

THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL EISTEDDFOD

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ACT GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCE FUNDING CERTAINTY FOR AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL EISTEDDFOD AT SUCCESSFUL BANDS & ORCHESTRAS

Ongoing funding for the Australian National Eisteddfod has been confirmed as part of today's ACT Budget, following a successful Bands & Orchestras event last weekend.

Minister for the Arts and Cultural Events, Gordon Ramsay MLA announced that the ACT Government will commit \$15,000 in each of the next three years to fund the Australian National Eisteddfod. This is part of its ongoing commitment to the development and presentation of artistically exciting programs that provide community access to the arts. The announcement, made during the Open Concert and Brass Band Sections on Friday night, was welcomed by the President of the Australian National Eisteddfod Sylvia Tulloch. "As well as providing certainty for the next three years, this funding will ensure that school and community bands, orchestras and choirs can access first class performance venues in the ACT" she said.

The Bands and Orchestra's event, which concluded today, featured several outstanding performances by both school and community groups. The Ginninderra Wind Orchestra won the Open A Grade Concert Bands section, its jazz band, Twilight Jazz, also took out the Open A Grade Jazz Band section.

Other winners included Canberra Brass (Open A Grade Brass Band). James McCusker Orchestra (Open Orchestras), Hunter School of the Performing Arts String Orchestra (Open String Orchestras) and Precision Percussion Ensemble (Open Ensembles).

The inclusive nature of the Eisteddfod includes several sections that are non-competitive, including school and age-based sections. The following were awarded – 2 platinum awards for outstanding performance (Lyneham High School Year 10 Concert Band and Hunter School of the Performing Arts String Orchestra) 22 gold, 34 silver, 8 bronze and 2 participation awards.

Experienced adjudicator Warwick Tyrrell, from Sydney, provided positive feedback to all groups and was impressed by the high standard of performances in the ACT.

Other Eisteddfod events (Singing, Piano, Choirs and Speech & Drama) will take place in August and September.

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Ginninderra Wind Orchestra, Winner of Open A Grade Concert Bands. Photos by Peter Hislop.

**AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL EISTEDDFOD
2019 BANDS & ORCHESTRAS RESULTS**

Section B 162 – 16 Years & Under Jazz Bands (Grade A)

Campbell High School Senior Big Band - Silver
Telopea School Jazz Band - Gold
Lyneham High School Senior Jazz Band - Silver

Section B 161– 16 Years & Under Jazz Bands (Grade B)

Gold Creek School Jazz Band - Bronze
Lyneham High School Intermediate Jazz Band – Silver
Canberra High School Jazz Band - Gold
Campbell High School Year 8 Jazz Band – Gold
Radford College Little Big Band - Silver
Trinity Christian School Jazz Band – Silver

Section B 181 – 18 Years & Under Jazz Bands (Grade B)

Daramalan College Jazz Band - Gold
Radford College Big Band - Silver

Section B 001 – Open Jazz Bands (Grade B)

1st: Daramalan College Jazz Band

Section B 002 – Open Jazz Bands (Grade A)

1st: Twilight Jazz Band

Section B 003 – Open Concert Bands (Grade C)

1st: Hunter School of the Performing Arts Junior Concert Band
2nd: John Agnew Band
3rd: Tuggeranong Valley Band

Section B 007 – Open Brass Bands (Grade B)

1st: Victoria Street Brass

Section B 004 – Open Concert Bands (Grade B)

1st: Hunter Wind Ensemble
2nd: Hunter School of the Performing Arts Senior Concert Band
3rd: South Canberra Youth Wind Orchestra

Section B 005 – Open Concert Bands (Grade A)

1st: Ginninderra Wind Orchestra
2nd: Canberra City Band

Section B 008 – Open Brass Bands (Grade A) – 1st Prize: \$500 cash

1st: Canberra Brass

Section B 163 – 16 Years & Under Concert Bands (Grade C)

Daramalan College Junior Concert Band - Gold

Radford College Gershwin Concert Band - Silver

Telopea School Year 7 Band - Silver

Canberra Girls Grammar School Sapphire Concert Band – Gold

Campbell High School Year 7 Band - Silver

Section B 164 – 16 Years & Under Concert Bands (Grade B)

