


EVENT CALENDAR: Term 3 2006

Tue 18 July	Re-enrolment & payment of fees for Term 3 due for all MFE members
Mon 24 July	Term 3 classes start
Mon 24 July 5pm	AUSO Junior Workshop 7-11yr Free Info Session: <i>The Nutcracker</i>
Mon 24 July 7pm	Free Info Session: NEW Intro to Music Theory class for adults
Wed 26 July 6.30pm	Free Info Session: NEW Singing Group Class for adults
Sun 27 August 12pm-4.30pm	Winter Warm-Up: MFE's annual Open Day (includes two special workshops – see below)
Sun 27 August	African Drumming & Dance Reunion Workshop: Tuza Afutu
Sun 27 August	Clarinet & Saxophone Workshops: Mark Walton
Thur 5-Wed 11 Oct	Act Up Sing Out Youth Workshop: School Holiday Show <i>KING LEO</i> at Belconnen Community Theatre

- **TERM 3 starts on Monday 24 July: fees due NOW!** To ensure your continuing place in your current program(s), make sure you return your GREEN Term 2 enrolment form with full payment by Tues 18 July. After this date, MFE cannot guarantee that your place will be kept in the program(s) of your choice. You can post it, fax it or drop it in during office hours Mon–Thurs 11am–6pm. Check the new BLUE class & fee schedule for the cost of programs for Term 3: your enrolment form & the schedule are mailed to you with this newsletter.
- **NEW PROGRAM: SINGING GROUP CLASS for adults & college students Wednesdays at 6.30pm** This fun new class is for people who love to sing and would like to develop good vocal skills for singing contemporary style music: jazz, folk, pop and rock. The tutor for this class is a graduate of the ANU School of Music Jazz School, and participants will learn the basics of good vocal technique in an enjoyable and supportive environment. Classes will cover breathing, support, warm-up exercises, pitch & rhythm skills, style, performance techniques & more. **Free Info session Wed 26 July 6.30pm**
- **NEW CLASS: INTRO TO MUSIC THEORY for adults Mondays at 7pm** For people who want to learn useful music reading, writing & listening skills. **Free Info Session Mon 24 July at 7pm.** Plus there are places in the Elementary Music Theory class for adults with some theory skills Mondays at 6pm.
- **ACT UP SING OUT** has a **NEW Junior Workshop (for 7-11yrs)** running in Terms 3 & 4 and this workshop will perform a delightful Xmas show *The Nutcracker* in November. The important **Info Session** for this workshop is on the first **Monday of Term 3, 24 July at 5pm.** The special AUSO Junior Workshop enrolment form will be available at the Info session & also on our website www.mfe.org.au but only from Friday 21 July. MFE will accept & process enrolments on the correct form for this very popular workshop only from **11am Tues 25 July**, the day after the Info Session.
- **WINTER WARM UP: MFE Open Day Sunday 27 August 12.00-4.30pm** This is one of our big events for Term 3. We'd love to have the very best of all our programs on show and hope lots of MFE members will come along to perform, listen to others perform, & enjoy this special MFE day. Start talking to your MFE tutors now about what you can do at Winter Warm-Up.
- **VISITING ARTISTS Term 3 Mark Walton & Tuza Afutu** Also happening at Winter Warm-Up are two special workshops: one with Mark Walton, the outstanding workshop director, teacher and performer whose visit last year was a great hit with **clarinet and saxophone** players; and a reunion workshop with Tuza Afutu for all of you who participated in his **African Drumming & Dance** weekend workshops in the first half of the year. There'll be mini performances by these fabulous visiting artists with their workshop participants for everyone to enjoy at Winter Warm-Up.
- **SCHOOL HOLIDAY SHOW: KING LEO** is Act Up Sing Out's major production of the year, on again in the October school holidays Thur 5 - Wed 11 Oct at the Belconnen Community Theatre. This is a fun show for all the family, with crazy jungle characters and great music! Check our website & The Canberra Times for details of the show times and where to book.
- **CHANGING PLACES & FACES AT MFE** MFE's Business Manager Bob Stevens will be leaving MFE in July: many thanks to Bob for all he has contributed to our organisation since joining MFE in 2004. A new core staff member will be appointed soon by MFE Council. And violin teachers are trading places: Katherine Owen returns from studies in London to teach for MFE again, just as Lucy Carrigy-Ryan heads off to South America for a few months, returning to MFE next year!
- **LOST PROPERTY** for the Ainslie Arts Centre is in a large box in the main kitchen just past Room 5: please look there first if you are missing items.

