

## AMEB (NSW) exams in the second half of 2020

### Q&A

#### **Can I bring a page turner to my exam?**

Page turners will not be permitted to enter the exam room; candidates should copy subsequent pages of their pieces and attach them to the original music.

#### **Can I bring my teacher to my exam?**

This will only be possible if the teacher is the accompanist or support person.

#### **Will I be guaranteed a face-to-face exam for my grade students?**

No, due to the small number of exams that will take place face-to-face this year, some grade candidates may be offered a free transfer to a 2020 Video Repertoire exam, or will be refunded if there is not sufficient availability in their exam period.

#### **Can I still apply for a period-to-period transfer in the Second Metropolitan session?**

Period-to-period transfers will be accepted between 29 June and 6 July 2020 only. However, the enrolment and transfers fee will be refunded if our schedulers are unable to find exams for all candidates during the nominated postcode period.

#### **Is a Repertoire exam easier to pass than the Comprehensive exam?**

This alternate format does not imply a way to cut corners in a student's musical advancement. Sound musical technique and understanding is not directly examined in a Repertoire exam, but it still must be inherent in the performance of the student's program of works. Examiners will still ensure comments and grades are provided according to the syllabus requirements and grading descriptors in the AMEB Manual of Syllabuses. Aspects of technique or musicality found lacking will be commented upon and reflected in the grade awarded.

As the Comprehensive and the Repertoire exams are comparable in rigour, from 2021 candidates may continue along their exam pathway with a mixture of these exam formats, or switch from one format to the other as they progress through the grades.

## Will Repertoire exam results count as an Adjustment Factor in University bonus point schemes?

UNSW has confirmed that they will recognise AMEB Grade 8 Repertoire as equivalent to AMEB Grade 8 Comprehensive results in their EAPL scheme from 2020 onward. Please contact the relevant university directly for more information:

- [UNSW](#)
- [ANU](#)
- [WSU](#)

## What are the advantages of a 2020 Repertoire exam?

- Video Repertoire exams are the only guaranteed exam option for grade candidates this year (with the exception of Certificate of Performance).
- This format also offers greater enrolment flexibility. Candidates can enrol for a Video exam outside of their postcode period, submit their Video exam anytime between now and 5 October and submit their Video exam within 3 weeks of enrolling.
- Candidates can record their exam performance at any time or venue that is convenient for them.