



# AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL EISTEDDFOD

## Bands & Orchestras Division Newsletter

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### Welcome!

Hi, and welcome to Bands & Orchestras 2011! Yet again the list of entries is strong, with over 3,000 individuals in over 102 groups.

A particular welcome to new entrants this year – Northcote High School, Melrose and Stromlo High Schools and Bungendore and District Concert Band.

### Program for 2011

The program for this year is:

- Thurs May 19 – Jazz Bands, Lyneham High School, 5pm-10.30pm
- Friday May 20 – Open Concert Bands, Llewellyn Hall, ANU School of Music, 6-10pm
- Saturday May 21 – Concert Bands and Open Brass Bands, Llewellyn Hall, ANU School of Music – 9.30am-5.30pm
- Sunday May 22 – Orchestra and High School Band Sections, Llewellyn Hall, ANU School of Music – 9am-5.30pm
- Wednesday May 25 – Primary and Primary/High School Bands and Orchestras, Lyneham High School, 10.15am-1pm
- Thurs May 26 – Rock Bands, Canberra Institute of Technology, 4.30pm-10.30pm

### Awards on offer

A number of special awards will be on offer over the weekend.

The Kaaren Talty Jazz Encouragement Award and Masling Encouragement Award will be awarded to jazz and high school bands respectively which show particular promise. The ACT Music Educators Network, of which the Bands & Orchestras Eisteddfod is a member, is offering an encouragement award for a beginner conductor/teacher. This will be accompanied by a \$250 prize for professional development.

At the conclusion of the weekend the Adjudicator will present a small number of Platinum awards, to recognise outstanding performances in non-competitive sections. Each recipient of a Platinum award will receive a trophy.

### Refreshments at venues

A limited range of refreshments will be available at venues this year. They include:

- CIT – Café will be open

- Lyneham High School (night only) – BBQ and drinks
- Llewellyn Hall – snack foods and cold drinks

### Photographs

This year we will again have a professional photographer taking group photos at all sections held in the Llewellyn Hall. **T8 Photography** will be generously donating 15% of the revenue back to the Eisteddfod to assist with running costs.

An order form envelope for each member is included with this information pack. Players should bring them to the event with details completed. Pricing and packages are outlined on the envelopes.

Photos will also be able to be ordered individually online after the event. Please note that higher prices apply.

### Ticket prices

As with previous years the running costs of the event means we have to charge for ticketing to all sections held over the course of the event.

Your assistance in informing and distributing ticketing information to parents will be much appreciated. Last year we presold tickets at pre-Eisteddfod concerts in 2 schools; we are keen to extend this to other schools. Bulk orders of tickets can be also arranged – please contact one of the convenors for details (contact numbers below).

Tickets purchased through Ticketek (before the event or at Llewellyn Hall) will incur an additional Transaction Fee and hence will cost more than presold tickets.

#### Ticket prices (purchased through Ticketek)

	Session	Day	Season
Adult	\$9	\$12	\$17
Concession	\$7	\$9	\$14
Family (2+2)	\$20	\$24	\$34

#### Jazz Bands and Rock Bands

Adult \$8; Concession \$6

Tickets for all weekend sections will be available at the Jazz venue, at reduced prices.

Thank you for your ongoing support of the Bands and Orchestras Division. We look forward to seeing you!

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