

NBCA National Band Champions (1935-2025)

Open 'Premier' Grade Brass Section			
Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
2025	Sydney City Brass (NSW)	Jason Katsikaris	King Kong on Rue Igor Stravinsky (Paul McGhee)

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2025	Footscray-Yarraville City Band (VIC)	Glyn Williams	Journey to the Centre of the Earth (Peter Graham)
2024	Brisbane Excelsior Band (QLD)	David Bremner	The World Rejoicing (Edward Gregson)
2023	Sydney City Brass (NSW)	Jason Katsikaris	Siege (Jared McCunnie)
2019	Sydney City Brass (NSW)	Jason Katsikaris	Handel in the Band (Kenneth Downie)
2018	Wellington Brass Band (NZ)	Nigel Seaman	Time Machine (Thomas Doss)
2017	Central Coast Brass (NSW)	Conrad Curry	Harrison's Dream (Peter Graham)
2016	Brisbane Excelsior Band (QLD)	Howard Taylor	Albion (Jan van der Roost)
2015	Wellington Brass Band (NZ)	David Bremner	Gallipoli (Barry McKimm)
2014	Brisbane Excelsior Band (QLD)	Howard Taylor	St Magnus (Kenneth Downie)
2013	Brisbane Excelsior Band (QLD)	Howard Taylor	The Devil and the Deep Blue Sea (Derek Bourgeois)
2012	Gunnedah Shire Band (NSW)	Howard Taylor	Cambridge Variations (Philip Sparke)
2011	Kew Band Melbourne (VIC)	Mark Ford	Vienna Nights (Philip Wilby)
2010	Brisbane Excelsior Band (QLD)	Howard Taylor	Extreme Makeover (Johan de Meij)
2009	Gunnedah Shire Band (NSW)	Jason Katsikaris	Dove Descending (Philip Wilby)
2008	Brisbane Excelsior Band (QLD)	Howard Taylor	Dances and Alleluias (Philip Sparke)
2007	Brisbane Excelsior Band (QLD)	Howard Taylor	Terra Australis (Martin Ellerby)
2006	Brisbane Excelsior Band (QLD)	Howard Taylor	Variations on an Enigma (Philip Sparke)
2005	Brisbane Excelsior Band (QLD)	Howard Taylor	Tristan Encounters (Martin Ellerby)
2004	Hawthorn City Band (VIC)	Tom Paulin	Chivalry (Martin Ellerby)
2003	The "Trusts" Waitakere Brass (NZ)	Andrew Snell	Harmony Music (Philip Sparke)
2002	Kensington & Norwood City Band (SA)	Bruce Raymond	Winds of Change (Brenton Broadstock)
2001	Dalewool Auckland Brass (NZ)	Nigel Weeks	Tallis Variations (Philip Sparke)

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2000	Kew Band (VIC)	Mark Ford	Endeavour: Australia 1788-1988 (Philip Sparke)
1999	Hawthorn City Band (VIC)	Ross Johnson	On Alderley Edge (Peter Graham)
1998	Kew Band (VIC)	Mark Ford	Isaiah 40 (Robert Redhead)
1997	Fosters Auckland Brass (NZ)	Nigel Weeks	Coal River (Barry McKimm)
1996	Fosters Auckland Brass (NZ)	Nigel Weeks	The Year of the Dragon (Philip Sparke)
1995	Hawthorn City Band (VIC)	Ken MacDonald	Ballet for Band (Joseph Horowitz)
1994	Hawthorn City Band (VIC)	Ken MacDonald	English Heritage (George Lloyd)
1993	Hawthorn City Band (VIC)	Ken MacDonald	Festival Music (Eric Ball)
1992	Kensington & Norwood City Band (SA)	Bruce Raymond	Odin (Arthur Butterworth)
1991	Hawthorn City Band (VIC)	Michael Pyne	Prisms: Symphonic Study No. 2 (Peter Graham)
1990	Hawthorn City Band (VIC)	Michael Pyne	Seascapes (Ray Steadman-Allen)
1989	Willoughby Municipal Band (NSW)	Peter Walmsley	Frontier! (Michael Ball)
1988	Tenderkist Wanganui City Band (NZ)	Kevin Jarrett	Ash Wednesday (Barry McKimm)
1987	Hawthorn City Band (VIC)	Ken MacDonald	Contest Music (Wilfred Heaton)
1986	Hawthorn City Band (VIC)	Ken MacDonald	Blitz (Op. 65) (Derek Bourgeois)
1985	Hawthorn City Band (VIC)	Peter Jackson	Ash Wednesday (Barry McKimm)
1984	Willoughby Municipal Band (NSW)	Peter Walmsley	The Western Land 'Broome' (William Lovelock)
1983	Continental Airlines Auckland Brass (NZ)	Errol Mason	Variations for Brass Band (Ralph Vaughan Williams)
1982	Willoughby Municipal Band (NSW)	Peter Walmsley	Fantasy for Brass Band (Malcolm Arnold)
1981	Hawthorn City Band (VIC)	Laurie H. Hicks	The Plantagenets (Edward Gregson)
1980	Skellerup-Woolston Brass Band (NZ)	Mervyn Waters	Volcano (Robert Simpson)
1979	Hawthorn City Band (VIC)	Laurie H. Hicks	Introduction and Allegro (Gareth Wood)

