

A young man with a beard, wearing a dark blue shirt, is seated and playing a double bass. He is looking down at the instrument. The background shows other double basses and a music stand with sheet music. The lighting is warm and focused on the player.

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Study double bass at the RNCM and join a thriving community of outstanding students, world-class teachers and visiting artists.

As an RNCM double bass student, you will receive:

Tuition from world-renowned double bassists

Our internationally-renowned double bass teachers all hold principal double bass positions with leading orchestras, including the Hallé, BBC Philharmonic and Czech Philharmonic.

In addition to regular lessons, RNCM double bass students take part in masterclasses and workshops with acclaimed visiting tutors, such as Božo Paradžik, International Chair of Double Bass, and Nabil Shehata, former Principal Bass of Berlin Philharmonic.

A bespoke learning package

The double bass curriculum includes a structured approach to the core orchestral excerpts, which are assessed regularly throughout the programme. RNCM double bass students also have the opportunity to participate in electric bass guitar and jazz classes.

Unrivalled performance opportunities

Through RNCM Platform, double bass students have the opportunity to participate in unique performance opportunities and work with artists from Europe's leading orchestras. Our partner orchestras include Chamber Orchestra of Europe, Mahler Chamber Orchestra and Academy of St Martin-in-the-Fields.

Students also participate in double bass events including RNCM Strings Festival, a public event featuring workshops, masterclasses and performances with some of Europe's finest double bassists.

'Whether it's orchestral excerpt workshops or masterclasses with some of the world's leading bassists, there's plenty of variety to keep our bass students busy and learning.'

Ronan Dunne, RNCM Tutor in Double Bass and Co-Principal Double Bass, BBC Philharmonic.

Student successes

Current postgraduate student, Toby Hughes, was the first ever double bassist to win Strings Final at the Royal Over-Seas League Competition 2014. Double bass virtuoso, Leon Bosch, is a distinguished alumnus from the school.

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