

Suzuki Grand Concert 2025

Celebrating 50 Years

Sunday 31 August, 2:00 to 4:30pm

Performing Arts Centre, Camberwell Grammar School



TEACHER INFORMATION

Suzuki Music is turning 50!

To celebrate, we are holding a very special concert - Suzuki Music Grand Concert - Celebrating 50 years. This anniversary concert will feature performances by the current cohort of Suzuki students from beginner to advanced level, and reflections on the events and people who have shaped our journey and development. As we all know, community and the spirit of togetherness are at the heart of the Suzuki philosophy. We would be delighted to have you with us as we celebrate a half-century of 'learning with love' and launch the next 50. Come and enjoy being part of our wonderful Suzuki community of both current and Alumni Suzuki students and teachers, on a big stage with LOTS of fellow musicians in this once in a life-time event... something none of us will forget.

Please watch this [short video](#)
from Suzuki Music Vice-President, Toni Robson

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TEACHER 'HELP' NEEDED

We can't do this without your support. To make this event the special occasion it can be, we need as many students and teachers to participate as possible. Please complete this [Google form](#) to indicate your interest in participating in the concert and (where applicable) performing in the Alumni item (see below for more information). Piece leaders will be chosen by teacher trainers from the information you provide in this form.

Please talk to your students and families about participating. There is something for everyone in this concert, from the newest twinklers to our Suzuki advanced student 'veterans'. **We know, from experience, that families enrol for events when teachers recommend them, so please help us to make this the biggest, most special concert of all time by suggesting to all your students that they participate.**

POST-CONCERT RECEPTION

Suzuki Music values you, our teachers, so much! Without you, Suzuki Music wouldn't exist. As a token of our appreciation, following the concert, there will be a reception at the Suzuki Music office (1 minute drive from the concert venue), where drinks and light finger food will be provided for all teachers who have helped at the concert. We hope that teachers (and invited special guests) will join us to celebrate what we've collaboratively achieved over the past 50 years! Please indicate your intention to attend the reception in the [Google form](#).

HOW WILL STUDENTS PARTICIPATE?

Students of all instruments can register to perform in this very special concert which will include

- Two massed items for all registered performers – Twinkle and Thank You Dr Suzuki in which performers will play their instrument or sing in the piano/organ/recorder/voice student choir
- Special Grand Concert string orchestra programs (enrolments will be accepted for the Intermediate Orchestra Book 4-6, and Advanced Orchestra Book 7+)
- Piano ensemble performances by students selected by audition (information about this has already been sent to piano teachers, but please find attached again)
- A piano pre-concert recital in the foyer by students selected by audition (information about this has already been sent to piano teachers, but please find attached again)
- Group items from each instrument – cello, flute, guitar, viola, violin and voice
- A special Alumni item for past Suzuki students

Registrations are open now for [performers](#) (and will close on Sunday 3 August). Tickets for audience members will open on Friday 25 July at 12pm (with allocated seating). A link for this will be sent on Friday 25 July.

GRAND CONCERT REHEARSALS

All rehearsals for the Grand Concert are compulsory to ensure the safety of students and high musical standard on the concert day. Our large, massed items and instrumental group items will only work if the students have learnt what they need to do in terms of movement on and off the stage and the structure of the pieces.

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If there is a rehearsal that a student cannot attend due to exceptional circumstances, they have been asked to talk to you about this. We ask that you (not the family, as details will be required that only a teacher can provide) should call or email Rosemary Fuller (rfuller@suzukimusic.org.au) with details about the student and the rehearsal they cannot attend, so a decision can be made about the viability of your student participating in the concert. Please ask your student not to enrol for the concert until this process has been followed, as it is crucial that students attend all rehearsals wherever possible.

REPERTOIRE TO BE PERFORMED

Thank you, Dr Suzuki

This is a piece that has been written by Adelaide Piano teacher, Monica Christian. It will be the finale of the concert and all students will perform together. There are parts available for students of all levels, and reference recordings also. Please distribute to each of your students the part that you think is most appropriate for them. *Please note, this music is not being sent directly to students, so will only be available directly from you as the teacher of each student. This is to ensure that each student receives a part that is of an appropriate level for them.* Piano students will sing in this item. All parts should be learnt from memory. Please study this piece with students in lessons and group classes, so that they are ready for all parts to be put together in our (short) rehearsal on Sunday 17 August.

