



# Killarney Heights High School



## Music Ensemble Program Handbook

Registration Night  
& Annual General Meeting  
will be held on  
February 17, 2009 from 6.30pm  
at KHHS Crossley Hall.

# Killarney Heights High School Music Ensemble Program Directory

Intermediate Concert Band Director:	Ken Evanoff	9451 7005
Advanced Concert Band Director	Mark Pinner	
Stage Band Director	Gerald Steinmann	
Chamber Ensemble Director	Dennielle Woskanian	9451 7005
Guitar Ensemble Director	Brent Keogh	
Wind Ensemble Director	Ken Evanoff	9451 7005

## Parent Committee:

President	Alan Frazer	0404 815841	alanfrazer@optusnet.com.au
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## Support Your Music Ensemble Program

The Music Committee meets  
the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month at  
Forestville RSL Club from 6.30pm  
*All parents are welcome at every meeting.*

## Proposed Dates for 2009

Registration Night	February 17	KHHS Crossley Hall – 6.30pm
Yamaha Festival	June	Willoughby Town Hall
Fete de la musique (strings)	June	Chatswood Mall
Stage Band & Concert Band Tour	Mid August	Blue Mountains to Orange
Primary school Concert Series	TBC	Forestville Public & Killarney Public
Band Night	November	Crossley Hall 6.30pm



*All performance dates will be advised in writing- there will be more to come.*

## KHHS Blue Mountains to Orange Tour 2009



Having travelled to New Zealand in 2008, the Concert Band and Stage Band will tour through the Blue Mountains and out to Orange, sharing their musical talent with schools and the community in the area in July 2009. They will be performing in a number of schools and public venues, including a large combined concert with the Orange community of schools ensembles. Stay tuned for more details to come. The major events for the Concert Band work on a 3 year rotation 1. Music Camp, 2. International Tour, 3. Local Tour.

**Registration Night** will be held on February 17 from 6.30pm at KHHS Crossley Hall. There will be a short rehearsal for the students while parents register their details, pay fees and meet briefly for the Annual General meeting with the Music Ensemble Program committee. This is a very important meeting to start the year off.

Following are the key areas that students and parents need to be aware of to maintain the great music ensemble program that we have:

**Fees:** fees are necessary to pay for all the sessions our directors work with our students including concerts. In addition, money goes towards the purchase and maintenance of some instruments, sheet music and the general administrative costs of running the music program. It is a commitment of music membership that fees are paid in advance and hopefully at **registration night**. Thank you to all those families that pay their fees on time and allow us to pay our directors for rehearsal times.

If any student or family has special circumstances making payment difficult please see or phone our school contact Dennielle Woskanian on 9451 7005 during school hours.

Sherry Tait has the unenviable, but vitally important job of asking families to pay overdue fees. The first call is often due to an oversight, the second is embarrassing! Regretfully it has been decided that failure to pay band fees or contact the treasurer if financial difficulties arise will mean that the student will not be permitted to continue the ensemble. It is, after all, unfair that the majority of ensemble families end up subsidising those that do not make the effort to pay.

*Year 12 students will be charged for two terms only.*

## Intermediate Concert Band

fees \$400

Monday & Friday mornings

7.40 -8.40am

Conducted by Mr K. Evanoff

The intermediate concert band is for junior school students who have learnt an instrument in their Primary schools concert bands and for beginners. There is no audition necessary to be in this band, but students will be expected to practice their music and have weekly instrumental lessons. Music is of a level 2-3 standard and is tailored to the standards of the ensemble.

Students can audition for the Advanced Concert Band if places become available throughout the year. There may be places available on instruments other than a student primary instrument, e.g. Baritone saxophone or Tuba and students will have an opportunity to audition for these.

## Advanced Concert Band

fees \$400

Tuesday & Thursday mornings

7.25-8:30

Conducted by

Advanced Concert Band is by audition only and usually features advanced students in the senior years and some advanced junior students. Students must show a strong commitment to the ensemble in terms of attendance and performance standard. Music is of a level 3-4 standard and must be learnt outside of the rehearsal time with their tutors and home practice.

## Stage Band

*admission by audition or invitation – fees will be invoiced*

Tuesday afternoon

2.30-3.30pm

Conducted by Mr Gerald Steinmann

Students in the Advanced Concert Band have the opportunity to join the Stage Band. The band gives many concerts both locally and at jazz festivals around NSW, often with the Concert Band. The ensemble is run by renowned local musician, Gerald Steinmann.

Students in Stage Band must also be committed members of the Concert Band and must attend all Concert Band rehearsals. Yr 11 & 12 students are allowed to negotiate their attendance to one rehearsal of Concert Band per week due to their increased study load provided they attend these rehearsals and concerts.

