



TEACHING MUSIC: NEW ZEALAND

Teach music at a school in the largest city in New Zealand, Auckland where the children are from underprivileged countries and communities. Many of the children come from different backgrounds and countries such as Somalia, Ethiopia and the South Pacific islands.

“New Zealand is the ultimate outdoor playground and, if it hasn't been done, we invent it- Jet boating, Black-water Rafting and Bungee Jumping to name a few. Within easy reach you can also go Whale-watching, Sky-Diving, White-water Rafting, Abseiling and numerous other activities. The locals are invariably friendly and helpful and will make you welcome!” – Annette Orchard, Travellers New Zealand organiser.

WHAT DO YOU GET?

- Valuable hands on experience that is hard to gain anywhere else
- A project that leaves you **plenty of time to explore Auckland**
- Experienced local staff with 24/7 back-up and support who'll meet you at the airport on your arrival - helps you **feel safe and never alone!**
- An in-depth Induction makes you **feel local straight away!**
- A **Welcome Dinner** where you can meet and interact with other Travellers participants.
- A unique insight into another culture – **see it from the inside** in a way you could never do as a tourist.
- An opportunity to **make lifelong friends from all over the world.**

WHO CAN APPLY?

Open to everyone - all nationalities and all ages, from age 18 upwards.

THE COURSE IN DETAIL:

You will be working at a school in Auckland, the largest city in New Zealand. Auckland is known as the city of sails and is surrounded by beautiful islands and extinct volcanoes. At the moment there is a shortage of teachers so your help will be very beneficial.

You will work as an assistant teacher to the music teacher. The school has a large number of ethnic children who are classed as the underprivileged community in Auckland. There are children from many different communities and countries at the school such as Maori, Somalia, Ethiopia, Tonga and Samoa. These children come from lower socio-economic backgrounds and so your teaching can make a difference.

You will be working as an assistant to the teacher and will have the opportunity to work one-to-one and in small groups with the children to assist them with their music and really give them the attention they need.

Class sizes vary between 20 and 30 children in each class and you will be teaching children between the ages of 4 and 12.

As an assistant music teacher at the school you will be involved in teaching a number of different instruments and groups:

- Guitar
- Recorder
- Instrumental
- Keyboards/Piano
- Choir
- Instrumental group



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ABOUT THE SCHOOLS:

Our Teaching projects are based at schools in the suburbs of Auckland. You will be working as an assistant to the teacher at the school, thereby assisting him or her during their lessons and giving greater attention to the children in the classes.

The primary schools we work with have a large number of underprivileged children, some of whom are refugee children. The children are from various countries such as Sudan, Somalia, Tonga, Samoa and other Pacific island nations. Both schools are 'Decile 2' schools, which mean the children come from a very poor social and economic background in New Zealand.

This project is only available during term times. The term dates for 2011 are:

- **Term 1:** 3rd Feb - 15th April
- **Term 2:** 2nd May – 15th July
- **Term 3:** 1st Aug - 7th Oct
- **Term 4:** 25th Oct - 20th Dec

The lessons you'll teach generally last for 40 minutes and the school day runs from around 8:55am. to 3:00pm. Your working day will be around 4 to 5 hours of teaching and preparing for your lessons.

DURATION:

4 weeks up to 1 year, subject to visa requirements. Extra weeks available, just ask your Project Coordinator about extending your stay while on your project.

POLICE CHECKS:

Within New Zealand Law it is compulsory for all volunteers who work with children to undergo a police check. These checks are done to ensure the safety of children in New Zealand.

The checks are a simple process and we will provide you with all the details of what identity you need to take with you. On your arrival in Auckland, our New Zealand manager will complete the checks with you and take you through the process. As soon as you have registered, you'll be allowed to start working with children.

The fee for the checks is included in your project price and we will ensure that you have all the relevant information before you come to New Zealand.

ACCOMMODATION & LOCATION:

You'll be accommodated in a centrally located lodge that is friendly and relaxing, making it ideal for long-term stays. You may have your own room or you may share a room with other volunteers. There is a communal kitchen and storage area for cooking meals and plenty of space to relax.