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More new classes and vacancies for Term 3 – join up now!

- **NEW CLASS Mixed Brass for youth beginners from 10yrs:** trumpet, trombone, French horn, euphonium - join this class & learn one of these popular brass band instruments, **Thursdays at 5pm.** Also places available in the Elementary Mixed Brass Class Thursdays at 5.45pm.
- **NEW CLASS Beginners guitar for kids from 8 yrs Wednesday at 4pm.** Plus there are some group tuition places available for adults & youth in some continuing guitar classes.
- **MusicPlay for children 18 months to 5 years:** some places available in existing classes plus there's a **NEW CLASS for 2-3yrs Wednesdays at 10.30**
- **Individual tuition on brass instruments, all ages and levels:** now available on **Thursdays** for trumpet, French horn, trombone, euphonium.
- **Drumming and percussion group classes for kids and adults:** places available in some classes
- **Group tuition places available for adults and youth in recorder, flute, saxophone and clarinet**

More information about these programs & classes on the MFE website www.mfe.org.au

Foyer Concert

A wonderful foyer concert took place in May, with great performances from a number of our members and in particular from our ensembles who were most impressive at this first concert for 2006. Many thanks to the tutors and members involved and we are looking forward to more fabulous performances from these groups at Winter Warm Up – so start planning something special for that day!

AGM and Council for 2006

Music For Everyone's AGM was held at the Foyer Concert on Sunday 14 May. President Patty Hobsbawn, Vice President Michael Johns, Treasurer Peter Simpson and Council member and legal advisor Tony Burslem all generously stood for office again and were re-elected for another year. As MFE Council still needs more members, MFE member John Doyle volunteered to be co-opted to Council at the next meeting held in June, and anyone interested in finding out more about joining Council should contact the MFE office as a few more Council members would be most welcome.

African Drumming & Dance Workshops and Finale Concert

In May and June, more than forty children, youth and adults came along to two more weekend workshops with master drummer Tuza Afutu. This special project then had a great finale with a wonderful concert of African music & dance on Sunday 18 June. This afternoon event was very popular with families, and by the end of the concert the capacity audience was up and dancing along to the infectious beat of the massed djembes, with our workshop participants on stage playing side by side with our fabulous visiting artists Tuza and Karamba. Jim Sharrock's youth drumming group class also gave a great display of their drumming skills at this fun event. We'll keep the enthusiasm for this year's African Theme going with Tuza returning for more drumming and dancing at Winter Warm Up Sunday 27 August.

Act Up Sing Out News

Congratulations to the cast of *The Dolphin's Adventure*, and their wonderful tutors Justin Watson and Tim Hansen who performed a fabulous show to enthusiastic audiences this June. Many thanks also to the great team of volunteer parents who created terrific sets and costumes and helped run the show so well.

School groups and holiday programs should note the remaining 2006 show dates listed below in their diaries NOW as we are already taking bookings for our very popular schools & holiday performances: contact MFE to make your booking on **6230 7190** info@mfe.org.au. In Term 3, Nina Stevenson and Rose Shorney will be busy with the Youth Workshop & their major **October school holiday show King Leo**, a jungle story filled with great characters. And with Christine Munro as musical director (yes, our very versatile violin tutor!) Nina will also set off on a new adventure for Terms 3 & 4 with our next Junior Workshop & their production of *The Nutcracker* for performances in November: please check our website for details of how and when to enrol in this popular workshop.

KEY DATES & EVENTS FOR JULY-DECEMBER 2006

MFE TERM DATES 2006		MFE CONCERTS 2006	
Term 1	13 Feb- 13 April	Term 3	Winter Warm-Up Sunday 27 August 12-4.30pm
Term 2	1 May- 7 July	Term 4	Foyer Concert Sunday 5 Nov 3pm
Term 3	24 July-29 September	Term 4	Choral Concert Sunday 12 Nov Time TBA
Term 4	16 October-15 December	Term 4	Xmas Concerts Sundays 3 & 10 December
SPECIAL WORKSHOPS AND PROJECTS Terms 3 & 4 2006			
African Music Theme: Drumming & Dance Reunion workshop with Tuza Afutu		27 August	
Clarinet & Saxophone workshops with Mark Walton		27 August	
Choral commission, workshops & performances with composer Stephen Leek		10-12 November	
ACT UP SING OUT PERFORMANCES Terms 3 & 4 2006			
<i>King Leo</i>	5-11 October	Belconnen Community Theatre	
<i>The Nutcracker</i>	19-21 November	Ainslie Arts Centre Hall	