

## Celebrate New Zealand Music Month in your classroom:

- "Anika (Moa) to Zowie" compile an A to Z list of NZ recorded artists
   (www.nzmusic.org.nz/nzartists has a good list for starters)
   A similar exploration of NZ band names by number (1814, six60 ...how many more?)
- Sing lots of great NZ songs!
  You might start with the songs written by students and chosen for Hook Line and Singalong on the 31st May; chosen as the song of NZ Music Month 2012, "21 Degrees", or "Things to Remember- Huarahi Tika" (2011) and "Made in NZ" (2010). These are available as mp3 downloads with lead sheets, different keys, backing tracks, ukulele parts at several websites:
  www.nzmusic.org.nz/education/resources
  www.tunemein.co.nz (the online home of MENZA)
- Students might discuss and/or present an analysis of the music of their favourite NZ artists. (Ask them to analyse the musical elements/characteristics tone colours (what instrumentation is used) tempo, (speed) or feel, the production techniques, the structure of the song, the mood/meaning of the lyrics, genre...)

- All primary schools have the Kiwi Kids

  Songs series #5 has 'Nature' in a good
  key, 'Dance all around the world' (#10) and
  so on... Older students may enjoy songs in
  "Sweet 2". There is the MOE's Hirini
  Melbourne resource and in recent years, Kiwi
  Kids Songs #15 for heaps of Waiata. The
  Patea hit, "Poi E" is on Nature's Best —
  available everywhere and universally liked
  as well, it made a big come back 'cos of the
  film "BOY" ... (and in Sweet 2 with a lead
  sheet for year 7s up)
  Kiwikids Songs #16 are all Pasifica songs
  - Kiwikids Songs #16 are all Pasifica songs Volume # 17 (Values) has Tim Finn's "Couldn't be done" and other goodies...
- Get "Ihimaera" this album created in 2011 is awesome. All the lyrics are by Witi Ihimaera and set by some of NZ's most talented artists, Including Kapisi, Ruia Aperahama, Victoria Girling-Butcher (Lupin), Charlotte Yates and others:

   www.smokecds.com/cd/47401
   This has great cross-curricula lesson possibilities lyrics cf. prose discussions for starters.
- Stream Kiwi Fm's "31Bands in a Box" –
  Yes happening again in 2012 daily
  interviews and performances with NZ artists...
  on the net and archived.
   See: www.kiwifm.co.nz
  (dial-up and broadband options)
- Study NZ POP history\_Nature's Best covers the decades very well over 3 CDs (and there's a DVD and the sheet music available for most tracks).
- http://www.filmarchive.org.nz/readytoroll/
   The NZ Film archive has 100 classic kiwi clips
   How has music video changed?
- There's information on lots of NZ artists at <u>www.nzmusician.co.nz</u> (on-line archives) and the artist sections of the commission's site, <u>www.nzmusic.org.nz/artists</u>
- NCEA level 1 "Rocket MAN" study see "arts on line" – a unit written for you to use about NZ rock history.
- Take a look at:

  http://www.nzhistory.net.nz/culture/musicmonth

  and 31 reasons to love NZ Music Month...
  great NZ music history back again every day
  on this site in 2012 so do take a look!

- www.kiwihits.co.nz/hitdisc/catalog
   See and hear the latest. Useful for tracking down NZ classic pop hits in the back catalogue or checking out what's current.
- "Untouchable Girls", THE TOPP-twins doco—
  the music, the (recent) history of NZ itself...
  Bastion Point, Rob Muldoon ...the humour
  (explore musical comedy- are they
  forerunners to The Conchords?...) The
  "Untouchable Girls" song score is in Sweet2.
  The DVD is widely available (and often
  discounted). 'Honky Tonk Angel" album has
  many of the old favourites came out in
  2010.
- Flight of the Conchords the DVDs and CDs are everywhere students will enjoy these very much ... and they do excellent genre parodies for music analysis... "Frodo" is in Sweet2 + lead sheet, not to mention Bret's 2012 Oscar-winning song on you-tube:
   http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m5iNOQ
   NT6Uk&feature=related
- Arts online into Music 1 updated and online Classroom Music in Y1-3 and also 29 music resources in the digi-store <a href="http://artsonline2.tki.org.nz/resources/units/music\_units/into\_music\_1/">http://artsonline2.tki.org.nz/resources/units/music\_units/into\_music\_1/</a>
- "The little Black Kiwi Song Book" (Wise Publications, 2007) has more than 120 NZ songs – lyrics and chords – oldies and recent artists like Scribe and Evermore.
- Easy player (piano) series has put out Brooke Fraser hits ...(Dave Dobbyn, Crowded Houses, Bic Runga, Split Enz also widely available in print music)
- Visit your local public Library take the class. Most libraries really 'pull out the stops' in NZMM – you and your students may be surprised by their vast collections & displays of music resources; books, CDs and sheet music.
  - NZ Contemporary Classical don't forget all the MOE "Into Music 1-4" books and CDs have heaps of examples. Listen to some well-known (living) composers like Gareth Farr and Eve de Castro-Robinson.
  - Magazines: the best of kiwi competition online <a href="http://ripitup.co.nz/static-content/best-of-kiwi">http://ripitup.co.nz/static-content/best-of-kiwi</a>

