

Canterbury Musical Parenting Association Inc.

Newsletter July 2010



NEXT MONTHLY MEETING

Wednesday 21st July in the Trinity Room at the Christchurch School of Music. Barbadoes St. Next to the Catholic Cathedral.

7.30 - 9.00pm Using & sharing 'Classical' Music with young children

– sharing session, bring some ideas on using classical music in your work! Georgina Rees-Stevenson will also demonstrate how she shows wind instruments to young children & some ideas from orchestra outreach & education work.

Free for members, \$2 non-members

President's Corner

This year is the 200th Anniversary of both Schumann and Chopin's birth, and I was lucky to attend the Institute of Registered Music Teachers - Christchurch Branch birthday party concert last month. Several children ranging from the very small to the very tall gave performances of various works by the two composers interspersed with comments from "Schumann" (ably played by a very jolly Michael Bell) and "Clara" (Katie Bell), and a special guest appearance from Chopin. This was a fine way to make classical music accessible to young children and there were around 30 children in the audience. It got me thinking and I threw a birthday party for Schumann with my 6 year olds - we played musical statues to some of the Album for the Young, a birthday cake as was the new fashion with candles - but of course no "Happy Birthday to You." The children were excited at celebrating a birthday and learnt a lot about Schumann and the Piano. With my preschoolers I am planning to use some Schumann and Chopin in classes next term, to encourage listening to classical music at home. I hope you can join our Monthly meeting and sharing session, and bring along your ideas of how you use classical music in your work.

Attending sharing sessions and training courses in 2010 will qualify you to use a brand new certification on your advertising from next year. We will have more details at the August meeting - but the July meeting does count towards it.

Looking forward to seeing you soon - and those of you that enjoyed a free library hire last month please remember to bring back your instruments/book.

Julie Gaudin

Coming Up:

Dr Sheila Woodward from the University of Southern California is visiting Christchurch and is giving a multimedia presentation on Musical Interactions and Interventions with the Foetus, Neonate and Premature Infant. This is an amazing opportunity to listen to an expert in the field. There will be time for questions.

CMPA members are all invited to the presentation which is on Thursday 22nd July at 3pm at the Champion Centre. A \$5 donation to the Champion Centre (on which you can claim tax back) is payable on the door.

Attendance will count towards CMPA Qualified Member status

Dates to note:

"Tiny Tapping Toes" Under 5's Series at the Christchurch Music Centre

Mondays once a month at 10.00am: \$4 per child – carers/parents free
To book call Trish Rainey 377 5000 or e-mail concerts@musiccentre.org.nz

2nd August: Jackie Jones – highland dance, music and movement

6th September: Entertainment & education for preschoolers with music and fun by groups from Chisnallwood Intermediate

Taonga Puoro Wananga Ki Otautahi 2010 with Richard Nunns, Brian Flintoff and Horomono Horo. Friday 20th – Sunday 22nd August

Cost: free (but RSVP needed for the workshops)

Kaupapa: To learn how to build and/or play traditional Maori instruments and also the Tikanga and oral histories of these treasures.

Friday 20th 7.30 - 9.30pm - a celebration of Taonga Puoro presented by Richard Nunns and Brian Flintoff.

A Po Whakangahau evening during which Richard and Brian will be showcasing their treasures. This is a free evening open to all to enjoy.

Sat 21st/Sun 22nd Workshops - building /making or playing / composing, composition evening

For more information email grsclarinet@hotmail.com and I can forward it on

Recorders and Ukuleles Unite! – a fun filled, practical workshop for primary and intermediate teachers. Run by Celia Stewart and Maria Winder, with lots of great ideas to help you introduce or enhance ukulele and recorder teaching in your classrooms.

Tuesday 31st August, 9am-3pm, Music Suite, College of Education, Dovedale Ave, Ch-Ch

Cost: \$130 (includes refreshments, lunch, workshop notes)

\$10 discount for MENZA members or extra teachers from the same school

You can enrol by following this link: www.tuneintomusic.co.nz/booking-form

Once you have enrolled you will receive information about what to bring and options for payment.

New Zealand RIE Infant/Toddler Conference for parents & professionals

Saturday 16th October, Christchurch Town Hall for the Performing Arts

This event will celebrate Magda Gerber's Educaring Approach with workshops by some of the RIE Organisation's leading speakers, as well as some of New Zealand's key proponents of the philosophy. The keynote speaker is Janis Keyser, author of 'Becoming The Parent You Want To Be' & 'Parents As Partners'.

Discounted admission for places booked by July 1st

Registration/further information - email: rieseminar@thelearningcentre.co.nz

More details: <http://wp.thelearningcentre.co.nz/wp-content/uploads/2010/01/RIE-Conference-Oct10-tlcver.pdf>

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Thanks, Georgina*