



ACCOMPANISTS' GUILD
OF QUEENSLAND INC.

March 2018

Dear fellow accompanists and Guild members,

Happy Easter!

We hope that everyone has had a well-deserved break over the summer and a good start to the year.

A very warm welcome to our new members – Kate Littlewood, Julian Wade, Siu Dea Law and Oliver She. The Guild membership is now at 72 and growing!

The School of Music, University of Queensland, is hosting our own AGQ Accompanist competition in early May, with heats held on Friday May 4 at 2PM and the final on Wednesday 9 May at 8PM in the Nickson Room. The Guild is offering two prizes of \$150 and \$50. We hope this event will raise the Guild's profile among higher education music students.

The Master class with Chen Yang will take place on 26 May 2PM, MTAQ, Taringa. If you have students who would benefit from participation, please ask them to register with Barbara Clifford on secretaryagq@gmail.com

The Guild is sponsoring a prize at 2018 MTAQ Queensland Vocal Competition as our reciprocal links with other music organisations in Qld are strengthening.

Our sponsorship of accompanying prizes at various Eisteddfods will continue in 2018, and we are now seeking expressions of interest from Eisteddfods to create a separate accompanist competition category with more substantial prizes from the Guild. We hope this more targeted support will enhance the reputation of Eisteddfods that take up our offer and of the Guild.

The 25th Anniversary of the Guild is coming in 2019 and we welcome your ideas about how we should celebrate this. Please, send your thoughts to the Guild's secretary.

I wish you all a very Happy Easter!

Happy accompanying in 2018!

Katie Zhukov,
President Accompanists' Guild of Queensland.