



## SEMESTER 2

# PERFORMING ARTS

Welcome to what promises to be another semester of spirited Performing Arts activities across the College. Highlights include the Queensland Catholic Colleges Music Festival, Theatre Ash, the Essentially Ellington Downunder Festival hosting guest mentors from New York's Jazz at Lincoln Centre Orchestra, as well as the culmination of the Concert Season with the 2023 Soiree.

### State Honours Ensemble Program (SHEP) - Brisbane Friday July 7 – Sunday July 9 | Conservatorium Theatre, South Bank

A select group of nominated Marist musicians will participate in this highly respected program bringing together the finest young musicians from across the state. Under the tutelage of a team of eminent international and national conductors in a world-class environment, the program culminates with four gala concerts at the Conservatorium Theatre, Queensland Conservatorium Griffith University, South Bank.

### DRAMA PERFORMANCE 'Murder on the Menu' Wednesday July 26, 7pm | Draney Theatre

Artemis Ward, the proud owner of Ward Books, is murdered in his favourite restaurant while waiting for a mysterious dinner guest who never arrives. Everyone's a suspect – his own son and daughter, his nephew, the restaurant owner, and many others who crawl out of the woodwork. Can the conveniently placed coroner and his reporter friend solve the crime without the aid of police? Why does the list of suspects just keep growing? All members of the Marist Community are invited to the Theatre Ash production of "Murder on the Menu" by Bill Hand. You might even win a prize for guessing "whodunnit".

Admission: \$5.00/person  
Bookings: <https://events.humanitix.com/theatre-performance-murder-on-the-menu>

### Queensland Catholic Colleges Music Festival (QCMF) rehearsal afternoon/evening Thursday July 27, 3:30 pm - 8pm

All boys performing in this year's QCMF will be involved in multiple rehearsals and sectionals to prepare for the upcoming Queensland Catholic Colleges Music Festival. Further details will be published via the College app and newsletter.

### Warwick Jumpers and Jazz in July Festival Sunday July 30, 10:30am - 11:30am | Leslie Park Jazz Arena - Warwick QLD

We are pleased to announce that Big Bands 1 and 2 have been invited back to the annual Warwick Jumpers and Jazz in July Festival performing on the Leslie Park Jazz Arena. This opportunity will provide a great experience for students to perform in the wider community and will showcase the Music Department to prospective Boarding Communities.

Bookings: Tickets are available at the door. Adults \$10, Students \$5, under 12 years free.

### Night on the Green Saturday August 12 | Marist College Ashgrove

Night on the Green celebrates the rich musical culture that exists in the boarding community at Marist Ashgrove and Stuartholme College. Students will have the opportunity to perform for their peers on an outdoor stage for an evening concert. Further details will be communicated to participating students via the newsletter and Boarding Bugle.

### Queensland Catholic Colleges Music Festival Friday August 18 - Sunday, August 20 | Villanova College and Adjoining Venues

The Queensland Catholic Colleges Music Festival (QCMF) is a celebration of all things musical, uniting many Catholic schools from around Queensland and featuring a diverse range of genres. Symphony Orchestra, Wind Orchestra 1, Big Band 1, Big Band 2, Chamber Strings, Marist Voices, Performance Choir and Chamber Choir will be participating in this three-day festival which falls over the EKKA break. A full schedule for performing ensembles is available on the QCMF website and College App.

Bookings: <https://qcmf.com.au/>

### Gap Region Instrumental Primary Performers School (GRIPPS) - Camp and Concert Sunday August 20 – Thursday, August 24 | The Gap State High School

A select group of auditioned Marist Primary musicians will join over 160 students from 12 primary schools in The Gap and Ashgrove area. Students will refine their skills under the direction of professional music teachers during a four-day camp at The Gap State High School. The camp concludes with a final gala concert on Thursday evening.

### Essentially Ellington Down Under Festival Friday September 8, 1pm-8pm | Draney Theatre

New York's Jazz at Lincoln Centre Orchestra will be returning to bring this exciting festival to Australia while visiting as part of their Australian Tour. The Essentially Ellington Down Under Festival 2023, facilitated by the Jazz Music Institute, will feature high school Big Bands from across Brisbane and Southern Queensland. Each band will be adjudicated by Jazz at Lincoln Centre representatives from New York. Marist College Ashgrove is proud to be hosting this event. Members of the Marist College Ashgrove community are invited to join in this wonderful display of Brisbane jazz talent.

### Grandparents Day Thursday September 14 | Champagnat Centre

This morning concert will showcase most of the College's premier ensembles for grandparents of the Marist College Ashgrove community. A booking link will be published via the College Events page closer to the date.

### Soiree Thursday September 14, 6:30pm | Champagnat Centre

All members of the College community are invited to this annual gala event to farewell our 2023 Year 12 students. This celebratory concert will feature all of the College's large and small ensembles. Food and drinks will be available to purchase.

