

Arts Academy Music Program



The Arts Academy Music program at Helensvale State High is designed to provide students, who are musically talented, with opportunities to extend their knowledge, skills and abilities in several aspects of music study across Years 7 to 9. This three year program not only ensures the skill development and extension on the student's chosen musical instrument/s, but also develops their general musicianship skills in improving their knowledge of theory and analysis of music.

Students will also have their practical skills extended through the instruction of keyboard and guitar if they are not already involved in learning either of these instruments. As well as this overall skill development in music, the Arts Academy Music program promotes an academic supportive program that will lay the foundations of preparing students for their senior schooling years in Music.

Over the three year course students in the Arts Academy Music program are involved in gaining a deeper understanding of the Elements of Music. They will explore these through various areas of music study, in particular Performance, Musicology (analysis of music scores) and Music Composition. Students will also complete assessment tasks related to these areas. A number of music genres will be investigated in the Arts Academy Music program which includes various styles of Instrumental and Vocal Music such as Musicals, Music of other Cultures, Australian Music, Music for Film, Jazz and Rock Music as well as music from periods of music history. In all areas of study, students are given the opportunity to improve their Knowledge and Understanding of Music as well as Perform, Compose and Reflect on their own and other's work. Students are encouraged to work individually and collaboratively in order to both improve and showcase their skill in a music recital during the year.



Being a part of the Helensvale State High Instrumental Music Program if possible, is seen as complementary study to being in an Academy class. The Arts Academy Music program understands the importance of education beyond the classroom, and as such we ensure students are challenged and exposed to a range of learning experiences and opportunities to consolidate and extend upon what is taught in the classroom. The program does this by providing opportunities for students to workshop with industry professionals, attend live performances, as well as being involved in Music competitions both locally and state wide when such occasions arise.

If students make it through the first stage of the Application Process they may be invited to attend a trial. Trialing does not guarantee acceptance into the program.

ALUMNI QUOTE

Katy MacGibbon – 2008 Graduate

I was in the Music Excellence program and graduated from Helensvale in 2008. I gained some amazing experience through the Music program and confidence with getting up on the stage to play, I thoroughly enjoyed being a part of the Instrumental Music program where I was also able to learn another instrument. Helensvale State High helped me complete school and get into university where I completed a degree in Psychological Science and have been working for the Department of Communities Child Safety and Disability Services as a Child Safety officer for the last 3 years.

NB. An application fee is attached to this program and must be paid on submission.