

**Position:** Musical Director

**Term:** 1 Year with ongoing options after that (3 month trial)

**Wage:** \$100.00 per rehearsal or performance

## The Band

The Chelsea Concert Band Inc (The band), was formed in 1986 as an initiative of the then City of Chelsea and the Mordialloc High School.

The band is non-competing and draws players across a range of ages and abilities, from beginners to professional music educators. There is a strong social aspect and sense of community among band members.

The band performs at a number of local community events. Items on the band's annual calendar include:

- the ANZAC Day dawn service at the Longbeach RSL club
- the Chelsea & District Inter-church Council Christmas Carols
- several other local community & secondary school band events

The band currently enjoys significant financial support from the City of Kingston, with the expectation that we engage with citizens of Kingston throughout the year.

## Music

The band's musical library consists of over 300 scores covering many styles, and levels of difficulty. Each year the band's musical director is expected to purchase new scores to add to the library.

## Committee

The Chelsea Concert Band Inc, is supported by a committee comprising band members and committed members of the band community. The Committee runs the band on a week to week basis, and holds a monthly committee meeting on the third Wednesday of each month. Committee members are elected for bi-annual terms during the Annual General Meeting in November. The Musical Director is considered a part of the band's committee, and is expected to attend and contribute to monthly committee meetings.

## **Position**

The position of Musical Director is vital to the smooth running and musicality of the Chelsea Concert Band. As the Musical Director you are responsible for everything musical within the band including (but not limited to):

### **Rehearsals**

- Running of weekly rehearsals (Monday Night 7:30pm – 9:30pm)
- Choosing pieces to rehearse
- Advising band members on musical issues including rehearsing sections
- Provide challenges for the more advanced musicians
- Provide a productive learning environment
- Conduct rehearsals in a competent manner

### **Performances**

- Prepare a program of pieces for performance at concerts
- Assist the committee in preparation of information relating to performances
- Work with guest artists
- Conduct the band during performances
- Prepare (or assist with) program and speakers notes

### **Other Duties**

- Purchasing of music
- Recommendations on purchasing of instruments
- Participation in the band committee
- Assist the assistant conductor/s to improve their skills

## **Application and Selection Process**

The committee will review all applications received, and may contact applicants for more information regarding their application. The committee will then select some applicants to invite to participate in a trial rehearsal. During the trial rehearsal, applicants will have the opportunity to conduct the band in the rehearsal of two pieces over a period of approximately 20 - 30 minutes. At the conclusion of the trial rehearsal, all band members will complete a survey regarding the conductor's communication and performance. The committee will use the results of these surveys in choosing a successful candidate.