



Assistant Principal Double Bass (No. 2)

The BBC Philharmonic, known for its innovative and versatile music-making, has its home in Salford and enjoys worldwide recognition. With a purpose-built studio in BBC North's MediaCityUK home in Salford Quays, the orchestra welcomes over 5,000 people every year to its free studio concerts, performs across the north of England, is resident each year at Manchester's Bridgewater Hall, tours internationally and appears annually at the BBC Proms.

The orchestra performs over 100 concerts a year for broadcast on BBC Radio 3 and has delivered over 250 recordings for Chandos, selling close to one million albums.

Its adventurous approach to programming and passion for bringing classical music to new audiences has seen collaborations with Clean Bandit, The 1975, Jarvis Cocker, Will Young, The Courteeners, Rag'n'Bone Man, Elbow and The xx.

With close relationships and partnerships with Salford City Council, the Royal Northern College of Music (RNCM), University of Salford and Greater Manchester Music Hub, the orchestra's learning projects offer people of all ages, backgrounds and abilities the opportunity to develop musical interests and skills.

Embracing new technology, the orchestra works closely with BBC North's pioneering digital teams to explore and develop new ways for audiences to experience orchestral music.

For more information visit www.bbc.co.uk/philharmonic

Chief Conductor	<i>Omer Meir Wellber</i>
Chief Guest Conductor	<i>John Storgårds</i>
Principal Guest Conductor	<i>Ben Gernon</i>
Composer in Association	<i>Mark Simpson</i>
Leader	<i>Yuri Torchinsky</i>

Job Description

Job title:	<i>Assistant Principal Double Bass (No. 2)</i>
Department:	<i>BBC Philharmonic</i>
Division:	<i>Radio & Education</i>
Reports to:	<i>Orchestra Manager</i>

The BBC Philharmonic is committed to diversity, inclusion and equality of opportunity in all aspects of recruitment and employment. We encourage applications from a diverse range of backgrounds and will aim to make any reasonable adjustments for applicants throughout the recruitment process.

This role offers a competitive salary package, own choice leave days, a defined pension scheme and many other benefits, including: annual instrument allowances, training & medical allowances, full instrumental insurance cover, discounted dental care, health care, gym membership and much more.

Key Responsibilities

- To sit as Assistant Principal Double Bass (No. 2), stepping up to Section Principal as required.
- To demonstrate excellent solo and orchestral playing abilities, maintaining the highest musical standards.
- To support the Section Principal in all areas, helping to foster a supportive environment and assist with the responsibility of the section's performance and welfare.
- To be an effective and committed leader when leading the section.
- To support and develop positive working relationships with conductors, freelancers and all members of the orchestra.
- To play a key role in the life of the BBC Philharmonic – to be a passionate team player with a commitment to maintain and enhance the reputation of the orchestra.

Knowledge & Experience

Applicants should aim to meet a majority of the following criteria:

- Outstanding professional orchestral and solo playing abilities.
- Knowledge, passion and appreciation of the range of repertoire performed by the BBC Philharmonic.
- Ability to lead, motivate and work collaboratively – to provide artistic direction and to inspire members of the section and orchestra along with the Section Principal.
- Leadership: ability to provide constructive musical feedback to colleagues, deal with sensitive issues and establish high standards of musical performance.
- Interpersonal skills: ability to participate as part of a diverse team and to support colleagues, conductors and freelancers.

Auditions

Applicants will be required to prepare two contrasting pieces, along with prepared excerpts which will be circulated after the application deadline. An accompanist will be provided on the day.

Auditions will be held in the BBC Philharmonic's studio at MediaCityUK on **Monday 8 July**. The audition will last no more than 15 minutes, consisting of the performance of the prepared piece(s), excerpts and sight-reading.

The deadline for applications is **Monday 20 May**. Applicants should apply via the BBC Careers Hub website by uploading a CV (without photographs); please contact philharmonic@bbc.co.uk if you have any queries relating to your application.