

## Composer Collaboration: Student Survey Response Highlights

1. "It was very eye-opening, as it made me feel part of the music composition process while the composer made tweaks within this score. I also felt a need to perform at my best to bring the composer's vision to life."
2. "Being able to work with a living composer was an interesting experience, as I got to understand their own personal meaning behind the piece, rather than just my interpretation of the music."
3. "I feel like if the performers are "immersed" in the composer's music (interesting parts, enjoyable to play, people having fun), then having a living composer work with the musicians will be greatly beneficial."
4. "It felt more reassuring to be guided by someone who created the music and had the initial intention for whatever the function of the piece was."
5. "I felt like the experience was important to knowing and further understanding the story and emotion behind the piece that the composer wanted to convey."

