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CHURCHLANDS SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

MUSIC PARENTS' COMMITTEE

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Concerted Effort

Photo: Art Ledovsky

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Coordinator's Cadenza

Tracey Gralton, Music Parents Committee Coordinator



Once again, we have had an incredibly busy term - and I really shouldn't sound surprised. I'm not sure there is much down time in the life of the Churchlands School of Music. We have had concerts, festivals (junior, senior, guitar, jazz and choral) the Year 12 recital night, auditions and meetings in just 10 weeks.

The Music Parents Committee has coordinated support for these events and has raised funds in the process. I would like to pay special tribute to Naomi Chapman who singlehandedly coordinated the ABODA Festival catering this year after many years of sharing the role. This is a mammoth effort as the festivals total seven long days on site and take a lot of preparation. Naomi was there every single day, managing the kiosk and supplying the adjudicators with beautiful food. She was assisted in particular by Vivienne Travlos, Steve Preece, Meike Chan, Alina Corke and Anngi Tran; and supported by many parents who cooked, baked and served. This is our major fundraiser and we usually make a profit of over \$7000.

The funds raised through all of our activities means that over the years, the MPC has donated money for equipment that would not otherwise be supplied for our students: high quality percussion instruments, pianos in teaching studios, specialty instruments, instrument cases for travelling, additional large instruments to be

used at school, marching band equipment, keyboards for the jazz bands etc, etc. These things make a very big difference to the quality of our students' education and performances. In 2021 and 2022 the MPC has been able to donate money for new sets of music stands on trolleys, a tuba and a harpsichord.

We can only do this with your support - and I sincerely thank all parents who have assisted so willingly and generously this year. The stage crew, the front of house team, the bakers, the kiosk and BBQ teams, the photographers, the Music Notes editor, the stock purchasers, the RST holders, the roster organisers - all contributors to tasks large and small.

On occasions this year there has been additional pressure on the team because we have been shorthanded - for the festival rosters in particular.

Please, please know that if you haven't been able to help out so far this year, (or haven't been sure that you were really needed) that your commitment to just one cake, or one hour in the kiosk is very much needed and will help to spread the load more evenly! And what's more - it really is fun. All the events have a fantastic atmosphere, you meet great parents and it is fairly well-known that in schools where parents are actively engaged the education is enhanced.

As a parent on the last lap of the high school process, I fully admit that some of the individual days are rather long and trying. But actually, the high school years are over in a flash. So if you haven't had the chance to get involved yet, don't miss it - you'll be glad you did!

Term Four 2022 - Save the Dates!

- Mon 10 October Students return to school
- Thu 13 October Music Presentation Night 7pm
- Mon 17 October Music Parents' Committee Meeting 7:30pm
- Wed 28 October Chamber Ensembles Concert 3:45pm
- Fri 11 November State Remembrance Day Service at Kings Park 9am to 12.30pm
- Mon 21 November Music Parents' Committee Meeting 7:30pm
- Fri 2 December Christmas Concert 4pm
- Thu 15 December Last day of School 2022



From the Director's Desk

Glenn Robinson, Director of Music



Term 3 is always busy with Junior, Intermediate, and Senior concerts, recital nights, recitals, ensemble placement auditions, exams, jazz, guitar, band, orchestra, and vocal festivals. As always, many of those events are generously supported by the MPC. Thank you to our MPC, particularly those coordinators who rally the troops to get the cakes baked, the coffees poured, and the sausages sizzled. I want to thank my Churchlands and IMSS colleagues for the time and energy they devote to giving our students wonderful musical experiences.

I want to acknowledge Jessica van de Ploeg, Andre Bourgault Du Coudray, and the other Churchlands Music teachers who have picked up extra responsibilities in Paul Sealey's absence.

After spending a year or so looking for a suitable instrument, we have received our newest "old" instrument. It is a Cadet model harpsichord crafted by Atelier Marc Ducornet in Paris. The Cadet is single-strung, light, and resonant, with a solid lime case and lid and a Swiss pine soundboard. The simple fruitwood keyboard has a 56-note range. The MPC fully funded this instrument. Thank you!