Auckland Schools - check out the APO & NZ MUSIC IN MAY: Ross Harris Cello Concerto (3 MAY) REMIX 31 May, will be very special. It's in the Auckland Town Hall. For the first time in the four years of the Remix project the full APO will be involved in the performance and the guest artists are DJCXL (who'll be DJing throughout), Frisko (aka Alphrisk), Tyree and Ermehn will all be performing along with longstanding members of the Remix crew JEM and Anonymouz. Graffiti crew FDKNS will also be involved drawing in real time on tablet computers, and the results will be projected on screens as they work. The APO is auditioning dancers (Friday 4 May) to perform on the evening. NZSO

## Made In NZ

Every year the NZSO perform concerts specifically programmed to engage students from Year 5 through to Year 8.

Napier Thursday 10 May, 10am

Hamilton Friday 11 May, 11am

• Virtual Orchestra class trip (no bus cost!)
From the LEARNZ team. For 2012; During the field trip you will experience the build-up and performance of scary music from the past and present in a concert with a Halloween theme, performed by the Christchurch Symphony Orchestra - the CSO. Suitable for all the Arts: Music - Sound Arts Levels 2-4, Visual Arts Levels 2-4, Drama <a href="http://rata.learnz.org.nz/summary.php?vft=makingmusic">http://rata.learnz.org.nz/summary.php?vft=makingmusic</a> 124

Rock on May! –Schools getting together for Songwriting Workshops with great Music Commission mentors around the country...

- 28 29 April (just not enough weekends in May!) at the Waikato Music Expo – Seth Haapu & Priya Sami present songwriting workshops at Claudelands.
- Rotorua Schools 1st and 2nd MAY –
  workshops at Rotorua Lakes High (NZMC
  mentors Jimmy Xmas and Lisa Crawley)
  contact HOD, Chris Pascoe to attend.
- Invercargill May 1 Girls Rock! hosted at Southland Girls, NZMC Workshop Leaders, Annah Mac, Liv McBride and Anna VanRiel Contact NZMC/Michael Buick
- 11 MAY Christchurch Schools: in conjunction with MEC presenting 'Hook into Sound' (for teachers) at Riccarton, while over at Hillmorton, "Me hanga te ake waiata!" (for students) with NZMC mentors leading workshops.

- Gisborne 21 May: "Me hanga te ake Waiata!" a cluster of schools at GGHS with NZMC mentors, Maisey Rika, Jimmy Christmas & Tama Waipara.
- Wellington: "Me hanga te ake Waiata!" at the Pipitea Marae 25 MAY: workshop leaders from NZMC: Tyna Keelan, Kirsten te Rito, Ria Hall, Rio Hemopo and others... Workshops aimed particularly at Pasifika and Maori students & exploring possibilities with elements in the SFPB comp Contact us at the music commission to participate.
- Northland June 10 at Forum North we are planning something extra special re. workshops for students (OK stretching May a little but we are a small team!)
- Secondary schools don't forget to use the "Making Music" (interviews and music of 40 NZ musicians), "Give it a Whirl" DVDs (not to mention Sweet! and Sweet 2) Some are on www.nzmusic.org.nz/education to stream.
- Write some new songs/music get students to write their own! For e-copies of "Song writing tips from NZ Musicians" and the Charlotte Yates edit any teacher can do this with a whole class...
   check out our other educational resources at

www.nzmusic.org.nz/resources

Song Comps - There are heaps for students to enter this year. In May the Matariki comp closes 11 May, and Auckland Libraries have a great new recording opportunity & competition closing 16 May. Peace Song & Lion Foundation close in July, but one could start working on these now. Smokefree Pacifica Beats still open for entry so write some songs using cultural elements ... ie. plenty of motivation and purpose for composition if needed ...

