24 February 2016

**Generations in Jazz Meeting**

*Note: We did this trip in this manner in 2010 with much success. It worked well, so we’ll copy the format.*

**Purpose:**
-To be surrounded by 1,000’s of students from all over Australia who are interested in playing jazz.
-Attend workshops
-Get feedback on our performance
-Opportunity to win (individual or group)
-Hang out with and get to know each other doing something really cool.
-See the James Morrison Academy, as it is a viable place for university study of music post high school.
-This is a massive event…please have a look at [www.generationsinjazz.com](http://www.generationsinjazz.com)
-Main act is the One O’clock Lab Band from North Texas State.

**Dates and travel information:**

**Friday 6 May**

Leave Sydney Airport early morning to Melbourne. Students will be responsible for getting to Sydney Airport.

In Melbourne we will drive two 12-passenger vans (me and chaperones as drivers, the same way we went to Port Mac last three years). One Chaperone will be a female.

One van will have a trailer for luggage and instruments.

It’s a 5-hour drive from Melbourne to Mt Gambier.

Friday night is a concert and welcome ceremony.

We stay in a local hotel called The Barn (it’s the best location because I know people and we got the coolest location this year). It’s walking distance from the performance venue. Boys separate rooms from the girls. Everyone has his or her own bed. Linen and towels are provided.

Dinner is provided.

**Saturday 7 May.**Perform, compete, attend workshops, and see performances all day into the night. Breakfast, lunch and dinner provided.

**Sunday 8 May**Attend awards ceremony and more performances of select “super bands” made up of various musicians from various bands. Take a tour of James Morrison Academy of music.

Leave to Lake Hamilton Caravan Park for the night. Everything provided.

**Monday 9 May**Morning – drive to Melbourne Airport and for return to Sydney. Estimated time of arrival in Sydney 5pm. Students to arrange transportation.

**Meals**You will need money for the following meals:
Friday Afternoon, Sunday evening, Monday morning, and afternoon. All other meals are provided.

**Costs:
The cost of this trip will be a between $750-$780 with $780 being the maximum. (I expect it will be $750, but the boss prefers to have a cushion should there be unexpected costs.)** Rather than getting everyone involved with a massive fundraising campaign, please contact me directly if you would like to find an opportunity to cut these costs. I can arrange for people to do various jobs at upcoming concerts or other mundane tasks. I’m not necessarily looking to put everyone to work, but if there is a real concern that you will not be able to make this trip, please do not hesitate to contact me directly and I’ll find a way to make it work.

Payment Schedule

**Proposed payment schedule:**

$250 deposit 4 March.

$250 payment 1 April

Remainder of payment due 22 April

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**MT GAMBIER – GENERATIONS IN JAZZ – PERMISSION SLIP**

***Please complete and return by Friday, 4h March 2016***

I (parent name) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ hereby give permission for my child/ren: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, to participate in the Mt Gambier Jazz Festival from 6th to 9th May 2016.

I understand that by signing this agreement, I am committed to paying the full tour cost in instalments as and when the Conservatorium requests. In the event that my child withdraws from the tour after tickets have been purchased, I understand that I am liable for cancellation costs.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_