All music and recordings for 'Thank you, Dr Suzuki' are available
on the [Suzuki Music website](http://suzukimusic.org.au) and via the document attached to this email

Instrument Specific Repertoire

Violin

Repertoire	Rehearsal times
Czardas by Monti (generally book 8+; piece sent to teachers to distribute) Book 5 Country Dance Book 3 Gavotte in G minor Book 2 Two Grenadiers Book 1 Minuet 1 Book 1 Lightly Row PLUS Twinkle (Theme and Twinkle A Busy Busy Stop Stop in A major) and Thank You Dr Suzuki	Sunday 17 August at Erasmus Primary School Monti Czardas group from 10:00 - 2:00 (including breaks) Book 1 to 5 students from 10:45 - 2:00 (including breaks) Sunday 31 August at Camberwell Grammar School 11:00 - 1:00pm

Viola

Repertoire	Rehearsal times
Book 4 Concerto for Two Violas, 4th Mvt Book 3 Mozart Minuet Book 1 Bohemian Folk Song PLUS Twinkle (Theme and Twinkle A Busy Busy Stop Stop in A Major) and Thank You Dr Suzuki	Sunday 17 August at Erasmus Primary School 11:30 - 2:00 (including breaks) Sunday 31 August at Camberwell Grammar School 8:45 - 10:00 AND 11:30 - 1:00

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Cello

Repertoire	Rehearsal times
Capriol Suite (music already distributed to students at Bk 6+ level) Book 3 Allegro Moderato Book 2 Musette Book 1 Rigadoon Book 1 Andantino Book 1 May Song Book 1 Lightly Row PLUS Twinkle (Theme and Twinkle A Busy Busy Stop Stop in A Major) and Thank You Dr Suzuki	Sunday 17 August at Erasmus Primary School 12:30 – 3:15 (plus 30 minutes extra to 3:45 for advanced cello students if required) Sunday 31 August at Camberwell Grammar School 10:20 – 1:00

Flute

Repertoire	Rehearsal times
Ostinato (generally bk 5 and above, teachers have distributed the music) Book 7 & 2 Carnival of Venice (Theme, Var 1, Var 3) Book 1 Bourree Book 1 Amaryllis Book 1 Moon Over the Ruined Castle (with string accompaniment) Book 1 Mary Had a Little Lamb PLUS Twinkle (Theme and Busy Busy Stop Stop Variation in A Major, and Theme in C major) and Thank You Dr Suzuki	Sunday 17 August at Erasmus Primary School Advanced flute 11:15 – 2:00 including breaks Other Flute students 11:45 – 2:00 including breaks Sunday 31 August at Camberwell Grammar School 10:00 - 11:00 and 11:30 - 1:00

Guitar

Repertoire	Rehearsal times
Book 5 Vals Espanol Book 3 Packington's Pound Book 2 Waltz Book 2 & 1 Allegretto (Giuliani) Book 1 Meadow Minuet (with string accompaniment) PLUS Twinkle (Theme in G major, and A for those who can) and Thank You Dr Suzuki	Sunday 17 August at Erasmus Primary School 11:45 – 2:00 with breaks (Thank you, Dr Suzuki, Twinkle and Meadow Minuet with orchestra only) *Some students are excused from this rehearsal. Please check with your teacher) Sunday 31 August at Camberwell Grammar School 9:00 – 10:45 and 11:30 - 1:00

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Voice

Repertoire	Rehearsal times
Onegai An die Freude Spring Breezes Long, Long Ago PLUS Twinkle Twinkle Little Star (in G, C and A) and Thank You Dr Suzuki	Sunday 17 August at Erasmus Primary School 11:30 – 2:00 including breaks Sunday 31 August at Camberwell Grammar School 9:00 – 9:45 and 11:30 - 1:00

Piano/Organ/Recorder students for Choir (including students selected for piano ensembles or pre-concert recital)

Repertoire	Rehearsal times
Twinkle Twinkle Little Star and Thank You Dr Suzuki	Sunday 17 August at Erasmus Primary School 11:30 – 2:00 including breaks Sunday 31 August at Camberwell Grammar School 11:30 - 1:00 *Piano students selected for piano ensembles must also attend the rehearsals outlined with audition information*

Grand Concert String Orchestra

Registrations will be accepted from book 4+ string students (cello, violin and viola) for a special orchestral program that will perform in the concert.

