www.artshub.co.uk) - Arts Hub (includes full-time, part-time, freelance, volunteering opportunities in performance and music – monthly subscription fee applies)
- [www.mediavolt.co.uk](http://www.mediavolt.co.uk) - Media Volt (auditions and castings in TV, Film & Theatre for actors, musicians and dancers)
- [www.mandy.com](http://www.mandy.com) – Mandy (opportunities in film and TV for dancers, actors, production staff)
- [www.thestage.co.uk](http://www.thestage.co.uk) - The Stage (job opportunities in a variety of backstage, offstage and performance roles)
- [http://ccskills.org.uk/careers/events-opps](http://ccskills.org.uk/careers/events-opps) and [http://ccskills.org.uk/careers/jobs](http://ccskills.org.uk/careers/jobs) - Creative and Cultural Skills Sector Council (opportunities across a range of theatre and dance roles, including non-performance opportunities in the creative sector)
- [www.rhinegoldjobs.co.uk](http://www.rhinegoldjobs.co.uk) – Rhinegold Jobs (opportunities for music and performing arts)
- [www.starstannow.co.uk](http://www.starstannow.co.uk) - StarNow (casting website for actors, musicians and dancers)
- [www.artsjobsonline.com/home/home.asp](http://www.artsjobsonline.com/home/home.asp) - Arts Jobs Online (non-performance roles within the creative and performing arts sectors)
- [www.artsprofessional.co.uk/jobs](http://www.artsprofessional.co.uk/jobs) - Arts Professional (non-performance roles within the creative and performing arts sectors)

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• www.tobeseen.co.uk - To be Seen (actors, comedians, musicians, dancers opportunities)
• www.perform.org.uk - Perform (company for actors, musicians, dancers teaching in drama schools)
• www.allcruisejobs.com/entertainment-jobs - All Cruise Jobs
• http://theatrebristol.net/ - Theatre Bristol (opportunities in range of performance and support roles)
• https://jobs.channel4.com/Default.aspx - Channel 4
• http://creativeaccess.org.uk/ - Creative Access – paid internship opportunities for students of Black, Asian and non-white minority ethnic backgrounds (opportunities available in theatre, TV, radio, museums and galleries)
• http://theatrebristol.net/opportunities - Theatre Bristol
• http://theatreanddance.britishcouncil.org/artists-and-companies - lists UK theatre companies
• www.theknowledgeonline.com - The Knowledge (a listing website for individuals and companies working across TV, theatre and film)
• http://kwmc.org.uk/about/opportunities/ - Knowle West Media Centre (Bristol), arts organisation working with community projects.
• https://www.oldvictheatre.com/join-in/for-creatives/the-old-vic-12 - The Old Vic 12 (scheme for theatre makers)
• https://www.comedy.co.uk/forums/opportunities/ - British Comedy Guide

Acting/Drama Specific
• www.universalextras.co.uk - Universal Extras (casting extras for TV and film)
• www.rydys.co.uk - Regional Theatre Young Director Scheme (placement opportunities for emerging young directors)
• www.scenarioroleplay.co.uk - Scenario Role Play (role-play for training and business situations)
• http://www.equity.org.uk/jobs-career/ - Equity (requires student membership)
• www.spotlight.com - Spotlight (UK’s leading casting resource for actors and performers)
• https://actors.mandy.com/uk/jobs - Mandy (opportunities for actors)
• https://shootingpeople.org/home - Shooting People (opportunities in independent film)
• https://cahootify.com/ - Cahootify
• http://pagetostage.org.uk/ - new festival for theatrical writing (with some opportunities)
• https://royalcourttheatre.com/playwriting/ - Royal Court – playwright opportunities
• http://monologueslamuk.com/about-monologueslam/ - Monologue Slam UK (actors industry showcase)

