

## ISSUE 4 – August 9, 2017

### Dear parents and students,

Semester Two!  
So many changes!  
Very exciting!

Welcome to term 3! It's crazy to think we're already half way through the year with only so few months left in the year to go.

A big, hearty welcome to Adam Lyon as Artistic Director, Ellen-Kate Waayers as Artist Development Coach, Richard Atkins as Visual Arts Coach and Paige Davis as our Dance Coach.

The ACA team just keeps getting better and better.

### Artists Update

We had a very successful end of semester showcase, which really highlighted how hard our talented students worked this past half-year. From the opening of the visual arts exhibition to all the performing arts fields' amazing acts, the night was a successful showcase of work, and an enjoyable presentation for our audience.



Many of our students from across various fields worked truly hard all year putting 'Phantom of the Opera' on stage with Nexus Bendigo Youth Theatre over the past two weeks.

The cast was dazzling and impressed audiences with a professional portrayal of the classic story about a deformed and bitter man who lives under an opera house. Congratulations go to all our ACA students involved, both past and present.

On Wednesday, August 2 our ACA students were driven down to the Art Gallery on View Street for a quick photo-shoot before we had a very exciting induction ceremony for our new Artistic Director, Adam Lyon. Adam talked about his future goals and plans for the program and then we were treated to a performance of 'Say Something' by the ACA Vocalists and a quick look around Bendigo's Art Gallery.



On August 3 our vocalists have been given the incredible opportunity to go down to Melbourne and see The Production Company's version of 'Jesus Christ Superstar'. This epic story composed by Andrew Lloyd Webber and with lyrics by Tim Rice revolves around Jesus in the last week of his life and the political struggles between Jesus and Judas. Getting to meet the cast afterwards is an added bonus that we know will top off a thoroughly exciting day for the vocal group. Thanks go to a very kind sponsor on the board of The Production Company for giving our students this opportunity.



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**Victorian State Schools Spectacular** Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September – Only 5 ½ weeks until this event. Don't miss out! It is called Spectacular for a reason! Book a ticket with Cynthia and pay at the General Office. Only \$35 for fun bus trip and hours of Spectacular entertainment!

## Upcoming Events & Workshops

- **JC Superstar Performance (Vocal)** – Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> August, State Theatre, Melbourne
- **Victorian State Schools Spectacular** – Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September, 1pm. **Book ticket with Cynthia**
- **Barnum** – Bendigo Theatre Co., Sept/Oct 2017
- **\*\*\*TAKE NOTE\*\*\* ACA End of Year Showcase** – Ulumbarra Theatre, Monday December 11

## Artist Sibling Profiles of the Month



**Name:** Tara Muscatello

**Field:** Vocal

**Inspirations:** I have always been inspired by artists who push the boundaries and challenge themselves. Two of my biggest musical inspirations are Ray Charles and Amy Winehouse who both faced many challenges throughout their lives but managed to overcome them and create some amazing songs. As I have faced my own personal struggles it is good to know that there are accomplished artists out there who have also experienced and gotten through hardships. Other people who inspire me are my parents. My parents are the most hardworking, determined and loving people I know and they have always done everything in their power to support my musical journey. I hope to one day be able to inspire others as these amazing people have inspired me.

**Hobbies:** Singing is something that I am really passionate about and perform whenever I get the chance, so I would definitely classify it as one of my main hobbies. I have also been taking guitar lessons for the past four months which I have been really enjoying and gained a lot from. I am hoping that having this new skill will help me to develop as an artist and performer, as well as give me more opportunities.

# STUDENT NEWS

**Aspirations:** I hope to still have the opportunity to perform as I continue with my schooling. Once I have graduated I would like to study teaching and music, and ultimately open my own business where I teach singing and music to young children.

**Name:** Zali Muscatello

**Field:** Drama

**Inspirations:** I was inspired to begin acting two years ago by a friend who was taking classes. This turned out to be the beginning of a passion I never knew existed. I am influenced by a wide range of actors. Some of these include Margot Robbie, Will Smith, Robin Williams, Jessica Marais, Tom Hanks and Grace Kelly. My all time favourite idol is Audrey Hepburn though. I have a bit of a soft spot for all old Hollywood films, and though I enjoy acting in contemporary themes, old Hollywood never goes out of style! Audrey was not just an actress, but also a humanitarian that did great things for the world. Her onscreen charisma, her commitment to each role, her ability to perfect contrasting characters, and her natural ways in front of the camera are all the attributes I wish to develop.

**Hobbies:** I really enjoy drawing sketches of clothing designs, and when I grow up I'd love to be an actor/fashion designer. I also have what could be called a quirky (or creepy) interest in researching people, whether they are actors, singers, designers or dancers. I especially love discovering their life stories and their unique motivations to achieve their dreams.

**Aspirations:** I've got very big dreams for the future and more than one aspiration I'd like to achieve. I definitely want to continue to pursue acting. I'd love to get an acting degree and find myself an agent someday. I can just imagine how amazing it would feel to be cast in a movie or TV show that I really believed in. I want to stay true to myself and continue to be inspired by life. I would also love to pursue designing in some form in the future. I love to create different pieces and I'm sure my passion for this will only continue to grow in the future. It has always been a big dream of mine to travel the world too, and I can't think of anything better than my career taking me there.



## Creative Thought...

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like you've  
never won.

Perform  
like you've  
never lost.

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## Next Newsletter

Please remember to notify me of any and all achievements to be added to the next edition of the ACA newsletter. We truly love hearing about every event.

Yours in Creativity and Artistic Excellence,

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