

# Music news

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## HSC Encore Nominations

At the end of Term 3, several Year 12 Music students were nominated for Encore, a showcase of exemplary HSC performances and projects. The girls will now submit a recording of their performance for selection in the showcase, due to be held in February next year. Congratulations to the following students:

- Georgia Alexakis – Piano
- Melanie Cheung – Piano
- Kirsten Chu – Cello
- Heather Kim – Violin
- Fiona Luo – Piano
- Chaewon Park – Cello
- Eunice Thi – Piano

## AMEB Results

Several girls worked hard in the holidays to complete their AMEB exams. Congratulations to Stella Hong and Erin Du who were awarded their LMusA Diploma, while Cynthia Bui, Annabelle Desmond, Ellie Dong, Tina Dong, Connie Liu, Monica Teng, Selina Wang and Kerrie Yu were awarded their AMusA Diplomas. These are outstanding achievements that require hours of work and dedication. Congratulations, girls!



**Erin Du, Year 10**  
LMusA Diploma (Distinction) - Cello



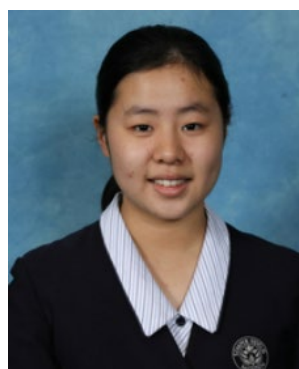
**Stella Hong, Year 11**  
LMusA Diploma - Piano



**Cynthia Bui, Year 7**  
AMusA Diploma  
(*Distinction*) – Organ



**Annabelle Desmond, Year 9**  
AMusA Diploma –  
Viola



**Ellie Dong, Year 9**  
AMusA Diploma –  
Flute



**Tina Dong, Year 7**  
AMusA Diploma – Viola



**Eva Gao, Year 7**  
AMusA Diploma – Cello



**Connie Liu, Year 8**  
AMusA Diploma –  
Piano



**Monica Teng, Year 11**  
AMusA Diploma –  
Piano



**Selina Wang, Year 9**  
AMusA Diploma – Piano



**Kerrie Yu, Year 11**  
AMusA Diploma – Violin

## Amadeus News

Congratulations to Zoe Chan, Annabelle Desmond and Tina Dong who were selected to participate in the Western Sydney Philharmonic Orchestra September program, performing Shostakovich's Violin Concerto No. 1 with soloist Anna Da Silva Chen and Mahler's Symphony No.4 with soprano Chloe Lankshear.

Cynthia Bui recently competed at the annual Sydney Organ Competition, winning the 15 Years and Under Junior section. As a result, she has been invited to give a recital on the new organ of St Francis' Catholic Church, Paddington.

Congratulations to Teresa Yang on her performance at the National Youth Concerto Competition in Brisbane last month. Teresa was given the opportunity to perform the Brahms Violin Concerto with the Queensland Youth Orchestra, conducted by Paul Dean. Well done, Teresa, on this outstanding performance – what a remarkable achievement!



Teresa Yang performing at the National Youth Concerto Competition

In the holidays, Sofia Lam and Chanelle Tiranatvitayakul were accepted into the Young Musician's Workshop with the Sydney Symphony Orchestra. Over three days, Sofia and Chanelle performed a variety of orchestral works, including Dvorak's *Symphony No. 9* (4<sup>th</sup> movement), Berlioz's *March to the Scaffold* (*Symphonie fantastique*), Sibelius' *Finlandia*, Faure's *Pavane*, and Haydn's *Symphony No. 104* ("London"), 1<sup>st</sup> movement. Chanelle was mentored by our very own Old Girl, Amanda Chen (Class of 2014) who has been appointed to a position with the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra.

Molly Grogan, Year 9, was accepted into and participated in the Australian Youth Orchestra camp held in Ballarat during the holidays. The week included full orchestra rehearsals, tutor (sectionals) sessions, chamber music rehearsals and instrumental development sessions.

"Chamber music proved to be one of my favourite activities as I learnt so much and really enjoyed the experience of working in a small group. During one of the sessions, several tutors talked about their music career pathways which I found very inspiring. We got to perform our chamber works to the whole camp cohort, and our final performance took place on the last day of camp where we performed Dvorak's *Carnival (Overture)*, Sdraulig's *Crossway*, and Elgar's *Enigma Variations*", said Molly. Molly has already been accepted again for next year's camp and she is looking forward to future opportunities for orchestra camps of a similar nature.

Linley Feng, Year 7, recently competed in the 2022 Hunter Regional Band Association Solo and Ensemble Championship and was highly successful in several sections -

- U/16 Slow Melody Trombone – First Place
- U/13 Trio – First Place
- U/13 Quartet – First Place
- U/13 Trombone Solo – Second Place
- U/16 Trombone Solo – Second Place
- U/16 Duet – Third Place

Congratulations to Linley on these fantastic results.

## Amadeus Recital

Congratulations to the following girls who performed exceptionally in the final Amadeus Recital for the year. It was wonderful to hear so many of the younger students performing such high-level repertoire.

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| Zoe Chan (10)                 | Sonata No. 1: Presto – Bach                  |
| Ellie Dong (9)                | Ballade – Perilhou                           |
| Tina Dong (7)                 | Praeludium and Allegro – Kreisler            |
| Nerissa Du (8)                | Scherzo and Tarantelle – Wieniawski          |
| Eva Gao (7)                   | Cello Concerto: Movement 1 – Elgar           |
| Stella Hong (11)              | Pour le Piano: Toccata - Debussy             |
| Anastasia Ibrahim (9)         | Violin Concerto No. 1: Movement 2 – Bruch    |
| Isabella Koo (8)              | Viola Sonata in F Minor: Movement 1 – Brahms |
| Connie Liu (8)                | Romance – Wagner                             |
| Kiara Nguy (9)                | Orientale – Granados                         |
| Chanelle Tiranatvitayakul (7) | Berceuse – Chopin                            |

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