



**With 300 students aged 8 - 18, Chetham's is the largest specialist Music School in the UK and the only Music School based in the North of England. Its students are drawn from across the UK and internationally, and over 90% receive full or partial funding through the UK government's Music and Dance scheme. This ensures that entry is based on musical potential only, and never on background or ability to pay.**

In the heart of Manchester, Chetham's vibrant cosmopolitan city centre location complements a dynamic music programme - we regularly collaborate with the city's leading cultural venues on a range of projects and initiatives, to present exciting opportunities for our students.

Chetham's is an integral part of the North West's rich cultural heritage. Our medieval college buildings are one of Manchester's real gems - playing or hearing music in the 600 year old Baronial Hall is undoubtedly an experience in itself! A bold capital development programme means that learning today takes place in a purpose built new School Building, designed to provide exceptional practice and performance facilities for all instruments alongside an outstanding academic education, and that a brand new concert hall will open this year for student and professional performances.

A Chetham's student's diary is always busy with opportunities inside and outside the practice room. Solo and ensemble performance opportunities have include BBC Radio broadcasts, Proms performances and CD recordings. We collaborate regularly with Manchester's cultural organisations and orchestras, through projects including exhibitions and performances, and run an active participation programme with schools, community groups and new audiences through our Outreach department.

**Head:** Mr Alun Jones

**Director of Music:** Mr Stephen Threlfall

**Chair of Governors:** Dame Sandra Burslem