Dance Specific
• www.communitydance.org.uk/jobs.html - Community Dance (includes opportunities as a dance practitioner as well as roles supporting dance organisations)
• https://dancers.mandy.com/uk/jobs - Mandy (opportunities for dancers)
• http://www.article19.co.uk/audition/ - Article 19 (UK and European dance opportunities)
• http://londondance.com/noticeboard - Jobs noticeboard
• http://www.danceeurope.net/content/auditionsjobs - Dance Europe
• http://dancingopportunities.com - Dancing Opportunities (auditions,residencies,festivals,internships)
• http://dramaanddance.britishcouncil.org/artists-and-companies - lists UK-wide dance companies
• http://www.theplace.org.uk/taxonomy/term/105 - The Place
• https://www.stageone.uk.com/ - Stage One (support for new theatre producers)

Music Specific
• http://network.youthmusic.org.uk/jobs - Youth Music Network, music education etc.
• https://music.mandy.com/uk/jobs - Mandy (opportunities for music professionals)
• www.musicweek.com/jobs - Music Week, includes directory of companies
- [http://www.careersinmusic.co.uk/music-industry-addresses-and-contacts/record-companies/](http://www.careersinmusic.co.uk/music-industry-addresses-and-contacts/record-companies/) - Careers In Music (includes lists of UK non-major record companies)
- [www.musicmark.org.uk/jobs](http://www.musicmark.org.uk/jobs) - Music Mark (music education jobs)
- [www.musicalchairs.info/jobs](http://www.musicalchairs.info/jobs) - Musical Chairs (performance, teaching and administration jobs in classical music). Includes list of UK Orchestras (with own vacancy pages).
- [www.trinitylaban.ac.uk/student-experience/careers/careers-music/performance-opportunities](http://www.trinitylaban.ac.uk/student-experience/careers/careers-music/performance-opportunities) - Trinity Laban's (useful links of performance opportunities for musicians at the start of their career)
- [http://becomeamusicteacher.com](http://becomeamusicteacher.com) - Become a Music Teacher/Tutor (Europe's biggest music teaching business franchise for teaching music 1:1)
- [http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p010j8y5](http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p010j8y5) - BBC Introducing Scheme
- [www.indiebible.com](http://www.indiebible.com) - International music resource for independent artists providing ideas for music promotion, distribution and radio promotion (this is a paid for service)
- [http://www.colstonhall.org/](http://www.colstonhall.org/) - Bristol Colston Hall (music venue)
- [www.helpmusicians.org.uk/](http://www.helpmusicians.org.uk/) - Help Musicians (offer advice and help for emerging artists including funding opportunities)
- [http://www.prsformusicfoundation.com/Funding](http://www.prsformusicfoundation.com/Funding) - PRS for Music Foundation (funding opportunities)
- [http://recordproduction.com/uk_studios.htm](http://recordproduction.com/uk_studios.htm) - Record Production (list of UK music studios)
- [https://www.thefamouscompany.com/](https://www.thefamouscompany.com/) - The Famous Company (artist development company)
- [http://www.wired4music.co.uk/opportunities/](http://www.wired4music.co.uk/opportunities/) - Wired4Music (supporting young people in the music industry in London)

### Theatre Specific
- [http://theatrebristol.net/jobs](http://theatrebristol.net/jobs) - Theatre Bristol
- [http://theatrebath.co.uk](http://theatrebath.co.uk) - Theatre Bath (opportunities, job and volunteering)
- [https://stage.mandy.com/uk/jobs](https://stage.mandy.com/uk/jobs) - Mandy (opportunities for theatre professionals)
- [http://www.angels.uk.com/careers](http://www.angels.uk.com/careers) - Angels Costumes (graduate internships and placements)
- [http://www.icarustheatre.co.uk/internships.html](http://www.icarustheatre.co.uk/internships.html) - Icarus Theatre work experience

### Industry Associations

#### General
- [www.equity.org.uk/home](http://www.equity.org.uk/home) - Equity (UK trade union for professional performers)
- [www.bectu.org.uk/home](http://www.bectu.org.uk/home) - Broadcasting, Entertainment, Cinematograph & Theatre Union (media and entertainment trade union)
- [http://www.artsfestivals.co.uk/](http://www.artsfestivals.co.uk/) - Arts Festival Association (promotes arts festivals in the UK)

