



2015 Junior Music Festival

REGULATIONS

The Junior Music Festival for 2014 will be held at the following venues:

FESTIVAL	DATE	CLOSING DATE	VENUE
Hills District	19 th July	3 rd July	Inala School, Castle Hill Road, Cherrybrook
Killara	16 th August	24 th July	131 Fiddens Wharf Rd, Killara
*Northern Beaches	23 rd August	2 nd August	Loquat Valley Prep School, Bayview
Newcastle	30 th August	7 th August	Adamstown Uniting Church
Burwood	25 th October	2 nd October	Woodstock Ballroom, Burwood
Wollongong	7 th November	16 th October	Cedars Christian College, Farmborough Heights
*Sutherland	15 th November	23 rd October	Uniting Church Hall, Sutherland

ENTRY FEE (inc GST)	SECTION	STANDARD	TIME LIMITS
\$12.00	Novice	Beginners to Preliminary	3 minutes
\$12.00	Elementary	1 st and 2 nd Grade	3 minutes
\$18.00	Intermediate	3 rd and 4 th Grade	4 minutes
\$18.00	Late Intermediate	5 th and 6 th Grade	4 minutes
*\$20.00	Advanced	7 th and 8 th Grade	6 minutes

**\$15.00

THE MIRIAM HYDE PIANO AWARD (BEGINNERS TO 8th GRADE)

***ADVANCED SECTION TO BE HELD AT NORTHERN BEACHES AND SUTHERLAND VENUES ONLY**
(\$10.00 LATE FEE – is applicable to each entry received up to 1 week after the closing date)

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- The 2015 Junior Music Festival is open to Piano, Strings, Woodwind, Percussion, Brass or Voice students who are aged under 16 years at 31st July, 2015 (Proof of age may be requested).
- The Junior Music Festival is open to both students of members of the MTA of NSW Ltd and non-members.
- Entrants may enter for ONE section only for each instrument (eg. for one section in Piano and for one section in Strings). This condition does not apply to the Miriam Hyde Piano Award (eg. Competitors may enter at their grade level and also enter the Miriam Hyde Piano Award). One entry fee must be paid for each section entered.
- Entrants must not have passed an examination at a higher grade than the section entered.
- **The Miriam Hyde Piano Award will be offered at any one of the above venues on the condition that 3 or more competitors have entered. Cash prizes to be awarded at the adjudicator's discretion. The competitor must play a piece composed by Miriam Hyde and the time limit will be 5 minutes. This award is open to piano students only and the above conditions apply to this section.
- Students may enter for one venue only. Students are required to bring their own equipment, if necessary (i.e. backing track, cd player etc.) and are encouraged to dress appropriately for their performance. The MTA of NSW requests that singlets, shorts, joggers, thongs, etc. not be worn when performing.
- Entrants must, on the entry form, name the work to be performed which is to be of the standard so entered.
NOTE: Entrants will be ineligible to perform a chosen piece which is not within the section limitations, ie. of a higher or lower standard. If the chosen piece is not within the grade of any of the recognised examining bodies a copy of the music **must** be submitted to the office with this entry. Non-adherence to this rule will result in automatic disqualification
- Entry forms will not be accepted unless accompanied by the required fee (See 9 Below). ONE PAYMENT PER STUDIO, PLEASE together with a stamped, self-addressed A4 envelope for confirmation of entry, receipt and program. Failure to include a stamped self addressed envelope will now attract an additional administration fee of \$2.00.
- Entries must be received at the MTA Office, PO Box 244, Oatley, 2223, no later than the closing date for each venue. Late entries will be accepted up to 1 week after the closing date **ONLY** if accompanied by the \$10 PER ENTRY LATE FEE.
- In the event that the advertised adjudicator is unavailable, the MTA of NSW Ltd reserves the right to substitute an adjudicator.
- Under no circumstances shall any teacher, member of the audience or contestant (unless acting in an official capacity), approach the adjudicator prior to or during the course of the event. Non-adherence to this rule will result in that person being requested to leave the event.
- Intimidation of any entrant will not be tolerated and will be dealt with accordingly.
- A successful Candidate (ie. First Prize winner) may not compete in the same section in the following year.
- 14. All rules from AMCOS (Australasian Mechanical Copyright Owners' Society) applying to the photocopying of music must be strictly observed. The Music Teachers' Association of NSW accepts no responsibility for unauthorised copying of material by entrants and assumes that no copyright laws have been infringed. Photocopied music presented by an entrant in the Junior Music Festival will not be returned to the entrant.**
- No photographs, video recording or audio recording allowed during performances, however, photographs will be permitted during the presentation of awards and prizes. Non-adherence to this rule may result in the automatic disqualification of the performer.
- A copy of the entrant's music **must** be provided for the adjudicator (**teachers please make your students aware of this condition**).
- Changing of pieces is not permitted once programme has been printed (approximately 1 week before Festival). Any changes must be submitted to the MTA Secretary in writing. Any performer who changes a piece on the day, may perform and be assessed but will not be eligible for any award or place in the competition.
- No person will be permitted access to the event whilst a performance is in progress.
- Audience Entry Fees will be charged at each Festival (\$5 per adult, \$3 child/concession).