



BATHURST MUSIC CAMP 2023

Bathurst University & Conservatorium

Thursday 16th – Sunday 19th November 2023

Come and enjoy playing chamber music in the relaxing surroundings at Charles Sturt University Bathurst and the Mitchell Conservatorium of Music. Last year was a great success and this year will be even more so.

The program offers some freedom to play as much or as little as you wish. Some playing sessions are organised in advance, while some are open to you to organise yourself (self-arranged groups). There will be more on this in the Info Pack.

PROGRAM OUTLINE

Registration is from **4.30pm Thursday 16th November** followed by an informal supper at Rafters Bar at the University from 7.30pm

- The morning sessions on all days and also the first afternoon session on the **first** day (Fri) will be organised by ACMS in advance. You will be allocated to play in groups with musicians of mostly similar standard. The other sessions are open to you to organise groups for yourself, or just relax in whatever way you prefer.
- On Thursday evening, a light meal will be provided at Rafters Bar (on Campus) where we will meet and renew old memories of music camps we have attended and welcome any first timers.
- On Friday we can all go to the Food Bowl (the Uni eatery) for dinner.
- On Saturday people can choose to have dinner in Bathurst or organise their own meal.
- The camp will close at 4.00pm on Sunday 19th.

PLAYING STANDARDS:

For the greater enjoyment of all attending the event, self-grade 4 players need to be able to play some basic chamber music repertoire as a minimum requirement (see the ACMS website for self-grading criteria). **You should have attended a Playing Day to get an idea of how you might cope with 3 days of playing chamber music. Good sight-reading ability is important in deciding your grading. Players self-graded 5 will not be accepted.**

TUTORS:

A feature of the camp is the involvement of professional musicians as tutors and players can expect at least one tutored session for the camp. Tutoring included in the fees for the camp.

CONCERTS:

There will be one concert at the University and one in the Conservatorium. The Uni room will have a keyboard and the Conservatorium a piano. There are limitations on the size of the audience allowed at the Conservatorium (40). Details on this will come later. If you would like to perform at one of the concerts, **you need to register your interest** with the Concert Organiser prior to the camp.

ACCOMMODATION:

There are two options for accommodation at the University

1. A private room in an **8-bedroom unit**, with common room, a full-sized kitchen, two bathrooms – a cottage.
2. There is a Centre for Professional Development motel-style accommodation (\$105 a night for room with ensuite) which is next to the Uni residences but you need to make your own arrangements to stay there. Phone 02 633 86900. Email: cpd@csu.edu.au

Continental Breakfast is provided to both the cottages and the motel.

Lunches will NOT be provided so please BYO. However, tea, coffee and milk will be available. Each bedroom has its own small fridge with freezer. Standard kitchen facilities are available in the common lounge. There is a supermarket a few blocks away.**TRAVEL:**

Bathurst is a four-hour drive (including a short stop) from Sydney (Hornsby to Wollongong). Allow more for heavy traffic. To avoid peak hour and arrive for dinner, we advise you need to take Thursday afternoon off and arrive by 5 pm. There are two trains, the Dubbo XPT and the Outback Explorer, that stop at Bathurst. Otherwise, there is the NSW TrainLink service to Lithgow with coaches to Bathurst. The train trip takes 4 hours. There are buses and taxis from the railway station to the university.

REGISTRATION OPTIONS

1. **Player with accommodation** **\$495.00**

Includes 3 nights' accommodation with Continental Breakfast, Light Dinner on Thursday, Friday Dinner, Morning and Afternoon Tea, fruits on all days.

2. **Player staying in University Motel or off campus** **\$310.00**

Includes Continental Breakfast, Light Dinner on Thursday, Friday dinner, Morning and Afternoon Tea, fruits on all days. (Off Campus does not include the Continental Breakfast)

We need you to enrol at the ACMS website as soon as possible so that we get an idea of the numbers. Of course if your plans change, you can adjust your enrolment.

- **At the close of enrolments on 1st October you will be asked to pay a deposit of \$100.00.**
- **Final payment will be two weeks before the camp — 2nd November.**
- **Remember that you must be a member of the ACMS (membership fee \$20.00).**

ENROL on-line at the ACMS website. Go to Events in the Members Area. Payment instructions are given there.

ENQUIRIES – If you require more information about - Accommodation, Catering and Enrolment:

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