

# Macleod College Music Academy Newsletter



Term 4, 2019

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Shouldn't term 4 be when it slows down?!

It has continued to be an exciting time throughout this term, as members and ensembles of the Music Academy undertook our Spring Arts Gala, performed at the Rosanna Primary School Fair, had the third of our Let Freedom Swing Concerts and undertook ABRSM and AMEB exams. We performed at Rosanna Library for Remembrance Day, the Plaza Ballroom for the excellence in teaching awards and undertook auditions for next year's Jazz bands. There has been no shortage of wonderful musical opportunities for our students not only this term, but throughout the year.

It is with these and other achievements of our music program in mind, which brings sadness in knowing my time at Macleod College is coming to an end. After 19 years as Director of Music, the time has come to move on to new adventures.

Beginning with the Shade family in the 1960's, Macleod High School/College has been an important part of music education for generations of students and families. It has been a privilege to contribute to this legacy for such a significant part of my career.

I leave with many fantastic memories, made possible by those who have been part of the student, teacher, parent and wider Macleod community throughout my time. I would like to thank you all for your contributions and hope you enjoyed it as much as I have.

**Jason Ziino**  
Director of Music

## **Brass quartet at Rosanna Library**

The Brass quartet, led by Mr Jones performed at the Rosanna Library on November 11 as part of their Remembrance day commemorations. It was a fitting tribute to the day and well received by those in attendance.

## **ABRSM exams**

Well done to our students who recently completed their ABRSM practical exams. Performing to an assessor from England, our students presented both classical and jazz programs with professional ensembles backing them.

## Big Band at Rosanna Primary School 'Old School Fair'

Saturday 16 November saw the Big Band appear as guest artists at the RPS 'Old School Fair'. In what was their last performance for the year. The band kicked off the day's entertainment with a rollicking set covering all their best work from 2019.



## Spring Arts Gala

Our second annual Spring Arts Gala was a wonderful showcase of performing and visual art. Students from P-12 displayed works as part of the art show and presented performances in the concert that covered their work from the entire year. It is always amazing to see the level of skill that is produced from our students through their hard work.



## Victorian Education Excellence Awards

Our VCE jazz combo performed at the VEEA awards in October at the Plaza Ballroom in Melbourne. Performing to a full house, the groups were a great addition to the night.



## Let Freedom Swing

Sometimes, you just get incredibly lucky!

This year, we have developed a partnership with Lincoln Centre, New York and Queensland University to bring a primary school program that focuses on Jazz into the school. This has involved 3 concerts of visiting musicians who build on the work covered in class.

For the 3<sup>rd</sup> and last concert, the band was made up of members who had travelled from Lincoln Centre to perform. What a treat!

If that didn't inspire people to continue with their music, nothing will!

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## 2020 REMINDERS

### Letters of offer

Have been sent out! Make sure you check your Junk folder in case the email has gone in there.

### Office Hours

Re opens on 28 Jan 2020  
Monday – Friday  
8.30am - 4.30pm

### Term 1 Begins

#### 30 Jan

Years 1-10 @ 8.54am  
Years 11-12 @ 10am  
IELC Students @ 9am

#### 31 Jan

Prep @ 8.54am



# A snapshot of 2019