Bookings: (Adults \$10, Students \$5) Year 12 Families: <https://events.humanitix.com/soiree-2023-general-admission?accesscode=Y12S23>  
All Other Year Levels: <https://events.humanitix.com/soiree-2023-general-admission>

### Australian Honours Ensemble Program (AHEP) Thursday September 27 – Sunday September 30 | Conservatorium Theatre, South Bank

Auditioned Marist musicians will participate in this highly respected program bringing together the finest young musicians from across the country. Under the tutelage of a team of eminent international and national conductors in a world-class environment, the program culminates with four gala concerts at the Conservatorium Theatre, Queensland Conservatorium Griffith University, South Bank.

### SHEP Queensland Thursday September 28 – Sunday October 1 | Conservatorium Theatre, South Bank

A select group of nominated Marist musicians will participate in this highly respected program bringing together the finest young musicians from across Queensland. Under the tutelage of a team of eminent international and national conductors in a world-class environment, the program culminates in four gala concerts in the Conservatorium Theatre, Queensland Conservatorium Griffith University, South Bank.

### Term 4 Concert Spotlight - Lunchtime Concert Series

Throughout Term 4 the Marist College Ashgrove Music Department will host a variety of lunchtime concerts open to all students and staff, as well as members of the College Community. These events will feature students, staff, old-boys and members of the wider College Music Community. Concert programs, times and venues will be published through the College Newsletter at the commencement of Term 4.

### MCA Awards Night Monday October 9, 6pm | QPAC Concert Hall

We invite all members of the Marist College Ashgrove family to join us for a night of celebration and entertainment as we congratulate our students for their achievements in the areas of mission, sport, culture, wellbeing, and academics. As part of the evening's entertainment, you will have the opportunity to enjoy performances by a selection of the College's ensembles. A booking link will be published via the College Newsletter and app closer to the event date.

### Studio Concerts Tuesday October 17, 3:30pm | Draney Theatre & Music Centre

These intimate concerts will give our piano, guitar, brass, woodwind, string, percussion, and vocal students an opportunity to share their solo recital skills in a relaxed and supportive environment.  
Free Concert: No booking necessary

### Theatre ASH performance - 'Astra Nova' Wednesday October 18, 6pm | Draney Theatre

Theatre Ash presents Astra Nova, a time-space travel story which integrates MCA drama students and DJ students in an interactive stellar adventure.  
Bookings: <https://events.humanitix.com/theatre-ash-performance-astra-nova>

### Carols on the Green (Christmas Concert) Thursday October 26, 6.00pm | Cameron Oval

This celebratory Concert will feature Marist Musicians and members of the wider Ashgrove music community in a variety of combined ensembles and feature items. Come along to enjoy this prelude concert to the festive season. A list of performing ensembles will be published via the College Newsletter and App closer to the performance date.  
Free Concert: No booking necessary

### Year 5 Marist Drama End of Year Concert Monday November 6, 4:30pm | Draney Theatre

Parents and Friends are welcome to attend the Year 5 Marist Drama End of Year Concert. The boys will perform a selection of poems and the play 'True Detective: The case of the Fairytale Capers.' With performances starring dragons, killer bees, talking cows and bikie nuns, the night will be sure to entertain. It's an opportunity for the boys to tread the boards and show off their theatre skills which they have been honing throughout the year.  
Admission: \$5.00/person  
Bookings: <https://events.humanitix.com/marist-drama-end-of-year-concert-year-5-2023>

### Year 6 Marist Drama End of Year Concert Monday November 6, 6:30pm | Draney Theatre

The year 6 drama boys cordially invite Parents and Friends to their End of Year Concert. An epic game of Rugby with a surprising guest, Freddie Locke, the boy who swears and a sinister trip to the zoo will all be showcased as well as a host of other characters. The boys are extremely keen to take you on a humorous journey, culminating in an epic wrestling contest entitled, 'Little Susie'.  
Admission: \$5.00/person  
Bookings: <https://events.humanitix.com/marist-drama-end-of-year-concert-year-6-2023>

### Year 5 Band and String Concert Thursday November 9, 6pm | Draney Theatre

Come along and hear the stars of the future with the Year 5 Choir, Strings and Band performing for the final time this year. Admission: Free, but tickets must be reserved (limit of 4 tickets per family)  
Bookings: <https://events.humanitix.com/year-5-concert-2023>

### Primary State Honours Ensemble Program Saturday November 25 - Sunday November 26 | Conservatorium Theatre, South Bank

A select group of nominated Marist musicians from Years 5 & 6 will participate in the Primary State Honours Ensemble Program. Under instruction by international and national conductors in a world-class environment, the program culminates with a performance in the Conservatorium Theatre, Queensland Conservatorium Griffith University, South Bank.

For all booking enquiries please email [music@marash.qld.edu.au](mailto:music@marash.qld.edu.au)

Throughout the semester, various small and large ensembles will feature in additional performances, including College Assemblies, College Events, Festivals, House Meetings and more. Details of these performances will be available via the College App.

