

MUSIC RESOURCES FOR FAMILIES

We have compiled this list of internet links to assist parents and students in finding music education resources and opportunities, outside of the VCA Secondary School. These organisations provide lessons, workshops, ensembles, concerts and other resources for young people; most are located in Melbourne, Australia. Many of these resources would be of benefit to students intending to audition for entry into VCASS. Please note: students currently attending VCASS must have written approval from the Head of Music for any external activities.

1. MUSIC LESSONS

We recommend students receive instruction from a formally qualified music teacher, who utilises notation and music theory. If you need assistance in finding a qualified teacher in the Melbourne area we recommend these websites:

Victorian Music Teachers Association (VMTA)	www.victorianmusicteachersassociation.org.au
Australian National Assoc. of Teachers of Singing (ANATS)	www.anats.org.au
Australian Strings Association (AUSTA)	www.austa.asn.au
Suzuki Music (age 4 upwards)	www.suzukimusic.org.au
Yamaha Music Education (age 4-adult)	www.yamahamusicsschool.com.au
Mini Maestros (age 1-7)	www.minimaestros.com.au
Kindermusik (age 1-7)	www.kindermusik.com

2. ENSEMBLES

Melbourne Youth Orchestras (MYO)	http://myo.org.au
Peninsula Youth Orchestra	www.peninsulayouthorchestra.org
Victorian Bands League (list)	www.vbl.org.au
Melbourne String Ensemble (JMSE)	www.mse.org.au
Moreland City Krysalis Band	<i>Moreland City Band's Krysalis Band</i>
www.morelandcityband.com	
YoWo Music	www.yowomusic.com
Sweethearts Academy (Geelong)	www.sweethearts.com.au
Uni. of Melb. Jazz Ensemble Short Course	www.vca-mcm.unimelb.edu.au/shortcourses

3. CHOIRS

Australian Boys Choir	www.australianboyschoir.com.au
Australian Children's Choir	www.theacc.com.au
Australian Girls Choir	www.ausgirlschoir.com.au
Australian National Choral Association (list)	www.anca.org.au
Australian Youth Choir	www.niypaa.com.au
Gondwana Choirs	www.gondwana.org.au
National Boys Choir	www.nationalboyschoir.com.au
Young Voices of Melbourne	www.yvm.com.au

4. MUSIC THEORY & MUSICIANSHIP

We recommend students receive instruction from a qualified music teacher, who utilises notation and music theory. At VCASS we use *Sibelius*, *Auralia*, and *Musition* software packages. The online resources listed below may be of assistance for home study. There are also short courses listed.

Aural Book (free iTunes app)	www.apple.com/au/itunes
Good-Ear (free)	www.good-ear.com
Musictheory.net (free)	www.musictheory.net
Teoria (free)	www.teoria.com
Sight Singing School (paid online lessons)	www.sightsingingschool.com
Deborah Smith Music VCE courses	www.dsmusic.com.au
Melinda Ceresoli Music VCE courses	www.melmusic.net

5. ANNUAL MUSIC CAMPS

Music camps (often held during school holidays) provide opportunities in many music ensembles, both jazz and classical:

ACCET Piano Accompanists Summer School, VIC	http://choralconductors.org.au
Australia's Ultimate Drummers Weekend	www.drumtek.com.au/events
AYO National Music Camp	www.ayo.com.au
AYO Young Symphonists Camp	www.ayo.com.au
Border Music Camp, Albury NSW	www.bordermusiccamp.org.au
Geelong Summer Music Camp, VIC	www.gsmc.org.au
Gondwana, National Choral School, NSW	www.gondwanachoirs.com.au
MYO Summer School, VIC	http://myo.org.au
Peninsula Music Camp, VIC	www.peninsulayouthorchestra.org
Sound Thinking Brisbane Summer Camp QLD	www.soundthinkingaustralia.com
South Australian Music Camp, SA	www.samusiccamp.net.au
State Music Camp, VIC	www.statemusiccamp.com.au
Street Songs: Melb. Music Summer School, VIC	http://streetsongs.co/summer/
Suzuki Music, String Orchestra Camp, VIC	www.suzukimusic.org.au
Tilde New Music Academy, VIC	https://tilde.net.au/
VOSA Marimba Camp, VIC	www.vosa.org

