

Western Metropolitan Region
Ministry of Education

Grand Youth Concert

Compere: Mark Mitchell



Dallas Brooks Hall
Thursday, 14 September 1989

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Dear Friends,

Music education has been a major initiative of the Western Metropolitan Region during 1989 and there have been several programs of grants for the provision of resources and instruments to assist schools with their music education.

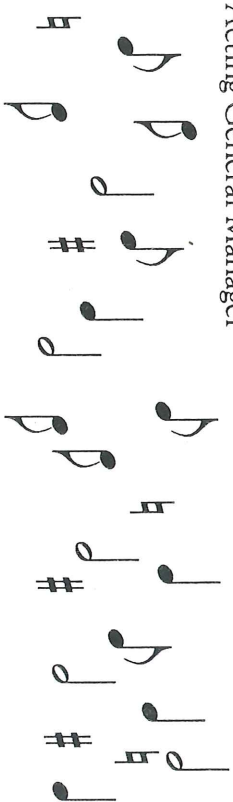
One of the aims has been to give students the opportunity to perform publicly through a range of concerts, festivals and performances. This Grand Concert at Dallas Brooks Hall is the culmination of a series of district concerts, festivals and music camps in which almost every school in the region has participated during this year.

The concert is intended not only to provide the opportunity for performance but also to demonstrate to parents and the general community the outstanding quality of music education offered in government schools.

I would particularly like to thank Don Scott and the Western Metropolitan Region Music Committee for their work in promoting music in Western Metropolitan Region schools and for coordinating tonight's program.



Steve Macpherson
Acting General Manager



Notes on the Performing Groups

Fanfare

Composed especially for Education Week by Derek Humphrey, well known in the region for both his woodwind teaching and conducting.

Collingwood Education Centre Choir

Singing at numerous public performances at the school and at community venues, the students in this choir have become quite seasoned performers. Most recently the group was awarded a prize at a regional music festival.

Combined Schools Concert Band

Formed only on 24 June this year, this concert band mirrors the wide range of concert band activities throughout the region. There are twelve schools represented in the band and it is intended that this group will continue to perform and tour in the future.

Percussion Ensemble

The percussion section of the Concert Band includes students from five schools and has been tutored by teachers Tom Pisano, Ian Langford and Sam Oliveri.

Clarinet Choir

The blend of sound possible from this group, which includes contrabass, bass and the normal B₃ clarinets is uniquely beautiful. The choir includes students from eight schools and has been trained and conducted by Andrew Mathers with assistance from Mark Franklin, Mark Daniel and Diana Martin.

Lighted Darkness

The girls in the Preston Girls High School rock band "Lighted Darkness" already consider themselves "real" musicians, with a busy performing schedule around the region. Their performance at the launch of the "Technical Skills for Girls" package so impressed the SBS team that was filming the event that the girls' music was used as a soundtrack for the eventual TV documentary. The band is tutored by Carla Meurs.

Sunbury Schools Concert Ensemble

An after-school music program based at Sunbury West Primary School was the springboard for the organisation of this group, involving over 100 students from Sunbury West Primary School, Kismet Park Primary School, Sunbury Postprimary School and Sunbury High School. This will be the first of many planned performances for this group, which is led by Ken Owen.

Primary Cluster Orchestra

The children in this orchestra come from four separate schools—Ascot Vale Primary, Ascot Vale West Primary, Moonee Ponds Central and Moonee Ponds West Primary. Each school participates in the Cluster Instrumental Music Program, a Disadvantaged Schools Program Initiative, which aims to give children an opportunity to learn to play a musical instrument and provide them with a variety of experiences to share their learning. One school, Moonee Ponds West, had already established a band and, as the program grew the other schools followed their example. The schools encourage all students who learn a musical instrument, whether it be privately or through the Cluster Instrumental Music Program, to participate in their bands. This year some of the more experienced students combined to form a senior orchestra under the direction of Louise Jenkins.

New Gisborne Primary Schools Recorder Ensemble

The New Gisborne Primary School's recorder ensemble consists of students from Years 4, 5 and 6. Trained by Principal Shirley Ramage, the group has performed at Carols by Candlelight at Gisborne Community Centre, at the Sunbury Music Festival and for the Minister of Education at the official opening of the New Gisborne Primary School in November 1988.

Janefield Dancers

The fifteen dancers in this group are all students from Janefield Special School's Continuing Education Centre. The centre aims to foster independence for their students through teaching basic living skills, which include independent travel training, work skills such as process work and gardening and leisure activities. The students have been assisted in the preparation of their item by volunteer worker June Brown and music teacher Lois McGifford.

