# ELECTRONIC KEYBOARD AND ELECTRONIC ORGAN DIPLOMAS

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#### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION:**

This repertoire list should be read in conjunction with the **Music Performance and Teaching Diplomas Syllabus**.

Copies are available to download from Icme.uwl.ac.uk.

Candidates should ensure that they have checked the full requirements for the examination in the above syllabus. Please note that this repertoire list does not contain full details of all examination components.

This repertoire list is valid from 1 January 2019 until further notice.

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# **LCM Publications**

The following LCM Publications are relevant to this syllabus:

- Performance Guide for Electronic Keyboard and Organ (LL194)
- Electronic Keyboard & Organ Sample Diploma Tests (LL117)
- LCM Aural Handbook (LL205)
- Specimen Aural Tests (LL189)

LCM Publications are distributed by Music Exchange (tel: 0161 946 9301; email: mail@music-exchange.co.uk) or can be found on our online shop: lcmmusicshop.uwl.ac.uk.

A wide range of titles for Electronic Keyboard and Electronic Organ, including most of those specified in this repertoire list, are available from www.themusicpeople.co.uk.

# **Acknowledgements**

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## Electronic Keyboard: General Guidelines

- 1. Candidates are required to bring their own keyboard to the examination and will be expected to use the internal speakers of the keyboard. However, external speakers may be used provided they are set up and dismantled speedily and efficiently within the time allotted for the examination. Candidates using their own keyboard should provide a music rest, adaptor/batteries, stand and stool (if required). A table and power source will be provided. Examiners will not assist with setting up or registering the instrument.
- 2. A modern instrument that features a range of programmable functions is expected to be used at diploma level. These should include note and data sequencing, drum/percussion programming, programmable foot switches, accompaniment pattern/style composer, registration memory, auto chord harmony and performance pads. The instrument's accompaniment system should be able to recognise advanced chord extensions (e.g. add 9/2, major and dominant 9ths, diminished/augmented 5ths, 13ths etc.) and all common chord extensions and be used in both fingered/multi-fingered mode and full keyboard/pianist mode throughout the examination.
- 3. The use of a sustain pedal and programmable function switches (foot switches) is required at this level. Secure musical dynamics and expression through the use of a dedicated expression pedal is expected, as is the further control of expressive dynamics and tonal variations through keyboard touch.
- 4. If the candidate adheres to the score in a technically competent manner and gives a musical performance, full marks may be achieved. However, a higher level of pass can be achieved by exploiting the instrument's musical *and* technological potential and by making musically creative and innovative alterations to a score or performance.
- 5. In all diplomas, the candidate is expected to make full use of the instrument's facilities and should include any programmable feature that will facilitate a complete and competent performance. Music performed should only use on-board functions, although the use of an external data storage/retrieval device is permitted. The use of commercially available MIDI files or backing tracks is only permitted if the full potential of the instrument has been realised and the desired effect cannot be achieved by any other means. Permission to use these must be sought from the Chief Examiner in Music in advance of the examination, and the approval letter must be brought to the exam.
- 6. 'Single finger' chord recognition should only be used to create a specific effect and the examiner may ask the candidate to justify its use.
- 7. Copies of all music performed should be provided for the examiner, including own compositions, arrangements and sequencer scores. These may be hand written or prepared with music notation software, such as Finale or Sibelius.
- 8. The candidate must be able to demonstrate that any sequenced data or programmed function or feature was executed by themselves.

# Electronic Keyboard: DipLCM in Performance

Please refer to the syllabus for full guidelines on examination components and selection of repertoire.

#### **Performance**

Refer to the syllabus for full guidelines on the selection of repertoire. Candidates should compile a 15–20 minute recital, to include the following:

1. A piece from the list below, played as written, using a sound and style of your choice.

ARLEN	One For My Baby from 101 Sinatra Hits for Buskers	(Wise/Music Sales)
<b>BACHARACH</b>	I Say a Little Prayer from 50+ Rock & Pop Hits for Buskers: The Red Book	(Wise/Music Sales)
GADE	Jealousy from 101 Latin Hits for Buskers	(Wise/Music Sales)
JOBIM	Desafinado <i>from</i> The Gig Book: Jazz	(Wise/Music Sales)
MANCINI	The Pink Panther Theme <i>from</i> 101 Hits for Buskers Book 6	(Wise/Music Sales)
NICHOLAS	Just the Way I'm Feeling from 21st Century Rock: Buskers	(Wise/Music Sales)
SONDHEIM	Being Alive from 101 Showtunes for Buskers	(Wise/Music Sales)

- 2. A lead sheet arrangement.
- 3. A partially sequenced arrangement of a classical theme performed in a non-classical style.
- 4. Further own choice items (as time permits).

