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## Music

Welcome to Level 3 Music Performance Course Code: NPER013F1A

Teaching Days: Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

Hello and welcome to the level 3 diploma in music performance and production. Everyone in the music department is looking forward to working with you over the next two years and seeing your skills, talents and ambitions grow.

By choosing a course in the Creative Industries department here at Northbook, you'll get access to a fantastic set of resources: our teaching staff, support staff and technicians are second to none. Our facilities boast extraordinary capabilities - your job is to get the most out of it!

### What to bring on your first day

• Pen/Pencil

#### Kit list / uniform

- USB Stick/ External hard drive for backing up work
- Pens/Notebook/smartphone/tablet for taking notes
- Headphones if you prefer, though the college does provide them if required
- Water bottle
- Ear Plugs (disposable ear plugs can be obtained through the tech office)

#### <u>Guitarists/Bassists</u>

Drummers - Drum Sticks

- Your instrumentStrap and lead
- Guitar Picks

### Summer tasks

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Issued at the welcome day, this is your task to complete over the summer:

The first performance theme we will be looking at in September is 'Three Chords and the Truth'

### <u>Your Task</u>

- Find and research a three chord song of your choice
- Write a short case study on this song (300 words max)

Include:

- Context and history of the band/song
- The three chords used
- The structure of the song
- Three Youtube links to different versions of the song
- A comment on how these versions different (instrumentation, style, tempo, etc)

### Print this out and bring in on the first week of college.

#### Performance Showcase

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Prepare a short piece to play at our showcase in induction week on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September. It doesn't have to be long, but should showcase your performance skills at their best. Bring any backing tracks you need with you.

### **Contact details**

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