Young Music Society Concert Band - Gold

St Mary Mackillop Junior Concert Band - Bronze

Canberra Girls Grammar School Holst Concert Band - Gold

Radford College Holst Concert Band - Bronze

Hunter School of the Performing Arts Junior Concert Band - Silver

Section B 165 – 16 Years & Under Concert Bands (Grade A)

Telopea School Wind Ensemble - Silver

Section B 184 – 18 Years & Under Concert Bands (Grade B)

James Sheahan Catholic High School Concert Band - Silver

Daramalan College Senior Concert Band - Gold

Radford College Bernstein Symphonic Wind Ensemble – Gold

Section B 185 – 18 Years & Under Concert Bands (Grade A)

Hunter School of the Performing Arts Senior Concert Band - Gold

Section B 181 – 18 Years & Under Jazz Bands (Grade B)

James Sheahan Catholic High School Stage Band- Silver

Section B PS2 – Primary School Age Orchestras

Radford College Haydn String Orchestra - Participation

Canberra Girls Grammar School Alma String Orchestra and Stringy Bachs - Gold

Section B PS4 – Primary/High School Age Orchestras

Radford College Elgar String Orchestra - Silver

Radford College Vivaldi String Orchestra - Participation

Section B 186 – 18 Years and Under Orchestras

James Sheahan Catholic High School Orchestra - Gold

Section B HS6 – ACT High School Orchestras

Radford College Corelli Chamber String Orchestra - Gold

Section B 166 – 16 Years and Under Orchestras

Orana Steiner School Orchestra - Bronze

Merici College Chamber Ensemble – Bronze

Snowy Strings Ensemble – Silver

String Ensemble and Peg Mantle Strings - Gold

Section B 189 – 18 Years and Under Ensembles

Bertali Consort - Gold

St Claire's and St Edmund's Colleges Chamber Ensemble – Bronze

Daramalan College String Ensemble – Bronze

Hunter School of the Performing Arts String Orchestra - Platinum

Section B 011 – Open Ensembles

1st Place: Precision Percussion Ensemble

2nd Place: Bertali Consort

Section B 009 – Open String Orchestras

1st Place: Hunter School of the Performing Arts String Orchestra

2nd Place: Radford College Corelli Chamber String Orchestra

Section B 010 – Open Orchestras

1st Place: Music for Canberra James McCusker Orchestra

Section B HS1 – ACT High School Bands (Beginner)

Lyneham High School Year 7 Beginner Concert Band - Silver

Amaroo School Year 7 Concert Band - Silver

Kingsford Smith School Beginner Band - Silver

Section B HS2 – ACT High School Bands (Novice)

Emmaus Christian School Senior Band - Silver

Namadgi High School Concert Band – Silver

Canberra High School Year 8 Band - Silver

Amaroo School Year 8 Concert Band - Silver

Kingsford Smith School Combined Band - Gold

Section B HS3 – ACT High School Bands (Intermediate)

Lyneham High School Year 8 Concert Band – Gold

Lyneham High School Year 7 Concert Band – Gold

Canberra High School Senior Concert Band - Gold

Melrose High School Concert Band - Silver

Gold Creek Secondary School Band - Silver

Mount Stromlo High School Concert Band - Bronze

Brindabella Christian College Intermediate Band – Silver

Amaroo School Year 9 Concert Band – Silver

Melba Copland Secondary School Band - Bronze

Section B HS4 – ACT High School Bands (Advanced)

Lyneham High School Year 9 Concert Band - Gold

Section B HS5 – ACT High School Bands (High School/College Bands)

Lyneham High School Year 10 Concert Band - Platinum

Brindabella Christian College Senior Band - Silver

Section B PS1 - Primary School Age Bands

Brindabella Christian College Year 5 Nova Band – Silver

Young Public School Band - Gold

Brindabella Christian College Junior Band – Silver

Duffy Primary School Band – Silver

Gold Creek School Year 6 Band - Silver

Kingsford Smith School Year 6 Band - Silver

Section B PS3 - Primary/High School Age Bands

Radford College Sousa Concert Band - Silver

Special Awards:

Kaaren Talty Jazz Encouragement Award – Daramalan College

Masling Encouragement Award – Canberra High School

Platinum Awards for outstanding performances in non-competitive sections:

- Hunter School of the Performing Arts String Orchestra
- Lyneham High School Year 10 Concert Band