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1978	Willoughby Municipal Band (NSW)	Peter Walmsley	Down Under (Ronald Hanmer)
1977	Hawthorn City Band (VIC)	Laurie H. Hicks	Journey Into Freedom (Eric Ball)
1976	Hawthorn City Band (VIC)	Laurie H. Hicks	The Plantagenets (Edward Gregson)
1975	Hawthorn City Band (VIC)	Laurie H. Hicks	Suite for Brass (Allan Street)
1974	Footscray-Yarraville City Band (VIC)	Mervyn Simpson	A Kensington Concerto (Eric Ball)
1973	Footscray-Yarraville City Band (VIC)	Mervyn Simpson	The Judges of the Secret Court (Les Francs Juges) (Hector Berlioz, arr. Frank Wright)
1972	Footscray-Yarraville City Band (VIC)	Mervyn Simpson	Academic Festival Overture (Johannes Brahms)
1971	Malvern Municipal Band (VIC)	Wilfrid Dyason	Blackfriars (Edric Cundell, arr. Frank Wright)
1970	Melbourne Fire Brigade Band (VIC)	Mervyn Simpson	Salute to Youth (Gilbert Vinter)
1969	Malvern Municipal Band (VIC)	Harry W. Philpott	Life Divine (Cyril Jenkins)
1968	Melbourne Fire Brigade Band (VIC)	Mervyn Simpson	Journey Into Freedom (Eric Ball)
1967	Kensington & Norwood City Band (SA)	Herb V. Stevens	Triumphant Rhapsody (Gilbert Vinter)
1966	City of Wollongong Brass Band (NSW)	Tom E. Gawn	The Belmont Variations (Arthur Bliss, arr. Frank Wright)
1965	South Brisbane Federal Band (QLD)	Les Baxter	Test Piece Unknown
1964	Malvern Municipal Band (VIC)	Harry W. Philpott	Symphony of Marches (Gilbert Vinter)
1963	Barrier Industrial Unions Band (NSW)	Harold Walmsley	Diadem of Gold (George Bailey, arr. Frank Wright)
1962	Malvern Municipal Band (VIC)	Harry W. Philpott	Les Préludes (Franz Liszt, arr. William Rimmer)
1961	Barrier Industrial Unions Band (NSW)	Harold Walmsley	Blackfriars (Edric Cundell, arr. Frank Wright)
1960	Maryborough Federal Band (QLD)	James J. Kelly	Variations for Brass Band (Ralph Vaughan Williams) / Sinfonietta (Erik W.G. Leidzén)
1959	Malvern Municipal Band (VIC)	William Philpott	Tintagel (Denis Wright)
1958	South Brisbane Federal Band (QLD)	Les Baxter	Festival Music (Eric Ball)

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1957	Tanunda Town Band (SA)	Galvin H. John	Festival Music (Eric Ball)
1956	St John Ambulance Brigade Band (NSW)	Albert H. Baile	Diadem of Gold (George Bailey, arr. Frank Wright)
1955	St John Ambulance Brigade Band (NSW)	Albert H. Baile	Themes from Symphony No. 5 (Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky, arr. Eric Ball)
1953	St John Ambulance Brigade Band (NSW)	Albert H. Baile	Scena Sinfonica (Henry E. Geehl)
1952	Maryborough Federal Band (QLD)	James J. Kelly	Jupiter Symphony (Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, arr. J.A. Greenwood) / Carmen (Georges Bizet)
1951	St John Ambulance Brigade Band (NSW)	Albert H. Baile	Robin Hood (Henry E. Geehl)
1950	St John Ambulance Brigade Band (NSW)	Albert H. Baile	Symphony No. 7 (Ludwig van Beethoven)
1949	Collingwood Citizens Band (VIC)	Frank C. (Massa) Johnson	Themes from Symphony No. 5 (Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky, arr. Eric Ball)
1948	St John Ambulance Brigade Band (NSW)	Albert H. Baile	A Downland Suite (arr. John Ireland)
1947	Maryborough Federal Band (QLD)	Frank C. (Massa) Johnson	Themes from Beethoven's 8th Symphony (Ludwig van Beethoven, arr. Denis Wright) / The Crusaders (Thomas Keighley)
1946	Metropolitan Fire Brigade Band (VIC)	Frank C. (Massa) Johnson	Gounod / The Royal Water Music (Georg Friedrich Händel, arr. Hamilton Harty)
1945	RAAF Bradfield Park Band (NSW)	Harold Walmsley	The Crusaders (Thomas Keighley)
1939	Bundaberg Municipal Band (QLD)	James J. Kelly	Eroica Symphony (Ludwig van Beethoven) / The Royal Water Music (Georg Friedrich Händel, arr. Hamilton Harty)
1938	Metropolitan Fire Brigade Band (VIC)	Frank C. (Massa) Johnson	Robin Hood (Henry E. Geehl)
1937	Malvern Municipal & Tramways Band (VIC)	Harry Shugg	Bizet (Georges Bizet)
1936	Metropolitan Fire Brigade Band (VIC)	Frank C. (Massa) Johnson	Pride of Race (Kenneth A. Wright)
1935	Brisbane Excelsior (9/49th Battalion) Band (QLD) / Ipswich City Vice-Regal Band (QLD)	Albert Wade / James J. Kelly	Prometheus Unbound (Granville Bantock) / Rienzi (Richard Wagner, arr. William Rimmer)

