



Welcome to the orchestra.

## **ABOUT US**

The Churchlands Community Orchestra (CCO) is an amateur orchestra which has existed for over 30 years. It's mission is to provide a positive, friendly, informal, and above all encouraging atmosphere in which amateur musicians can play a varied repertoire of orchestral music. CCO also promotes the ongoing learning of music, and seeks to provide a place where musicians of all standards and abilities can feel included and play for enjoyment. CCO promotes a sense of community awareness and responsibility, and seeks to give something back to our community.

We meet on Monday evenings at St Nicholas Anglican Parish Hall, 47 Berkeley Crescent, Floreat. Rehearsals are from 7.30pm to 9.30pm with a short break at 8.30.

Our repertoire and selection of pieces is directed by our conductor and is dictated by the range and talent level of instrumentation available from year to year. There are occasionally opportunities for a multi-skilled player to move to another section of the orchestra for one piece to provide a fuller orchestral sound.

## **REHEARSALS**

Rehearsals begin at 7.30. Please be in your seat with your instrument ready to play. Observe orchestral etiquette with respect for our conductor and do not talk unnecessarily during the rehearsal.

Your rehearsal parts will generally be supplied through email. If you do not have a reliable email account, your section leader will be able to run off an additional copy for you. Please ask. Bring your own music stand if you have one and a pencil and eraser to annotate your music with performance marks as required.

If you can make the time, practise between rehearsals to increase everyone's enjoyment.

Once a month (on a roster) one section of the orchestra provides a small supper and we take a 20 minute break at 8.30 for a cuppa and chat, getting to know more of each other's story if desired. We request a gold coin donation on supper nights to replenish the tea & coffee supplies etc.

We do not rehearse on a Monday which is a public holiday and we generally do not rehearse on the Monday after a concert. After the final concert in December each year there are no more rehearsals until February the following year.

## MEMBERSHIP & FEES

Membership fees are currently \$75 annually (2017). There are no student or pensioner discounts but if you genuinely have a problem with your fees, please speak to the President. If you join the orchestra later than July 1, half the annual fee is acceptable that year.

Please pay your fees to the Treasurer as early in the year as possible. It is helpful to have the cash or cheque in an envelope labelled with your name and instrument. You will be given a receipt.

Please give the Secretary your full name, address, telephone number and email address. Remember to keep these up to date.

## CONCERTS

We hold concerts two or three times each year in various venues generally on a Sunday afternoon. You will be given advance notice of the concert time, place and program. If you are unable to attend a concert, please advise your section leader and the conductor as soon as you know.

We do not have a concert 'uniform' and the conductor will inform you of the required attire before the concert so that we look like a coordinated team.

Please encourage your family and friends to attend the concerts.

## THE COMMITTEE

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Please feel free to contact any of the committee members if you have questions or suggestions and let someone have your apologies if you cannot attend a rehearsal.

Find more information at our website: [www.churchlandscommunityorchestra.org](http://www.churchlandscommunityorchestra.org)