

# PHEP Pacific Honours Ensemble Program

## THE PACIFIC HONOURS ENSEMBLE PROGRAM

The PHEP program forms part of the State Honours



Ensemble Program held in Brisbane, Australia and involves rehearsals and performances with an internationally recognized guest conductor. The PHEP program was developed by Scott McKee and Ralph Hultgren in 2008 as a way to create

an international honor band exchange between the United States (WIBC program) and Australia (SHEP program). The State Honours Ensemble Program was created by composer/conductor, Ralph Hultgren of Griffith University with more than 700 honor musicians in attendance.

Four days of educational sightseeing in and around Sydney & Brisbane, Australia will be followed by an intensive three day music program that forms part of the State Honours Ensemble Program, now in its 13th year.

The Organizing Director of WIBC, Scott McKee and his wife (Stacy) will accompany and chaperone students for the duration of the activity, including airport arrival support in Sydney/Brisbane.

### TENTATIVE TRIP SCHEDULE (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

#### Friday, September 27

Afternoon - Depart Airports for Australia



RALPH HULTGREN



SCOTT MCKEE

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## TENTATIVE TRIP SCHEDULE (CONT.)

### Sunday, September 29

Arrive Sydney International Airport

Day - Visit Sydney Harbour area/ferry to Manly Cove

### Monday, September 30

Morning - Visit Historic Sydney area "The Rocks"

Day - Walk to Harbour - Ferry to Watson's Point

Evening - Dinner at Historic Sydney Harbour Area

### Tuesday, October 1

Day - Visit Taronga Zoo (Sydney)

Evening - Ferry to Darling Harbour (shopping)

### Wednesday, October 2

Morning - Fly from Sydney to Brisbane

Afternoon - Visit Southbank Area (shopping)

Host families collect USA PHEP students from Griffith Queensland Conservatorium.

### Thursday, October 3

State Honours Ensemble Program Rehearsals, Day 1

Afternoon and evening spent with host family

### Friday, October 4

State Honours Ensemble Program Rehearsals, Day 2

Afternoon and evening spent with host family

### Saturday, October 5

State Honours Ensemble Program Rehearsals, Day 3

Afternoon and evening spent with host family

### Sunday, October 6

State Honours Ensemble Program Concert  
Conservatorium Theatre, South Bank

### Monday, October 7

Depart Brisbane International Airport for U.S.

# SHEP State Honours Ensemble Program

State Honours Ensemble Program  
Queensland Conservatorium, Griffith  
University (Brisbane, Australia)



## IN SEPTEMBER 2013, Queensland

Conservatorium Griffith University will host the highly successful State Honours Ensemble Program. Leading the State's finest young musicians will be a team of eminent conductors of national and international standing. The program will take place from Oct. 3 - 6, 2013 at the world-class environment of the Queensland Conservatorium Griffith University, South Bank. The program offers the pursuit of excellence to young ensemble-based instrumentalists in Wind Orchestras, String Orchestras and Choral Ensembles. Students will rehearse on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, culminating in four gala concerts in the Queensland Conservatorium Theatre, South Bank on Sunday, October 6.

The program is for secondary school students from Grades 8 to 12. Participants will form three equally important wind ensembles, a string orchestra, Celtic ensemble and choral ensembles.

This is a unique opportunity to be extended, developed and motivated in an intensive vacation program.

Each student will receive a certificate of participation and complimentary Griffith University State Honours Ensemble Program polo-shirt.



Ralph Hultgren  
SHEP Director

FOUR AMAZING CONCERTS FEATURING WIND ORCHESTRAS, STRING ORCHESTRAS AND CHORAL ENSEMBLES. A TRIP OF A LIFETIME!!!



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Congratulations to these fine young high school musicians selected to represent the United States in the prestigious International Music Event called the Pacific Honours Ensemble Program (PHEP). These former WIBC honor band students received some of the highest audition scores from the WIBC adjudicators, beating out 1000 students from across the United States.



**Alex Burton** (Clarinet) • Mountain View H.S. (Oregon)  
Director: Ted Burton

**John Carey** (Alto Sax) • Lincoln H.S. (Oregon)  
Director: Aaron Barnes

**Somer Joe Hornbuckle** (Trombone) • S. Eugene H.S. (Oregon)  
Director: Steve Robare

**Eric Hall** (Clarinet) • Issaquah H.S. (Washington)  
Director: Patrick Holen

**Kyli Humphreys** (Horn) • Walla Walla H.S. (Washington)  
Director: Andrew Ueckert

**Benjamin Jones** (Percussion) • Modoc H.S. (California)  
Director: Jay Jones

**Kailey Norton** (Oboe) • WFHEMA (Florida)  
Director: Dallas Roper

**Matt Saathoff** (Oboe) • Interlake H.S. (Washington)  
Director: David Kim

**Hannah Werbel** (Flute) • Skyline H.S. (Washington)  
Director: David Pitt

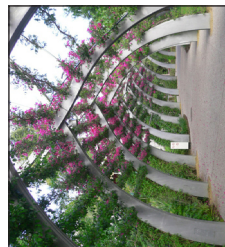
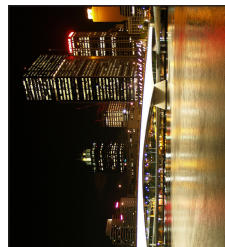
**Elizabeth Zhao** (Tenor Sax) • Jesuit H.S. (Oregon)  
Director: Al Kato

Please contact the PHEP honor band student direct or local high school to financially support the students on their trip of a life-time. Questions about the event can be directed to Scott McKee, Organizing Director of WIBC and co-founder of PHEP.

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**PHEP NOTES**

Pacific Honours Ensemble Program in conjunction with WIBC and SHEP



Sept. 27 - Oct. 7, 2013 ♦ Brisbane, Australia

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**Griffith** UNIVERSITY  
Queensland Conservatorium

**AND**

*Sixth Annual*

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