

CAN YOU IMPROVISE?



CAN YOU PLAY A SOLO WITH A BAND?

BLUES? A JAZZ TUNE? A ROCK SONG?

How do you know what notes to play...?

Can you make up your own chords...?

What is horizontal Improvisation? Vertical Improvisation?

LEARN HOW TO IMPROVISE

Basics to Advanced in a Band @
NBSC Jazz - Impro Program

There is nothing more liberating for a musician than improvising.
Improvisation is composition in real time!

ENROLMENT AFTERNOON

Friday 8th February 2019

NBSC Freshwater Senior Campus

The Performance Theatre

Harbord Road, Freshwater

Time: 3.45pm – 5.00pm

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NBSC JAZZ - IMPROVISATION PROGRAM



Hello Parents & Students,

If you enjoy playing your instrument & like a challenge, then the NBSC Jazz Impro Program is for you! You will learn how to improvise & you will learn how music works. That is, an understanding of theory & how to put it into practice - making your own music!

Most players master how to read music, but few learn to master improvisation. Yet it is one of the most satisfying & rewarding things possible in music. Whether you prefer rock, jazz, classical or any other kind of music, improvisation is important to them all. The only way to learn it properly is to DO IT regularly with a band!

WHO CAN JOIN?

There is NO AUDITION.

Everyone starts as equals. Students develop at their own pace.

It is not about being competitive; it is about finding your own voice.

You DO NOT have to be a member of any other school band!!

However, you are encouraged to play in as many bands as possible.

All instruments are welcome - not only 'jazz' instruments - strings, woodwind, brass, percussion & electronica (i.e if you scratch, sample, DJ etc).

HOW DO YOU PROGRESS?

We begin with the Blues - Major & minor and then move into more complex harmony & structure.

How quickly you develop is up to you.

GIGS

Public performance is an important component of the Program. Performing in public helps you to develop confidence & greater proficiency at putting impro ideas into practice. Usually, a beginner is ready to do gigs after 2 terms of rehearsals.

Jazz Impro Bands (**Offbeat**) perform annually at On Show, Manly Jazz Festival, The Co-Op Church Point, The Brookvale Show, Vietnam War Vets Ceremony at Manly Corso, & other Warringah & Manly Council events. The year culminates with the NBSC Jazz Club - our annual BIG night with ex-students & special guests. In 2014, renowned improviser Sandy Evans ran workshops with the bands & performed with them at Jazz Club.

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YOUR FUTURE AFTER HIGH SCHOOL?

Quite a few students from the Jazz Impro Program pursue music as a career. Some at tertiary level in composition or jazz studies at the Conservatorium of Music, the Australian Institute of Music whilst some include music as a subject in another degree. Others have continued on to play professionally in rock/pop/jazz/classical genres. And some simply play 'for themselves'. If you can improvise you can play for the rest of your life!

YOU need to actually DO IT on a regular basis to become proficient at improvisation.

2019 REHEARSAL TIMES

Tuesdays	3.45 – 5.00pm	Intermediate/advanced (generally Years 10, 11 & 12)
Fridays	3.45 – 5.00pm	Beginners/intermediate (generally Years 7, 8 & 9)

*'Generally' means that if you cannot make one day you can attend on the other day.
These times can change from year to year depending on the commitments of players.*

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See & listen to what we do on Facebook and Youtube

Jaywalk <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6Kat7p7xKl4>

Renewal with Peter Cutlan <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nMevHndIZTo>

Minnie the Moocher <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q4ek0pnvxqI>

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Details of the Program



Venue: NBSC, Freshwater Senior Campus, The Performance Theatre

Rehearsals: Tuesday (3.45 – 5.45pm) or Friday (3.45 – 5.00pm)

Cost: \$350.00 per semester (including tuition and performances). 10% discount for 2nd child

Payment: Payment can be made on Enrolment Afternoon

Additional information:

- Students are required to bring their own instrument
- Parents are responsible for organising transport to & from Freshwater Senior Campus
- Enrolment forms and payment to be completed at the Information Afternoon

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