### **Discussion**

Refer to the syllabus for full guidelines. In addition, candidates should be prepared to answer questions on the technical capabilities and functions of their instrument, including voice and registration settings, and to discuss the musical and technical aspects of any creative alterations made to the repertoire performed.

## Chord Sequence or Accompanying Test (in lieu of Sight Reading)

Candidate to select **ONE** of the following (before the tests are seen):

- 1. **Chord Sequence Test:** A written chord sequence of 8 bars will be provided, using chord symbols. The candidate may play through the sequence once. They will then be asked to play it adding an improvised melody line. The performance may be given with or without the use of a rhythm unit. Please refer to the LCM Sample Diploma Tests book.
- 2. Accompanying Test: An 8-bar piece will be provided written for right hand treble clef, left hand bass clef, with chord symbols. A melody will also be written for the examiner to play. The candidate may look at the piece, then listen to the examiner play the melody at a designated tempo. The candidate will then accompany the examiner as they play the melody once more. The accompaniment may consist of left hand chords only, or may pick up some detail from bass clef reading, or may also include a right hand countermelody. Higher marks will be awarded for a more effective accompaniment. The test will take place without the use of the rhythm unit. Please refer to the LCM Sample Diploma Tests book.

# Electronic Keyboard: ALCM in Performance

Please refer to the syllabus for full guidelines on examination components and selection of repertoire.

### **Performance**

Refer to the syllabus for full guidelines on the selection of repertoire, including programme length. Refer to the 'General Guidelines' above for further information.

There is no set list. Candidates should compile a recital including the following:

- 1. An 'own choice' piece in a style other than classical, to include an improvised melodic solo.
- 2. A themed medley of at least four pieces.
- 3. A fully sequenced short orchestral piece in a classical style.
- 4. Further own choice items (if time permits).

### **Discussion**

Refer to the syllabus for full guidelines. In addition, candidates should be prepared to answer questions on the technical capabilities and functions of their instrument, including voice and registration settings, and to discuss the musical and technical aspects of any creative alterations made to the repertoire performed.

### Chord Sequence or Accompanying Test (in lieu of Sight Reading)

Candidate to select **ONE** of the following (before the tests are seen):

- 1. Chord Sequence Test: A written chord sequence of 8 bars will be provided, using chord symbols. The candidate may play through the sequence once. They will then be asked to play it adding an improvised melody line. The performance may be given with or without the use of a rhythm unit. Please refer to the LCM Sample Diploma Tests book.
- 2. Accompanying Test: An 8-bar piece will be provided written for right hand treble clef, left hand bass clef, with chord symbols. A melody will also be written for the examiner to play. The candidate may look at the piece, then listen to the examiner play the melody at a designated tempo. The candidate will then accompany the examiner as they play the melody once more. The accompaniment may consist of left hand chords only, or may pick up some detail from bass clef reading, or may also include a right hand countermelody. Higher marks will be awarded for a more effective accompaniment. The test will take place without the use of the rhythm unit. Please refer to the LCM Sample Diploma Tests book.

# Electronic Keyboard: LLCM in Performance

Please refer to the syllabus for full guidelines on examination components and selection of repertoire.

#### Performance

Refer to the syllabus for full guidelines on the selection of repertoire, including programme length. Refer to the 'General Guidelines' above for further information.

There is no set list. Candidates should compile a recital including the following:

- A fully orchestrated piece in an orchestral style with at least two contrasting movements.
- 2. A live (non data-sequenced) performance of a contemporary pop/chart piece. This must include an instrumental (a solo instrument on your keyboard) or vocal solo of at least 16 bars, performed by the candidate.
- 3. A rhythmic piece using any style in 'full keyboard' mode and featuring any kind of piano or quitar sound.
- 4. Further own choice items (if time permits).

### **Discussion**

Refer to the syllabus for full guidelines. In addition, candidates should be prepared to answer questions on the technical capabilities and functions of their instrument, including voice and registration settings, and to discuss the musical and technical aspects of any creative alterations made to the repertoire performed.

