Australian Percussion Academy Presents 2024 Winter Percussion Ensemble School 9 – 11 July 2024

About The School

Winter Percussion Ensemble School is a program designed to help percussion students improve their ensemble skills. The program covers different music genres, emphasising the development of solid technical fundamentals and providing exposure to ensemble playing. Participants will learn strategies for enhancing their reading skills and proper techniques for playing mallets and other percussion instruments.

The tuition fee includes the following:

- All classes and ensemble rehearsals
- Masterclasses and workshops conducted by guest presenters
- Access to two 5-octave marimbas and other high-end keyboard percussion instruments and orchestral percussion
- The use of mallets and auxiliary percussion instruments
- An official Certificate of Participation
- Complimentary morning (Group A) and afternoon (Group B) tea, fruits, and snacks.

Participants will perform in workshop classes and will receive instructions on a variety of percussion subjects, including:

- Performing techniques on xylophone, marimba, and vibraphone.
- Four mallet technique.
- Percussion Ensemble.
- Percussion Music Games and improvisation.
- Selection of mallets.

Groups and Student Preparation

Group A - Beginners to Low Intermediate Level

Experience in playing percussion is recommended but optional for admission to this group.

Staff: Estefania Alvarez (APA), Sergei Golovko (APA) and guest-presenter TBC (Melbourne Symphony Orchestra, Melbourne Conservatorium of Music)

Session times: 9.00 am – 12.00 (Morning Tea, fruits and snacks provided)

Group B - Intermediate to Advanced Level

Experience in playing percussion is required for admission to this group.

Staff: Sergei Golovko (APA) and guest-presenters TBC (Melbourne Conservatorium of Music).

Session times: 2.00 – 5.00 pm (Afternoon Tea, fruits and snacks provided)

On Thursday, 11 July, the APA Winter Percussion Ensemble School will conclude with performances of all students in ensemble settings. Parents are encouraged to attend these performances when they come to pick up their children. **The concerts are free!**

Instruments

APA offers a variety of percussion instruments, including marimbas, xylophones, vibraphones, glockenspiel, drum sets, timpani, and auxiliary percussion instruments. Students only need to bring their percussion ensemble parts.

Insurance

A public liability insurance policy will cover every student attending the camp, the cost of which is already included in the fee. However, please note that the insurance will not cover any pre-existing injuries or injuries that happen outside of the APA studio. This insurance only applies to accidents that occur during camp-related activities.

Food

If you have any dietary restrictions, please inform us beforehand so we can make the necessary arrangements to cater to your needs.

Schedule

The School Schedule for the Winter Percussion Ensemble will be sent to all registered participants three weeks before the event.

Application form

Please send your application form to apa@percussionacademy.com.au
We recommend getting in your applications early to ensure you are satisfied!
PLACES ARE LIMITED — only 10 participants in each group!

Fees

The enrolment fee is \$396 (incl. GST) per student for three days. Any withdrawals after 1 July 2024 will not receive a refund of program fees paid.

For Bookings, visit:

https://www.trybooking.com/CRIUZ

Additional Information

- What to bring: Students must bring their snare drumsticks and percussion ensemble parts. All kinds of mallets will be provided.
- **Snack time:** APA will provide drinks and a complimentary snack in the mornings and afternoons.
- **Supervision:** Teachers supervise all participants at all times.
- Facilities: Classes and rehearsals will take place at the Australian Percussion Academy music studio located at 143 Wells Street (1st floor), South Melbourne, VIC 3205
- Transport and location: Public transport trams on St. Kilda Road, 6 minutes walking distance to Melbourne Conservatorium of Music and Melbourne Recital Centre, and 12-15 minutes to Flinders Street station
- Repertoire: Classical, Romantic, Latin, Jazz, Funk, Rock, Contemporary

For an application and download information about APA 2024 Winter School, visit www.australianpercussionacademy.com in the section "2024 Winter School."

For more information, email apa@percussionacademy.com.au or call on 0411 514 795.