



The Arts

Purpose with integrity



Living Waters Lutheran College is dedicated to developing the skills and confidence of our students in the Arts, Music, Drama, Visual Art and Media by offering a number of programs, productions and exhibitions to showcase our students' talents.

Drama Musical and Theatre Productions

Every year the talented students at Living Waters Lutheran College showcase their Drama and Music skills in either a musical or theatre production. Students audition for their roles through singing a song of their choice, performing a short dance as taught on the day of the audition, acting out a self-devised scene or reading from a script. Rehearsals run after school and on select weekends in the terms leading up to the opening night. In addition to the Drama and Music teachers who direct and guide the cast, an external choreographer is contracted to develop and teach the dance moves for Musical productions. Music students are also invited to collaborate by playing in the band. Performances run over two or three evenings and are always a hit with the audience. Past productions have included *Peter Pan*, *Grease*, *Seussical* and *High School Musical*. The musical and theatre plays are a great tool for bringing together the students from across the year levels which adds to the community spirit we embody here at the College.

Drama Spectacular

Each year, Drama students from Year 9 to 12 are invited to perform as part of Drama Spectacular. This is mandatory for Year 10, 11 and 12 students as their performances are part of their course requirement and are marked as so. Year 12 students perform their Original Solo Production in preparation for their external WACE exam, during which they also perform this self-devised monologue. Year 11 students enact either a scripted or self-devised piece in a select presentation style of theatre. Year 10 students perform a scripted scene and Year 9 students often do an improvised item. Dance performances are sometimes featured.

Art Exhibition

In collaboration with the Design and Technology learning area, Visual Arts students from both the Primary and Secondary School showcase their artwork in an exhibition marking the beginning of Arts Week. The work across both learning areas and schools is of a very high calibre. Students are recognised for their efforts at the Awards Ceremony prior to the official exhibition opening, during which Music and Drama students perform an array of songs and skits. Along with quizzes and lunchtime activities such as open mic busking, painting workshops and improvisation games, there are many activities on offer for students to immerse themselves in. The exhibition remains on show throughout the week for all to come and view. Visitors to the exhibition are invited to vote for their favourite artwork and Design and Technology based work, with the votes being counted and the winner of The People's Choice Award for each learning area receiving their prize during Assembly the following week. The event is an auspicious occasion and is eagerly anticipated by the College community.

Arts Camp

Biennially, Year 11 and 12 ATAR and General Drama, Music and Visual Art students venture down south to Busselton for a three-day Arts Camp, during which they run and participate in subject-intensive workshops and activities such as visiting local artist studios, viewing works on display at galleries, holding a tune during karaoke, devising musical compositions, sampling sound scapes, painting portraits, improvising in various drama games and creating natural sculptures. In addition to this, students also visit the local sights such as Ngilgi Cave, Busselton Foreshore and challenge themselves by ziplining through the trees at Forest Adventures and testing their flexibility and strength in a morning yoga class. The campsite is located along the South West coastline, with access to a serene part of the beach where students watch the sunset together as they cement their bond as the senior Arts students of the College.

Excursions and Art Competitions

Throughout the year, students of the Arts are offered the opportunity to attend excursions to art galleries and theatre performances, dependent on the course in which they are enrolled. There are also opportunities for students to enter their work into competitions and exhibitions both internal and external to the College, with monetary and other prizes to be won.



Wine and Cheese Music Night

During Semester One, Upper Secondary Music students have the opportunity to showcase their musical talents, prepare repertoire for assessments and further develop their practical skills by performing to a public audience. The Wine and Cheese Music Night allows the school community to come together in an informal cabaret setting to enjoy a wonderful evening of food, fellowship and fun while being entertained by both past and present Music students. It is always a popular event that demonstrates the strong ties forged between our students across the years and how inspiration and connection are important aspects of our College.

Music Night

The annual Music Night, held during Term 3, is the pinnacle of the year within the Music Department, encouraging students from across the College to perform before a public audience. It is the platform that showcases all of our Music groups, including the Primary Choir, Bella Voci (Year 7 and 8 Choir), Bella Carmen (Year 11 and 12 Extension Choir), The Voice Collective (Secondary Choir), the Concert Band, the String Ensemble and a variety of Upper Secondary class bands. A number of soloists are also chosen to perform including our ATAR, General and Certificate II Music students. Music Night is a fantastic opportunity for our students to share their diverse music skills with the school community and to support each other in their musical journeys as they continue to develop and extend their performance abilities.

Year 6 and Year 7 Instrumental Program

An exciting initiative that has recently started within the College is the Year 6 Instrumental and Year 7 Specialist Music Program. This program allows all students in Year 6 to learn a woodwind or brass instrument through a weekly group lesson, culminating in a concert to parents and younger Primary students at the end of each semester. Following on from this experience, Year 7 students are given the opportunity to participate in the Specialist Program, where they continue weekly group lessons with a specialist tutor and further extend their playing skills through involvement in the Concert Band. Future aspirations for the Concert Band include taking part in the eisteddfods at Busselton and even a trip to the national Generations in Jazz Festival in South Australia. As a result of the many benefits and opportunities associated with learning an instrument, both the Year 6 and Year 7 programs are fully-funded by the College. The College recognises how deeply our students enjoy learning musical instruments.

