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EDUCATION

2018 - Began QUT Bachelor of Fine Arts (Music) – Currently in my third year.

2017 - Completed Grade 12 at Yeronga State High School with a completed QCE and an OP 7.

MUSICAL EXPERIENCE

2019 - In August I released an original composition featuring violin named 'Dark Reflections'. I have been working on writing more songs featuring vocals and others featuring violin. I am working towards releasing an EP in the coming year or two.

2018 - Current - I am involved in the QUT Music Society's string ensemble's executive team and have been elected as Treasurer. This role includes applying for university grants, helping to organise performances and rehearsals, and handling the money that comes to the ensemble.

2014 - Current - I play violin and have been involved in the Brisbane Regional Youth Orchestra (BRYO) since 2014. BRYO is a pops orchestra for the Youth of Brisbane and its regional surrounds. We perform regularly at local venues and every year tour to a national or international destination. Being in BRYO has taught me how to make friends, it has given me confidence by performing in front of an audience, and I have gained leadership experience by leading a section of the orchestra and by being the concert master for one of the tours. In 2017 BRYO toured to America where we got to perform in an adjudicated concert at Carnegie Hall as a part of the New York Music Festival 2017. We won a gold award.

2017 - I was involved in the Musically Outstanding Students (MOST) program in 2017 where I performed in the second violin section for the string ensemble and the orchestra. MOST is a program where students from across Queensland are invited to a camp for a week to play together in different ensembles and orchestras. This helped me gain more experience in being involved in more ensembles and orchestras. I got an 'Excellence award in instrumental music' for being involved.

2016 - In 2016 I did my seventh grade AMEB Practice of Music violin exam and got awarded a credit. In 2017 I did my third grade AMEB Theory of Music exam and was awarded an honours. The time leading up to these exams and the practice and study that I put in has helped me gain experience in my violin playing and my theory knowledge.

2016 - I also have been involved in a creative program called the Song Makers Program in 2016, which includes, "Australia's best songwriters and producers mentor students to create and record new music, in the classroom." (APRA AMCOS, 2017). For two days, my music class was split into groups of four students each, and we were to write a song collaboratively.

2014 to 2017 - I was involved in Creative Generation State Schools Onstage, which is Queensland's largest youth performing arts event held at the Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre. More than 1800 students from Prep to Year 12 represented state schools from all across south-east Queensland. I was involved in the Choir in 2014 and the Orchestra in 2015, 2016 and 2017.

AWARDS

2017 - Graham Perret Award for Cultural Excellence.

“For the student who displays an outstanding commitment to, or excellence in, at least two areas of the Arts, e.g. performing, fine, written or verbal communication” – Award sponsored by the Federal Member for Moreton, to the value of \$100.00.

2016 - Brisbane Regional Youth Orchestra President’s Award.

“The President of the Brisbane Regional Youth Orchestra acknowledges and honours a performing member of the Symphony Orchestra, who has shown personal commitment and demonstrated enthusiastic group involvement with the orchestra throughout the 2016 year. This member, by personal example has gained the respect, admiration and friendship of fellow Symphony musicians.”