



TGS

MUSIC



INSTRUMENTAL & VOCAL 2022



DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

Music is an integral part of life at Townsville Grammar School, both for the students who choose to study Music as a subject and perform in ensembles, and for the School community who enjoy our performances throughout the year.

The Music Program at Townsville Grammar School provides students from Prep to Year 12 with classroom, co-curricular and individual tuition opportunities. The program aims to develop foundational musical skills and musical literacy.

We strive to provide a positive program that fosters students' appreciation for Music and develops their confidence, self-esteem and creativity. Students who participate in our Ensembles and performance opportunities also benefit in learning to value and respect teamwork, punctuality and personal responsibility.

Townsville Grammar School stages a major production every two years, and it is a wonderful opportunity for students to be involved in a full-scale event which provides them with invaluable performance experience. In addition, there are numerous opportunities for our instrumental and vocal ensembles to perform at School and community events throughout the year.

We are very proud of our Music Program at Townsville Grammar School and endeavour to continue to grow the opportunities for our students to further enhance the quality of the musical life of our School community.

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CURRICULUM MUSIC

Curriculum, or Classroom Music, is where students make and respond to Music through listening, performing and composing. Students learn about the elements of Music and gain an understanding of the range of styles and contexts. Curriculum Music is led by Specialist Teachers and Tutors.

In the Junior School, all students receive two half-hour Music classes each week. In Year 3, one of the Music classes involves participating in the Year 3 Strings Program.

- In the Middle School (Years 7-9), students in Years 7 and 8 participate in Classroom Music. Music is an elective subject available to students in Year 9.
- In the Senior School, Music is an elective subject for Years 10, 11 and 12. Townsville Grammar School also offers the advanced course, Music Extension for Year 12.
- Music is also offered for the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma for Years 11 and 12 at Higher and Standard Levels.

INSTRUMENTAL & VOCAL TUITION

Ensemble membership is supported by Instrumental and Vocal Tuition. The School encourages students to learn instruments by integrating instrumental lessons into the School timetable. Experienced and qualified Music Tutors rotate lessons so that students do not miss too much of any other subject.

INDIVIDUAL SPECIALIST LESSONS ARE AVAILABLE IN:

Strings:	Violin, Viola, Cello, Double Bass, Guitar, Bass Guitar, Classical Guitar
Piano:	Classical, Modern
Voice:	Classical, Modern
Woodwind:	Flute, Oboe, Clarinet, Bassoon, Saxophone, Recorder
Brass:	Trumpet, Trombone, French Horn, Euphonium, Tuba
Percussion:	Drum Kit, Orchestral Percussion

ENSEMBLES & CHOIRS

The skills developed in classroom Music are applied in Ensemble participation. In the Choral and Instrumental Ensembles offered, students learn the skills of performing with others, the discipline of rehearsal attendance, and exposure to a wide range of performance opportunities. Ensemble members have the opportunity to join national and international Music tours organised by the School.

VOCAL

- Grammar Singers (Senior Choir)
- Grammar Mezzo (Middle School Choir)
- Majors Choir (Junior School)
- Minors Choir (Junior School)
- Senior Girls' Choir
- Senior Boys' Vocal Ensemble
- Junior School Boys' Choir

INSTRUMENTAL

- Symphony Orchestra
- String Orchestra
- Big Band
- Concert Band
- Celtic Strings
- Clarinet Ensemble
- Flute Ensembles
- Cello Ensemble
- Chamber Music
- Classical Guitar Ensemble
- Recorder Consorts
- Andante Strings (Junior School)
- Concert Band (Junior School)
- Year 3 Strings



THE MUSIC CENTRE

The School has a dedicated Music Centre at the North Ward Campus, open from 7:30am weekdays. Students are encouraged to use the facilities to develop their skills. The Centre includes:

- Grand piano
- Upright pianos
- Drumkits
- Electronic keyboards and computers up-to-date composition software
- Studios with mirrors, keyboards or pianos.
- Portable Staging & Choir Risers
- Recording facilities

The Junior School Campuses each have a dedicated, well-resourced music space.

MUSIC BURSARIES APPLICATIONS FOR 2023

Music Bursaries are available to students entering Years 7-11 in the following year, both external and internal*. Short-listed applicants will be notified if they are to be auditioned and subsequently will be advised of the outcome of their audition. Please visit www.tgs.qld.edu.au/bursaries for an application form.

ROUND ONE

External candidates

Closing date

Tuesday, 19 April 2022

Auditions

Saturday, 14 May 2022

From 9:00am-1:00pm

ROUND TWO

Internal and external candidates

Closing date

Thursday, 15 September 2022

Auditions

Wednesday, 5 October 2022

From 4:00pm

TOWNSVILLE GRAMMAR SCHOOL MUSIC CHARTER

At Townsville Grammar School, we believe that our core purpose in Music is to provide our students with a foundation for life-long growth in music.

We believe:

Music is an academic discipline and an art form

Our Faculty Members and Tutors aim to be inspiring Teachers as well as musical and intellectual leaders

Diversity in musical style and genre should be embraced

Students should be encouraged to develop an analytical, creative and intuitive understanding of music as a universal language

Musical excellence is achieved through dedication and perseverance

Unexplained absence from lessons, rehearsals and performances is never acceptable

Care of the Music Centre and its resources is a collective responsibility

Musical performance is enhanced by observance of appropriate performance etiquette and attire

Audience members should be attentive and respectful when listening to musical performances

Families and the boarding environment play a vital role in facilitating students' participation in the Music program

ONLINE ENROLMENTS

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