



Macleans Music

NZCT Chamber Music

A strong representation from Macleans was once again offered at the Auckland region of the NZCT Chamber Music competition this year. Seven chamber groups honed their ensemble skills throughout the first 2 terms and presented creditable performances at the festival. The Giovanni Trio (Tony Chen, Walter Xu & Nelson Lao) were selected to proceed to the semi final and final stages of the Auckland region and went on to be selected for inclusion in the Northern area final. The group were awarded the KBB award for their performance.

Big Sing Success

Four Macleans choirs took part in the Auckland region of the national Big Sing competition held at Auckland Town Hall in term 2. Cantabile (premiere girls choir) gained a highly commended award and Macleans College Chorale gained a distinction award. Cantabile were also runner up in both the classical composition and New Zealand/Pacifica categories and M.C.C were runners up in the a cappella and festival programme categories. Topping the success however, M.C.C took out the prestigious Te Tohu Manu Waiata award, for the best performance of a work using a Maori text - performing a newly commissioned work, Kia Kaha by Kate Bell. Both Cantabile and M.C.C have been invited to perform in the finale event that will be held later this term at Auckland's Aotea centre.



Hello everyone,

Welcome to term 3, or crazy season as it is known in the Macleans Music Department! There is an incredibly busy term ahead with many competitions, concerts and a few exams looming also, so please take time to read through the key dates below to make sure you can organise yourselves accordingly.

If you have any news that may have escaped our attention about musical successes or significant events, please let me know so that this can be included in future newsletters. All information should be sent to steve.miles@macleans.school.nz

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Macleans Senior Piano Competition

A fiercely strong field of competitors performed in this years senior Piano competition, impressing adjudicator Sarah Watkins. Winning the competition for 2017 was Leon Chen with second and third places going to Tony Chen and Jessica Chi. Leon will now represent Macleans at the Ronisch Piano competition later in the year.



National Band of New Zealand

The National Band of New Zealand gave a short lunch time concert at Macleans at the end of term 2 before departing for the World Music Championships in Holland. The band thoroughly enjoyed performing to a very excited Macleans audience and went on to win 2nd place at the World Championships.



Key Dates Ahead...

26th July

4.00 - 7.00pm NCEA & IGCSE Recitals Auditorium

28th July

3.30 - 5.30pm Stage Band Rehearsal MU.2

29th July

10.00 - 1.00pm Symphonic Band Rehearsal MU.1

2.00 - 4.00pm Senior Concert Band Rehearsal MU.1

4.30 - 6.30pm MSO Rehearsal MU.1

30th July

1.00 - 4.00pm Sinfonietta Rehearsal MU.1

2.30 - 4.30pm Chamber Orchestra Rehearsal MU.2

Please note - the concert on this date has been cancelled

3rd - 5th August

National Concert Band Championships
(Senior Concert Band & Symphonic Band) Whangarei

4th August

3.30 - 6.00pm Cantabile Workshop MU.1

6th August

1.00 - 2.00pm M.S.O Brass & Wind Rehearsal MU.1

2.00 - 4.00pm M.S.O Full Rehearsal MU.1

11th August

Small House Choir Competition Gym

3.30 - 6.00pm M.C.C Workshop MU.1

13th August

2.00pm Instrumental Showcase Colin Prentice Auditorium

14th August

7.00pm KBB Music Festival St Mary's Church
(Chamber Orchestra)

15th August

2.30pm KBB Music Festival Holy Trinity Cathedral
(Sinfonietta Orchestra)

4.00pm KBB Music Festival Holy Trinity Cathedral
(M.S.O)

16th August

2.30pm KBB Music Festival St Mary's Church
(Stage Band)

17th August

7.00pm KBB Music Festival Holy Trinity Cathedral
(Senior Concert Band)

8.30pm KBB Music Festival Holy Trinity Cathedral
(Symphonic Band)

19th August (if invited)

2.30pm KBB Music Festival Holy Trinity Cathedral
(Gala Concert - Chamber Orchestras & Concert Bands)

SAPACS success

Cantabile and M.C.C enjoyed success at the South Auckland Performing Arts Competition on the final evening of last term with Cantabile picking up 3rd prize and M.C.C pickup up 1st prize in the Light Entertainment and Sacred, Folk or Traditional categories. Further awards were given to Cantabile Piccola (Very Highly Commended - own selection work), Macleans Coro Grande (1st Prize - Sacred, Folk or Traditional) and M.C.C Piccola (2nd prize - own selection work.)

Co Curricular Fees

The co curricular fees for music at Macleans enable the school to provide a substantial and varied programme that is second to none in the country. The fees for 2017 have been reduced as far as possible and the deadline for payment has now passed. Please ensure any outstanding payments are made as soon as possible to enable the music programme to continue to run smoothly.

Gala Concert Tickets

Tickets for the annual Macleans Gala Concert are now on sale through EventFinda (www.eventfinda.co.nz). The event is to be held on 27th September 7pm, at the Vodafone Events Centre where there will be plenty of free parking. In the coming weeks there will also be some tickets available through the school accounts office. Online purchase through EventFinda will certainly be more convenient for most - please don't leave this until the last minute. Last years event was a sell out and we are expecting much the same this year.

6.30pm KBB Music Festival Holy Trinity Cathedral
(Gala Concert - Symphony Orchestras & Stage Bands)

20th August

2.30pm Macappella Concert All Saints Church
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7.30pm M.C.C/Cantabile Concert (TBC) St Mary's Church

21st August

10.00 - 12.20pm NZ Trio Careers Workshop
6.00pm Junior Piano Competition MU.1

24th - 26th August

The Big Sing Finale Aotea Centre
(Cantabile & M.C.C)

8th September

11.00 - 2.00pm A Level Recitals MU.1

11th September

6.00 - 8.00pm NCEA Level 3 Recital MU.1

14th September

4.30 - 6.30pm Combined Rehearsal TBC
(MSO, MCC, Cantabile, Maleficent, Da Capo)

15th September

3.30pm A Level Coursework Deadline
3.30 - 6.00pm M.C.C & Cantabile Rehearsal MU.1

20th September

6.30 - 9.30pm Opera Scenes University of
Auckland

20th & 21st September

Barbershop National Finals Westlake School
(Macappella)

25th September

3.30 - 5.30pm Combined Rehearsal TBC
(MSO, MCC, Cantabile, Maleficent, Da Capo)

27th September

7.00pm Annual Gala Concert Vodafone Events
Centre



