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SPHERES OF ACTION

- Early childhood music education
- School music education
- Tertiary music education
- Studio music teaching

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MODES OF ACTION

- Empower by providing **information**
- Undertake **research** to support advocacy
- Develop and **advocate** policies and actions
- Organise **projects** with multiple modes of action

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INFORMATION FOR MULTIPLE SPHERES

- www.mca.org.au - the main website
 - RESEARCH and ADVOCACY papers under those tabs
 - Music in Australia Knowledge Base
 - Music Forum magazine
 - Music: Play for Life monthly eNewsletter
 - MCA eBulletins for employment, scholarships, competitions etc
 - 'Find' lists for scholarships, teachers etc on MPFL site

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INFORMATION: WEBSITES

MAINLY FOR SCHOOL MUSIC

- www.musicplayforlife.org
- www.musiceducation.edu.au
- www.moremusic toolkit.org.au
- www.musiccountusin.org.au

FOR CAREERS

- www.musiccareer.com.au

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RESEARCH

- Trends in the provision of music education in schools.
- Studies of the amount of music education provided to trainee teachers for early childhood, primary and secondary schools.
- Principals' attitude to music education
- Statistics: tertiary courses and enrolments
- Audit of post-secondary music education (in progress)
- *Some key findings*

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ADVOCACY

- Responsive
- Pro-active

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Responsive

- Submissions to government inquiries

Pro-active

- Music: Play for Life and its children – ongoing grassroots campaign
- To studio music teachers for national accreditation scheme
- Other direct advocacy to Ministers, bureaucracy

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Responsive

- Submissions to government inquiries
 - Early childhood – adequate training of teachers
 - School music education: various including
 - teacher training
 - school funding
 - arts in the National Curriculum
 - the form and adequacy of the National Curriculum
 - education and the NBN

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Responsive

- Submissions to government inquiries
 - The funding of tertiary music education
 - Conservatoria etc
 - Through university education departments

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Pro-active

- Music. Play for Life
 - General activities
 - Projects
 - Flame Awards
 - Music: Count Us In

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Other MCA pro-active initiatives direct to decision-makers:

- Representations leading to the instigation of the National Review of School Music Education
- Alliance with NAAE leading to inclusion of the arts in the National Curriculum
- Involvement in the process of designing the National Curriculum in music
- Initiatives now to tackle implementation of the National Curriculum
- Representations to the state Music Teacher Associations to establish a national accreditation scheme for studio teachers

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PROJECTS

Primarily the projects of Music: Play for Life