## Chord Sequence or Accompanying Test (in lieu of Sight Reading)

Candidate to select **ONE** of the following (before the tests are seen):

- 3. **Chord Sequence Test:** A written chord sequence of 12 bars will be provided, using chord symbols. The candidate may play through the sequence once. They will then be asked to play it adding an improvised melody line. The performance may be given with or without the use of a rhythm unit. Please refer to the LCM Sample Diploma Tests book.
- 4. Accompanying Test: A 12-bar piece will be provided written for right hand treble clef, left hand bass clef, with chord symbols. A melody will also be written for the examiner to play. The candidate may *look* at the piece, then listen to the examiner play the melody at a designated tempo. The candidate will then accompany the examiner as they play the melody once more. The accompaniment may consist of left hand chords only, or may pick up some detail from bass clef reading, or may also include a right hand countermelody. Higher marks will be awarded for a more effective accompaniment. The test will take place *without* the use of the rhythm unit. Please refer to the LCM Sample Diploma Tests book.

# Electronic Keyboard: FLCM in Performance

Please refer to the syllabus for full guidelines on examination components and selection of repertoire.

Programme notes should make particular reference to the use of the technical features of the instrument, in relation to each piece performed.

# Electronic Organ: General Guidelines

- Candidates are responsible for ensuring that an instrument is available in the examination centre, which may mean
  bringing their own. They will normally be expected to use the internal speakers of the instrument. However, external
  speakers may be used provided they are set up and dismantled speedily and efficiently within the time allotted for
  the examination. Candidates using their own instrument should also provide any additional items of equipment
  including a stool. A power source will be provided. Examiners will not assist with setting up or registering the
  instrument.
- If the candidate adheres to the score in a technically competent manner and gives a musical performance, full
  marks may be achieved. However, if the candidate wishes to be creative by making natural and musical alterations
  to the score, they are encouraged to do so as long as the essence of the piece and technical standard are
  maintained.
- 3. The candidate is encouraged to exploit the potential of their instrument to the full by making use of today's technology and any facilities available on the instrument. This may include the use of pre-recorded backing tracks, sequencing (multi-tracking), drum and accompaniment programming, and performance (multi) pads. However, this is entirely optional, and no additional marks are available for the use of such technology. Any pre-recorded material must be the work of the candidate and must be used to enhance the live performance not to make this technically easier.
- 4. The use of commercially available MIDI files or backing tracks is only permitted if the full potential of the instrument has been realised and the desired effect cannot be achieved by any other means. Permission to use these must be sought from the Chief Examiner in Music in advance of the examination, and the approval letter must be brought to the exam.
- 5. Copies of all the music should be provided for the examiner, including own compositions and arrangements.

# Electronic Organ: DipLCM in Performance

Please refer to the syllabus for full guidelines on examination components and selection of repertoire.

### **Performance**

Refer to the syllabus for full guidelines on the selection of repertoire. The own choice item may be in the form of a single piece, seque or medley. Refer to the 'General Guidelines' above for further information.

BAGABagatelle for Organ(Stainer & Bell)BIZETFlower Song from 'Carmen' from Opera Gala Book 3(Stainer & Bell)

**JOPLIN** The Cascades *from* Scott Joplin for Organ: Great Performers' Edition (ed. E. Power Biggs)

(G. Schirmer/Music Sales)

MORDISHTurkish Delight(Stainer & Bell)OGDENMr Mozart Takes α Sleigh Ride(Stainer & Bell)

#### **Discussion**

Refer to the syllabus for full guidelines. In addition, candidates should be prepared to answer questions on the technical capabilities and functions of their instrument, including voice and registration settings, and to discuss the musical and technical aspects of any creative alterations made to the repertoire performed.

## Chord Sequence or Accompanying Test (in lieu of Sight Reading)

Candidate to select **ONE** of the following (before the tests are seen):

- 1. **Chord Sequence Test:** A written chord sequence of 8 bars will be provided, using chord symbols. The candidate may play through the sequence once. They will then be asked to play it adding an improvised melody line. The performance may be given with or without the use of a rhythm unit. Please refer to the LCM Sample Diploma Tests book.
- 2. Accompanying Test: An 8-bar piece will be provided written for right hand treble clef, left hand bass clef, with chord symbols. A melody will also be written for the examiner to play. The candidate may *look* at the piece, then listen to the examiner play the melody at a designated tempo. The candidate will then accompany the examiner as they play the melody once more. The accompaniment may consist of left hand chords only, or may pick up some detail from bass clef reading, or may also include a right hand countermelody. Higher marks will be awarded for a more effective accompaniment. The test will take place without the use of the rhythm unit. Please refer to the LCM Sample Diploma Tests book.

