Victorian Certificate of Education

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# MUSIC PERFORMANCE <br> Aural and written examination 

Tuesday 16 November 2021
Reading time: 9.00 am to 9.15 am ( 15 minutes)
Writing time: 9.15 am to $\mathbf{1 0 . 4 5}$ am ( $\mathbf{1}$ hour $\mathbf{3 0}$ minutes)

## QUESTION AND ANSWER BOOK

Structure of book

| Section | Number of <br> questions | Number of questions <br> to be answered | Number of <br> marks |
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| A | 3 | 3 | 30 |
| B | 9 | 9 | 50 |
| C | 6 | 6 | 20 |

- Students are permitted to bring into the examination room: pens, pencils, highlighters, erasers, sharpeners and rulers.
- Students are NOT permitted to bring into the examination room: blank sheets of paper and/or correction fluid/tape.
- No calculator is allowed in this examination.


## Materials supplied

- Question and answer book of 19 pages, including blank manuscript for rough work on page 14
- An audio compact disc containing musical excerpts for Sections A and B


## Instructions

- Write your student number in the space provided above on this page.
- You may write at any time during the running of the audio compact disc and after it stops.
- All written responses must be in English.


## Students are NOT permitted to bring mobile phones and/or any other unauthorised electronic devices into the examination room.

## SECTION A - Listening and interpretation

## Instructions for Section A

Answer all questions in pen or pencil in the spaces provided.
An audio compact disc will run continuously throughout Section A.

Question 1 (10 marks)
Work: ‘Everyone’s Waiting’ by Missy Higgins and Dan Wilson

## Performer: Missy Higgins

Album: The Ol’ Razzle Dazzle (produced by Brad Jones and Butterfly Boucher; Eleven: A Music Company, 2012)

The excerpt will be played three times. There will be silent working time after each playing.

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| First playing $\left(2^{\prime} 14^{\prime \prime}\right)-30$ seconds of silence <br> Second playing $\left(2^{\prime} 14^{\prime \prime}\right)-3$ minutes of silence |

a. Describe how the performers use articulation, improvisation/embellishment/ornamentation
and dynamics to contribute to the expressive outcomes in this excerpt. 6 marks
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Listen to the third and final playing for part $\mathbf{b}$.
Third and final playing $\left(2^{\prime} 14^{\prime \prime}\right)-2$ minutes and 30 seconds of silence
b. Describe how the accompaniment creates and sustains mood and character in this excerpt. 4 marks
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Question 2 ( 8 marks)
Work: 'Symphony No. 5 "Percussion"' by Carl Vine
Performers: Sydney Symphony Orchestra and Synergy Percussion, conducted by Edo de Waart
Album: Complete Symphonies 1-6 (ABC Classics, 2005)
The excerpt will be played three times. There will be silent working time after each playing.

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First playing $\left(2^{\prime} 04^{\prime \prime}\right)-30$ seconds of silence
Second playing $\left(2^{\prime} 04^{\prime \prime}\right)-2$ minutes of silence
Third and final playing $\left(2^{\prime} 04^{\prime \prime}\right)-2$ minutes and 30 seconds of silence

Discuss how the performers create character in this excerpt. In your response, refer to one or more of the following elements of music:

- tone colour
- dynamics
- blend of instrumental voices
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Question 3 (12 marks)
This question relates to excerpts from the work 'To Love Somebody', composed by Barry and Robin Gibb.

## Interpretation A

Work: ‘To Love Somebody’
Performer: Michael Bolton
Album: A Symphony of Hits (Montaigne Records, LLC and Entertainment One US, LP, 2019)

## Interpretation B

Work: 'To Love Somebody'
Performer: Bonnie Tyler
Album: Hide Your Heart (CBS Records, 1988)
The excerpts will be played three times. There will be silent working time after each excerpt is played.

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First playing of Interpretation A $\left(2^{\prime} 15^{\prime \prime}\right)-30$ seconds of silence First playing of Interpretation B $\left(2^{\prime} 00^{\prime \prime}\right)-1$ minute of silence
Second playing of Interpretation A $\left(2^{\prime} 15^{\prime \prime}\right)-30$ seconds of silence
Second playing of Interpretation B ( $\left.2^{\prime} 00^{\prime \prime}\right)-2$ minutes of silence Third and final playing of Interpretation $\mathrm{A}\left(2^{\prime} 15^{\prime \prime}\right)-1$ minute of silence Third and final playing of Interpretation B ( $\left.2^{\prime} 00^{\prime \prime}\right)-2$ minutes and 30 seconds of silence

Compare the ways in which the two interpretations create different characters and expressive outcomes through three of the following:

- tone colour
- balance of musical lines
- improvisation/embellishment/ornamentation
- articulation
- phrasing
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SECTION A - Question 3 - continued

## SECTION B - Music language (aural)

## Instructions for Section B

Answer all questions in pencil in the spaces provided.
An audio compact disc will run continuously throughout Section B.

## Question 4 (4 marks)

Listen to the following intervals. Each interval will be played twice.
Each interval may be played harmonically and/or melodically, ascending and/or descending. Identify the size and the quality of each interval.

