

Australian Percussion Academy Presents

APA Summer Percussion Ensemble School

14 – 17 January 2025

About The School

Summer Percussion Ensemble School is designed to give students the resources to develop their percussion ensemble skills. Many styles of music will be covered, emphasising the development of solid technical fundamentals and exposure to percussion ensemble playing. Students will learn strategies for improving reading skills and proper technique on mallets and other percussion instruments.

Tuition includes:

- All classes and ensemble rehearsals
- Masterclasses and workshops with guest presenters
- Concert performances of the guest artists
- The use of two 5-octave marimbas and other top-of-the-range keyboard percussion instruments
- The use of mallets and auxiliary percussion instruments
- An official Certificate of participation
- Complimentary Morning (Group A) and Afternoon (Group B) tea, fruits, and snacks

Participants will perform in workshop classes and will receive instructions on a variety of percussion subjects, including:

- Performing techniques on xylophone, marimba, and vibraphone.
- Four mallet technique.
- Percussion Ensemble.
- Percussion Music Games and improvisation.
- Selection of mallets.

Groups and Student Preparation

Group A - Beginners to Low Intermediate Level

Experience in playing percussion is recommended but **not required** for admission to this group.

Staff: Estefania Alvarez and Sergei Golovko (APA)

Session times: 9.00am – 12.00 (Morning Tea, fruits and snacks provided)

Group B - Intermediate to Advanced Level

Experience in playing percussion is required for admission to this group.

Staff: Sergei Golovko (APA) and guest presenters from Melbourne Conservatorium of Music and Melbourne Symphony Orchestra.

Session times: 2.00 – 5.00pm (Afternoon Tea, fruits and snacks provided)

On Friday 17 January at 11.00AM (Group A) and 4.00PM (Group B) APA Summer Percussion Ensemble School will conclude with performances of all students in ensemble settings. Parents are encouraged to attend these performances when they come to pick up their child. **Both Concerts are Free!**

Instruments

APA provides a variety of percussion instruments, including marimbas, xylophones, Vibraphones, glockenspiel, drum set, timpani, and a variety of auxiliary percussion instruments. Students need to bring their percussion ensemble parts.

Insurance

A public liability insurance policy will cover each student. The cost of insurance is included in the fee. Insurance does not cover pre-existing injuries and injuries that happened outside of APA studio. This insurance is for camp-related accidents only.

Food

If you have any food condition that requires special attention, please let us know in advance. We will make every effort to accommodate your particular needs.

Schedule

School Schedule will be sent to all participants one month before Summer Percussion Ensemble School.

Application form

Please send your application form to apa@percussionacademy.com.au

We recommend getting in your applications early to avoid disappointment!

PLACES ARE LIMITED – only 10 participants in each group!

Fees

The enrolment fee is \$495 (incl. GST) per student for 4 days. **Any withdrawals after 1 December 2024 will not receive a refund of program fees paid.**

For Bookings visit:

Additional Information

- **What to bring:** Each student must bring his/her snare drumsticks and percussion ensemble parts. **All kinds of mallets will be provided.**
- **Snack time:** APA will provide drinks and a complimentary snack in the mornings and afternoons.
- **Supervision:** Teachers supervise all participants at all times.
- **Facilities:** Classes and rehearsals will take place at the Australian Percussion Academy music studio located at 143 Wells Street (1st floor), South Melbourne, VIC 3205
- **Transport and location:** Public transport – trams on St. Kilda Road, 6 minutes walking distance to Melbourne Conservatorium of Music and Melbourne Recital Centre, and 12-15 minutes to Flinders Street station
- **Repertoire:** Classical, Romantic, Latin, Jazz, Funk, Rock, Contemporary

For an application and download information about APA Summer School, visit www.australianpercussionacademy.com in the section “2025 Summer School.”

For more information, email apa@percussionacademy.com.au or call on 0411 514 795