



15 March 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is with great excitement that we announce the official launch of Symphonia Jubilate Outback (SJO) on **Monday 4 April 2022 4-5:30pm at Gilgandra Public School.**

Join us after the music workshop for a complimentary sausage sizzle!

What is SJO?

SJO is a regional youth orchestra that will rehearse 8 times per annum culminating in an end of year concert designed for students in Primary and Secondary school. Students already well along the music learning path, and those wishing to make a start, are invited to learn about music making, join an ensemble, experiment with sound, sing, clap, move and play instruments. Instrumental music students across the central west are warmly invited to meet to make community through music.

Local music educators Frances and Nick Evans and Margeaux Batten will be joined by Symphonia Jubilate Director Tracy Burjan and assisted by her talented husband, saxophonist and composer Paul Burjan, to lead students through a variety of fun warm-ups and exercises followed by ensemble pieces.

The vision is clear and exciting. The 'bush' needs a beginner, intermediate and advanced youth orchestra which will strengthen bonds between young people, inspire excellence in music making, and support those families who value and pursue music making. Performance opportunities through SJO will allow students in rural NSW to develop performance skills, confidence, ensemble etiquette and empower them to make music learning and performing part of their future.

Aims:

- To form an outback orchestra of Strings, Wind, Brass and Percussion
- Assist in providing affordable ensemble experiences and tuition to students in western NSW that have not yet had the opportunity or exposure to regular music making
- Enable remote students to access high quality music education
- Connect remote families who value music to reduce feelings of isolation and/or disadvantage

Eligibility

School students from Year 3 upwards who are currently learning an instrument or wish to start, residing in the Central West are invited to join SJO.

Students can belong to any school and can range from music level beginner-advanced.

Costs

There is no cost associated with our launch event.

Fees cover the cost of all tuition and rehearsals associated with Symphonia Jubilate Outback. Participants who enrol in 2022 will be able to purchase their very own SJO T-Shirt to wear to rehearsals and performances.

There will be four rehearsals and an end of year concert opportunity in 2022.

Students enrolled in a Department of Education School will have their enrolment fee subsidised due to the School Services Arts Grant.

2023 Fees

Annual subsidised fee: \$60 (\$7.50 per rehearsal) Eight rehearsals per annum resulting in two performance opportunities)

Annual fee for non-subsidised students: \$120 (\$15 per rehearsal)

Music stand- supplied

Sheet music and music books- supplied

Travel- at own expense or supplied/supported by SJO affiliated school

Symphonia Jubilate has donated a variety of instruments available for loan within the SJOOutback program. They seek to help us to continue to build the bank of instruments that I hope we can make available over the years to students hungry to learn and be creative.

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Please return this slip to your music teacher

Symphonia Jubilate Outback Registration Form

Student name:

Instrument/s:

Number of year's learning:

Age:

School:

For catering purposes please list how many people will attend the launch: