

Central Coast Conservatorium presents

# Ray Allen Scholarship Finals & Awards Ceremony

Greenway Memorial Chapel  
Sunday November 23, 2014 @ 2.30pm





*Congratulations to the:*

## 2015 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

**Piano Scholarships:**

Eleanor Campey (Senior)  
Kimberly Gilbert (Junior)  
Bayden Tham (Encouragement Award)

**Percussion Scholarship:**

Ryan Callaghan

**Brass Scholarships:**

Jeffery Guo (Senior)  
Mitch O'Toole (Junior)

**Woodwind Scholarships:**

Silas Collard (Senior)  
Charlotte Boyd (Junior)  
Kayla Huang (Encouragement Award)

**Strings Scholarships:**

Eva Li (Senior)  
Oliver Lee (Junior)  
Charlotte Donald (Encouragement Award)

**Guitar Scholarships:**

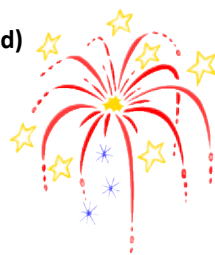
Brodie Fairall (Senior)  
Nelson Hamlin (Junior)  
Dane Easton (Encouragement Award)

**CMS/Jazz Scholarship:**

Brodie Fairall

**Vocal Scholarships:**

Tiana Young (Classical Senior)  
Jacinta Finch (Classical Junior)  
Tara Soanes (Classical Encouragement Award)  
Leilani Wagner (Contemporary Senior)  
Jordan Gilbert (Contemporary Junior)



## A WORD FROM OUR ARTISTIC DIRECTOR

Welcome to the inaugural Central Coast Conservatorium Ray Allen Scholarship Finals and Awards Ceremony. Today's event celebrates and recognises the achievements of our entire student body, from students who have only recently embarked on their musical journey to the elite who have devoted many years to musical study. 2014 has proven to be another exciting year for the Conservatorium community and today's awards and performances are an excellent reflection of achievement gained by these students, some of whom have spent many years immersed in our programs.

This event is new to the Central Coast Conservatorium calendar and I hope it is a concept that will gain excellent footing into the future. The intention of combining these two events is to generate an educational vehicle that encourages students of all ages and abilities to strive to be their very best through recognizing student achievement and also through appreciating and supporting the elite Conservatorium students vying for the Conservatorium's top scholarship award. The reward for our elite musicians performing today is gained not only through the award process but also through the congregating of a significant and appreciative audience.

Each year the Conservatorium holds auditions for scholarships for the following year. These range from encouragement awards of \$250 through to scholarships enabling a year of tuition at no cost. I offer sincere thanks to our sponsors for their ongoing support of our programs.

The Ray Allen Scholarship is the Central Coast Conservatorium's most prestigious award worth \$1,000 to the winning performer with significant prizes also being awarded to the second and third places. I would like to thank Ray and Helen Allen for their continued generous support of the scholarship program as well as their ongoing support of projects such as Central Coast Opera.

Thanks must also be given to our incredible tutors whose expertise and encouragement mould our student

population into the musicians of the future.

I continue to gain great enjoyment and satisfaction watching the entire Conservatorium program flourish. Observing the musical growth of individual students as they rise to the challenges of their repertoire is wonderful. Watching their musical ability and skill sets develop as well as their bond as a cohesive collegiate of friends striving for a common goal is truly inspirational.

Finally I would like to acknowledge our greatest supporters and advocates, you, our families and friends of the Conservatorium. Without your commitment to music and music education none of what happens today would be possible.

**Patrick Brennan**  
Artistic Director

## 2014 RAY ALLEN SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT: ANNASTASIA MILWAIN



Anna recently graduated with a Diploma in Music Performance from Central Coast Conservatorium. The Ray Allen Scholarship helped her to achieve this goal and she wishes to express her gratitude to the Conservatorium and to Ray Allen for the opportunity. She is unable to attend today due to other commitments.

## WELCOME

A word from our Artistic Director, Patrick Brennan.

