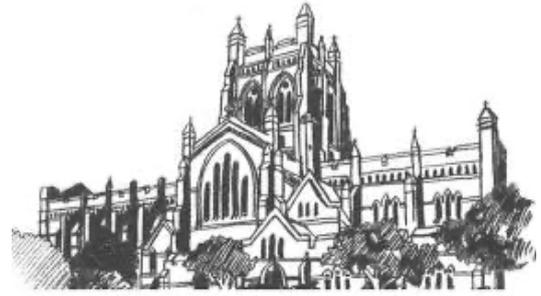


Christ Church Cathedral, Newcastle

CHORAL SCHOLARSHIPS



About the Choir

The Choir of Christ Church Cathedral is one of Newcastle's leading musical ensembles, and at the forefront of the Cathedral's extensive music program. It performs an extensive repertoire incorporating music from Gregorian chant through to compositions by 21st century composers. Our music includes works with organ and orchestra, as well as a capella music.

Under the direction of David Banney, the Choir sings each Sunday morning during school terms at the Choral Eucharist and again in the evening at Evensong. The choir also gives concerts and makes recordings, and has an active social life. In the past the choir has made two tours of England. Past members of the choir, including Choral Scholars, have gone on to enjoy outstanding careers in music.

Choral Scholarships

Supported by the Friends of Cathedral Music Fund, we offer Choral Scholarships to foster the next generation of church musicians. Scholars contribute to the choir which is made up of auditioned singers who volunteer their time. The scholarships are intended for secondary and tertiary students, aged 16-23, and are available for singers of all vocal ranges (SATB). Full scholarships are offered for students who sing at both services each Sunday, while half scholarships are available to students who sing at either morning or evening services each week.

Scholarship Amount

A full scholarship is valued at \$4,000 per annum. A partial scholarship is valued at \$2,500 per annum. Both are paid monthly.

Scholarship Commitment

Full scholarship

Scholars must commit to the following services and rehearsals, though some leeway is offered for unavailabilities (no more than 10%). Scholarships are reviewed annually, or sooner if necessary.

Fridays:	Rehearsals: 5.30pm – 7.00pm
Sundays:	9.10am rehearsal for 10.00am Choral Eucharist (these services finish about 11.15-11.30am) (Sundays) 5.00pm rehearsal for 6.00pm Evensong
Extra:	Occasional extra services at Easter, Christmas and other Feast days

Half scholarship

Scholars must commit to the following services and rehearsals, though some leeway is offered for unavailabilities (no more than 10%). Half scholars must attend the Friday rehearsals as well as one of the Sunday services (either morning or evening). They are expected to attend at least half the extra services. Scholarships are reviewed annually, or sooner if necessary.

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Sundays:	9.10am rehearsal for 10.00am Choral Eucharist (these services finish about 11.15-11.30am) (Sundays) 5.00pm rehearsal for 6.00pm Evensong
Extra:	Occasional extra services at Easter, Christmas and other Feast days

Application Process

Applicants should provide a brief curriculum vitae and cover letter outlining their interest in and suitability for a Choral Scholarship. Applicants are strongly encouraged to attend choral services at Christ Church Cathedral in advance of submitting their application.

Send your application to the Director of Music, David Banney, via email: music@newcastlecathedral.org.au.

Applicants will then be invited for an audition, for which the panel will consist of the Director of Music and another member of the choir. The audition will consist of:

- i. A work of your own choice.
- ii. A short work set for the audition, and sent to you two weeks in advance.
- iii. Ear tests.
- iv. Simple sight singing test.
- v. Interview.

Renewal

All scholarships are reviewed annually.