

From the Conductor

The MBSO Junior Strings is now in its fourth year and what a wonderful group of promising young string players!

The MBSO Junior Strings is designed to give primary and junior high school aged string players the experience of playing in a string orchestra in a comfortable and friendly environment. The ensemble performs at all of MBSO's major concerts and festivals throughout the year.

During their time with MBSO Junior Strings, players will begin to learn the advanced skills required to play in a symphony orchestra and when they are ready they will be invited to move up into the MBSO Youth Symphony. Sectional rehearsals will be scheduled throughout each year.

I love working with young musicians and am passionate about developing a strong culture of music within the Moreton Bay region. Music education helps young people flourish and find their unique identity within a dynamic and supportive environment and has been proven to help children excel in other school areas. I really believe music makes the world a better place and the research shows that there are incredible benefits for people of all ages in playing a musical instrument and participating in group music making.

I would like to encourage lots of young talented musicians to come and join us in 2017! You will meet other like-minded young people who are just starting out in their musical careers and would like to produce wonderful music together.

Katie Lawton - Conductor

CONTACT US

To audition for the MBSO Junior Strings, complete the form and email to:

enquiries@mbso.org.au

Alternatively, mail the form to:

PO Box 2204, Brighton Eventide. Q. 4017

NOTIFICATION OF AUDITION

All applicants will receive notification of their audition time by email.

AUDITION INFORMATION

Auditions are held at Clontarf Beach State High School, Isobel Street (opposite the end of Weaber Street), Clontarf.

If you require more information or require a different audition time, please contact:

Bronwyn Gibbs 0435 942 385

Eve Brown 0409 569 348

REHEARSAL TIMES

MBSO Junior Strings rehearse on Thursday nights:

6:00-7:00pm



MBSO Junior Strings is a subsidiary of the Moreton Bay Symphony Orchestra Inc.

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Eve: 0409 569 348

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AUDITION PANEL AND ASSESSMENT

For each instrument, the audition panel consists of one or two professional musicians including specialist music teachers and conductors. All positions for 2017 are available through the audition process.

Each audition is ranked by the panel, who assess the following:

- Intonation, rhythm, dynamics and tone production
- Musical style and attention to directions of the music



FEES

Audition Fee: \$20
(for new applicants only)

Yearly Membership Fees:
\$60

Uniform:
MBSO shirt: \$40
MBSO Junior Strings scarf: \$25



AGE
REQUIREMENT:
15 years and under.



GRADE REQUIREMENTS:

Violin, Viola, Cello and Double Bass: 1-3;
Grade levels are a guide to the equivalent AMEB or Trinity Guildhall standard that applicants must have achieved before auditioning. (Applicants are not required to have completed examinations).



MBSO also has a Youth Symphony for those under the age of 25 who are at AMEB or Trinity Guildhall standard of Grade 4 and above. This ensemble rehearses at the same time as the MBSO Junior Strings: 6-7pm, followed by a combined rehearsal with MBSO from 7-8:15pm.

AUDITION PREPARATION

Each audition is three to four minutes in duration. Applicants are required to prepare a piece of their own choice (one or two minutes in length) to display their musical knowledge and standard.

In addition, applicants are required to prepare an orchestral excerpt to demonstrate their ability to play orchestral parts. Excerpts are able to be downloaded from our website www.mbsso.org.au

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If possible, listen to recordings of the excerpts and take the excerpts to your teacher for preparation. Learn about the musical and technical concepts of the excerpts and aim to demonstrate these in your performance.