6. MUSIC ASSOCIATIONS & WORKSHOPS

These organisations offer a variety of workshops and concerts; some are suitable for secondary or primary students:

Victorian College of the Arts, University of Melb (VCA)	www.vca.unimelb.edu.au
Melbourne Conservatorium of Music, University of Melb (MCM)	www.conservatorium.unimelb.edu.au
School of Music, Monash University	artsonline.monash.edu.au/events
Australasian Double Reed Society (ADRS)	www.adrs.org.au
Australian Institute of Music (AIM)	www.aim.edu.au/events
Australian National Academy of Music (ANAM)	www.anam.com.au
Australian National Choral Association (ANCA)	www.anca.org.au
Australian Percussion Academy	www.percussionacademy.com.au
Australian Strings Association (AUSTA)	www.austa.asn.au
Clarinet & Saxophone Society of Victoria (Clasax)	www.clasax.org
Classical Guitar Society of Victoria	www.cgsv.org.au
Drumtek Australia	www.drumtek.com.au/events
Early Music Society of Victoria	www.emsv.org.au

Harp Society of Victoria	www.harpsocietyofvictoria.com
JMC Academy	www.jmccademy.edu.au/events
Kodaly Music Education Institute of Australia (KMEIA)	www.kodaly.org.au
Low Brass Society of Victoria	http://lowbrassoc.blogspot.com.au
Melbourne Jazz Cooperative	www.mjc.org.au
Music: Count Us In	http://musicaustralia.org.au
Musical Society of Victoria	http://msv.org.au
Tilde New Music Academy, VIC	https://tilde.net.au/
Victorian Bands League (Brass and Concert Bands)	www.vbl.org.au
Victorian Flute Guild	www.victorianfluteguild.org
Victorian Jazz Archive – workshops	www.vicjazzarchive.org.au
Victorian Orff Schulwerk Association (VOSA)	www.vosa.org

8. MUSIC THEATRE

The music focus at VCASS is on classical and/or jazz repertoire, NOT music theatre; however we can recommend the following links:

Young Australian Broadway Chorus	http://stageschool.com.au
Stage Masters	www.stagemasterproductions.com
a3 Australian Arts Alive	http://a3.aspagroup.com.au
Uni. of Melb. Music Theatre Short Course	www.vca-mcm.unimelb.edu.au/shortcourses

7. EXAMINATIONS & EISTEDDFODAU

Australian Music Examinations Board (AMEB)	www.ameb.unimelb.edu.au
ANZCA – Examinations	www.anzca.com.au
ABRSM – Examinations	http://au.abrsm.org
Trinity College London (Australian Exams)	http://www.trinitycollege.com.au
Australian Percussion Eisteddfod, VIC	http://optimumpercussion.com.au
Australian National Eisteddfod (list)	www.nationaleisteddfod.org.au/eisteddfods.html
Boroondara Eisteddfod, VIC	www.boroondara.vic.gov.au/our-city/arts-culture
Eisteddfod by the Bay, VIC	www.eisteddfodbythebay.com
Manningham Eisteddfod, VIC	www.myeisteddfod.org
Royal South Street Society, Ballarat VIC	www.royalsouthstreet.com.au
South Eastern Arts Festival, VIC	www.seaf.com.au
Waverley Eisteddfod, VIC	www.waverleyeme.com.au

9. CONCERTS & FESTIVALS

Many arts organisations and festivals offer educational activities, as well as free or low cost concerts.

Astra Chamber Music Society	www.astramusic.org.au
Australian Chamber Orchestra, Education	www.aco.com.au/education
Exaudi Youth Choir	www.exaudi.com.au
Melbourne International Jazz Festival	www.melbournejazz.com
Melbourne Symphony Orchestra, Education	www.mso.com.au/education
Orchestra Victoria, Education	www.australianballet.com.au/orchestravictoria
Patma Music Family Concerts	www.patmamusic.org.au
Stonnington Jazz Festival	www.stonningtonjazz.com.au
The Boite (World Music)	www.boite.com.au
Wangaratta Jazz Festival	www.wangarattajazz.com