

Dickson's Yamaha Band Festival 2008

Directors,

Welcome to Dickson's Yamaha Band Festival this year. Please read the following information and then pass it on to a member of your committee who can help organise your group's participation.

There are 5 sections in the Dickson's Yamaha Festival:

- Concert Band
- Stage Band
- Rock Bands
- Orchestra and String Orchestra's
- The Command Performance

Included in the festival is the following

- Full Ensemble Workshop
- Adjudicated Concert Performance and recorded Adjudication
- Performance on a stage at a good venue
- Festival Award – Gold, Silver, Bronze
- Certificate participation for each participant

CONCERT BAND

Concert Bands must play three pieces – one from the Festival list and two elective pieces of equivalent standard. These three pieces must be played within the section time limit and a balanced program showing different styles is encouraged. No more than three pieces can be played.

Time Limits

The following is the maximum time allowed for each band. Please note performances will be timed.

Novice Bands	10 minutes – must have started playing in 2008
Grade 'D' Bands	10 minutes – Primary and High School
Grade 'C' Bands	12 minutes – Primary and High School
Grade 'B' Bands	13 minutes – Primary School, 18 minutes -High School
Grade 'A' Bands	18 minutes – Primary School, 25 minutes -High School

Festival Awards

In 2008 the following Awards will be presented:

Grade 'A' High School -\$1000 voucher from Dickson's Music.

Grade 'A' Primary School -\$500 voucher from Dickson's Music.

To receive a voucher, the band selected must perform at the Command Performance and also on the proviso that there are five bands entered in that section.

ENTRIES CLOSE: 20th April, 2008

STAGE BAND

High School Stage Bands must play four pieces. At least two different styles from the Festival list and two elective pieces of equivalent standard differing in style must be played. Vocalists are encouraged to perform. Primary and junior secondary schools in Grade 'D' perform three pieces however two pieces must be from the set list and one own choice. 22 players on stage is the maximum. Stage Band sections during the day will have work shops on stage.

Time Limits

Grade 'D' Bands 10 minutes Grade 'C' Bands 13 minutes
Grade 'B' Bands 18 minutes Grade 'A' Bands 25 minutes

Festival Awards

This year awards will be presented in the following sections:

Grade 'A' High School or Community Groups -\$350 voucher from Dickson's Music.

Grade 'B' High School or Community Groups -\$150 voucher from Dickson's Music.

To receive a voucher the band selected must perform at the Command Performance and also on the proviso that there are five bands entered in that section.

ORCHESTRA & STRING ORCHESTRAS

Three pieces are to be played from the Orchestra repertoire. One piece must be played from the Classical or Romantic period and the other two are own choice works. A balanced program showing the different styles is encouraged for all sections. There are no set works for Orchestra or String Orchestra.

Time Limits

Primary School 10 minutes – High School String Orchestras and Orchestras 15 minutes

There will be no workshops for Orchestra or String Orchestra. Performers are encouraged to listen to other groups.

Festival Awards

Awards will be presented in the following sections:

String Orchestra -\$250 voucher from Dickson's Music.

Orchestra -\$250 voucher from Dickson's Music.

To receive a voucher the group selected must perform at the Command Performance and also on the proviso that there are five groups entered in that section.

ROCK BANDS

Three pieces must be played in this section and in the time limit allowed. One piece is your own choice and the second piece must be an original composition; the third an Australian rock song. The band is to comprise of 3-10 players including vocal (no conductor). Bands entered must use the equipment on stage and no changes will be made. A workshop will be given after the bands performance. More than one band can be entered from each school; however the participants must be different in each band. No teachers can play in the rock band. Music is not required for the workshop; however a song sheet with lyrics, noting the original composition is required.

High school Senior - 10 minutes – must be in year 9 and above

High School Junior – 8 minutes – must be in Year 8 and below

Festival Awards

Awards will be presented in the following sections:

High School Senior -\$200 voucher from Dickson's Music. ** (conditions apply min 10 bands and the band must perform at the command performance)

High School Junior - \$200 voucher from Dickson's Music ** (conditions apply)

WHO TO CONTACT?

