



All Level One Exams Now \$99

Our numbers have increased. We are now offering a new fee structure for practical exams.

It was with great excitement that NZMEB announced its acceptance into the NZQA framework at last year's IRMT conference dinner in Hamilton. Both our Patron, Michael Houstoun and our Kaumatua, Waaka Vercoe were there to join in our celebration and NZMEB was delighted to provide international gold medal winning wines for the occasion.



Announcement:

This is the announcement that NZMEB made:
The New Zealand Music Examinations Board is *"Recognised as a course owner by the New Zealand Qualifications Authority under the provisions of the Education Act 1989 and its subsequent amendments."*

University of Waikato

The partnership with the University of Waikato was formalized during the year with an official signing between the Board and the Vice-chancellor of the university.

Photo (top right): University of Waikato Vice-Chancellor with NZMEB trustees and teaching staff of the Music Department.



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High Achievers' Trophies

The board is providing trophies to the IRMT branches for NZMEB high achievers in the regions. This year two trophies were presented by our regional representative to the Bay of Plenty Branch.

Photo (left to right): Saejung Oh, Lynne Sperring, Fiona Carey



Timetable for 2011:

The board has decided run the first practical exam session two weeks later to allow for changes in the school terms.

31st March	Closing date for First session Theory exams
7th May	First Session Theory exams
31st May	Closing date for Practical exam entries
15th Aug - 15th Sep	First Session Practical exams
31st August	Closing date for Theory entries
7th October	Closing date for Second Session Practical exams (Main centres)
29th October	Second Session Theory exams
1st - 16th December	Second Session Practical exams

School Term Dates 2011

Term One	Monday 7 February – Friday 15th April
Term Two	Monday 2nd May – Friday 15th July
Term Three	Monday 1st August – Friday 7th October
Term Four	Tuesday 25th October – Tuesday 13th December

Syllabuses

Our new look web site has been well received - there is lots of information available. Check out the link: www.nzmeb.org/syllabuses

As advised in the last newsletter, Pleasure Syllabuses are being developed for all instruments. So far we have Piano, Singing, Trumpet, Trombone, Saxophone, Flute and Clarinet and are currently developing Cello, Oboe and Violin.

Pleasure Syllabuses have been well received by teachers, students and parents. Requiring only three pieces and less technical work than the Performance Syllabuses, they are often a more manageable choice for budding musicians who may have many other commitments.

Remember that as a teacher you have the option of changing a student's entry from the Performance syllabus to the Pleasure syllabus if for any reason the student would better manage a lighter workload.

Musical Scores

Please note that because of copyright laws all performances are to be from original music and not photocopies. However some music is now outside copyright and can be down loaded. The sites are on our website and also include:

Free music available at www.free-scores.com



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