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Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
2025	Cairns Brass No. 1 (QLD)	Jon Christodoulides	A Journey to the Bermuda Triangle (Pimpanit Karoonyavanich)
2024	Marlborough District Brass Band (NZ)	Robin Randall	Keystone (Thierry Deleruyelle)
2023	Boroondara Brass (VIC)	Danny van Bergen	Hope (Dorothy Gates)
2019	Waratah Brass (NSW)	Stephen Grice	The Legend of Pandora (Benjamin Tubb-Hearne)
2018	Cairns Brass (QLD)	Jon Christodoulides	The Snaring of the Sun (Stephen Roberts)
2017	Boroondara Brass (VIC)	Danny van Bergen	Penlee (Simon Dobson)
2016	Boroondara Brass (VIC)	Danny van Bergen	Blazon (Peter Graham)
2015	Cairns Brass No. 1 (QLD)	Jon Christodoulides	Honoris Causa (Michael Forsyth)
2014	Townsville Brass (QLD)	Dale Hosking	The Forest of Dean (Derek Bourgeois)
2013	Canning City Brass Band (WA)	Geoffrey Lowe	Lyonesse (Simon Dobson)
2012	City of Holroyd Brass Band (NSW)	John McGregor	Cross Patonce (Goff Richards)
2011	Geelong West Brass Band (VIC)	Jeff Steele	Suite Gothique (Op. 25) (Léon Boëllmann, arr. Eric Ball)
2010	Gunnedah Shire Band (NSW)	Danny Alexander	Coventry Variations (Bramwell Tovey)
2009	Hobart City Band (TAS)	Simon Cawthorn	The Bandsman's Challenge (Bertrand Moren)
2008	Pelorus Trust Wellington Brass (NZ)	David Bremner	Main Street (Eric Ball)
2007	Hobart City Band (TAS)	Simon Cawthorn	The King of Elfland's Daughter (Rodney Newton)
2006	Cairns Brass (QLD)	Maureen Cameron	Purcell Variants (Peter Meechan)
2005	Gunnedah Shire Band (NSW)	Jason Katsikaris	A Vision of the Lost (Brenton Broadstock)
2004	Alpine Energy Timaru Brass (NZ)	Dwayne Bloomfield	Suite Gothique (Op. 25) (Léon Boëllmann, arr. Eric Ball)
2003	Warringah Concert Brass (NSW)	John E. Saunders	The Plantagenets (Edward Gregson)
2002	Hall Village Brass Band (ACT)	Thomas Burge	Partita for Band (Postcards from Home) (Philip Wilby)
2001	Cairns Brass (QLD)	Jon Christodoulides	Firestorm (Stephen Bulla)

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Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
2000	City of Launceston RSL Band (TAS)	Leif Sundstrup	Rutherford Variations (Brenton Broadstock)
1999	Brunswick Brass (VIC)	Mark Ford	Symphonic Suite for Brass Band (Leighton Lucas)
1998	Brunswick Brass (VIC)	Mark Ford	The Present Age (Leslie Condon)
1997	Nambour & Maroochy District Band (QLD)	John Thomas	Sinfonietta for Brass Band (Gordon Langford)
1996	Glenorchy City Concert Brass (TAS)	Dean Hunt	The Belmont Variations (Arthur Bliss, arr. Frank Wright)
1995	Ansett Kaikorai Brass (NZ)	Unknown	Cross Patonce (Goff Richards)
1994	Waikato Times Hamilton (NZ)	Ian Levien	Brass Metamorphosis (James Curnow)
1993	Glenorchy City Concert Brass (TAS)	Dean Hunt	Resurgam (I Shall Rise Again) (Eric Ball)
1992	Waratah-Mayfield Brass (NSW)	Ron Grice	The Festive City (Eric Ball)
1991	City of Holroyd Brass Band (NSW)	Paul Cerezo	Royal Parks (George Lloyd)
1990	Strathfieldsaye Municipal Band (VIC)	Mark Ford	A London Overture (Philip Sparke)
1989	Ulverstone Municipal Band (TAS)	Jack Lusted	Facets of Glass (Gordon Langford)
1988	Telecom Hamilton Brass (NZ)	Bruce Borthwick	Sirius (Brian Hogg)
1987	St Marys District Band (NSW)	Ken Bradley	Main Street (Eric Ball)
1986	Diamond Valley Brass Band (VIC)	Wayne Bowden	Symphonic Study (Gordon Jacob)
1985	City of Dandenong Band (VIC)	Graeme Hilson	North West Passage (Roy Newsome)
1984	Strathfieldsaye Municipal Band (VIC)	Wayne Bowden	The Charge of Ghaza (Larry Keane)
1983	Sutherland Shire Silver Band (NSW)	Frank J. McGuinness	The Aeronauts (Goff Richards)
1982	Maryborough Excelsior City Band (QLD)	Melwyn H. Neilsen	Alice in Wonderland (Ronald Hanmer)
1981	Strathfieldsaye Municipal Band (VIC)	Wayne Bowden	Introduction, Elegy and Caprice (Morley Calvert)
1980	Warragul Municipal Band (VIC)	Bruce Armstrong	Concertino (Philip Lane)
1979	Ulverstone Municipal Band (TAS)	Jack Lusted	Caprice (Paul Huber)

