

# **Organisation**

### **Music studies**

Music studies at the Lyon CNSMD are organised in three levels. At each level courses are divided into teaching units lasting one semester. Credit points are awarded for each unit, but the number of credits and the course organisation varies from one specialisation to another.

#### **Dance studies**

Dance studies at the Lyon CNSMD are organised in four years. In their final year students belong to the Youth Ballet, which creates the required link between the learning period and the initial stages of a professional career. For this department, all the subsidiary subjects are specific to the needs of dancers.

### **Undergraduate courses**

Studies at the Lyon Lyon CNSMD lead initially to the DNSPM (Diplôme National Supérieur Professionnel de Musicien) or the DNSPD (Diplôme National Supérieur Professionnel de Danseur).

### Master's and doctorate-level music courses

For music specialities students can continue their studies after the DNSPM in order to obtain a diploma which is officially recognised as being equivalent to a university master's degree. Doctorate-level of two types courses are also offered:

- a 'research and practice' doctorate of music in collaboration with the 3LA Doctoral School of the Université Lumière Lyon 2
- an in-house Artist Diploma, which sanctions an artistic project and is awarded by the Lyon CNSMD itself.

## Music and dance teaching

The Lyon CNSMD also offers master's-level courses which prepare and qualify students to work as music and dance teachers in state-controlled music and dance schools.