

Vic Branch News



AMTA Vic Branch

Welcome to AMTA's 2010 National Conference!

Firstly, a big thank you to the wonderful conference organising committee led by Karen Bolger for a great job.

With a fantastic program and three concurrent sessions this year, it's looking like being an awesome two days of networking, learning, laughing and loving being a music therapist!

We at Vic Branch thought it would be a great opportunity to share some of our latest news and events - both through talking to committee members at our display table and this newsletter. Please feel free to take it home with you.

We hope you enjoy your experiences at this year's conference.

2010 Vic Branch AGM

This year's AGM will be held on Thursday November 11 starting at 6:30pm.

The night will include nibbles and drinks, followed by a free drumming workshop, then our annual general meeting. The evening will conclude at 9pm.

Please schedule the date and time in your diary and come along to have some fun and support your state branch.

More details will be available very soon, so keep an eye out for our flyer in the AMTA's Thursday Email Bulletin.

Save The Date!

Christmas Event



2010

This year our Christmas Event will be a wonderful night of swing music, food, wine and dancing.

Thursday December 2, 2010 at 7pm
Further Details to come, watch your email inbox!



Contact us at Vic Branch!

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Volunteers Needed

As you read on the front of this page, our AGM is coming up soon. Every position on the committee will be declared vacant at the AGM, and although some current members intend to continue, nominations will be sought for all positions. There is lots of exciting stuff coming up for us in 2011, so please consider being a part of it. If you're interested, have a chat with a current committee member at the Vic Branch display at the conference, or contact us by phone or email to find out what's involved.

SIG News

A decision has been reached about the future of the Vic Branch SIGs.

Two things were clear after consulting with Victorian RMTs - firstly, the current format for our SIGs was no longer working out, and secondly, SIGs should definitely be retained in some way.

So, the decision has been made to change the format of SIGs from population specific groups, each running four times per year, to

monthly meetings. The meetings will incorporate a one hour workshop or guest presentation followed by group discussion time that will be determined by the RMTs in attendance. This might be population specific, level of experience specific, or simply topic specific. The plan is to be as flexible as possible, in order to accommodate the needs of each RMT that attends.

The Vic Branch wishes to sincerely thank each and every volunteer who has worked to help make SIGs happen over many years, and hopes that you will all join us on our new SIG path.

Incidentally - did you know that Vic Branch used to have monthly 'branch' meetings many years ago? It's interesting to note that we're going back to a previously used format.

Stay tuned for details of venue, dates and times for our new SIGs in your AMTA email bulletin.

Also keep your eye out for news of the high profile and well loved Australian RMT who will be helping us out with our new SIG format....



Vic Branch now has a facebook page.

Join us on facebook to receive invitations to events, news, info and lots more. Get involved with discussions, questions and information sharing. There's lots on offer, so join up and check the page often for updates. Social networking is the easiest way to access the information you need, from anywhere, at any time of the day.

Find us at -

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or search in facebook for 'amta vic' and you'll find us.

Once you've checked out the page, let us know what else you'd like to see there. Just write us a message on our wall!

See you online :)

Staying Up To Date

We know you get lots of emails, and it's hard to keep up with them all. However, email is the primary way the AMTA and Vic Branch communicates with you. Email is ideal, as it is quick, free and environmentally friendly. So please check your email and read through the information provided so you can stay aware of the events and information provided by the branch.