

Charter for Councillors



A National Brains Trust for Music

Music Australia Councillors are experts in all fields of music. They offer rich information and knowledge to inform our services; and provide representation, specialist expertise, credibility, and capability. Together they provide the national unity and strategic engagement with broad constituencies to make Music Australia an effective national peak music organisation

Membership

Music Australia's fifty Councillor members each hold a \$1 share, serves a three year renewable term and is a voting member. Thirteen organisational members appoint a representative as their Councillor and are not required to stand for election. Thirty-one Individual Councillor positions across varied fields of music are elected by the voting membership. There are six Special Councillor positions for people with specialist expertise sought by the Board. These are initially appointed by the Board and subsequently stand for election with other Individual members.

Principles

Councillors commit to:

- be representative, inclusive and collaborative
- achieve consensus on agenda, procedures and effectiveness
- deliberate fairly, respectfully and responsively
- behave consistently, clearly and decisively
- provide reciprocity and mutual benefits
- contribute effectively to achieving Music Australia's agenda
- maximize beneficial impacts to a broad constituency

How Councillors are Involved

Each agrees to:

- Attend Annual Conference / Meeting + Seminar / Workshop / Event
- Provide & share information (via social media, own publications & networks)
- Join teleconferences and ad hoc meetings, and provide email advice through the year
- Provide advice to Music Australia on issues affecting music in Australia
- Provide annual activity report in area of expertise or representation to the AGM.
- Act as ambassadors for Music Australia in the broader music community.

And to one or more of:

- Sit on Advisory Group, Board Committee, or Board
- Contribute to / comment on policy or submissions
- Help frame Advocacy and other Agendas / provide input into programs
- Write an occasional or regular blog / provide story ideas or information for enews
- Contribute an occasional article to Music Journal
- Attend advocacy meetings or join delegations meeting politicians and senior officials
- Attend, participate in or chair a seminar, workshop or other activity
- Music Talks series – partner us on a session

Music Australia

Publishes a list of Councillors on the website, supports Councillors in their own professional fields, acts as a reliable and respected ally, provides and publishes credible and useful information, conducts advocacy, and seeks to build a supportive and engaged network of professionals.

Music Australia also provides a central gathering place, for debate and discussion, for skills and professional development, and for generating and sharing ideas about music