



## Newsletter | Autumn Term 2023

### Welcome to NCAM!

I am very pleased to welcome you all back for Term 2 and hope that you all enjoyed the Easter break with family and friends.

On behalf of NCAM I applied for the Mainpower Community Fund and I was delighted to hear last week that we had reached the voting stages with the opportunity to receive an award from the \$40,000 fund.

If you have not already voted please vote for NCAM and encourage other in the community as well. The voting opened on Friday and closes this Friday 28 April at 12 noon. The only requirement of all voters is that you must live in the North Canterbury Mainpower framework. (Vote here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RBPHG7P>)

This year we are celebrating the 40th Anniversary of NCAM and in August we will be presenting our Anniversary Orchestral Weekend supported by members of the CSO. This will be a unique experience and is designed for ALL members of our community, both experienced players and those in the early stages of performing. The orchestral weekend dates are Friday 11 and Saturday 12 August in the Rangiora Town Hall. If you would like to register your interest for our Orchestral Weekend please do so [here](#). It would be wonderful if we could encourage as many of our students to participate as possible.

Following our NCAM AGM and Committee Meeting we sadly said goodbye to Hannah Sutherland who has been with us this past year. We have welcomed to the committee Albert Couperus as Chairman and Hanneke has now taken on the role of Administration Manager.



Any queries regarding finance matters please address to Hanneke on the same email [enquiry@ncam.ac.nz](mailto:enquiry@ncam.ac.nz). For all other matters, specifically enrolment related, please contact me as usual.

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## 2023 Key Dates

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**Term 2:** 24 April - 29 June (Catch-up week: 3 July – 6 July)

**Term 3:** 24 July - 28 September

**Term 4:** 16 October - 16 November (Catch-up week: 20 November – 23 November)

**Mid-year Concert:** Saturday 17 June

**Orchestral Weekend:** Friday 11 & Saturday 12 August

**End of Year Concert:** Saturday 18 November

## Group Timetable

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Choir	Monday   4:45 - 5:30	Studio 1	Jeannette McGrath
Wind Ensemble	Every 2nd Wednesday	Studio 2	Reina Dornan
Cello Ensemble	Thursday   5:00 - 5:30	Studio 3	Naomi Harmer
Celtic Fiddles	Thursday   5:30 - 6:30	Studio 1	Jeremy Brownbrooke
Senior Orchestra	Thursday   6:30 - 7:45	<b>Function Room</b>	Mark Hodgkinson

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### Trinity Examinations

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If you are interested in taking an examination this year please talk to your tutor who will help you select the grade and examination board that are best suited to you. Please find the links below to the Trinity and ABRSM websites which will outline examination dates and costs.

Trinity: <https://www.trinitycollege.com/local-trinity/new-zealand>

ABRSM: <https://nz.abrsm.org/en/exam-booking/exam-dates-and-fees/>

The closing date for the August session for Trinity College is approaching. Please make sure that you have informed your tutor that you would like to sit an exam by **12 May 2023**. You will receive an examination invoice which will include the examination fee, aural classes fee and accompanist fee (if applicable). This examination invoice will need to be paid to NCAM by **Friday 19 May**.

Inform tutor: **Friday 12 May**

Payment of examination invoice: **Friday 19 May**

**Exam session: August 2023**

### 40th Anniversary Orchestral Weekend

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I am very pleased to confirm that our 40th Anniversary Orchestral Weekend will take place on **Friday 11 & Saturday 12 August 2023** at Rangiora Town Hall. I am delighted to again welcome to NCAM members of the CSO in 2023 who will run sectionals on both Friday and Saturday. They will perform with our orchestra on Saturday evening. I appreciate the time that is being given to us and this is an opportunity not to be missed.

It is expected that all members of NCAM who play an orchestral instrument take part in this Orchestral Weekend, whether you are a seasoned professional or just starting. **Please put this date in your diary now!**

**Please register for this event [here!](https://ncam.ac.nz/2023-enrolment)** (<https://ncam.ac.nz/2023-enrolment>)

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