FRIDAY 22, SATURDAY 23 & SUNDAY 24 SEPTEMBER 2023 - BRISBANE

2023 QLD STATE BAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

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PROGRAM OF EVENTS

Subject to change - exact times and scheduling will be released AFTER entries close

Friday 22 September	7:00pm	• **Besson Slow Melody Contest** Somerville House Chapel
Saturday 23 September	9:00am	• **BRASS: Test Selection & Sacred Item** Junior, D Grade, A Grade, C Grade, B Grade
	7:30pm	• **Gala Concert** VPAC, Somerville House
Sunday 24 September	8:30am	• **Parade of Bands** New Farm Football Club – Open Brass Bands
	9:00am	• **CONCERT Bands** Test/Major Work/Sacred Item/Stage March • **Results –** Concert Bands • **BRASS: Own Choice & Stage March** D Grade, C Grade • **Results –** D Grade and C Grade B Grade, A Grade • **Results –** B Grade and A Grade

KEY DATES:

Entries Close
31 JULY 2023

Player Registrations Due
12 AUGUST 2023

Music Scores Due
25 AUGUST 2023

Permit Player Applications
2 SEPTEMBER 2023

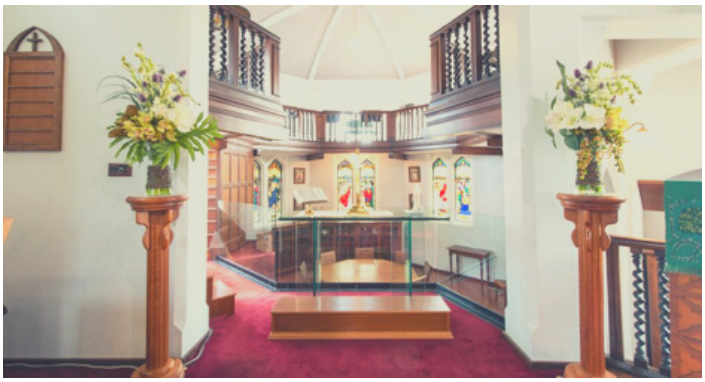
Player Declaration List - signed by Band Secretary
2 SEPTEMBER 2023

QLD Championships Awarded In All Grades

The 2023 QLD State Band Championships will be awarded in all grades as follows:

- Sacred/Reflective Item (Hymn): 100 points
- Test Selection: 200 points
- Own Choice Selection: 200 points
- Stage March: 100 points

Total Points for the Aggregate Championships: 600 points



Besson Slow Melody Contest

22 September 2023 - Somerville House Chapel

Will be held in the beautiful Chapel at Somerville House, with a soloist from each band organisation welcome to enter. The top 3 performances will be invited to perform the following evening at the Gala Concert where a winner will be announced.

PRIZE MONEY

- $500 - Winning Soloist's Affiliated Band
- $500 - Winning Soloist
- $250 - Runner Up
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Gala Concert

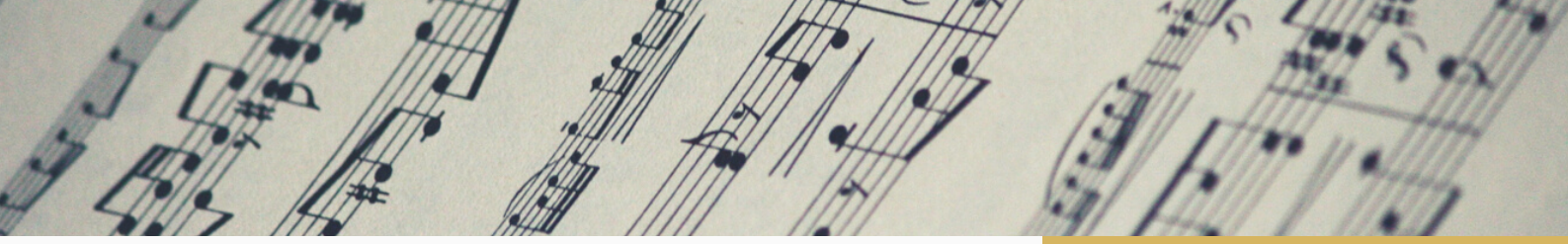
23 September 2023 - VPAC, Somerville House

A Gala Concert, featuring 2 of our top QLD bands and the top 3 soloists from the Besson Slow Melody contest will be held at 7:30pm on Saturday 23 September at VPAC, Somerville House.

Tickets: $25 per person. Under 7yrs: Free

Volunteers Needed!

VOLUNTEERS ARE WHAT KEEP THE QLD BAND ORGANISATION AND CONTESTS RUNNING. WE ARE SEEKING VOLUNTEERS FROM ALL BANDS TO HELP AND WOULD WELCOME VOLUNTEERS WHO WISH TO HELP OUT, EVEN IF THEIR OWN BAND IS NOT COMPETING. NO REQUIREMENT TO COMMIT TO LONG SESSIONS BUT MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK! PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU CAN HELP!



QBA Player ID Card Photos

Please ensure that you have QBA Player ID Cards for each of your registered players that will be entering the stage for your band at the contest. If you have not yet done so, or if you require new cards for new players, please send Player ID Photos through to our QBA Registrar, Vanessa Midgley. For assistance, please email qldbands@gmail.com.

Test Selections

EVENT	TITLE	COMPOSER
A GRADE BRASS	Ballet for Band	Joseph Horowitz
B GRADE BRASS	Luminosity	Nancy Galbraith
C GRADE BRASS	Lake of the Moon	Gareth Wood
D GRADE BRASS	Overture – Henry the Fifth	Ralph Vaughan Williams arr Roy Douglas
JUNIOR GRADE BRASS	No set test – Own Choice Selection only	Please note: Junior Grades play one selection only
A GRADE CONCERT	4 Cornish Dances	Malcolm Arnold
B GRADE CONCERT	Divertimento for Band	Vincent Persichetti
C GRADE CONCERT	Suite Provencale	Jan Van der Roost
D GRADE CONCERT	Spring Festival	Chen Yi
JUNIOR GRADE CONCERT	No set test – Own Choice Selection only	Please note: Junior Grades play one selection only

Player Passes

$5 each | 35 Passes per band

Players in bands will require a Players Pass (arm band) for entry to the auditorium. These passes can be purchased by Band Secretaries prior to the contest for $5 each. There is a limit of 35 player passes per band entered.

Payment for the passes must be included with your order to the QBA Secretary

Account Details: QLD Band Association 124 021 / 1000 6159
EFT Reference - "Band Name, passes" (e.g. Thuringowa passes)

Public Admission Prices

DAY PASS

(NOT INCLUDING GALA CONCERT)

- ADULTS: $20.00
- SENIOR/STUDENT: $10.00
- UNDER 7: FREE

Junior Grade Brass & Concert Bands - No Test Piece Required

This is a reminder that Junior Brass and Junior Concert bands do NOT have a test piece.

Junior Brass and Junior Concert bands play only 3 items on stage:

1. Sacred Item
2. Own Choice
3. Stage March