CREATIVE ARTS
MUSIC DEPARTMENT

Our Mission

*To enthuse a love of Music through engaging in performing, listening and creating opportunities.*

Music is taught in Years 7 - 8 which allows students to perform, compose and listen to a variety of styles. They explore what is Music and how to organise and manipulate sound to create unique compositions. In Years 7 and 8, students’ gifts and skills are carefully nurtured to extend each student in their capability. Many students continue Music as an elective in Year 9 - 10. Gifted young musicians eagerly progress through to the Senior College to pursue their Music studies at the highest level studying HSC Music 1, Music 2 and Music Extension. An individualised approach to programming, incorporating performance opportunities, master classes and repertoire development, has helped to ensure Music students develop to the best of their ability.

Performance Opportunities

Ensembles accommodate students on all instruments at all levels. Opportunities abound for individual performers as well as school ensembles and chamber groups to perform at school and community events. In addition, there are opportunities to compete in eisteddfods and music competitions.

Our main yearly Performance opportunities are:

- Rock the Fortress (Term 1)
- Cabaret (Term 2)
- HICES Music Camp (Term 3)
- Recitals (Term 4)
- HSC Showcase (Term 3)
- Twilight Concerts (Term 1, 2 and 4)

Achievements

2014 - 100% of Music students were in the top 2 Bands
  - one student shortlisted for ENCORE
2013 - 100% of Music students were in the top 2 Bands
2012 - 100% of Music students were in the top 2 Bands
  - one student selected for ENCORE
Tuition
Private music tuition at Masada College is offered as individual or shared lessons. Lessons are normally scheduled during school hours. Over 100 students learn an instrument and many are involved in the ensembles. Eight lessons per term are billed to the school account for private music lessons however parents may request more with written permission. Practice rehearsals for ensembles occur once a week either before or after school or during lunch. Times are set at the beginning of each term.

The Masada College Music Program offers tuition in:

- Voice
- Piano
- String: Violin, Viola, Cello, Double Bass
- Woodwind: Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone
- Oboe and Bassoon on request
- Brass: Trumpet, Trombone, Euphonium and Tuba
- French Horn on request
- Drums/ Percussion
- Guitar/ Bass Guitar
- Musicianship

Ensembles
(*these ensembles are dependent on numbers and interest)

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