See www.aucklandlibraries.govt.nz

- Check out SOUNZ www.sounz.org.nz. This is the Centre for NZ music site... Heaps of info about NZ contemporary classical and choral music. Great website.
- Taonga Puoro- traditional Maori instruments – play CDs like "Te Ku Te Whe" (Richard Nunns and Hirini Melbourne) and other artists such as Moana and the Tribe,

Nga Tae, Pacific Curls, Tiki Taane ... You'll find the instruments are used in a contemporary way by many artists... (on the lhimaera album too). Horomona Horo demonstrated these at Cultural Chords conference 2010 (for video of this see <a href="https://www.tunemein.co.nz/news">www.tunemein.co.nz/news</a>)

Find in our resource section a useful pdf of all the Maori Language NZMC resources found in the Sweets and Making Music.

- Study how the NZ music industry operates.
   Email NZMC (info@nzmusic.org.nz) for free copies of THE MAY BOOK 2012, up to date music industry information.
- Students might design their own "Play more NZ Music" campaign poster incorporating the 'bulls eye' – brainstorm the positive economic and social outcomes of promoting NZ music and discuss WHY we have a "New Zealand Music Month". Take a look at some statistics re. music sales in NZ (see the NZ Music Commission website resource section for the statistics)
- Technology! Music is full of opportunities to incorporate this aspect of the curriculum –
- Remember, Music is the most important subject in the curriculum make
  no apology you can teach and learn anything with and through Music!
  (You can knock off the key competencies, literacy, numeracy and all the
  learning areas in one lesson not to mention a month)

designing and making instruments, recording, broadcasting, making music videos, setting up a website ... track the demise of the "78", the cassette tape to the rise of i-pods and



downloading (This might also lead on to discussions and debates re. copyright issues and IP - 'intellectual property'. (Take a look at <a href="https://www.lovemusic.co.nz">www.lovemusic.co.nz</a> for Why Music Matters campaign — new

Brooke Fraser video) There's also a wonderful SONY PCM-M10 linear PCM and MP3 recorder to win by uploading your pix re Hook Line and Singalong on the 31st at www.ripitup.co.nz by 4 June.

- Smokefree ROCKQUEST starts 11 MAY- see <u>www.smokefreerockquest.co.nz</u> for a town near you...
- Get students to think about entering

  Smokefree Pacifica Beats its not too late to enter www.smokefreepacificabeats.co.nz

  to find entry forms and info ...

- Invite in a local musician, composer or songwriter to visit the students. Interview them about creating music. Find out what inspires them. Find out what music they enjoy...
- Plan and make a music video (View and discuss some of the latest ones to receive 'NZ on Air' funding on C4 or on <a href="https://www.nzonscreen.com/explore">www.kiwihits.co.nz</a> (also a good source of NZ hits through the decades) or, <a href="https://www.nzonscreen.com/explore">http://www.nzonscreen.com/explore</a> (has 322 NZ music videos online)
   www.nztop40.co.nz
   a useful site to see and hear the latest ...
- Primary Schools expose your students to live music - invite young musicians from the neighbouring high school/intermediate to perform for your students. Take them along to hear the secondary schools in the BIG SING, NZ Chamber Music Comp or Rockquest heats in your town this term... See the MENZA music education calendar for dates in your region.
- "Visual Language" (!) Students might create a
  poster advertising either an imagined or
  actual concert (or festival) of New Zealand
  Music. Choose particular artists or groups to
  feature as 'headliners' past, present or
  future.
- Teachers make sure you have signed up to the music community (music-net) on <a href="https://www.tki.org.nz">www.tki.org.nz</a> so that you are getting all the latest info re. Music in schools, MOE resources and curriculum changes, PD opportunities etc. Strengthen the place of music in schools get your school to join MENZA (Music Education NZ Aotearoa) the national music teacher association if they haven't already. A united voice for music education is certainly a stronger voice!

  www.tunemein.co.nz/joinup

**Explore the web** – there are many good kiwi music websites – many already mentioned and to name a few others:

www.folksong.org.nz/waiata

www.indies.co.nz

www.nzonscreen.com/people/composer

www.musicnz.co.nz

www.apra.co.nz

www.amplifier.co.nz

 When you get some great work in from your students – the best NZ rap or song or poster about a NZ musician... do let us know at the NZ Music Commission and we'll be happy to send out something 'cool' involving our NZ Music Month bulls eye logo for these students.



Join in singing at noon, 31MAY see MENZA
 (www.tunemein.co.nz or NZ Music Commission
 www.nzmusic.org.nz websites for help, songs,
 backing tracks, lead sheets and to register
 your school.

Let us know where you are and what you are doing at noon on the 31st! register at

education@nzmusic.org.nz

'Professional uniform for MAY'



BTW — in 2012 these T shirts, hoodies etc are available at the Warehouse, JB Hi-Fi and Marbecks. There are cool phone skins too at <a href="https://www.wrappz.co.nz">www.wrappz.co.nz</a> (A % of this fund some of the stickers and posters that we send out to all so thanks for your support!)



Have a wonderful month!

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