#### Acting/Drama
- [www.actorsguild.co.uk](http://www.actorsguild.co.uk) - The Actors’ Guild
- [www.fia-actors.com](http://www.fia-actors.com) - International Federation of Actors

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• [http://www.itc-arts.org/](http://www.itc-arts.org/) - Independent Theatre Council (represents, supports and develops professional performing arts in the theatre’s independent sector – including representation of drama, musical and physical theatre)

Dance
• [www.communitydance.org.uk/](http://www.communitydance.org.uk/) - Community Dance (professional association for anyone involved in creating opportunities for people to participate in dance)
• [www.ukdance.co.uk](http://www.ukdance.co.uk) - UK Dance supports teachers around UK with Professional Dance Examinations, Medal Tests, Pupil Awards, an annual conference.
• [http://www.itc-arts.org/](http://www.itc-arts.org/) - Independent Theatre Council (represents, supports and develops professional performing arts in the theatre’s independent sector – including representation of dance)
• [http://www.independentdance.co.uk/](http://www.independentdance.co.uk/) - Independent Dance (artist-led organisation offering support to dance artists with their ongoing professional development, incl. the offer of workshops and classes)
• [http://www.pdsw.org.uk/about-us/](http://www.pdsw.org.uk/about-us/) - Pavilion Dance South West (the national dance development organisation for the South West)

Music
• [www.abo.org.uk/](http://www.abo.org.uk/) - Association of British Orchestras
• [www.musiciansunion.org.uk/](http://www.musiciansunion.org.uk/) - Musicians Union
• [http://basca.org.uk/](http://basca.org.uk/) - British Academy of Songwriters, Composers and Authors
• [http://themmf.net/](http://themmf.net/) - Music Managers’ Forum
• [www.iasig.org/](http://www.iasig.org/) - Interactive Audio Special Interest Group
• [www.plasa.org/](http://www.plasa.org/) - PLASA (membership body for those who supply technologies and services to the event, entertainment and installation industries).
• [www.bpi.co.uk](http://www.bpi.co.uk) - British Phonographic Industry, represents the UKs recorded music industry.
• [www.prsformusic.com/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.prsformusic.com/Pages/default.aspx) - PRS For Music (society that licenses organisations to play, perform or make available copyright music on behalf of members) and [www.ppluk.com/](http://www.ppluk.com/) - PPL (licenses recorded music played in public or broadcast)

Theatre
• [www.ald.org.uk](http://www.ald.org.uk) – Association of Lighting Designers
• [www.abtt.org.uk](http://www.abtt.org.uk) - The Association of British Theatre Technicians
• [www.theatredesign.org.uk](http://www.theatredesign.org.uk) - The Society of British Theatre Designers
• [www.uktheatre.org/](http://www.uktheatre.org/) - UK Theatre (membership organisation for theatre and performing arts organisations and individuals)
• [www.solt.co.uk](http://www.solt.co.uk) - Society of London Theatre
• [www.stagemanagementassociation.co.uk/](http://www.stagemanagementassociation.co.uk/) - Stage Management Association (trade association for stage managers with free downloadable Career Guide - [https://www.stagemanagementassociation.co.uk/shop/free-stage-management-career-guide](https://www.stagemanagementassociation.co.uk/shop/free-stage-management-career-guide))
• [www.theatreraft.org/](http://www.theatreraft.org/) - TheatreCraft (career event for ‘behind the scenes’ in theatre)
• [http://www.itc-arts.org/](http://www.itc-arts.org/) - Independent Theatre Council (represents, supports and develops professional performing arts in the theatre’s independent sector)
• [http://www.ttg.org.uk/](http://www.ttg.org.uk/) - The Theatrical Guild (established to support people in the theatrical profession who are in need)

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