Entertainment at your accommodation includes cheap internet access, TV and free pool table. You are a stroll from the Sky Tower, harbour and waterfront. Accommodation is very central and close to the main train station and shopping district. Buses are also only a few minutes away to take you to parts of Auckland and New Zealand or to the many other 'things to do'!



The city centre boasts great shopping, restaurants and pubs or head over to the viaduct for more pubs, nightclubs and multicultural cuisine. You'll get to work via bus, which is close to your accommodation.

The city is modern and vibrant - a fun and friendly with beautiful surrounding islands and harbour.

Some of its the famous attractions around Auckland include the sky tower, Rangitoto island, the Hauraki gulf islands and the many extinct volcanoes that provide great views of the city.

Auckland has restaurants to suit all tastes - the most popular cuisine is New Zealand lamb which can be ordered at many restaurants around the city and is well worth it.

For meals in local restaurants, a trip to Auckland's inner city centre is well worth the effort - it bustles with activity and offers a range of choices of restaurants.

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COUNTRY PROFILE:

The natural landscape has firmly marked it on the map as an eco-tourism destination and an adventure lovers' paradise. It is also the worlds largest film set with the iconic mountains and vast fields forming 'The Lord of the Rings' middle earth.

This energetic country has an abundance of adrenaline fuelled outdoor activities that utilize the natural landscape, much of which is protected. This is nature's adventure playground.... Amidst breathtaking scenery you'll find the best locations for bungee jumping, white water rafting, hiking up glaciers, hang-gliding off mountains, sailing across fjords, skiing down active volcano's, and swimming in thermal springs and geysers... you won't be disappointed!

With both Māori and European influences, New Zealand also has a unique cultural background making it a wonderfully diverse and welcoming country. New Zealand is a very friendly and open culture and the Maori people are very keen and proud to share their culture and history with travellers.



THINGS TO DO IN: NEW ZEALAND

This is an infinite list! New Zealand was made for all interests, passions, tastes and senses of adventure! You can throw yourself off a building attached to a bungee in Auckland, enjoy the serenity of Lake Taupo, bathe in natural hot springs in Rotorua or look for Hobbits in Mata Mata, and that's just the North Island!

If you venture south it's a whole new board game, with less of the board and more of the game! Trekking along the Fox Glacier, Whale watching in Kaikoura, Glow worm caves in Te Anau or visit Milford Sound...for absolutely no sound, just peace and scenery that will blow your mind! New Zealand really has it all; you will never forget your time there.

COSTS:

Please see the prices page of our website <http://www.travellersworldwide.com/prices-uk.htm#NewZealand>. The price of this project is a reflection of the following costs:

- ✓ Accommodation and local transport to and from your project
- ✓ Free pick up from the nearest airport
- ✓ Local staff who are paid to offer a range of support, including 24/7 assistance
- ✓ UK administration and 24/7 emergency helpline.
- ✓ Marketing (brochures, website design and maintenance, attending careers fairs, advertising, website listings and presentations)
- ✓ Project Research/Site Inspection
- ✓ Staff Training/Equipment
- ✓ Donations to worthwhile projects

WHY GO WITH TRAVELLERS WORLDWIDE?

As follows, but include anything project specific as well.

- 16 years' experience sending thousands of participants overseas, plus the largest variety of **flexible projects** that are **value for money!**
- Excellent support - second to none in the industry
- Accredited projects helps **appeal to future employers**
- Your own dedicated Project Co-ordinator to answer all questions prior to, during and after your **trip of a lifetime!**
- Detailed information on your project and country and suggestions, safety guide, tips and checklists, via our **EXTRANET, available from anywhere, 24/7.**
- 24/7 emergency helpline for you and your family
- Free pick up from the nearest airport .

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THE NEXT STEP:

Please complete an application form online <http://www.travellersvolunteers.co.uk/bookingform.php> or you can send a postal application from our free brochure. When we receive your application, we'll telephone you to discuss the details and then start the exciting process of planning your trip.

We do hope you'll join us and are confident that you'll find this an incredible experience. Don't hesitate to contact us with any questions - we'll be happy to help you plan your exciting adventure!

You may also be interested in other placements with Travellers – (*Physiotherapy or Sports Massage*) or do other projects in New Zealand– please visit www.travellersworldwide.com for details of all our projects. In fact you can choose from over 300 projects in 19 countries!

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