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Victorian State Youth Brass Band Announces Artists in Residence.

The Victorian Bands League is pleased to announce that the Victorian State Youth Brass Band has appointed two new Artists in Residence.

Abbey Edlin (Horn) and Richard Shirley (Trombone) are both members of the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra but also have an extensive background in brass bands.



VBL President Megan Stapleton said “We are very pleased that Abbey and Richard have come on-board as Artists in Residence with the Victorian State Youth Brass Band. Their professional experience plus their background in brass bands will be of enormous benefit to our Youth Band members”.

Introducing...



Abbey Edlin grew up in Invercargill New Zealand, she started out as a cornet player in the local brass band and later went on to play horn in the National Band of New Zealand. She is also secretly a closet soprano, and completed her Bachelor of Music with a minor in Performance Voice at Otago University in 2004.

Abbey started playing French horn fairly late in life. After completing her Bachelor Degree, she was at a loss with what to do next. A close friend encouraged her to pick up the French horn, something she had wanted to do since a young age, but never had the opportunity, or the courage, to do so! Abbey completed a post graduate diploma at the New Zealand School of Music in 2007 and hasn't looked back since.

Richard Shirley is a New Zealand born trombonist. He grew up in brass bands and spent his formative years in the Westport Municipal Band before joining the New Zealand Army Band straight out of school. After six years with the Army, Richard went to the New Zealand School of Music in Wellington to study Performance Trombone under Dr Rodger Fox and David Bremner's guidance. After graduation, Richard crossed the ditch to study towards his Masters of Performance at the University of Melbourne under Michael Bertoncello.



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