## Chamber Ensemble

fees \$100

Friday mornings

7.35 – 8.45am

Conducted by Mrs D. Woskanian & Mr M. Tabrett

Students who play violin, viola, cello, double bass, flute, oboe or clarinet (who are able to transpose from a C part) are welcome to join. It is expected that students are having regular tuition on their instrument to be involved in the ensemble. Students may be required to auditions for parts, to ensure everyone is enjoying a positive musical experience. The Chamber Ensemble performs a range of repertoire from early Renaissance, through the more traditional Classic chamber pieces and then also includes Latin, Popular and even some current charts.

## Guitar Ensemble

fees \$200

Monday or Wednesday mornings (TBC) 7.35 – 8.45am

Conducted by Mr Brent Keogh

Guitar Ensemble is limited to 12 members, and so greater interest may require auditions. Rehearsals encourage reading music, tablature and using both finger picking and strumming techniques.

## Student agreement

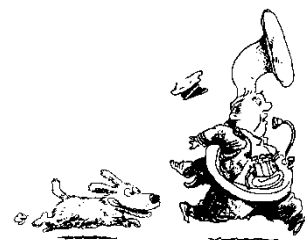
Each student is to sign the registration form in recognition of the membership requirements and their commitment to the music ensemble.

## Attendance

Attendance is required at all rehearsals and performances, by not attending you are impeding on your progress and the progress on the ensemble as a whole. Yes you are an important member of the ensemble and your absence will affect the rehearsal.

We realise there are times when attendance is not possible due to circumstances beyond the control of the parent and student. Illness or serious illness of immediate family will be considered acceptable, working late on an assessment or work commitment is **not** acceptable.

If for any reason you must miss a rehearsal or performance, it is the responsibility of the student to notify the ensemble director in writing as soon as possible.



## Bus

Forest Coach lines operate a service from Northbridge which will ensure students can arrive by bus. Check the web site for more details.

**104** 7.15 **From Northbridge** (Post Office) via Strathallen, (L) Sailors Bay Rd, (R) Easter Valley Way Clive, (R) Babbage Rd, Warringah, (R) Starkey – **Transfer to route 278** to Killarney Heights @ Jamieson Square

## Punctuality

Rehearsals will start on time and end on time. The roll will be taken each rehearsal time as soon as the conductor begins the warm up. After that student has been counted as absent it is up to the student to notify the conductor of their presence. The music ensemble program is the only program in the school which students from all years work together to create something special. Senior students are expected to set good examples of punctuality and commitment to the younger members of the music ensemble.

## Conduct

Our music ensemble program is recognized and respected throughout the school and community. Many members before you have contributed to the fantastic reputation both in Australia and overseas. As a current member of KHHS Music Ensemble Program it is your responsibility to make sure that the good reputation is maintained. Good conduct will be expected of all students at all times in all rehearsals and events.

## Uniform & Prices

Dress Band shirt, black tailored pants and black leather shoes and black socks.

Band shirts are available for purchase through the **Uniform Shop** for \$35

## Private Lessons

Students are expected to have a private lesson each week. This brings an obvious benefit to the player and the music ensemble. Tutorials are not to be considered as lessons. With assistance in finding a tutor go to [www.killarney-h.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.killarney-h.schools.nsw.edu.au) and follow the links to the band pages.

## Concert Band Scholarship

The Music Ensemble Program Committee has chosen to award a student each year for demonstrating a commendable level of the following: commitment, leadership and developing performance skill. The scholarship involves a Sydney Symphony Orchestra concert experience for four people, backstage tour of the Opera House and private workshop with a member of the SSO. This will be awarded at the KHHS Presentation Night in December.

# Music Ensemble Registration 2009

Student name:		Year & Roll Class:
Instrument 1:	Grade /level	
Instrument 2 (if any)	Grade /level	
<i>Please circle appropriate fee:</i>		
Intermediate Concert Band \$400		Advanced Concert Band \$400
Chamber Ensemble \$100	Guitar Ensemble \$320	Stage Band \$200 for concert band members \$400 for stage band only
Parents:		
Address:		
		P.Code
Home ph:	Mobile:	Mobile:
Parent Email:		
Parent Email:		
Medical requirements:		

## Student Agreement:

*I have read the Band Handbook and agree to the terms of membership*

Student signature: \_\_\_\_\_



## Payment

Total: \_\_\_\_\_

- Cash
- Cheques to be made out to Killarney Heights High School
- Credit Card

Card type (please circle)

Visa

Mastercard

Card name: \_\_\_\_\_

Card Number:                        

Expiry date:        

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_