

The United Music Teachers of N.S.W. Inc.



NORTH SHORE NEWSLETTER January 2016

Dear Members,
Happy New Year! All of this year's events are listed in the Diary attached although some details are yet to be finalised.

We have already had our first event, a workshop on Jazz Improvisation, which was enjoyed by all involved.

On Sunday 7th February the Central Committee has organised a workshop with the entertaining a knowledgeable Michael Griffin. This should be a highlight for all music teachers and students. A copy of the Flyer for this event will be recirculated.

At our Morning Tea (15th February) our guest speaker will be Dr Rita Crews, and we look forward to her talk on setting up and running a music studio. Please stay for the North Shore AGM immediately following the Morning Tea.

Our two non-competitive concerts are open to all students. They are always happy occasions. Written assessments will be given to all performers unless teachers request otherwise. These concerts are the Autumn Festival and the Recital Day (previously known as the Spring Festival).

Please think about which of your students would enjoy playing in a competitive concert. The auditions for the Roger Woodward and UMT Awards are great for those who need further concert practice.

We cannot exist without the support of parents, students and teachers, so a big thankyou to all who have helped during 2015. Please come to the Planning Meeting in November.

Felicity Martin
All of our concerts and master classes are to be held at East Killara Uniting Church, corner of Wentworth and Fairbairn Avenues, East Killara.

Diary Dates for 2016

Wednesday 13th January:
Jazz Improvisation Workshop

Sunday 7th February:
Central Committee workshop with Michael Griffin.

Monday 15th February at 9.45am: Morning Tea, talk by Rita Crews "Running a Studio", followed by the AGM.

Monday 7th March at 10.30am:
Central Committee Meeting and AGM

Sunday 20th March at 2pm: Autumn Festival – Non-competitive and inclusive of all grades.

Sunday 15th May: Performance Day
Central Committee – Pitt Street Uniting Church

Sunday 5th June at 1pm and 3pm: North Shore Branch holds its auditions for the United Music Teachers Awards and the Roger Woodward Awards.

Sunday 19th June at 11.45am and 2.45pm: Finals for the UMT Awards and Roger Woodward Awards.

Sunday 24th July at 2 pm:
Central Committee meeting

Sunday 31st July at 2pm: Recital Day open to all performers (non-competitive).

Sunday 31st July at 4.30pm: President's Award (following the Recital day concert)

Sunday 14th August at 2pm: Master Class.

Monday 14th November at 10.30 am
Central Committee Meeting

Monday 21st November: Planning meeting. Please come and help us plan the events of 2017.

Details of Events and instructions for entry

Michael Griffin Workshop “Strategies for Musical Success”

Date: Sunday 7th February
1.30-3.00 pm Teaching Strategies for Musical Success
(Teachers)
3.30-5.00 pm Learning Strategies for Musical Success
(Teachers, Students & Parents)
Venue: East Killara Uniting Church Hall,
corner Wentworth and Fairbairn Avenues, East Killara
Cost: \$ 25.00 UMT teachers
\$ 35.00 All other teachers
\$ 10.00 Parents
\$ 10.00 Students or
\$ 20.00 per family

Bookings are essential. Payment may be made by direct transfer or by cheque. Direct transfer should be to:

United Music Teachers

BSB: 032-013

Acc: 920718

Please identify clearly that the payment is for “MG” and include your name. Once you have made the transfer please send a short email to yiennur@yahoo.com with teachers’, students’ and parents’ names, as well as your phone number.

Cheques should be made out to “United Music Teachers” and sent to Yiennur Lisa at 8 Treetops Road, Cherrybrook, NSW, 2126. Please include with your cheque teacher’s, students’ and parents’ names.

Morning Tea and AGM

Date and Time: Monday 15th February at 9.45am.

Venue: 49 Warrangi St, Turramurra

Entry by donation of \$15.

RSVP to Sheila Warby to sheilaw@bigpond.net.au or phone 91443958 by Wednesday 10th February.

Autumn Festival (Open to all performers)

Date and Time: Sunday 20th March at 2pm

Venue: East Killara Uniting Church

Organiser: Yiennur Lisa and Linda Gondo. Email entries to yiennur@yahoo.com and phone entries to Linda on 99405225.

Entry \$20 per performer. Send cheque to Yiennur at 8 Treetops Road, Cherrybrook, NSW 2126, payable to the UMT North Shore Branch.

Closing date for entry is Monday 14th March.

Please provide details of performer’s name and age, piece(s) to be played, with accurate timing. Performers should arrive by 1.45pm. This is a non-competitive concert but we will provide an appraisal of your student’s performance upon request. Please provide a score for the appraiser and encourage your students to dress appropriately for the concert.

**UMT Auditions (14 years and under) and Roger Woodward Awards Auditions
(Piano:18 years and under. Singers: Open Age).**

Date and Time: Sunday 5th June at 1pm and 3pm

Venue: East Killara Uniting Church

Organiser: Felicity Martin at flissmar@dodo.com.au or phone 93574203.

Entry \$20 per performer for UMT and \$25 for Roger Woodward. Send cheques to Felicity Martin, 301/357 Glenmore Road, Paddington, 2021, payable to the UMT North Shore Branch.

Closing date for entry is Monday 30th May.

Each studio may have 3 entries. Please refer to the Central Committee newsletter, which contains details of entry requirements. Please provide details of performer's name and age, piece(s) to be played, with accurate timing.

UMT performers should arrive by 12.45pm, and Roger Woodward performers by 2.45pm.

These details may be subject to changes due to the number of entries received.

Finals for UMT Awards and Roger Woodward Awards

Sunday 19th June at East Killara Uniting Church

Please check the Central Committee's emails for starting times of the above events or ring Felicity Martin on 93574203 or 0422076655.

Recital Day (Open to all performers)

Date: Sunday 31st July

Time: 2pm (We may have two consecutive concerts depending on demand).

Please arrive 15 minutes prior to the start of your concert.

Venue: East Killara Uniting Church Hall, corner Wentworth and Fairbairn Avenues

Organizer: Lorraine Samuel at ajax22@bigpond.com or phone 94562088.

Closing date: Monday 25th July. Please send in your entries to Lorraine at PO Box 43, Berowra, 2081 by this date.

Entry cost: \$15 per student. Audience donation at door.

Please provide details of performer's name and age, piece(s) to be played, with accurate timing.

Performers should arrive by 1.45pm.

This is a non-competitive concert but we will provide an appraisal of your student's performance upon request. Please provide a score for the appraiser's benefit.

Master Class with Bernadette Harvey.

Proposed Date: Sunday 14th August at 2pm

Venue: East Killara Uniting Church

Organiser: Felicity Martin at flissmar@dodo.com.au or 93574203. The cost for participants will be \$50 for 30 mins (8 mins playing time max). Observers will pay \$30 (non-UMT members) \$20 (UMT members) and \$20 (students). Send cheque to 301/357 Glenmore Road, Paddington, NSW 2021, payable to the UMT North Shore Branch.

Please provide details of performer's name and age, and piece to be played.

This is intended for advanced students. Students will be accepted for this event on a first come /first served basis but we will endeavour to be as inclusive as possible.

Planning Meeting (further details to follow)

Date: Monday 21st November.