



54rd Annual Coffs Harbour & District Eisteddfod

INSTRUMENTAL SCHEDULE

2026

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Friday 29th, Saturday 30th May & Sunday 31st May, 2026

Adjudicator Beth Condon



In 2014, Beth graduated from Melbourne University with a Bachelor of Music in viola performance and was soon after accepted into The Australian National Academy of Music. During this time she studied with Lilli Maijala (Helsinki), Fiona Sargeant and Caroline Henbest.

Beth has performed regularly with the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra as an emerging artist with Australian Chamber Orchestra and as a casual with the Sydney Symphony Orchestra and AOBO (Australian Opera and Ballet Orchestra). A lover of chamber music Beth became a core member of Nomad String Quartet in 2021

Having been born into a music family, Beth has always valued the importance of music education and has been a dedicated instrumental teacher for over 17 years. She devotes her time to providing opportunities for rural students and those from disadvantaged backgrounds. Beth has also tutored in MYO / SYO programs, taught at countless schools in Victoria and NSW, and has been engaged in education projects through the Melbourne and Sydney Symphony Orchestras. Currently, Beth works as a lead educator for ACO Foundations, a program she has been engaged with since 2019, at St Mary's North Primary School in Western Sydney. Beth also teaches the Viola at the MLC school in Burwood.

Schools Instrumental Section May 29th

Coffs Harbour Education Campus 363 Hogbin Drive, Coffs Harbour NSW 2450
<https://chec.nsw.edu.au>

Instrumental Section May 30th & May 31st

Coffs Harbour Regional Conservatorium 1/6 Bray Street, Coffs Harbour NSW 2450
<https://www.coffscon.org.au/>

ENTRY FEES

Solo	\$15.00
Duets/Trios/Quartets	\$20.00
Championships	\$25.00
Ensembles	\$20.00

ENTRIES CLOSE: 5PM 31ST MARCH 2026

All Entries to be submitted with Comps On Line
<https://www.comps-online.com.au/>

AGE OF COMPETITOR TAKEN AT 1ST JUNE 2026

No Late entries will be accepted

INSTRUMENTAL SPECIAL RULES

To be read in conjunction with the general rules available on our website www.coffseisteddfod.org.au.

A separate copy of the music selection of each competitor must be provided for the adjudicator. Music must be clearly marked with the competitor's name, section number and competitor number and handed to the librarian 20 minutes PRIOR to the commencement of the session.

1. A copy of the **COPYRIGHT DECLARATION FORM** must be completed. This is available at www.coffseisteddfod.org.au.
2. Any photocopied material will be retained by the committee to be destroyed according to copyright ruling.
3. All Competitors entering the Championship section must perform in two (2) other sections in their age group. That is three (3) sections altogether including the championship. Competitors may only enter in one (1) Championship section.
4. ACCOMPANIST- The accompanist for the instrumental section should be live piano
5. No accompaniment or teacher instrumental participation is allowed in Duets, Trios, Quartets or Ensembles. A teacher may conduct a primary school or high school instrumental ensemble.
6. Any section with less than 3 performers may be combined at the discretion of the Organising Secretary. (ie. age groups may be combined.)
7. There is an expectation that all competitors and audience members will stay for the entire section. There will be no talking or unnecessary movement during performances
8. **There is to be NO photography and/or filming, including the use of mobile phones, during a performance.**

Instrumental Schedule 2026



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ALL INSTRUMENTS

Novice section

- 301 10yrs & under (time limit 3 mins)
- 302 12yrs & under (time limit 3 mins)
- 303 14yrs & under (time limit 3 mins)

INSTRUMENTAL - STRING INSTRUMENTS

All Strings - Grade Work

- 304 Preliminary & 1st Grade or equivalent (time limit 3 mins)
- 305 2nd Grade & 3rd Grade or equivalent (time limit 3 mins)
- 306 4th Grade & 5th Grade or equivalent (time limit 5 mins)
- 307 6th Grade & 7th Grade or equivalent (time limit 8 mins)
- 308 8th Grade & Higher (time limit 8 mins)

Strings - Composition Written Before 1900

- 309 10yrs & under (time limit 3 mins)
- 310 12yrs & under (time limit 3 mins)
- 311 14yrs & under (time limit 5 mins)
- 312 16yrs & under (time limit 8 mins)
- 313 Open (time limit 8 mins)

Strings - Composition Written post 1900

- 314 10yrs & under (time limit 3 mins)
- 315 12yrs & under (time limit 3 mins)
- 316 14yrs & under (time limit 5mins)
- 317 16yrs & under (time limit 8 mins)
- 318 Open (time limit 8 mins)

INSTRUMENTAL - WOODWIND/BRASS INSTRUMENTS

Woodwind/Brass Grade Work

- 319 Preliminary & 1st Grade or equivalent (time limit 3 mins)
- 320 2nd Grade & 3rd Grade or equivalent (time limit 3 mins)
- 321 4th Grade & 5th Grade or equivalent (time limit 5 mins)
- 322 6th Grade & 7th Grade or equivalent (time limit 8 mins)
- 323 8th Grade & Higher (time limit 8 mins)

Woodwind/Brass - Composition Written Before 1900

- 324 10yrs & under (time limit 3 mins)
- 325 12yrs & under (time limit 3 mins)
- 326 14yrs & under (time limit 5 mins)
- 327 16yrs & under (time limit 8 mins)
- 328 Open (time limit 8 mins)

Woodwind/Brass - Composition Written post 1900

- 329 10yrs & under (time limit 3 mins)
- 330 12yrs & under (time limit 3 mins)
- 331 14yrs & under (time limit 5 mins)
- 332 16yrs & under (time limit 8 mins)
- 333 Open (time limit 8 mins)

INSTRUMENTAL - CHAMPIONSHIPS Proudly sponsored by Park Beach Bowls Club

Senior Eisteddfod Championship \$400 first prize

- 334 20yrs & under Any instrument

- *Two (2) contrasting pieces to be performed*
- *Time limit - twelve (12) minutes total*
- *To be eligible the entrant must also compete in two (2) other solo sections*

Junior Eisteddfod Championship \$400 first prize

- 335 14yrs & under Any instrument

- *Two (2) contrasting pieces to be performed*
- *Time limit - twelve (12) minutes total*
- *To be eligible the entrant must also compete in two (2) other solo sections*

All Instruments - Chamber music section (2-4 players) (1 Piece/Movement)

- 336 12yrs & under (time limit 3 mins)
- 337 14yrs & under (time limit 5 mins)
- 338 16yrs & under (time limit 8 mins)
- 339 Open (time limit 8 mins)

SCHOOLS INSTRUMENTAL SECTION- GROUPS

Ensembles (5-25 members)

340 **Primary School age** 5-13

- *One (1) piece*
- *Time Limit - five (5) minutes*
- *May be accompanied and/or conducted*

341 **High Schools** 12-18

- *One (1) piece*
- *Time Limit - seven (7) minutes*
- *May be accompanied and/or conducted*

342 Class Groups years 7 and 8

- *One (1) piece*
- *Time Limit - seven (7) minutes*

343 Class Groups years 9 and 10

- *One (1) piece*
- *Time Limit - seven (7) minutes*

344 Class Groups years 11 and 12 (HSC)

- *One (1) piece*
- *Time Limit - seven (7) minutes*

