



NEWSLETTER No.7

From the Director

As we head in to the last term for 2010 take a moment to pause and think of the wonderful moments that you have shared with us this year. There have been some great things happening this year, and still more to come.

A highlight of this last term is a visit by world renowned percussion ensemble Synergy who will present a two day workshop.

This term also sees more of our student concerts—an ideal opportunity to perform in front of an friendly and appreciative audience.

Hope to see you there.

2011 Scholarships

Applications are now open for 2011 Scholarships and Bursaries. Auditions will be held in Muswellbrook on Saturday 30th October and in Singleton on Sunday 31st October.

All auditions are held in a friendly environment, giving all students the opportunity to perform at their best. Scholarships are not only offered for exceptional students but are also awarded to students who show potential and show commitment to their musical studies.

This year we are fortunate to be joined by Fiona Watson who will act as this years adjudicator. Fiona is a trumpeter from Newcastle who has had many years of experience performing in a wide variety of musical styles.

We are also pleased to be able to offer the Scone ADFAS scholarship for a second year. We are grateful to Scone ADFAS for their support.

Scholarship and Bursary applications are available from the conservatorium office.

Included with this Newsletter is your Term 4 invoice. Please note that payment is due on **Friday 29th October.**

Prompt payment of accounts enables the conservatorium to continue to provide the services that we provide to the entire Upper Hunter community.



The Dilworths, a Jazz Quintet from Sydney after their performance in Scone

Hydrology

On Saturday 4th December the Upper Hunter Conservatorium Orchestra and Choir will give the world premiere performance of *Hydrology*, a new work for Orchestra and Choir.

Hydrology is a work composed by Russell Thornton, and was commissioned by the UHCM as part of the ARTS NSW Regional Conservatoriums Program. Performing a brand new piece of music is an exciting event, and the orchestra and choir are both enjoying the creative process. The final step in the creative process is performing the work for a large, appreciative audience and we hope that you can attend our final concert for the year and experience this once in a lifetime event.

Hydrology

Saturday 4 December, 7:30pm

Scone High School MPC

Synergy Percussion comes to the Upper Hunter



The fifth and final concert of the 2010 Visiting Artists Series sees the internationally renowned percussion ensemble Synergy Percussion visiting Muswellbrook.

Synergy Percussion will bring their *Hit:Stick:Flip* course for all musicians to participate in. The course will give an insight into ensemble playing for all musicians.

Following the workshop Synergy will present a concert in their own right, something that will be a highlight of the 2010 concert calendar. This will include a performance of Steve Reich's Mallet Quartet, a new work recently given its Australian premiere by Synergy.

Synergy

27 and 28 November

Muswellbrook High School Hall

Please note the different location than previously published

2010 Orchestra and Chamber Music Camp

More than 50 musicians were once again treated to two days of fantastic music making at this years UHCM Orchestra and Chamber Music Camp.

Conductor Robert Harris reprised his 2007 visit and once again brought a wealth of knowledge and musicianship to the camp.

This year saw the inclusion of Junior Band and Junior Strings sections. Ably led by Julia Nagy and Peta Dries these sections introduced our younger players to orchestral playing.

The Conservatorium thanks all our tutors with a special thanks and congratulations to Jennifer Kershaw who once again led a spectacular camp.



Congratulations to UHCM favourite Simone Easthope who has been awarded the Lady Fairfax New York Scholarship. The scholarship will allow Simone the opportunity to study in New York for a period over the upcoming Summer months. We wish Simone well and invite you to join us at a special recital on Saturday 23rd October.



Simone Easthope in Recital
Saturday 23 October, 7:30pm
UHCM Hall, Muswellbrook

TERM 4 EVENTS

DAY	DATE	TIME	VENUE	EVENT
Friday	8 Oct	7:30pm	Muswellbrook South PS	Nick Parnell in Concert
Sunday	10 Oct	11am	Newcastle	UHSB in Mattara Grand Parade
Saturday	23 Oct		UHCM	Simone Easthope Recital
Sat + Sun	30/31 Oct	All Day	UHCM	2011 Scholarship Auditions
Sun	14 Nov	TBC	Muswellbrook South PS	Ensembles Concert
Sun	21 Nov	TBC	Scone High School	School Bands Concert
Sat + Sun	27/28 Nov	All Day	Muswellbrook High School	Hit:Stick:Flip with Synergy Percussion
Sat	4 Dec	7:30pm	Scone High School	<i>Hydrology</i> , UHCM Orchestra and Choir