Combined String Orchestra

The optimum age to begin learning string instruments is while students are still in primary schools. Combining the talents of the very young with students from postprimary schools has resulted in a particularly joyous quality to the music this orchestra makes. This mass participation orchestra is brought together and conducted by teachers Fiona Cindamo, Jenny Skinner, Irena Grigorian, Pam Ward, Irene Doucas and Janene Lancaster.

Bigger Than Dallas

Formed in February 1989, the Lynall Hall Rock Band, "Bigger Than Dallas", is a group truly committed to its music. The group has played at a number of venues already, including the Northcote Amphitheatre and the Recycling Campaign launch at Brunswick High School and is booked to play at the Royal Melbourne Show. The band is tutored by Marina Novelli.

Straight to the Heart

The Kellor Heights High School production of "Straight to the Heart" was awarded "Best Concept" and "Best Backstage Crew" at its heart at the 3MMM Rock Eisteddfod on 11 August this year. The Kellor Heights production originated from interest expressed by students at after-school dance classes at the school led by teachers Judy Osborne, Brett Mahoney and Anita Bogart. Through a number of small group planning workshops and intensive rehearsal sessions of up to three nights each week, the Kellor Heights team has developed the outstanding production to be performed tonight. The dance tells the story of relationships formed and broken at the opening of a new night club in the suburbs of Melbourne.

St Albans Technical School Big Band

Since its inception in 1985, this band has had great success performing at community functions, dinner dances and concert venues. The band rehearses regularly on Monday nights and its membership includes students, ex-students, teachers and interested professional musicians. David Veale, the band's conductor, believes that the group provides excellent training for young musicians at the school, as well as fulfilling a useful role within the community.

"Sound Ed" Teachers Band

This group consists of the instrumental music teachers currently based at Footscray Technical Secondary College, who perform free concerts and workshops each Thursday morning at primary, special and postprimary schools throughout the region. The combination of performances of high entertainment and educational value is testified by numerous letters of appreciation.

For the finale all other music teachers involved in the concert have been invited to join in.

Participating Schools and Students

Altona North Technical School

David Chenbri
Ken Hodson
Nathan Page
Paul Bowett
Ardeer High School
Michael Asapaddi
Nia Sims

Collingwood Education Centre

Joy Poa
Connie Fousias
Christopher Kounidis
Elizabeth Madden
Ezel Hickmet
Christine Ariki
Maleana Poa
Suna Cesur

Ascot Vale Primary School

Hannah Brown
Juggi Sidhu
Jocelyn Munro
Natalie Twomey
Deniz Kayhan
Heather Cummins
Joan Strack
Kristy Garens
Caterina Stathis

Birgul Tercan

Bethany Harvey
Ayral Tiryaki
Olav Kocuk
Yuan Ho
Ilkay Yildiz
Julie Salibi
Nilufer Sancar
Lance Butler
John Brawley

Ascot Vale West Primary School

John Howes
Daniel Bendups
Anna Box
Gina Pezzimenti
Nuria Gonzalez
Lance Harrison
Jodie Fitzgerald
Marc Newman
Sharon Gervasi
John Pleasants
Neyi Lakera
Jaye Garland

Essendon High School

Daniel Baldi
Elizabeth Barke
Amber West

Footscray High School

Sophija Ljaskovic
Mandi Svojsda
Hong Nguyen
Linh Gang
Sandra Peel

Footscray Primary School (Hyde Street)

Maria Mastoropulos
Liu Ocon
Jester Jahud

Braybrook High School

Carolyn Jackson
Donna Hindle
Louise Theuma
Kevin Inglis

Janefield Dancers

Cliff McKenzie
Peter Wales
Jenny Burford
Janet Grenfell
Mark Jones
Hilary Corlett
Giuseppe Iuliano

Clifton Hill Primary School

Alicia Berger

Cheryl Bailey

Patrick McGee
Fiona Morris
Ross Williams
Cheryl Hesline
Peter Carragher
Debbie England
Stephen Moore
Melinda Harrison
Seven Gains
Magda Gyamathy
June Brown
Lois McGifford
Dot Williams
Margaret Scott

Keilor Downs Postprimary School

Revo Baldacchino
Jayson Fry
Seven Kruljac
Aaron Steinke

Keilor Heights High School

Heath Prior
Paul Wilmot
David Melatti
Branden Craven
Michelle Caffari
Shannon Fraser
Laurie Iannotti
Michael Pelegrino

