

WINGATES BAND

HISTORY | QUALITY | INNOVATION

MUSICAL DIRECTOR



ROLE PROFILE



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THE ROLE

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LOCATION

Wingates, Westhoughton

ABOUT THE ROLE

Wingates Band are looking for a new Musical Director who can take Wingates Band forward in the next chapter of its history. The trustees of the Band are looking for an individual who can be seen as a positive role model and commit to the development of the band and its players.

The successful candidate will be committed to preparing and directing 2-hour rehearsals, twice a week (**Tuesdays and Thursdays**), selecting concert programmes and preparing the band for concert and contest performances. In addition the MD should be able to make innovative suggestions to encourage new audiences to listen and follow the band.

The band is made of hard-working, dedicated and friendly players that celebrate the gift of playing and performing together. The new MD will be encouraged to nurture these gifts and, in doing so, will guarantee the engagement of its players and an investment in the band's future.

As the band are currently in a rebuilding phase and are recovering from the effects of the pandemic, the MD will be asked to assist with the recruitment process, encouraging new players who may wish to join the band.

This is a rare opportunity to conduct a first-class, hard-working band with a rich history and strong ties to the community - if you have the skills and are ready to embark on a rewarding new challenge, we want to hear from you.



DUTIES

DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES

The successful candidate will be responsible for:

- Be a positive role model for the band - encouraging improvement and contributing to the development of the band.
- Nurture talent to bring the best out of the band's players.
- Preparing and directing rehearsals.
- Selecting concert programmes.
- Preparing the band for concert and contest performances.
- Assist with the recruitment process, encouraging new players who may wish to join the band.
- Liaise with Management Committee to ensure smooth running of band processes.
- Make innovative suggestions for encouraging new audiences to listen and follow the band.



SKILLS

SKILLS & EXPERIENCE

The skills, competencies and experience required for this role are as follows:

- Effective leadership skills.
- Good communication and interpersonal skills.
- Experience managing higher section brass bands.
- Experience preparing concert and contest performances.
- Comprehensive musical knowledge.
- Band training experience and knowledge.



THE BAND

ALMOST 150 YEARS IN THE MAKING...

Basing ourselves on the principles of history, quality and innovation, Wingates Band is a forward-thinking band who aims to introduce new audiences to brass band music with engaging programmes and unite the community through music-making, as well as strive for musical excellence in contest performances.

The band will be celebrating 150 years in 2023 and has a strong relationship with the local community, demonstrated through a wealth of community events, being a recipient of a commemorative 'blue plaque' to celebrate the link between the band and the community and a dedication to the band on local boundary road sign in the area.

We have a full, working Management Committee, which includes posts to cover all aspects of and work, including:

- Band Manager
- Librarian
- Contest Secretary
- Marketing Manager
- Transport Coordinator
- Media Manager

Our aim is to continue to be the musical pride of our local area, working together to be the best we can be and enjoying the friendship and team spirit that is shared when making music together.



APPLY NOW

GET IN TOUCH

To be considered for this exciting and prodigious role, please submit an 'Expression of Interest', detailing your suitability for the role including:

- Experience to date
- Relevant achievements
- Salary expectations

The Band can offer a fixed, yearly remuneration or a monthly fee, based on the activities completed in the month.

The post is expected to commence from **June 2022***.

Application should be shared with the Chairman of the Band, **Mr Andrew Mooney** - andymooney44@gmail.com.

We look forward to hearing from you!



*A later start date of September will be acceptable, but June start date is preferable.