



From the Director

Good luck to all students who are auditioning for scholarships this coming weekend. It's sure to be a good weekend with a high number of students auditioning for scholarships.

This is the last newsletter for 2011, but there are still some fantastic musical events to come. I hope to see many of you at some or all of these events.

One of the most important events for the end of year are the student concerts. If you haven't yet informed your teacher or the office of your intention to play in a concert please do so ASAP. Please note the change in date for the Denman concert which has meant a change for one concert in Muswellbrook also.

Best Wishes for a happy and safe festive season for all conservatorium families and we look forward to a productive and successful 2012.



2012 Visiting Artists Series Concert 5 Broadway comes to the Upper Hunter

Broadway Comes to the Upper Hunter will lead its audience through a musical journey from the earliest musical favourites, including Oklahoma!, West Side Story, The Music Man and Chicago through to the blockbuster musicals of today, such as Beauty and the Beast, Les Miserables, The Boy from Oz, Wicked, Phantom of the Opera, Jekyll and Hyde, Sweeney Todd and brand new production, Spamalot.

The Upper Hunter Conservatorium of Music is pleased to welcome to Muswellbrook two seasoned musical theatre performers, Alicia Paterson, a graduate of the Newcastle Conservatorium of Music who has performed in many musicals including Les Miserables, and Daniel Stoddart, best known for his role as creator and performer for the Ultra Swing Lounge.

The talented staff of the Upper Hunter Conservatorium of Music will also flex their musical muscles as they provide the orchestral accompaniment to this exciting range of Broadway classics, conductor and UHCM's Director, Adam Wills.

Tickets are available now from the UHCM office.

Adults \$20
Concession \$15



Broadway Comes to the Upper Hunter

Saturday 19 November

Muswellbrook High School Hall

7:30pm

UHCM Orchestra & Ensembles Concert

The final concert of the UHCM Ensembles will see performances by the UHCM Orchestra, Senior and Junior Strings, Percussion Ensemble, Choir, Clarinet Choir, Wind Quintet and Guitar Ensemble.

The concert will feature a large selection of music from all ensembles and will show off the talent of the Upper Hunter Conservatorium. Including music by Beethoven, Rossini and Brahms.

UHCM Orchestra and Ensembles

Sunday 27th November

3pm

Muswellbrook South Primary School

Upper Hunter Concert and Jazz Band Concert

The Upper Hunter Concert and Jazz bands will present their final concert for the year performing a wide variety of music .

Both bands have been preparing hard for the last term and the concert will be a highly enjoyable event. Featured in the concert will be UHCM Voice teacher Sue Davis who will join with the Jazz Band to present some favourites of the Jazz repertoire.

Upper Hunter Concert and Jazz Bands

Sunday 4th December

2pm

Scone High School MPU

Student Success

Congratulations to all Conservatorium students for their fantastic HSC music performances.

A special congratulations to UHCM students Lyndon Christie, Alex Musgrave and Thomas Smith. All three received a nomination for Encore. Encore is a concert at the Sydney Opera House that showcases high quality HSC performances. All three have submitted a DVD and we wait to see if they are accepted into the concert.

Also congratulations to previous UHCM student Jack Bailey who continues his Cello studies with fantastic results. Jack has recently been awarded a place in the Australian Youth Orchestra as well as a place in a Cello Masterclass in Los Angeles with some renowned international cellists.

Student Concerts

Student concerts for Term 4 will be commencing soon. To register to perform in any of these concerts please speak with your teacher, or call the conservatorium office.

Student concerts are a great way of gathering performance experience and confidence.






Members of the Upper Hunter Show Band and The Clarence Valley Conservatorium Wind Ensemble rehearsing together on the Upper Hunter Show Bands Grafton Weekend.

Calling all Guitarists


The UHCM Guitar Ensemble was formed this year and is open to guitarists of all varieties.

The ensemble rehearses on Thursday nights at the Conservatorium in Muswellbrook and plays a wide variety of music. The group is led by Dave Harvey and Michael Fitzgerald and is perfect for all levels of players. To register your interest please contact the UHCM office.



Musicianship and Theory Classes are available in all centres.

Call the UHCM office to enquire about grades and classes in your area.



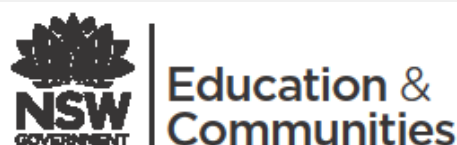
END OF YEAR

The UHCM office will close on Wednesday 21 December 2011 & will reopen on Monday 9 January 2012.



TERM 4 EVENTS

DAY	DATE	TIME	VENUE	EVENT
Saturday	12 November	All Day	UHCM Muswellbrook	Scholarship Auditions
Sunday	13 November	All Day	UHCM Singleton	Scholarship Auditions
Saturday	19 November	7:30pm	Muswellbrook High School	Broadway Comes to the Upper Hunter
Tuesday	22 November	6:00 +7:30pm	Scone High School	Scone Student Concert #1 + #2
Wednesday	23 November	6:00 + 7:30pm	Scone High School	Scone Student Concert #3 + #4
Thursday	24 November	7:00pm	UHCM Muswellbrook	David Harvey, Josh Vadas, Michael Fitzgerald, Leanne Mears
Sunday	27 November	3:00pm	Muswellbrook South Public School	UHCM Orchestra & Ensembles Concert
Monday	28 November	7:00pm	Denman Public School	Denman Student Concert
Tuesday	29 November	6:30pm	UHCM Muswellbrook	Gillian Miles, Jenny Kershaw, Katrina Constable, Larni Christie
Wednesday	30 November	7:00pm	Merriwa School of Arts	Merriwa Student Concert
Thursday	1 December		St Catherine's College Singleton	Singleton Drama Concert
Sunday	4 December	2:00pm	Scone High School	Upper Hunter Concert Band & Jazz Band Concert
Monday	5 December	7:00pm	UHCM Muswellbrook	Adam Wills & Sue Davis
Tuesday	6 December	6:30pm	UHCM Muswellbrook	Robert Thompson, Janelle French, Lynne Llewelyn
Wednesday	7 December	7:00pm	Singleton Sacred Spaces	Singleton Student Concert



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