Mathew Filim

Merika Everest
Priscilla Pearson
Yvette Mogg
Kelle Surton

Rachelle Parenio

Sallyanne Bentley
Janine Barling
Kelly Meysey
Danielle Glynn
Danielle Parterio
Dianne Gospic
Sherryn Lenepeve

Jenny Mazzei

Marnie Prior
Kate Fagnari
Melissa Serger
Zdenka Suro
Ana Sito
Melinda Stankovich
Elisha Lane
Lisa Ferrari
Natalie Gorancy
Joanne Serdalis
Michelle Caffari
Kristina Sawyer

Backstage Crew

Kellie Dawson
Ashley Thompson
Evanage Belios
Luisa Vaccaro
Melinda Griffin
Casey Fletcher
Inga Column
Melinda Melinda
Nicole Leah
Jodie Lloyd
Jenny Bell
Daniel Corali
Kyle Edwards
Travis Lane
Rohan Bellegei

Kismet Park Primary School

Rachel Bullen
Christy Constanntine
Liesha Donney
Loukia Gauntler
George Heazlewood
Saria Hoare
Sarah Longton
Joanne Macleaman
Kathy Mitchell
Sharon Paterson
Lauren Penny
Lucy Pilbury
Kate Radke
Louise Ripp
Naomi Smith

Elizabeth Varnava

Amy Weir
Helen Wright
Phillip Lendemann
Christopher Mitchell
Benjamin Noble
Glenn Willey

Lynall Hall Community High School

Melessa Doran
Trudi Baker
Rebecca Owens
Ben Simpson
Julio Taranio
Michael O'Kane
Adrian Negri

Merrilands Primary School

Dana Zammit
Shantal Hosking
Diana Scappa
David Favretto
Daniella Cesario
Paula Larose
Donna Larose
Carmel Garino

Moonee Ponds Central School

Emma Valente
Julia Young
Jess McInnes
Jason McDonald
James Henry
Paul Moutar
Janet Howes
Cairtonadh Dobson
Elise Detrmann

Moonee Ponds West Primary School

Michelle Borterill
Jenni Borterill
Michael Bertoncello
Rebecca Bertoncello
Daniel Ausbrook
David Edgar
Joanne Gliocas
Kate Turton

Lauren Turron

Leon Jane
Kate Burke

Niddrie High School

John Greco
Simon Raschilla

Paisley High School

Louise Coulter
Annette Webster
Clayton McAndrew
Allison Kelly
Amber Patterson

Pascoe Vale G's High School

Danielle Moutar

Preston Girls High School "Lighted Darkness"

Christine Hubbard
Nicole Jorgensen
Kathy Carra
Cecilia Dani
Nanessa Symons
Heather Wright
Lisa Gatto
Carla Meurs (teacher)

Preston Girls High School

Sharleen Ryles
Samantha Crosby
Melissa Elphinstone
Lia Turacchio

Preston East Technical School

Mark Zerfa
Campbell Taylor

Sound Ed and Friends

Don Scott
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Andrew Mathers
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Paul Campbell
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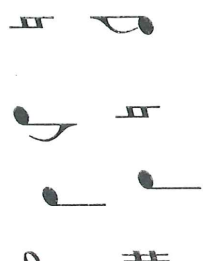
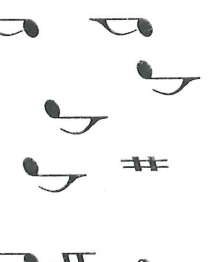
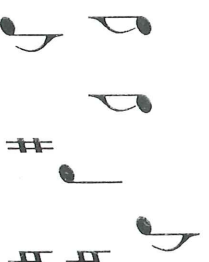
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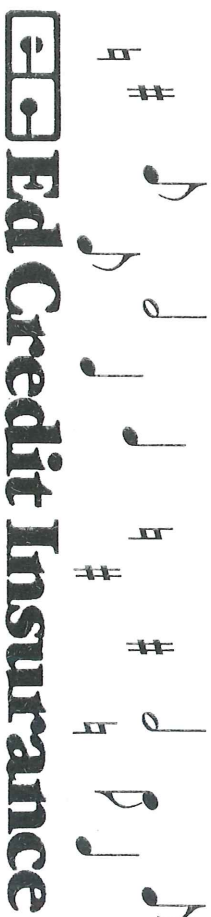
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