## THE HON. SENATOR DEBORAH O'NEILL MP

A word from our Labor Senator for NSW, Member for Robertson, presenting Diploma's and Australian Music Examination Board (AMEB) certificates

## DIPLOMA in MUSIC GRADUATES

**Olivia Bell**  
**Emma Hunter**  
**Eva Li**

## Australian Music Examination Board Exams (AMEB) RESULTS

**Ken Arnot** - G6 Musicianship  
**Nicolas de Bock** - G2 Piano  
**Sophia de Bock** - G5 Piano  
**Kimberly Gilbert** - G5 Musicianship, G7 Piano  
**Elizabeth Henry** - G3 Piano  
**Anastasia Hibbard** - G7 Piano  
**Emma Hunter** - G7 Musicianship  
**Jade Jiang** - G5 Musicianship  
**Warren Jiang** - G5 Musicianship  
**Claire Li** - G6 Piano  
**Eva Li** - G7 Musicianship  
**Rachel McMahon** - G5 Singing  
**Cooper Newton** - G2 Saxophone  
**Bethany Pol**, G2 Piano for Leisure  
**Ashley Router** - G5 Musicianship  
**Caitren Sheather-Reid**, G5 Flute  
**Brock Smith** - Preliminary Grade, Piano for Leisure  
**Bronte Talbot** - G3 Flute  
**Megan Wilkinson** - G3 Singing for Leisure  
**Dominique Woodford** - G1 Flute

## RAY ALLEN SCHOLARSHIP FINALISTS' PERFORMANCES

**1. Emma Hunter**  
**Tutor: Suzanne Borrett (Viola)**

**Viola Concerto in D major, 1st Mvt**  
by Franz Anton Hoffmeister

**Viola Sonata in D Minor**  
by Mikhail Glinka



Seventeen year old Emma Hunter's love for music began at aged 5 when she was a part of the early childhood of music program at the Conservatorium. Beginning lessons with Suzanne Borrett on a purple violin at aged 6, she soon became immersed in the Conservatorium's array of ensembles beginning with mini strings to presently the Central Coast Chamber Orchestra and Youth Orchestra. At the age of 11 Emma instigated her love for the viola and never turned back. In 2013 she received High Distinction in 8th grade AMEB Viola, was accepted into and participated in the Australian Youth Orchestra's Young Symphonists program, and received runner up in the Ray Allen Scholarship. 2014 has seen her pass her AMEB Grade 7 musicianship exam, attend the Australian Youth Orchestra's national music camp and have her 2015 application accepted for this program. Emma is currently studying year 11/12 at Central Coast Grammar School whilst in her final term of the Diploma Course.

**2. Ken Arnot**  
**Tutor: Julie Blakemore (Violin)**

**G Major 2nd Mvt**  
by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart  
**Praeludium & Allegro**  
by Fritz Kreisler



Originally from Tokyo, Ken is 15 year old and has been living on the Central Coast for 8 years. He learns violin with Julie Blakemore and is also involved in the Junior Orchestra, Youth Orchestra, and the Chamber Orchestra at CC Conservatorium. Ken has performed at the last three Operas in the Arboretum. He is Concert Master of the Central Coast Grammar School (CCGS) Senior Strings, Quartet and occasionally Orchestra, was elected Concert Master at the Australian Opera Ballet Orchestra (AOBO) workshops in July this year. He was also 1st violin for CCGS in their 2014 production and is involved in the London Symphony Orchestra (LSO) workshops in November this year as part of the NSW Regional Association of Conservatoriums.

**3. Daniel Kim**  
**Tutor: Carl Schmidt (Piano)**  
**Prelude & Fugue in C Minor**  
by Johann Sebastian Bach

**Sonata in C Minor Opus 13**  
by Ludwig van Beethoven

**Nocturne Opus 55 No.1**  
by Frédéric Chopin



Daniel has been playing piano for 7 years. He is currently undertaking his 7th Grade AMEB Piano examination. He studies with Carl Schmidt. At the Central Coast Conservatorium in 2013, he won the Irvine Family Piano Scholarship. Daniel has also won various Central Coast Eisteddfods in the Romantic and Baroque Periods. He would like to follow a career path in music and is commencing Certificate IV in Music in February.

**4. Eva Li**  
**Tutor: Suzanne Borrett (Violin)**  
**Siciliano and Presto from Sonata No.1 in G Major**  
by Johann Sebastian Bach  
**Malaguena**  
by Pablo de Sarasate



Eva Li has begun studying violin at the Central Coast Conservatorium at 6 years old under Suzanne Borrett and has achieved many things such as: a Junior String Scholarship, becoming Concertmaster of the Central Coast Youth Orchestra, the 2014 Pearl Beach Progress Association Scholarship, Runner-up of the 2014 Central Coast Concerto Competition, acceptance into the 2015 AYO National Music Camp and recently being awarded a pass in her AMEB AmusA exam. She is currently 16 years old and studying year 12 at Gosford High School whilst completing her Diploma of Music.

## MR PETER BRANDON

A word from the president of the Management Board, presenting Scholarship Awards.