# Electronic Organ: ALCM in Performance

Please refer to the syllabus for full guidelines on examination components and selection of repertoire.

### **Performance**

Refer to the syllabus for full guidelines on the selection of repertoire, including programme length. Refer to the 'General Guidelines' above for further information.

There is no set list. Candidates should compile a recital including the following:

- 1. An 'own choice' piece in a Latin, jazz or big band style, to include a live keyboard percussion solo of not less than 32 bars.
- 2. A medley of the candidate's own devising.
- 3. A film soundtrack, devised by the candidate, to accompany a synopsis of the candidate's own devising. The synopsis must be presented to the examiners.

#### **Discussion**

Refer to the syllabus for full guidelines. In addition, candidates should be prepared to answer questions on the technical capabilities and functions of their instrument, including voice and registration settings, and to discuss the musical and technical aspects of any creative alterations made to the repertoire performed.

### Chord Sequence or Accompanying Test (in lieu of Sight Reading)

Candidate to select **ONE** from the following (before the tests are seen):

- 1. **Chord Sequence Test:** A written chord sequence of 8 bars will be provided, using chord symbols. The candidate may play through the sequence once. They will then be asked to play it adding an improvised melody line. Pedal is optional. The performance may be given with or without the use of a rhythm unit. Please refer to the LCM Sample Diploma Tests book.
- 2. Accompanying Test: An 8-bar piece will be provided written for right hand treble clef, left hand bass clef, with chord symbols. A melody will also be written for the examiner to play. The candidate may *look* at the piece, then listen to the examiner play the melody at the designated tempo. The candidate will then accompany the examiner as they play the melody once more. The accompaniment may consist of left hand chords only, or may pick up some detail from bass clef reading (including pedal), or may also include a right hand countermelody. Higher marks will be awarded for a more effective accompaniment. The test will take place without the use of the rhythm unit. Please refer to the LCM Sample Diploma Tests book.

# Electronic Organ: LLCM in Performance

Please refer to the syllabus for full guidelines on examination components and selection of repertoire.

### **Performance**

Refer to the syllabus for full guidelines on the selection of repertoire, including programme length. Refer to the 'General Guidelines' above for further information.

There is no set list for LLCM in Electronic Organ. Candidates should present a recital including a wide range of own choice music and arrangements. The technical and musical potential of the instrument should be exploited to the full. The recital should comprise music in a wide variety of styles (including pop, jazz and classical-based repertoire), keys, tempos and registrations. Pieces may be single items, segues/medleys, or a combination.

### **Discussion**

Refer to the syllabus for full guidelines. In addition, candidates should be prepared to answer questions on the technical capabilities and functions of their instrument, including voice and registration settings, and to discuss the musical and technical aspects of any creative alterations made to the repertoire performed.

## Chord Sequence or Accompanying Test (in lieu of Sight Reading)

Candidate to select **ONE** from the following (before the tests are seen):

- 1. **Chord Sequence Test:** A written chord sequence of 12 bars will be provided, using chord symbols. The candidate may play through the sequence once. They will then be asked to play it adding an improvised melody line. Pedal is expected. The performance may be given with or without the use of a rhythm unit. Please refer to the LCM Sample Diploma Tests book.
- 2. Accompanying Test: A 12-bar piece will be provided written for right hand treble clef, left hand bass clef, with chord symbols. A melody will also be written for the examiner to play. The candidate may *look* at the piece, then listen to the examiner play the melody at the designated tempo. The candidate will then accompany the examiner as they play the melody once more. The accompaniment may consist of left hand chords only, or may pick up some detail from bass clef reading (including pedal), or may also include a right hand countermelody. Higher marks will be awarded for a more effective accompaniment. The test will take place *without* the use of the rhythm unit. Please refer to the LCM Sample Diploma Tests book.

# Electronic Organ: FLCM in Performance

Please refer to the syllabus for full guidelines on examination components and selection of repertoire.

### **Performance**

Refer to the syllabus for full guidelines on the selection of repertoire. Refer to the 'General Guidelines' above for further information.