Repertoire	Rehearsal times
Advanced Orchestra (Book 7+) - Suite for Strings 1st Mvt A-Rovin' (Rutter) Intermediate Orchestra (Book 4 - 6) 2 Norwegian Airs op. 63, Kuhreigen (Cow Keeper's Tune) (Grieg) Select Invited Advanced Students String quartet parts of Meadow Minuet, Moon over the Ruined Castle and An Die Freude	Sunday 10 August at Suzuki Music Office, Canterbury Select Advanced students 3:00 - 3:30 Advanced Orchestra 3:30 - 4:30 Intermediate Orchestra 4:45 - 5:45 Sunday 17 August at Erasmus Primary School 12:00 - 1:00 Sunday 24 August at Suzuki Music Office Select Advanced Students 1:00 - 1:30 Advanced Orchestra 1:30 - 2:30 Intermediate Orchestra 2:45 - 3:45 Sunday 31 August at Camberwell Grammar School Select Advanced students 9:00 - 10:35 Advanced and Intermediate Orchestras 9:30 - 10:35.

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'Twinkler' students, (classified below) and Piano/organ/recorder students

Violin students who don't yet play Lightly Row

Viola students who don't yet play Bohemian Folk Song

Cello students who don't yet play Lightly Row

Flute students who don't yet play Mary had a Little Lamb

Guitar students who don't yet play Giuliani Allegretto

Piano/organ or recorder students of all levels who will form the Grand Concert Choir and sing (except those selected to perform in the Piano Ensemble items)

Twinkler and piano students (Choir) will perform twice in the concert.

1. Massed Twinkle item

2. Thank you, Dr Suzuki - a piece composed by Adelaide teacher Monica Christian for all students.

This piece will finish the concert.

These students will sit with their families in the audience for the concert between their two performances. A special Twinkler/Choir ticket will be available which will include their performance/rehearsals and audience ticket in one.

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Twinkle Twinkle Little Star and Thank You Dr Suzuki	Sunday 17 August at Erasmus Primary School 11:30 – 2:00 including breaks Sunday 31 August at Camberwell Grammar School 11:30 to 1:00

ALUMNI ITEM

Expressions of interest are sought from past Suzuki students (of all ages, instruments and levels) and current and past teachers who would like to perform in a special ALUMNI item in the concert. A rehearsal will take place on Sunday 24 August at 4pm in the Suzuki Music Office, Canterbury, as well as 11:00 - 11:30 am on Sunday 31 August at Camberwell Grammar School. Repertoire will be chosen to suit the Alumni who would like to perform. Please show your interest in performing in the Alumni item in the [Google Form](#).

We also ask for your help to get in touch with past Suzuki students or teachers, who may be interested in participating in the Alumni item. A separate email will be sent to you shortly. Please forward this to anyone you have contact with who is a Suzuki Alumni student or teacher.

WHAT TO WEAR TO PERFORM OR HELP AS A SUZUKI TEACHER

As this is a very special concert, we want everyone looking their best! Please prepare the following 'uniform' well ahead so that there are to avoid any panic on concert day.

Concert clothes (as below) should be worn all day (including to rehearsals) on Sunday 31 August. Casual clothes can be worn to all other rehearsals.

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Teachers concert clothes should include:

- Black concert appropriate top (that reaches the waist band of the bottoms) with black knee length or longer skirt or black dress pants. Please note that clothing must be plain colours only – no patterns.
- OR completely black knee length or longer dress
- Black socks or tights
- Black shoes (no sneakers/runners/sport shoes) – think school shoes or other formal shoes
- Teachers and Performers may add a small touch of gold in the form of an accessory – tie or handkerchief or clip or ribbon, for example. Please avoid yellow.

HOW TO BOOK

Teachers who are 'helping' in any capacity at the concert will be given a complimentary ticket. Please complete the [Google Form](#) to ensure that we have the information required about your participation in the concert to issue you with this ticket. Please complete the Google form by Friday 25 July.

Bookings for all students performers is open [NOW](#) (closing on Sunday 3 August) and audience ticket sales will open on

Friday 25 July at 12pm

Seating is allocated for audience members, so please remind your families to put this date in your diary, and look out for the link in your email box if you need to purchase additional tickets!

We look forward to sharing this special occasion with the whole Suzuki family!

TICKET COSTS

PERFORMERS - STUDENTS

General Instrumental Performer (including Piano Ensemble performer)	\$45
Twinkle/Choir performer (plus \$5 audience ticket also required)	\$25 (+\$5)
Orchestra performer (includes General performer ticket)	\$99

TEACHERS

Performing Alumni (non-current teacher) (includes audience ticket)	\$55
Current teacher performing with Alumni (and NOT helping at concert)	\$55
Current teacher performing with Alumni (and helping at concert)	\$Comp
Current teachers not performing with Alumni (but helping at concert)	\$Comp

AUDIENCE

Adult	\$55
Child (aged 2 to 17, requiring a seat)	\$40
Concession (valid concession card required)	\$40
Registered Twinkle/Choir performer seat (must be pre-registered as performer)	\$5

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