# KS4 Music (Composing, Songwriting & Performance) RSL Level 2 Certificate for Music Practitioners

#### Who is it for?

Our Level 2 Certificate is for creative musicians at the start of their professional journey. If you have an interest in learning how to write music, perform music, and study the theory behind how music works, then this is the course for you. Our aim is to equip you with the skills, knowledge and understanding to progress to one of our level 3 courses at Walsall Studio School.

## What will I study?

Over the 2 years you will:

- Write your own songs including lyrics, melody, and chord progressions
- Use technology to produce your song, including producing your own beats
- Study popular music styles and the theory behind how music and songs work
- Develop your rehearsal skills and perform to a live audience

### How will I study?

You will be working on assignments that are designed to simulate actual music industry projects. This means lots of practical music making. All practical projects are accompanied by written work in the form of evaluations, progress journals, planning documents and music notation.

#### How will I be assessed?

All assignments are coursework based. There is a mixture of internal assessments marked and moderated by our staff and external assessments which are marked by the exam board.

### Other opportunities

As a music student at Walsall Studio School, you have access to visiting professional instrumental and vocal teachers. You are also expected to contribute to our showcases throughout the year which include the school musical and the summer music festival.

## **Prospects**

Our level 2 course will prepare you for further music study at Level 3. Popular music career progressions include:

- Composer
- Producer
- Songwriter
- Teacher
- Session musician
- Recording artist
- Music journalist
- Musicologist
- Music therapist
- Music supervisor for TV, Film and Media