

WHAT'S ON EACH WEEK @ DRMC

FEBRUARY 2016

Ranges Young Strings meet on Mondays 4.30 – 6.00pm

Dandenong Ranges Orchestra rehearse Mondays 8 – 10pm

Mini Maestros holds sessions on Saturday mornings

New Horizons Concert Band lessons and rehearsal on Thursday afternoons

In Schools Music with Andrew McAlister rehearsals and lessons Thursday evenings

Dandenong Ranges Big Band meet on Thursdays 8 – 10pm

Instrumental Tuition available: piano, , violin, flute

Venue Hire available **Instrument Hire** available

Ranges Young Strings – is for primary and secondary aged musicians who have been learning Violin, Viola, Cello and Double Bass for a minimum 18 months and can read music. The ensemble will focus on fun music making, music literacy and performance. We offer string players musical challenges, social experiences and team building, as well as learning performance skills and ensemble development. Music scholarships are available for Viola, Cello and Double Bass players. **Music Director:** Rosie Burns

Dandenong Ranges Orchestra is for Strings, Woodwind, Brass and Percussion.

Instrumentalists of all ages and abilities are most welcome to attend. No audition required. Repertoire – classical, light classical and popular music. Currently we have approx 35-40 members covering most instruments but more **strings are needed**. There are generally 4 - 5 concerts a year and the orchestra is often involved in other performances such as festivals, commissions, and large scale projects organized by the DRMC. **Music Director:** John Collins.

New Horizons Concert Band - It doesn't matter how old you are, you can learn to play an instrument and have fun at the same time. Whether you have played a bit in the past, or simply never had the chance, the 'NEW HORIZONS CONCERT BAND', could be the start of a new experience of music. The following instruments are on offer: Flute, Oboe, Clarinet, Saxophone, Bassoon, Trumpet, Trombone, French horn, Tuba, Euphonium and Percussion. **Music Director:** Brian Hogg

Projects for 2016

- **Attitude Arts** – Attitude Arts will develop and provide opportunities for people living with disability and chronic illness to become involved with music-based activities that have public performance outcomes such as theatre productions and 1 day skill development workshops. The project will support a position of 0.1 for 1 year providing an opportunity for a person living with disability develop administrative skills, initiate a Disability Action Plan and with support, administer the Dandenong Ranges Music Council annual Attitude Arts program.
- **New Dimensions** - To design and deliver a series of 10 weekly sessions of song-writing and music with 2 groups of 10 participants living with dementia & 1 group of carers from Caladenia Dementia Care.
- **Youth Music Awards Concert** – Sunday 17th April at 2.00pm. Entrants and winners of the Ann + Chris Krans Music Prize, The Bill Borthwick Young Musicians Encouragement Prize, The Chris Durrand Woodwind Prize and the Mark McAlister Brass Prize will perform at a concert at the DRMC.
Tickets \$5 per Adult and \$2 Child/Concession
- **Attitude Party Festival** – Saturday 17th September 10.30am at Burrinja. The Party with Attitude Festival will involve 25 x 30 minute workshops in Abba Songs, Drums, Movement/Chant, Country Music and Big Band. Items from each workshop will be developed for the Festival Performance Party. The Festival will feature local professional artists, community groups and people with disabilities. A forum on issues that affect people with disabilities will also be integrated into the festival as a futures exercise.

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