

January, 2009

NZMEB news

Happy New Year to all NZMEB teachers and associates!

Syllabuses and fees for 2009

These are now available on our website www.nzmeb.org

Schedule for 2009

Practical entries due in by **April 30th**

Practical Examinations **1st to 31st August**

Theory entries due by **August 31st**

30th September Practical Certificates printed – successful candidates with the theory requirements will have theirs sent out **mid October**.

Theory examinations **first Saturday after Labour Weekend**

30th November – all theory papers marked

Mid December – Theory certificates posted.



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NZQA Status:

NZMEB has applied to NZQA for incorporation into the NZQA framework for students' qualifications. We see this as appropriate for a NZ education organisation. We are committed to the very highest standard of musical education in NZ and our results reflect that. The people involved as our examiners are all top musical performers and/or educators and we use specialist examiners. Our Patron is Michael Houstoun which we very proudly announced last year.

At the moment, our Trustees are working to fulfil the necessary administrative requirements for NZQA but we anticipate being able to offer NZCEA credits at levels 1, 2, 3 & 4 this year. Our future newsletters and our website will have updated information on this process.

Sibelius Software

As a NZ organisation involved in musical education, we have obtained a very good price for Sibelius. Our accredited teachers are welcome to purchase Sibelius under our group licence from us at the excellent price of \$280.00 for the latest version (5.2). Contact the office before the end of February to get this excellent price.

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Website Tips:

Enter your exam candidates on line. This saves you writing and posting and the office typing. Sometimes names are misspelt during this process so it reduces the error rate, too. If you have a problem using our on-line entry, e-mail us on NZMEB@xtra.co.nz or ring us on our 0800 number (see below).

Teaching Tips:

During term one, Group Lessons on scales and technical work can be very worthwhile for students especially when they are run in Levels. It can help them to develop their listening skills and review their own progress. Within the music studio group lessons can be a great team building exercise and help the students to feel less isolated in their endeavours. They can also help the teacher in the replacement of lessons lost through school camps.

Contribute your tips to us at NZMEB@xtra.co.nz with "tips" in the subject line.

And finally....

NZMEB Trustees and office staff look forward to an enjoyable 2009 working with music teachers, examiners and candidates!

National Administrator: Beverley Holder, BSc Hons, BCom, CA

Examiners

Judy Bellingham	Gillian Bibby	William Bower
Ingrid Culliford	Pam Dowsett	Paul Ellery
Flora Edwards	Rae de Lisle	Deborah Maud
June Mathieson	Max Olding	Pamela Page
Edward Pople	Margaret Seagrave	James Tennant
Val Thorburn	Sally Tibbles	John van Buskirk
Nigel Weekes	Ian Wilson	