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1978	Cairns Municipal Band (QLD)	Frank James	Scena Sinfonica (Henry E. Geehl)
1977	Cairns Municipal Band (QLD)	Frank James	Blackfriars (Edric Cundell, arr. Frank Wright)
1976	Cairns Municipal Band (QLD)	Frank James	Sinfonietta (Thomas Wilson)
1975	Tuggerah Lakes District Band (NSW)	Colin Bain	Essay for Brass Band (Edward Gregson)
1974	Willoughby Municipal Band (NSW)	Peter Walmsley	Orion (Granville Bantock)
1973	Ararat City Band (VIC)	Ray Humphries	Music for Brass (Denis Wright)
1972	Ballarat Soldiers Memorial Band (VIC)	Frank N. James	Prometheus Unbound (Granville Bantock)
1971	Bundaberg Municipal Band (QLD)	Ralph S.B. Skerritt	St Michael's Mount (Eric Ball)
1970	Hobart City Band (TAS)	Gordon Sheedy	Les Préludes (Franz Liszt, arr. William Rimmer)
1969	Tuggerah Lakes District Band (NSW)	Don Stewart	Quo Vadis? (Whither Goest Thou?) (Drake Rimmer)
1968	Caulfield Citizens Band (VIC)	Jim Doherty	Music for a Brass Band (Martin Dalby)
1967	Victorian Railways Institute Band (VIC)	Victor Boyle	Glastonbury (Denis Wright)
1966	Gosford Shire Band (NSW)	Alex Clulow	The Great City (William Lovelock)
1965	Ipswich City Vice Regal Band (QLD)	James J. Kelly	Spring Song / Island Heritage
1964	Melbourne & Metropolitan Tramways Band (VIC)	Verdi McMahon	Everybody's Child (Eric Ball)
1963	Mount Gambier City Band (SA)	Donald J. Edwards	Test Piece Unknown
1962	Caulfield Citizens Band (VIC)	Jim Doherty	Scheherazade (Nikolai A. Rimsky-Korsakov, arr. Drake Rimmer)
1961	Maryborough Citizens Band (VIC)	A. (Jack) Harris	Second Rhapsody on Negro Spirituals (Eric Ball)
1960	Rockhampton City Band (QLD)	William Bellert	Sunset Rhapsody (Eric Ball) / The Yorkshire Ridings (Sam B. Wood)
1959	Air Force Association Band (WA)	Ivan Nylander	Normandy (Henry E. Geehl)
1958	Mackay City Band (QLD) / Townsville Citizens Band (QLD)	Alf Trahair / Albert W. Trembath	Test Piece Unknown
1957	Eaglehawk Citizens Brass Band (VIC)	George Miller	Ajanta: The Forgotten Temple (Hans Uljée, arr. Drake Rimmer)

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Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
1956	Maryborough Citizens Band (VIC)	A. (Jack) Harris	Test Piece Unknown
1955	Portland Boys Band (NSW)	Edward N. (Ted) Simons	The Crusaders (Thomas Keighley)
1953	Wollongong Steelworks Band (NSW)	John McDonald Tougher	A Northern Rhapsody (Thomas Keighley)
1952	Mount Isa Silver Band (QLD)	Lou Gray	Moses in Egypt (Gioachino A. Rossini, arr. J.A. Greenwood) / Selection from Pagliacci (Ruggiero Leoncavallo)
1951	East Kew Citizens Band (VIC)	Jack Bramwell	The Royal Water Music (Georg Friedrich Händel, arr. Hamilton Harty)
1950	Mount Gambier Citizens Band (SA)	Jack A. Marks	Sirius (Frank Wright)
1949	Not Contested		Not Selected
1948	Newcastle City Ex-Servicemen Band (NSW)	Not Listed	No Set Test Piece
1947	Mackay City Band (QLD)	William Richard Smith	The Crusaders (Thomas Keighley)
1946	South Melbourne City Band (VIC)	William Philpott	No Set Test Piece
1945	St John Ambulance Brigade Band (NSW)	Charles Bignall	The White Rider (Denis Wright)
1939	Maryborough Federal Band (QLD)	Frank C. (Massa) Johnson	Owain Glyndwr (Richard Maldwyn Price) / The Royal Water Music (Georg Friedrich Händel, arr. Hamilton Harty)
1938	New South Wales Railway Institute Band (NSW)	Charles Coughlan	Princess Nada (Denis Wright)
1937	Not Contested		Not Selected
1936	Barrier Industrial Unions Band (NSW)	Les Richards	Prometheus Unbound (Granville Bantock) / Egmont Overture (Ludwig van Beethoven, arr. Eric Ball)
1935	Cairns Citizens (31st Battalion) Band (QLD)	James Compton	Carmen (Georges Bizet) / Songs of Northern Scotland (James Ord Hume)