MUSIC – Dicksons Music Complex -9419 2144

ENTRY PLACEMENTS Kate 9419 2144

ENTRY DETAILS

1. The Festival is open to musicians performing in School or Community Concert Bands, Stage Bands and Orchestras and Rock Bands. Community groups cannot involve professional Musicians. School Band must only have students from the school that has entered the festival.
2. Teachers may conduct but not play with the bands.
3. Only two (2) selected band parents may stay with the bands behind stage and in warm up areas. Please Note performance uniforms must be worn before entering the warm up area.
4. One (1) copy of every score must be sent to the Festival by Friday 16th May 2009. (Please also include copies of festival music.) Address: Dickson's Music, P.O. Box 1228, Chatswood 2065.
5. The Registration Fee of \$4.80 per person per band per section (GST included) must be paid by Sunday 20th April 2008. There is a minimum entry fee of \$72 for Stage Bands and rock bands and \$96 (20 players) for Concert Bands; String Ensembles and Orchestras. The maximum entry fee for any group is \$192.50. A late entry fee of \$25 per band will be incurred after this date. The entry fee is non refundable and cannot be credited to the following year. Tickets for parents are available on the day of the event.
6. Equipment supplied for Concert Band:
Chairs, Music Stands and Conductors Podium. Percussion – drum kit with cymbals, 4 timpani, snare drum, and bass drum, crash Cymbals, glockenspiel, xylophone, gong, 2 Yamaha keyboards, keyboard Amplifier, bass guitar amplifier, electric guitar amplifier. (A maximum of two Keyboards per band). An Electric piano is available on request.
Equipment supplied for Stage Band – Electric piano, Keyboard, drum kit, bass amp, Guitar amp and music stands, Congas, Orchestral chimes.
Equipment supplied for Rock Bands – A drum Kit and 5 amplifiers are provided, electric piano and vocal mics.
7. Music stands will have banners. Please do not bring school banners.
8. All participants will receive a pass admitting the, to all sessions of the Festival.
9. Each ensemble will need to register when they get to the hall, 60 minutes before the performance time. Any band not ready by this time will be considered as not attending.
10. All ensembles must perform within the given time limit. Groups that exceed the time limit will be given 2 warnings by the lights flashing. Please finish playing.

Once a section is full, extra groups will play on a date selected by the committee of the festival. *Times will be available on a first in basis.* Groups must perform on the correct date. Any group not able to perform on the correct date will perform on a date selected by festival organisers. Late entries will only be excepted if there is space available in the festival timetable.

Additional Information

1. The following rating system will be used to assess the performance of each piece performed by an ensemble: EXCELLENT, VERY GOOD, GOOD, and FAIR.
2. Workshops-At the conclusion of a group's performance an adjudicator will conduct a tutorial with the group on one of their performance pieces. Workshops will run for approximately 10-20 minutes.

DICKSON'S FESTIVAL TIMETABLE 2008

CONCERT BANDS/ORCHESTRA/STRINGS -

Venue: GREENHALGH THEATRE - UTS - KU-RING-GAI

Section	Date	Time
Orchestra /Strings High School B Community ABC	Wednesday 11 th June	12.00am -3.00pm 4.00pm -8.00pm 8.00pm- 9.00pm
Primary School C	Friday 13 th June	1pm – 8.00pm
Primary School E High School A	Monday 16th June	2.00pm – 5.00pm 5.00pm -8.30pm
Primary School E High School D	Tuesday 17 th June	2.00pm – 5pm 5pm – 8.30pm
High School B	Thursday 19 th June	2.00pm - 8.00pm
Primary A Grade	Friday 20th June	2.00pm – 8.00pm
Primary School C Community A/B	Wednesday 25 th June	2.00pm – 6.30pm 7.00pm – 9.00pm
Primary School E Primary School D High School C	Thursday 26 th June	1.00pm – 6.00pm 6.00pm – 7.00pm 7.00pm – 9.00pm
ANY SECTION - Primary School B	Friday 27 th June	11.00am- 3.00pm 3.00pm – 8.00pm
Primary School E Primary School E	Sunday 29 th June Saturday 28 th June	9.00am -4.30pm 11.00pm-3.00pm
Primary School D High School C	Saturday 28 th June Thursday 12 th June	3.00pm -6.00pm 4.00 – 8.30pm
Command Performance	TBA	

