

Recommended Accompaniment for Auditions 2021

Performing with an accompanist is generally recommended but it is **not** a compulsory requirement. If your audition pieces require accompaniment, we recommend you use an accompanist. Typically, applicants auditioning on piano, guitar, percussion and harp may not need an accompanist. Improvising applicants are encouraged to present with accompaniment.

Recorded accompaniment is **not** permitted.

VCASS is unable to provide an accompanist or accommodate rehearsals beyond the allocated 15 minute warm up time immediately prior to the audition.

Please do not contact VCASS to arrange an audition time around the accompanist availability as this will not be considered. Families must liaise with the accompanist directly regarding rehearsal times and cost.

VCASS does not provide an accompanist for the audition but recommends contacting one of the accompanists listed below who can be available during audition week.

Please note that the below recommended accompanists are **not VCASS employees**. Therefore, all matters pertaining to the audition process **must be directly communicated with your accompanist**.

Name	Phone	Repertoire	Availability during audition week	Email	Suburb
Darrin Archer (Piano)	0425 790 153	Jazz	Tue & Fri	darrinarcher@yahoo.com.au	Reservoir
Matt Hoyne (Guitar)	0431 930 895	Jazz	Wed & Fri	matthoynemusic@gmail.com	Southbank
Louisa Breen	0439 565 664	Classical, with emphasis on instrumental music	Mon & Tue	louisabreen@gmail.com	Blackburn South
Gina Gataveckaitė	0452 570 407	Classical, musical theatre, popular	Mon, Tue, Fri	gintaute.gataveckaitė@gmail.com	Brunswick
Jodie Lockyer	0403 052 165	Classical and crossover	All week	jelaccomp@gmail.com	East Doncaster
Larissa Oberfeld	0411 267 799	Classical, with emphasis on voice	Wed after 3pm, Fri after 1pm	larissaoberfeld@optusnet.com.au	Carnegie
Nicholas Young	0434 742 667	All styles, with emphasis on classical	Mon 12:30pm-3pm, Tue before 3pm, Wed 11am-3pm, Thu 1pm-2pm, Fri before 4pm	contact@nicholasyoungpiano.com	South Melbourne