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Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
2025	Wonthaggi Citizens Band (VIC)	Craig Marinus	Inspiration (Jan de Haan)
2024	Whitehorse Brass (VIC)	Broden Ford	Saul (Shelley Spencer)
2023	Willoughby Band No. 2 (NSW)	Dominic Longhurst	Viking Age (Thierry Deleruyelle)
2019	Wonthaggi Citizens Band (VIC)	Craig Marinus	A Summer Rhapsody (Kerry Thomas)
2018	Wonthaggi Citizens Band (VIC)	Craig Marinus	The Graces of Love (Oliver Waespi)
2017	Latrobe Federal Band (TAS)	Geoff Dell	Visions (Dan Price)
2016	Latrobe Federal Band (TAS)	Geoff Dell	Chorale and Toccata (Stephen Bulla)
2015	Darebin City Brass - Northern Brass (VIC)	Jamie Lawson	The Valiant (William Broughton)
2014	Darebin City Brass - Northern Brass (VIC)	Jamie Lawson	St Austell Suite (Kenneth Downie)
2013	Marion City Band (SA)	Veronica Boulton	Northern Landscapes (Peter Graham)
2012	Marion City Band (SA)	Veronica Boulton	Lake of the Moon (Kevin Houben)
2011	Boroondara Harmony Brass (VIC)	Danny van Bergen	Purcell Variations (Kenneth Downie)
2010	City of Holroyd Brass Band (NSW)	Shaun Yow	Portrait of a City (Philip Sparke)
2009	Darebin City Brass - Northern Brass (VIC)	Andrew Power	Symphony of Marches (Gilbert Vinter)
2008	Surfers Paradise Brass (QLD)	Gordon Richmond	The Shipbuilders (Peter Yorke)
2007	Geelong West Brass Band (VIC)	Jeff Steele	A Gallimaufry Suite (Philip Harper)
2006	Brisbane Brass No. 2 (QLD)	Greg Aitken	Northern Landscapes (Peter Graham)
2005	Gosford City Brass Band (NSW)	Phillip Rutherford	Dancing in the Park (Peter Graham)
2004	Latrobe Federal Band (TAS)	Gerry Foster	Chorale and Toccata (Stephen Bulla)
2003	Gunnedah Shire Band (NSW)	Jason Katsikaris	The Prizewinners (Philip Sparke)
2002	Moorabbin Brass (VIC)	Jason Mears	Diamond Heritage (Darrol Barry)
2001	Moorabbin Brass (VIC)	Jason Mears	The Loaded Dog (Graham Lloyd)

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2000	Kew Band (VIC)	Tom Paulin	Sirius (Brian Hogg)
1999	Kew Band (VIC)	Tom Paulin	Hollywood! (Goff Richards)
1998	Maitland City Brass Band (NSW)	Richard Anderson	Night Music (Bram Wiggins)
1997	Eaglehawk Citizens Brass Band (VIC)	Doug J. Trottman	A Barchester Suite (Derek Bourgeois)
1996	Toronto & District Brass Band (NSW)	Michael Bell	Divertimento for Brass (Darrol Barry)
1995	Toronto & District Brass Band (NSW)	Michael Bell	A Celtic Suite (Philip Sparke)
1994	Warrnambool City Band (VIC)	Ross Lewis	Legend in Brass (James Curnow)
1993	Marist Brothers Bendigo Band (VIC)	Brian McMennemin	Celebration (Eric Ball)
1992	Warringah Concert Brass (NSW)	Jack Saunders	Little Suite for Brass Band No. 2 (Op. 93) (Malcolm Arnold)
1991	Blue Mountains City Band (NSW)	Stephen McGlynn	Fanfare and Variations (Darrol Barry)
1990	City of Caulfield Band (VIC)	Colin Lord	A Saddleworth Festival Overture (Goff Richards)
1989	Nambour & Maroochy District Band (QLD)	Debra Radford	Mexican Fiesta (Ronald Hanmer)
1988	Te Awamutu Municipal Band (NZ)	Lloyd Barry Lee	Dimboola (George Dreyfus)
1987	Blue Mountains City Band (NSW)	Christopher Bourne	Music for a Festival (Philip Sparke)
1986	Marong Municipal (Hopetoun) Band (VIC)	Brian McMennemin	Sinfonietta Pastorale (Henry E. Geehl)
1985	Marong Municipal (Hopetoun) Band (VIC)	Brian McMennemin	Aspirations (Derek Bourgeois)
1984	Not Contested		Not Selected
1983	Te Awamutu Municipal Band (NZ)	Lloyd Barry Lee	Tuba Mirum (The Trumpet Shall Sound) (Gareth Wood)
1982	Rockhampton City Brass (QLD)	Keith W. Munns	Hungarian Fantasy (Albert H. Jakeway)
1981	Maitland City Brass Band (NSW)	Les Sandy	Morning Rhapsody (Eric Ball)
1980	Strathfieldsaye Municipal Band (VIC)	Wayne Bowden	Alice in Wonderland (Ronald Hanmer)
1979	Bunbury City Band (WA)	Laurie O'Connell	Isle of Avalon (Philip B. Catelinet)