The new harpsichord

A night like this does not come together without the efforts and contributions of many people. We want to acknowledge all the music staff as they have dedicated an enormous amount of time and energy into this concert, led by the vision and organisational skills of our Director of Music Mr Robinson to make this night exceptional. As music captains, and on behalf all students and alumni, we would like to thank you all for putting in hundreds of hours into making such amazing memories for us all. Thank you, Mr Robinson and all music staff. - Sarah & Alfie

Remembering the 50th Anniversary Concert



Year 12 Recitals Night

Photos: Art Ledovsky

Every year the Year 12 ATAR Music students are invited to perform one of their recital pieces in the Taryn Fiebig Concert Hall, several weeks before their performance examinations.

On 9 August 2022 the soloists showcased the culmination of their journey in the CSHS Specialist Music Program to a delighted audience.

We wish our Year 12s the very best in their ATAR exams.





Photos: Art Ledovsky

Senior Concert

On 26 August the seniors presented a magnificent program. For the Year 12s this would be their final major CSHS concert before buckling down to ATAR exams.

The many highlights included Vivaldi and Tchaikovsky polished to perfection by the Chamber Orchestra, masterful jazz by Birdland and jubliant *Jabberwocky* by Chorale. Symphony Orchestra's mighty Night on Bald Mountain was followed a Jurassic-era interloper tamed by the baton of Mrs Sims.

A memorable night for performers and audience alike!



Junior Concerts

Taryn Fiebig Concert Hall 1 September 2022
Photos: Naki Kursunlu and Scott Arnold-Eyers



Intermediate Concert

Taryn Fiebig Concert Hall 31 August 2022
Photos: Naki Kursunlu



Music Tour 2023

Photo: Richard Lenz

Tour fundraising has started and will pick up the pace between now and June next year when we depart to whatever wonderful locale we select. So if you've missed out on applying to be a part of the tour, don't despair, but get your application in ASAP!

Busking is now underway on Saturdays at Westfield Innaloo and is being well enjoyed by all. The comradery and support shown by the performers and their families to each other – the applause, cheers and help you give to each other before, during and after your sessions, is a delight to witness and experience.

Fundraising is critical to the tour going ahead and we need more people to offer their assistance in getting the fundraising up and running. Please email musictour@churchlands.wa.edu.au



Percussion Celebration

Article: Glenn Robinson

Tuesday, 30 August, was a percussion celebration with a performance by all percussion students as soloists or members of percussion ensembles. This fun event is available on our YouTube channel and allowed us to show off the many percussion instruments purchased with MPC support over the years.

These photos are of the *percussionistas* and their teachers and the MPC-funded instruments upon which they play.



CSHS MUSIC PARENTS ON FACEBOOK!



To keep up to date with all the news, join the CSHS Music Parents' Facebook group.

www.facebook.com/groups/CSHSmusicparents/

CSHS SCHOOL OF MUSIC ON YOUTUBE!



The School of Music has its own YouTube channel! Go to youtube.com and search for "Churchlands SHS School of Music". It's a perfect way to share some of your child's musical achievements with friends and family.

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The School of Music has an ongoing subscription to an online music education resource for students' use. Check it out at learning.e-lr.com.au

Student login: student.cshs.wa Password: cornet

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Do I have your preferred email address? Help me keep you in the loop with events and other MPC happenings!

mpc@churchlandspc.com.au

YOUR MUSIC NOTES

Music Notes is a newsletter for parents, by parents! We would love to feature your contributions of short articles and photos (high-resolution photos where possible)

Please email to: mstack23@gmail.com

REMINDER TO PARENTS

CSHS is only able to provide supervision for 20 minutes after the conclusion of a rehearsal or concert. Ensure you have made arrangements for your child to be collected so they are not left unattended.

SCHOOL PICKUPS

Parents, please be mindful of local traffic when you are dropping off or picking up children. For the safety of all, please ensure you pull over safely into one of the bays on the side of the road: do not stop in the middle of the road when collecting children and loading bags and instruments.

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