First playing - 5 seconds of silence Second and final playing - 5 seconds of silence

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2. $\qquad$
3. $\qquad$
4. $\qquad$

## Question 5 (4 marks)

Listen to the following scales and/or modes. Each scale or mode will be played twice, ascending and/or descending. Identify each scale and/or mode.

First playing - 5 seconds of silence Second and final playing - 5 seconds of silence

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2. $\qquad$
3. $\qquad$
4. $\qquad$

Question 6 (4 marks)
Listen to the following four-bar melody. The melody will be played four times. There will be three playings for part $\mathbf{a}$. and a fourth playing for part $\mathbf{b}$. The rhythm of the melody is provided.
A one-bar count-in will precede each playing.


First playing - 5 seconds of silence
Second playing - 10 seconds of silence
Third playing - 10 seconds of silence
a. Identify the size and the quality of the three intervals indicated by the brackets.

3 marks

1. $\qquad$
2. $\qquad$
3. $\qquad$

Fourth and final playing - 10 seconds of silence
b. Identify the tonality of the melody.

## Question 7 (4 marks)

Listen to the following triads/chords. Each triad/chord is in root position. Each triad/chord will be played twice, in block harmony and/or as an arpeggio.
Identify the quality of each triad/chord.
First playing - 5 seconds of silence Second and final playing - 5 seconds of silence

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Question 9 (8 marks)
Listen to the following chord progression. The chord progression begins on the tonic chord and will be played five times, with silent working time after each playing. Each chord is in root position and the progression ends with a common cadence. The first two chords and the last two chords are given. A two-bar count-in will precede each playing.
Identify the bass note and the quality of chords 3-6 in the blank spaces of the harmonic grid below.
First playing - 5 seconds of silence
Second playing - 5 seconds of silence
Third playing - 5 seconds of silence
Fourth playing - 10 seconds of silence
Fifth and final playing - 15 seconds of silence

| Harmonic grid | 1. | 2. | 3. | 4. | 5. | 6. | 7. | 8. |
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| Bass note | G | C |  |  |  |  | C | G |
| Quality | major | major |  |  |  |  | major | major |

Question 10 (8 marks)
Listen to the following eight-bar work for trumpet, violin and double bass. The work will be played six times. A transcription of this work is printed below; however, the notation is missing for bars 5 and 6 of the trumpet part. All parts are written at concert pitch. The rhythm of the missing parts is given in the top line. A one-bar count-in will precede each playing.
Transcribe the missing notation for bars 5 and 6 of the trumpet part.
First playing - 20 seconds of silence
Second playing - 20 seconds of silence
Third playing - 20 seconds of silence
Fourth playing - 20 seconds of silence
Fifth playing - 30 seconds of silence
Sixth and final playing - 30 seconds of silence



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Question 11 (6 marks)
Listen to the following eight-bar excerpt. The excerpt will be played four times. A one-bar count-in will precede each playing.
Transcribe the missing rhythmic notation for bars 4,5 and 7 of the tenor drum part.
First playing - 15 seconds of silence
Second playing - 15 seconds of silence
Third playing - 20 seconds of silence
Fourth and final playing - 20 seconds of silence


Question 12 (8 marks)
Listen to the following seven-bar excerpt. The excerpt will be played five times. A two-bar count-in will precede each playing.
Transcribe the missing rhythmic notation for:

- bar 3 of the djembe part
- bar 6 of the shaker part.

First playing - 15 seconds of silence
Second playing - 15 seconds of silence
Third playing - 20 seconds of silence
Fourth playing - 20 seconds of silence
Fifth and final playing - 30 seconds of silence


## SECTION C - Music language (written)

## Instructions for Section C

Answer all questions in pencil in the spaces provided.

Question 13 (2 marks)
Identify the size and the quality of the two intervals indicated by the brackets.


Question 14 (3 marks)
Write each interval using semibreves in the indicated clef on the printed stave below.

major 2nd below Bb
major 3rd above E
major 7th above C

Question 15 (6 marks)
a. Write an ascending one octave harmonic minor scale on the printed stave below. The scale
should:

- be written in crotchets
- begin on the given starting note
- include the upper tonic.

You may use accidentals or a key signature.

b. Add a clef and any necessary accidentals to make the following an F mixolydian mode.


Question 16 (2 marks)
Write each chord in the given keys on the printed stave below. You may use accidentals or a key signature.

vi of D major
V7 of G major

Question 17 (4 marks)
Identify the quality of the given chords and their diatonic function in the key of A major. The diatonic function and the quality of the first chord and the last chord are given.

| Diatonic <br> function | I (tonic) |  | vi <br> (submediant) |  |
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| Quality | major |  |  | minor |

Question 18 (3 marks)
Use the following notation to answer the questions below. All parts are written at concert pitch.
alto saxophone

a. Circle the correct time signature for this excerpt from the options below.

1 mark
5
3
2
4
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b. Identify the interval between the notes played by the alto saxophone and the trombone indicated by the box on beat 1 of bar 3 .

1 mark
c. Circle the correct name of the chord in bar 4 indicated by a box.

1 mark
Bb major 7th
Bb minor 7th
$\mathrm{B} b$ half diminished
Bb dominant 7th