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Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
1978	Upper Hutt Municipal Band (NZ)	John Phillipson	Rhapsody on British Sea Shanties (Donald Osgood)
1977	Bexley District Band (NSW)	Jack Hansen	The Pacemakers (Edward Gregson)
1976	Mount Gambier City Band (SA)	Donald J. Edwards	Cornish Festival Overture (Eric Ball)
1975	Newcastle Police & Citizens Boys Club Brass Band (NSW)	W. Frank Simm	Avalon (Norman Richardson)
1974	Thompsons Foundry Band (VIC)	Stan Doran	Song and Dances (Allan Street)
1973	Stawell Municipal Brass Band (VIC)	Norm Litt	Capriol Suite (Peter Warlock, arr. Geoffrey Brand)
1972	Wangaratta City Band (VIC)	Harry A. Kuhne	Mexican Fiesta (Ronald Hanmer)
1971	Ipswich City Model Band (QLD)	John Wardrop	Homeward (Eric Ball)
1970	Wollongong Steelworks Band (NSW)	John McDonald Tougher	Snowdon Fantasy (Thomas James Powell)
1969	Tuggerah Lakes District Band (NSW)	Don Stewart	Fowey River Suite (Eric Ball)
1968	Kadina & Wallaroo Band (SA)	Sam L. Trenwith	The Rivals (Alfred Ashpole)
1967	Sunshine City Band (VIC)	George Manktelow	Old Palace Yard (Francis Cameron, arr. Frank Wright)
1966	Tuggerah Lakes District Band (NSW)	Don Stewart	Four Preludes (Eric Ball)
1965	Redcliffe RSL & Municipal Brass Band (QLD)	Jack Ryder	Test Piece Unknown
1964	Footscray Citizens Band (VIC)	William Shea	Life's Treasures (Thomas James Powell)
1963	Geelong City Municipal Band (VIC)	John Wood	Test Piece Unknown
1962	Mount Gambier City Band (SA)	Donald J. Edwards	Spirit of Progress (Drake Rimmer)
1961	Caulfield Citizens Band (VIC)	Jim Doherty	Crown Cavalcade (P. Beechfield Carver)
1960	Sandgate District & Citizens Band (QLD)	Robert G. Cerezo	The Undaunted (Eric Ball)
1959	Bunbury City Band (WA)	L. Nisbett	Sirius (Frank Wright)
1958	Cairns Citizens (31st Battalion) Band (QLD)	Allen H. Raines	Test Piece Unknown
1957	Ipswich Excelsior Band (QLD)	Bill Ryder	James Hook (Henry E. Geehl)

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1956	Ringwood Citizens Band (VIC)	Victor Boyle	Test Piece Unknown
1955	Burlington District Band (NSW) / Rockdale District Band (NSW)	Percy Hopwood / Cyril Ridgeway	O'er Hill and Dale (E. Le Duc)
1953	Portland Town Band (NSW)	Edward N. (Ted) Simons	The Crusaders (Thomas Keighley)
1952	Cessnock Municipal Band (NSW)	Robert Prescott	Aroldo (Giuseppe Verdi)
1951	Hurstville Municipal Band (NSW)	Jim Huggett	Themes from Greig Piano Concerto (Edvard Grieg, arr. Kenneth Cook)
1950	South Australian Police Band (SA)	Alex Radcliffe	Three Brass Band Studies (Philip B. Catelinet)
1949	Not Contested		Not Selected
1948	Newcastle City Ex-Servicemen Band (NSW)	Not Listed	No Set Test Piece
1947	Ipswich City Model Band (QLD)	Horace J. Harper	La Regina di Golconda (Gaetano Donizetti)
1946	East Kew Citizens Band (VIC)	Jack Bramwell	No Set Test Piece
1945	Lithgow Town & Industrial Band (NSW)	Charles Lewins	Beethoven's Works (Ludwig van Beethoven, arr. Alexander Owen)
1939	Gympie Citizens Band (QLD)	Bill Ryder Snr.	Titus (Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart)
1938	Wollongong Steelworks Band (NSW)	John McDonald Tougher	Gilbert and Sullivan Selection: Iolanthe (Arthur Sullivan)
1937	Not Contested		Not Selected
1936	Mount Gambier Citizens Band (SA)	Jack A. Marks	Die Feen (The Fairies) (Richard Wagner, arr. Frank Wright)
1935	Bundaberg City Band (QLD)	Edward Mulhall	The Mock Doctor (Charles Gounod)

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Open 'D' Grade Brass Section			
Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
2025	City of Ballarat Municipal Brass (VIC)	Dennis Stevenson	Legend in Brass (James Curnow)
2024	Hyde Street Youth Band (VIC)	Phillipa Edwards	Neverland (Christopher Bond)
2023	Hyde Street Youth Band (VIC)	Phillipa Edwards	Music for Greenwich (Edward Gregson)
2019	Far Northern Brass (QLD)	Nathan Wiltshire	Vengeance (Jared McCunnie)
2018	Creswick Brass Band (VIC)	Katrina Bird	An English Pastorate (Dean Jones)
2017	Croydon Brass Band (VIC)	Melina Benger	The Journal of Phileas Fogg (Peter Graham)
2016	Ararat City Band (VIC)	Wally J. Pope	Anglian Dances (Alan Fernie)
2015	Warriparinga Brass (SA)	Veronica Boulton	ANZAC Variations (Phillip Rutherford)
2014	Goldfields Brass Band (WA)	Keith Nicholas	Stantonbury Festival (Ray Steadman-Allen)
2013	Goldfields/Esperence Combined Brass Band (WA)	Keith Nicholas	Prelude, Song and Dance (John Golland)
2012	Sale City Band (VIC)	Hugh Davies	A Celtic Suite (Philip Sparke)
2011	Moonee Valley Brass (VIC)	Wally J. Pope	Music from Kantara (Kenneth Downie)
2010	Boroondara Harmony Brass (VIC)	Danny van Bergen	Convergents (Franco Cesarini)
2009	Boroondara Harmony Brass (VIC)	Danny van Bergen	The Call of the Righteous (Leslie Condon)
2008	Narrabri Shire Band (NSW)	Stephen Moore	Anglian Dances (Alan Fernie)
2007	Darebin City Brass - Northern Brass (VIC)	Andrew Power	Glasgow Overture (Alan Fernie)
2006	Yagoona District Band (NSW)	Norman Short	Voices of Youth (Edward Gregson)
2005	St Marys Band Club Brass (NSW)	Robert Pearce	Scenes from a Comedy (Michael E. Hopkinson)
2004	Royal Hifofua Tongan Brass (NSW)	Frederick Deroy Vi	Legend in Brass (James Curnow)
2003	Royal Hifofua Tongan Brass (NSW)	Frederick Deroy Vi	Four Little Maids (John R. Carr)
2002	Narrabri Shire Band (NSW)	Stephen Moore	The Seasons (Philip Wilby)
2001	Capricornia Silver Band No. 2 (QLD)	Jeanette Douglas	A Caledonian Journey (Alan Fernie)

