

MACARENA HERBERT - Big Sound Music Newsletter.
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- Congratulations to all our wonderful string musicians from Mercy College String Ensemble at Chatswood.
- August was a very busy month for Mercy Strings with preparations for Mercy College 125th Anniversary Mass held at Our Lady Of Lourdes Church in Chatswood.
- For this special event, Mercy Strings were conducted by violinist Macarena Herbert and combined with the wonderful Mercy Choir conducted by Mercy College music teacher Mr Matthew Robinson.
- The Eucharist Mass was lead by Bishop Peter Comensoli, who himself is an accomplished violinist, and has performed in orchestras over the years with Macarena! Another bonus was the wonderful Mercy Choir including vocalists Aisha and Kiara Herbert, who also happen to be Macarena and Rod's two vocalist daughters!
- Bishop Comensoli commented to Mercy Principal that it's was the best string ensemble that he had heard in a school mass! Well done ladies!
- Mercy Strings are now currently preparing and rehearsing the famous Wolfgang Amaedaus Mozart Serenade for Strings "Eine Kleine Nachtmusik" Romanza K525 written in 1787.

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- Macarena has taught violin, strings and conducted orchestras in many renowned

Sydney School Music Programs including Queenwood Girls School in Mosman and hunters Hill and Mowbray Primary Schools.
Macarena teaches violin, viola, cello, piano, musicianship and music theory.

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Crazy Macarena Facts: Did you know?

????? Macarena commenced violin at the age of six years old and studied on full scholarship at the Sydney Conservatorium up until end of high school. She studied originally Suzuki then traditional. Her violin teachers included Charmian Gadd, Alice Waten and the late Sydney Symphony violinist Mr Peter Ashley!

????? At the age of nine, Macarena won the grand final of 80's television talent Show "Young Talent Time"!

????? Macarena was guest violin soloist with the Willoughby Symphony Orchestra playing the Bach Double Violin Concerto with Sydney Symphony violinist Peter Ashley!

????? Macarena plays a rare violin made by the renowned Australian Violin maker A.E Smith, built in the 1914. This instrument belonged to Ernest Llwellyn, the pioneer leader of the Sydney Symphony Orchestra in the 1930's and 1940's!

????? At the age of ten, Macarena and her friend Asmira Woodward-Paige, were members of an Australian ensemble who travelled to Japan to represent Australia for Suzuki Music. At this event Macarena met and performed solo violin for Dr Suzuki, founder of the famous Suzuki Violin Education Series!

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Lesson Vacancies Term four

Macarena Herbert has some vacancies for new students in term four 2015. During her private violin, viola and cello lessons, Macarena prepares her string students for upcoming elective music class performance exams and assessment tasks. She also teaches AMEB exam scale sets and performance repertoire.

Lessons are important in ensuring the musical academic success of young musicians.

Macarena teaches at Mercy College Chatswood and from her St Ives home studio.

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Cool YouTube Music Links

- DO YOURSELF A FAVOUR: Search these wonderful recordings
Important repertoire on YouTube
- Mozart Serenade
www.youtube.com/watch?v=eivE783rUyM
- Mozart Eine Klieene Nachtmusik
www.youtube.com/watch?v=7vGPjXap1Bw
- Bach Double Violin Concerto
www.youtube.com/watch?v=D9fU5eCVs8o
- Joshua Bell – Tartini. The Devils Trill
www.youtube.com/watch?v=J9kUIPO5aTs

Music Practice Tips