

SUMMER SCHOOL

13 - 18 January 2025



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Acknowledgement of Country

Sydney Youth Orchestras acknowledge the Gadigal and Wangal people of the Eora Nation, the traditional custodians of the unceded land on which we perform today, and their connections to land, water and community.

We would like to pay our respects to Elders past and present and thank them for their rich musical traditions that continue to echo to this day.

Always Was, Always Will Be.

Welcome



Welcome to the 2025 SYO Summer School Showcase! Today, two exceptional concerts will be staged, celebrating the hard work and dedication exhibited by over 300 talented young musicians, along with their tutors, conductors, and you, their loyal supporters, over the last five days.

Sydney Youth Orchestras (SYO) continues to be a vibrant hub where young musicians connect with each other and music to create extraordinary experiences. As the largest instrumental music program of its kind in Australia, SYO is committed to growing and thriving ensuring every child has access to music education.

Stay updated on all our activities by visiting syo.com.au and following Sydney Youth Orchestras on Facebook and Instagram. Don't forget to invite friends, family, and community members to join our weekly or holiday programs.

Enjoy today's performances, which showcase an astounding breadth and depth of repertoire. Thank you for your continued support of Sydney Youth Orchestras.

Mia Patoulios
CEO

A Note From James

Today's concerts are an effervescent culmination of the hard work and commitment of these young musicians and their conductors across the SYO Program.

As Australia's largest instrumental music program of its type, SYO strives to foster an environment for musical communities to develop and thrive.

Performance opportunities, such as today, are an example of the excellence that is possible when young people with a shared passion have a space to come together and transform their lives through music, sharing the results with you, our loyal supporters.

Your generosity makes concerts like this possible. Thank you for supporting SYO and the future generation of young musicians



James Pensini
Head of Orchestral Training
and Artistic Programming

Concert 1

10am



Yellow String Orchestra

Conductor - Sandi Oh

Accompanist - Kym Parrish

Orange String Orchestra

Conductor - Niamh Armstrong

Accompanist - Kym Parrish

Blue Band

Conductor - Megan Lipworth



Concert 2

1pm



Summer Symphony Orchestra

Conductor - Leonard Weiss

DVORAK | Symphony No. 8
SAINT-SAENS | Dance Macabre
STRAUSS | Kaiser-Walzer
KATS-CHEMNIN | Purple Prelude
WILLIAMS | Star Wars Suite

Red Band

Conductor - Tyler Wilkinson

Pink String Orchestra

Conductor - Anne Sweeney
Accompanist - Kym Parrish

Chamber Orchestra

Conductor - Loreta Fin



Summer School

Musicians

Jasmina Adams
Hamish Aldridge
Elsbeth Aldridge
Alexander Andersson
Harry Antrim
Chloe Armitage
Dorothy Arthur
Isabella Asimakoula
Imogen Bailey
Cara Barnett
Quinn Barnett
Kylie Batterham Chan
Kaitlyn Bedser
Matthew Bicol-Dy
Anastasia Birin
Xander Brennan
Freya Brown
Cameron Brown
Samuel Bryant
Henry Bulloch
Henry Burgess
Jackson Cai
Elana Calabrese
Oisin Cantwell
Bosco Cao
Alex Cao
Jordan Carattini
Miah Cardoza
Lachlan Chan
Freddie Chan
Isabelle Chan
Lachlan Chau

Zachary Chen
Charlotte Chen
Nicky Chen
Liam Chen
Enci Chen
Carson Cheng
Chloe Cheng
Kingsley Cheung
Christopher Cheung
Lachlan Chiu
Olivia Cho
Ivy Choi
Hayden Chong
Ashley Chow
Porter Christ
Elisa Chun
Ethan Coltheart
Emilia Conn
Clementine Conn
Ashton Corbett
Rose Cotis
Evelyn Dai
Alyssa Dai
James Lucien Dalman
Skylar Di
Disha Diwakar
Ophelia Donald
Aaron Dong
Alex Eglon
Harrison Eglon
Zac Elias
Zara Elliott

Pippa Elliott
Eden Elski
Misha Evans
Isaac Fang
Lorenzo Farinella
Engei Feng
Angus Fennell
Audrey Fernandes
John Fernandes
Ruby Fletcher
Lily Fletcher
Zoey Fletcher
Aisha Ford
Eliana Gamboa
Olivia Gan
Lucas Gan
Christopher Gao
Tristan Gilkes
Leanore Gillet
Charlotte Gresham
Rosie Griffin
Hugo Griffith
Dalon Gruber
Isabella Guo
Toby Gurton
Dara Haddadi
Lachlan Hanna
Brielle Harris-Pavey
Maya Haysom-McDowell
Chelsea He
Audrey Henderson
Claire Huang