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Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
2000	Echuca Federal Band (VIC)	Doug Morrison	The Magical Scarecrow (Mark Saunders)
1999	Gunnedah Shire Band (NSW)	Laurence E. Rowe	A Wessex Suite (Derek M. Broadbent)
1998	Kew Band (VIC)	Tom Paulin	Metropolis (Gordon Langford)
1997	Parramatta City Band (NSW)	Stephen Nolan	A Malvern Suite (Philip Sparke)
1996	Maitland City Brass Band (NSW)	Michael A. Philpott	The Journeyman (Ray Steadman-Allen)
1995	Brisbane Brass Juniors (QLD)	Greg Aitken	A Saddleworth Festival Overture (Goff Richards)
1994	Geelong City Municipal Band (VIC)	Wayne Bowden	Sounds of Brass (Roy Newsome)
1993	Toronto & District Brass Band (NSW)	Michael Bell	Petite Suite de Ballet (Eric Ball)
1992	Narrabri Shire Band (NSW)	Stephen Moore	Nott'num Town (Allan Street)
1991	Geelong City Municipal Band (VIC)	Gary Bishop	Contrasten (Jan de Haan)
1990	Heidelberg City Band (VIC)	Robert Cooper	A Celtic Suite (Philip Sparke)
1989	Dubbo District Band (NSW)	Norman (Cobber) Burnett	Ballad for Band (Gordon Jacob)
1988	Warringah Concert Brass No. 2 (NSW)	Jack Saunders	Sirius (Frank Wright)
1987	Narrabri Shire Band (NSW)	Stephen Moore	Four Little Maids (John R. Carr)
1986	Elizabeth City Brass Band No. 2 (SA)	D. Parker	Second Suite in F Major (Gustav Holst, arr. Sydney Herbert)
1985	Blue Mountains City Band (NSW)	Ken Duff	Metropolis (Gordon Langford)
1984	Orange Police & Citizens Youth Club Band (NSW)	Harry Sloggett	Episodes for Brass (Ronald Hanmer)
1983	St Ignatius College Band (NSW)	Harold Kellett	Rhapsody on Sea Shanties (Gordon Langford)
1982	Thuringowa Shire Band (QLD)	Vic Johnson	Doon Valley (Allan Street)
1981	Heidelberg City Band (VIC)	John Woods	A Northumbrian Suite (Stuart Johnson)
1980	Port Fairy Citizens Band (VIC)	Les Murdoch	A Suite for Switzerland (Roy Newsome)
1979	City of Belmont Brass Band (WA)	Brian Dodds	The Seasons (John R. Carr)

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Open 'D' Grade Brass Section (Continued)

Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
1978	Mildura District Brass Band (VIC)	Len Krause	Little Suite for Brass Band (Kenneth Platts)
1977	East Hills Boys High School Band (NSW)	Brian McGuinness	Shakespearean Rhapsody (Prospero and Miranda) (Reginald Heath)
1976	Townsville Citizens Band (QLD)	L. Alloway	Episodes for Brass (Ronald Hanmer)
1975	Maitland City Brass Band (NSW)	Michael Golding	Promenade (Frank Bryce)
1974	Devonport Municipal Band (TAS)	J. Saint	American Sketches (Eric Ball)
1973	Marion City Band (SA)	G. Doug Burnside	Youth Salutes a Master (Eric Ball)
1972	Christian Brothers Old Collegians Band (VIC)	Victor Boyle	Shakespearean Rhapsody (Prospero and Miranda) (Reginald Heath)
1971	Kingaroy Citizens Band (QLD)	Jack Murray	English Suite (William Lovelock)
1970	St Patricks College Sutherland (NSW)	Keith H. Kellett	American Sketches (Eric Ball)
1969	St Leos College Band (NSW)	Reg Bishop	Purcellian Suite (Henry Purcell, arr. Frank Wright)
1968	Light United Band (SA)	E.R. Schmidt	Passing Moods (Thomas James Powell)
1967	Wangaratta City Band (VIC)	Harry A. Kuhne	Mexican Fiesta (Philip B. Catelinet)
1966	Willoughby Municipal Band (NSW)	Reg Bishop	A Rural Suite (Charles Woodhouse, arr. Eric Ball)
1965	Cairns Combined School & Citizens Band (QLD)	Harold White	Test Piece Unknown
1964	Casterton Vice-Regal Band (VIC)	L. Blackett	The Ancient Mariner (William Rimmer)
1963	Not Contested		Not Selected
1962	Kew Citizens Band (VIC)	Allan Traves	Homage to Pharaoh (Drake Rimmer)
1961	Dubbo Citizens & District Band (NSW)	Norman (Cobber) Burnett	Glastonbury (Denis Wright)
1960	Townsville RSL Band (QLD)	Vic Johnson	In Tudor Days (Henry E. Geehl)
1959	Young Australia League Band (WA)	Sammy Sharpe	Suite Ancienne (Alfred Ashpole)
1958	Cairns Combined Schools Band (QLD)	W.H. Wellings	Test Piece Unknown
1957	Mildura District Brass Band (VIC)	A.W. Stedman	The Vicar of Bray (Frank Stokes)

