



ANNUAL WORKSHOP 2019:
"The Way the Wind Blows"
FRI-SUN 12-14 JULY 2019

The North Queensland Recorder Society holds an annual weekend workshop to develop the recorder playing and ensemble skills of both members and visitors. For 2019, it will again be a special residential one on Magnetic Island and this year at another wonderful venue, [Amaroo on Mandalay Avenue](#) in Nelly Bay. Amaroo has two function rooms for our use, a restaurant, bar, a lovely pool and ample accommodation all set in lush tropical gardens.



View of Function and Restaurant Building at Amaroo

Workshop Leader: Ruth Wilkinson

We are delighted again to have Ruth Wilkinson from Melbourne as our lead tutor. This is her fifth time with us, and she is well-known to Armidale participants and music students at the University of Melbourne. Ruth's specialty is baroque music and she gives many such concerts playing recorder or viola da gamba. See www.move.com.au/artist/ruth-wilkinson for more information.

Supporting Tutor

Ryan Williams from Melbourne will be supporting Ruth Wilkinson. Ryan, a graduate of the Melbourne Conservatorium of Music, is well known to as a tutor to participants at the Orpheus Recorder Workshops since 2016. Find out all about him here: ryanwilliamsrecorder.com

Theme: The Way the Wind Blows.

Ruth says: "Bring your recorders to this island paradise where we will work together to find a common sound exploring music which reflects our daily lives. Music from a piece about fresh straws 13th century Paris through the centuries to music of contemporary Australia will be included. There will be music for all levels of player which will be challenging and enticing. You will make new recorder friends and will enjoy making music in a relaxed and unique environment bathed by gentle breezes. Music that reflects our daily lives."

Provisional Schedule

The main programme is on Saturday and Sunday 13 and 14 July 2019.

On Friday afternoon (3pm to 5pm), come and listen to local experts talk about the beautiful flora and fauna specific to Magnetic Island.

Following this will be an informal meet and greet on the evening of Friday 12 July 2019 with some recorder playing.

Saturday (warm up 8.30 am) is all day workshop with breakout sessions. This year we are holding a concert (7.30pm for 1 hour) which will be open to the Magnetic Island Community audience. Ruth and Ryan are happy to prepare a contribution and perform a variety of solos and duets to show the recorder in a good light! The first half of the concert will be items performed by local and invited guests.

Sunday workshops (warm up 8.30) will wind up at 3pm. This will then give us time to pack up and catch the ferry to Townsville and attend the Barrier Reef Orchestra's concert at 5pm. <https://nqorchestra.com.au/>

Workshop Fee and Registration

This is \$120 for NQRS members; and \$140 for non-members (includes membership fee). There is an early bird discount of \$20 per participant if paid before 30 April, i.e., member \$100, non-member \$120.

Expression of interest can be recorded on the NQRS website or email info@nqrs.org.au with your name, email address, phone number and any other relevant information such as where you live and what instruments you play.

Accommodation

www.amaroonmandalay.com.au/en-us/rooms

The accommodation consists mainly of single-story, self-contained motel-style units in blocks of six arranged on either side of the pool and restaurant-function room building. Standard prices start at \$110 per night for a double room.

Amaroo has offered workshop participants a discount of 10% but to get this you will need to make your own bookings directly with Amaroo either by phone 07 4778 5200 or info@amaroonmandalay.com.au

Workshop Contact Details and Information

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After a very wet, disruptive start to the year, Townsville is very green and recovering. Magnetic Island is sparkling. We would love to see you here in July.

RADF Funding

The North Queensland Recorder Society gratefully acknowledges the generous funding provided by the Regional Arts Development Fund for this workshop. The Regional Arts Development Fund is a partnership between the Queensland Government and the Townsville City Council to support local arts and culture in regional Queensland.



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Après Midis

We continue with our informal musical Après Midis hosted by members of NQRS. Despite the dreadful flood and monsoon event in February some of us were able to enjoy several hours of playing JS Bach choral music adapted for recorders. Cynthia hosted us in airconditioned comfort at the Community Centre, Villa McAuley.

Next Après Midi will be at the home of Anneke Silver, **Sunday 12th May**, 3pm to 5pm. 12 Stuart Street, North Ward (corner Alexander St. and Stuart St. behind the Grammar school)

Feel free to invite others who may be interested in learning the recorder or others who may wish to rekindle their recorder playing.

Please bring a small plate to enjoy with a cup of tea or coffee. Also bring all your recorders and music stand.

NQRS Membership

Membership fees remain unaltered for 2019, with a \$20 membership fee for adults (18 and over), and \$5 for under 18s. Membership falls due on 1 January each year. Annual fees are now due. Westpac Account Name: NQ Recorder Society BSB 034 212 Account Number 134 217

Committee

At the AGM held at Cafe Siros, City Arcade, Townsville on Sunday 10 March 2019, the following officers and committee members were elected:

- President: Glenda Tattersall
- Secretary: Janet Askern
- Treasurer: Nicky Brandi
- Committee Member & Website: Ian Montgomery

NQRS new members required!

The North Queensland Recorder Society was established in 1995 to bring together recorder players in the Townsville and wider North Queensland region for skills development (through workshops, etc.) and social playing. The society also encourages formation of amateur consorts, maintains a library of recorder music and encourages tuition in all levels of playing.

In 2018 a series of beginner workshops were held to encourage members of our community to learn and play the recorder and to encourage other members of the community to consider learning the art. In 2019 we are continuing with those workshops - check our website for details. Our tutors are:

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