ROCK BANDS - Venue:LECTURE THEATRE

Section	Date	Time
Rock	Friday 27 th June	4.00 pm - 9.00pm

STAGE BANDS - Venue: UTS- LECTURE THEATRE

Section	Date	Time
Stage Band D/C	Thursday 12 th /Friday 20th	1.00pm – 5.00pm
Stage Band B & A	Thursday 12 th /Friday 20th	5.00pm – 8.30pm

Command Performance – DATE - TBA

DICKSON'S YAMAHA MUSIC FESTIVAL

ENTRY FORM - 2008

Please fill one entry per ensemble

<p>Name of Group/School: Primary / High School / Community</p> <p>.....</p> <p>Address:</p> <p>.....</p> <p>Phone Number:</p>
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Type of Group

Concert Band

Stage Band/Rock

Orchestra/Strings

Level of Performance

A

B

C

D

E

Conductors Name

Phone Number/s

Email Address

Contact Person/s

Phone Number/s

Fax Number

Please note times will be allocated on a first in best-served basis.

Date of Performance

Requested performance time

Please note any other relevant information

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Enquiries: Please phone – 9419 2144 Facsimile: 9415 1019

POSTAL ADDRESS : PO BOX 1228, CHATSWOOD 2067

DICKSON'S YAMAHA MUSIC FESTIVAL

Tax Invoice ABN 97069760210

ENTRY FORM - 2008

FEE SCHEDULE – (All Prices Include GST)

Concert Band and Orchestra

Minimum Entry for Concert Bands and Orchestras \$96 (20 players)

OR \$4.80 per performer with a Maximum Entry Fee of \$192.50

Stage Band and String Ensemble and Rock Band

Minimum Entry \$72 (15 people) **OR** \$4.80 per performer

A GRADE CONCERT BAND ENROLMENT

CONCERT BAND = \$

Number of Certificates required for Players

B GRADE CONCERT BAND ENROLMENT

CONCERT BAND = \$

Number of Certificates required for Players

C GRADE CONCERT BAND ENROLMENT

CONCERT BAND = \$

Number of Certificates required for Players

D GRADE CONCERT BAND ENROLMENT

CONCERT BAND = \$

Number of Certificates required for Players

E GRADE CONCERT BAND ENROLMENT

CONCERT BAND = \$

Number of Certificates required for Players

ORCHESTRA / STRING ENROLMENT = \$

Number of Certificates required for Players

STAGE BAND ENROLMENT

STAGE BAND (please circle) A / B = \$

Number of Certificates required for Players

STAGE BAND ENROLMENT

STAGE BAND (please circle) C / D = \$

Number of Certificates required for Players.....

ROCK BAND ENROLMENT

ROCK BAND (please circle) SENIOR = \$

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Number of Certificates required for Players

ROCK BAND ENROLMENT

ROCK BAND (please circle) JUNIOR = \$

Number of Certificates required for Players.....

LATE FEE OF \$25 PER BAND YES / NO = \$

PAYMENT ATTACHED – Cheque only accepted \$

Please make cheques payable to:

‘Dickson’s Yamaha Music Festival’

And send to: **PO BOX 1228 CHATSWOOD , NSW, 2057**

*RECEIPTS, PASSES ETC WILL BE SENT TO THE SCHOOL ADDRESS
UNLESS ADVISED OTHERWISE.*

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Please note: While every effort is made to keep within the dates of the festival, Venues and dates may be changed due numbers in each section. If you cannot perform on the date of the section you enter, please call Kate on 9419 2144 as we have additional spots on other nights that you might like to perform. You still will be adjudicated and entitled to a workshop and presented a Gold, Silver or Bronze certificate.

Kate is available for questions and anyone needing help in selection of music and which grades you should enter. We are here to make your Dickson’s Yamaha Music Festival experience a success.