

abcd has recognised an ever-growing need for good quality vocal leadership training in schools and has developed a flexible range of courses for all those involved in leading young singers.

Courses can be offered in partnership with local Music Hubs, Music Service providers, Academy Trusts, or through a single school or group of schools: do contact us to discuss your own needs.



Encouraging Young Vocal Leaders

This course is aimed at young people in Years 10 - 13 who have an interest in leading singing. This training would be suitable for:

- Young people studying GCSE Music
- Young people studying at A-Level (preferably but not necessarily music)
- Home-schooled young people between the ages of 14-18

This is a three-day course for a group of students (with the option to book it as a one or two day course if required). The course can be spread out over a period of months and held at times to suit your individual group. The course works best with a minimum of 10 participants and a maximum of 17. Detailed content will be tailored to the group as appropriate, but will cover the following key skills:

Day 1:

- Basic Leadership skills
 - Posture
- Cueing (starting and stopping)
 - Simple beat patterns
 - Gesture, pauses, articulation
- Vocal health, development and awareness
 - Using your voice to lead singing confidently
 - Understanding vocal range and style
 - Vocal health and safe singing
- Rehearsal technique
 - Score preparation and planning
- Knowing what you want and how to get it
 - Musicianship skills and aural awareness
- Repertoire
 - Practical warm-up ideas
 - Useful, relevant repertoire

Day 2:

- Development of conducting skills
- Extended repertoire
- Further vocal development
- How to establish, develop and maintain choirs/vocal ensembles

Day 3:

A fully bespoke training day tailored to the needs of the group.

We have some match-funding to subsidise the cost of this course.

To find out more and discuss your specific needs, contact Rachel Greaves, on 01935 389482 or rachel.greaves@abcd.org.uk

- *"The day was really educational and inspirational. It was incredible to learn so much and be able to have such great feedback, the videoing was a really great idea."*
- *"Thank you very much for a brilliant and educational day! Thoroughly enjoyed myself."*