## 2015 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

**Silas Collard** - Bouddi Society Senior Woodwind Scholarship

**Dane Easton** - CCC Encouragement for Guitar

**Brodie Fairall** - Macron Music Jazz Scholarship / Ted Albert Senior Guitar Scholarship

**Jordan Gilbert** - Junior Contemporary Vocal Scholarship

**Kimberly Gilbert** - Citicoast Realty Junior Piano Scholarship

**Nelson Hamlin** - Ted Albert Junior Guitar Scholarship

**Anastasia Hibbard** - 1st Place Pearl Beach Progress Assoc. Scholarship

**Kayla Huang** - Woodwind Encouragement Award

**Oliver Lee** - Music Centre Gosford Junior Strings Scholarship & 2nd Place Pearl Beach Progress Assoc. Scholarship

**Eva Li** - Gosford Rotary Senior Strings Scholarship

**Mitch O'Toole** - CCC Junior Brass Scholarship

**Tara Soanes** - CCC Classical Vocal Encouragement Award

**Bayden Tham** - CCC Encouragement Award for Piano

**Leilani Wagner** - Imperial Centre Senior Contemporary Vocal Scholarship

## ADJUDICATION & ANNOUNCEMENT OF RAY ALLEN SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

**Mr Phillip Shovk (Adjudicator)**



Phillip Shovk is considered one of Australia's foremost concert pianists, chamber musicians, accompanists and teachers. After studying at Sydney Conservatorium High School and graduating with the Frank Hutchens Prize, he continued his studies at the Moscow State Conservatory graduating as a Master of Fine Arts. Phillip has performed to great acclaim in Russia, Georgia, Portugal, France, Germany, Switzerland, Belgium, Singapore, New Zealand, China, Spain and the USA. He has also adjudicated many competitions such as the Sydney International Piano Competition, New Zealand National Concerto Competition, Sydney Eisteddfod, Yamaha Youth Competition, Hephzibah Menuhin Competition and many others. He currently Lectures in Piano and Accompaniment at Sydney Conservatorium of Music and has recently released a CD of Tchaikovsky and Mussorgsky on the Master Performer's label.

## SPECIAL THANKS

### MANAGEMENT BOARD

Being part of the Conservatorium continually reminds me that if you believe in something with enough passion and commitment and apply a strong work ethic, anything can be possible. These elements are all evident in the hard work done behind the scenes by our Management Board in governing the entire program. I hold these individuals in high esteem and offer my thanks for the expertise and commitment they bring to the table, as well as an extraordinary generosity of time and effort.

**Peter Brandon** - President

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(Uni of Newcastle Rep)

**Vinay Srivastava** - Treasurer

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### DIGNITARIES

**Deb O'Neill MP**, Federal Member for Robertson

**Elio Gatti**, Cultural Development Coordinator, Gosford City Council

Greenway Memorial Church for the use of their beautiful chapel.

Administration staff for their work pulling together today's proceedings.

Students and parents for their dedication.

Tutors for their hard work in preparing students for their auditions and exams.

**Allyne Brislan**, our accompanist, who has helped prepare students for their auditions today.

## STUDENTS WHO WERE UNABLE TO ATTEND TO RECEIVE THEIR AWARDS

### AMEB AWARDS FOR 2014 EXAMS

**Jacinta Boyd**, G5 Trumpet

**Eleanor Campey**, Cert Performance Piano

**Timothy Chan**, G5 Saxophone

**Isaac Chase**, G2 Clarinet

**Matthew Gray**, G1 Piano for Leisure

**Tinya He**, G1 Piano

**Sam Kelly**, G5 Musicianship

**Katie Kemp**, Preliminary Piano for Leisure

**Joseph Lim**, G6 Piano for Leisure

**Valerie Lim**, G8 Piano

**Christine Nou**, G1 Piano for Leisure

**Noah Peres**, G7 Musicianship

**Skye Perryman**, G5 Piano

**Peter Sutherland**, G4 Piano for Leisure

**Leilani Wagner**, G4 Singing

**Cameron Wong**, G3 Piano for Leisure

**Phoebe Tappouras**, G4 Flute

**Tiana Zou**, G6 Piano

**Sienna Zou**, G2 Piano

### 2015 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

**Charlotte Boyd** - Woodwind Junior Scholarship

**Ryan Callaghan** - Percussion Scholarship

**Eleanor Campey** - Senior Piano Scholarship

**Charlotte Donald** - Strings Encouragement Award

**Jacinta Finch** - Vocal Classical Junior Scholarship

**Jeffery Guo** - Senior Brass Scholarship

**Ellora Srivastava** - 2nd Place Pearl Beach Progress Assoc. Scholarship

**Tiana Young** - Classical Senior Vocal Scholarship

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