Chloe Huang
Flora Huang
Aloysius Hui
Paddy Humby
Hattie Hunt
Madeleine Hunter
Raphael Hutton
Max Jassy
Moss Katona
Kimberley Kay
Allegra Kennedy-Scott
Patrick Keyes
Natalie Kim
Noah Kim
Claire Kim
Oliver Kim
Leonidas Klonis
Ella Knight
Erin Knight
Oscar Kohlhoff
Reuben Kohlhoff
Edwina Krupowicz
Bebe Krupowicz
Legolas Kwok
Caitlyn Kwok
Amelie Lam
Sofia Lam
Charlie Lee
Irene Lee
Max Legoupil Tavares
Zoe Leibman
Bailey Leonardo
Stella Leong
Astrid Lesslie
Maxwell Leung
Angie Li
Ryan Li
Elise Li
Ethan Li
Asha Li
Yukiko Li
Taylor Li
Skye Li

Cayson Liang
Ethan Lim
Claire Lin
Tiffany Lin
Ethan Lin
Verthandi Liu
Sukie Liu
Christopher Liu
Jayden Liu
Jayden Liu
Adele Loughhead
Joseph Loy
Curtis Lui
Cara Lutowski
Lei Ma
Eleanor Mamat
Ryan Mansukhani
Allegra May
Joseph McCloud
Marie-Louise McDonald
Audrey McWilliam
Dominic Meisel
Max Meyerson
Olive Middleton
Asha Milliss
Nene Moriya
Theodore (Teddy)
Murphy
Lucia Naticchia
Audrey Ng
Edward Ng
Angelina Ngo
Isaac Nguyen
Kieran O'Brien
Akira Ohki
Ella Ohnrich
Chris Ong
Kingsley Ong
Freya Otto
Frances Pang
Robert Pazich
Hannah Pellow
Benjamin Pellow

Banjo Plimer
Oscar Qi
James Qiu
Darian Radwan
Olivia Jadwiga Radwan
Jasmina Maria Radwan
Kahne Raja
Ayrton Randall
Ethan Ren
Lucy Reynolds
Jonah Rhee
Calder Riley
Jarvis Riley
William Robertson
Bianca Roncolato
Oliviero Roncolato
Sylvia Russoniello
Ash Russoniello
Avery Satchcroft
Lucy Schneider
Leo Shao
Jayant Sharma
Daniel Shin
Christian Shin
Olivia Smith
Sienna Smits
Lily Song
Seb Stoller
Charlotte Sun
Natalie Sun
Charis Sung
Rae Sutherland
Ceryn Tan
Lleyton Tan
Janey Tark
Morgan Taylor
Charlie Teh
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Henry Thapa
Georgia Thapa
Louise Thill
Hailey Tiang
Tiffany Truong

Stephanie Tse	Gina Yee
Kiki Tse	Carina Yeh
Claudia van Liefland	Kevin Yeung
Hermeyes Vekkiarellas	Olivia Yu
Luna Wang	Kylie Yu
Mavis Wang	Deborah Yu
Phoebe Wang	Marcus Yu
Zoe Wang	James Yuen
Ryan Wang	Stephanie Zhang
Mia Wang	Shawn Zhang
Rachael Wang	Charlie Zhang
Serena Wang	Samuel Zhang
Freya Watson	Yingyi (Ruby) Zhao
Katarina Wojtowicz	Milton Zhao
Kieran Wong	Jason Zhao
Ellie Wong	Yuan Zheng
Chloe Wong	George Zhou
Amelie Wong	Anthony Zhou
Naomi Wright	Heidi Zhu
Kimberly Wu	
Veronica Xu	
Laura Xu	
Ariel Xu	
Alvin Yang	
Leonard Yang	
Leo Yang	

Summer Symphony

Orchestra Musicians

VIOLIN

Jaden Kiang
Alexander Tarasov
William Cooper-Fillios
Robin Bonser
Meredith Evans
Dante Jiang
Joshua Hasanoff
Mikayla Sun
Lily Still
Cielle Kim
Emily Greer
Abigail Bush
Dasha Stusenko
Abigail Nicholson
Elisa Chun
Emma Foote
Sophie Kiang

VIOLA

Tomas Mimmocchi
Chloe Cho

CELLO

Marlon Giacco
Rowan Bleasel
Ella Vesey
Marilla Gibian-Stuart
Imogen Duns
Kai Hall
Beatrix Cheung

DOUBLE BASS

Jess Holmes (tutor)

FLUTE

Isabelle Saliba
Elana Sydenham
Neve Peters
Charlotte Sun

CLARINET

Tamara Taurisano
Christopher Costa
Oliver Sharp

OBOE

Kimberley Jee

TRUMPET

Maksim Stevanovski
Kael Scott

FRENCH HORN

Yaeli Freeman
Josephine Kilham

TENOR TROMBONE

Jacob Xie
Alice ke

TUBA

Xander Ezzy

PERCUSSION

Mikayla Yap
Elijah Freeman
Noam Zemack

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