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Open 'D' Grade Brass Section (Continued)

Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
1956	Geelong West Brass Band (VIC)	C. Brain	Test Piece Unknown
1955	Bexley District Band (NSW) / Canterbury District Band (NSW)	Jim Neiles / Charles Lloyd	Homage to Pharaoh (Drake Rimmer)
1953	St George-Sutherland Shire Band (NSW)	Frank J. McGuinness	In Old Tibet
1952	Gosford District Band (NSW)	Reg Bishop	The New Age (J.A. Greenwood)
1951	Colac Town Band (VIC)	Hugh Bartlett	Romantique (Robert Schumann)
1950	St Peters Municipal Band (SA)	Harold Hewson	Rhapsody on Negro Spirituals (Eric Ball)
1949	Not Contested		Not Selected
1948	Hurstville Municipal Band (NSW)	Not Listed	No Set Test Piece
1947	Gladstone Municipal Band (QLD)	T.J. Rees	Autumn Echoes (J.A. Greenwood)
1946	Chelsea City Band (VIC)	Charles Smith	No Set Test Piece
1945	Cowra District Boys Band (NSW)	Colin Knight	The Spirit of Youth (J.A. Greenwood)
1939	Mackay City Band (QLD)	Lou Gray	Recollections of Balfe (Michael William Balfe, arr. William Rimmer)
1938	Gympie Citizens Band (QLD)	George Jefferson	The Call of Youth (J.A. Greenwood)
1937	Not Contested		Not Selected
1936	Mount Gambier Citizens Band (SA)	Jack A. Marks	Coriolanus (Cyril Jenkins)
1935	Bundaberg Excelsior Band (QLD)	Edward Mulhall	Martha (Friedrich von Flotow)

Open 'E' Grade Brass Section

Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
1965	Dalby Citizens Band (QLD)	Unknown	Test Piece Unknown

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Country Grade Brass Section			
Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
1939	Mount Morgan Citizens Band (QLD)	Not Listed	Test Piece Unknown

Junior Grade Brass Section			
Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
1984	Willoughby Municipal Junior Band (NSW)	Peter Walmsley	Carnival (Helen Perkins)
1983	Warragul Municipal Band (VIC)	Bruce Armstrong	Egmont Overture (Ludwig van Beethoven, arr. Eric Ball)
1982	Willoughby Municipal Junior Band (NSW)	Peter Walmsley	Youth Salutes a Master (Eric Ball)
1981	Willoughby Municipal Band (NSW)	Peter Walmsley	Provence (Bryan Kelly)
1980	Willoughby Municipal Band (NSW)	Peter Walmsley	Three Sketches for Brass Band (Philip B. Catelinet)
1979	Wesley College Brass Band (WA)	Geoff Rewell	A Northumbrian Suite (Stuart Johnson)
1978	Warragul Municipal Band (VIC)	Bruce Armstrong	Coliseum (Gareth Wood)
1977	Willoughby Municipal Junior Band (NSW)	Peter Walmsley	Homeward (Eric Ball)
1976	Willoughby Municipal Junior Band (NSW)	Peter Walmsley	Caesar and Cleopatra (Gerard Boedijn, arr. Albert H. Jakeway)
1975	Newcastle Police & Citizens Boys Club Brass Band (NSW)	W. Frank Simm	Sinfonietta (Joseph Horovitz)
1974	Edmund Rice College Band (NSW)	John Flynn	A Czech Fantasy (Albert H. Jakeway)
1973	Blacktown District Band (NSW)	William Soames	Test Piece Unknown
1972	Newcastle Police & Citizens Boys Club Brass Band (NSW)	W. Frank Simm	Sinfonie Concertante (Gerard Boedijn)
1971	St Leos College Band Wahroonga (NSW)	Reg Bishop	No Set Test Piece
1970	St Leos College Band Wahroonga (NSW)	Reg Bishop	American Sketches (Eric Ball)
1969	Not Contested		Not Selected

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Junior Grade Brass Section (Continued)

Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
1968	Not Contested		Not Selected
1967	St Augustine Boys Band (VIC)	Mark Irwin	Hinrichsen Brass Band Journal No. 210 (1st, 2nd & 3rd Movements)
1966	Yagoona Boys Band (NSW)	Warwick Sands	No Set Test Piece
1965	Tuggerah Lakes District Band (NSW)	Unknown	Test Piece Unknown
1961	Gosford Shire Band (NSW)	Alex Clulow	The Princess and the Poet (Eric Ball)
1960	Bundaberg Federal Band (QLD)	Not Listed	Divertimento (Eric Ball)
1959	Not Contested		Not Selected
1958	Lismore Citizens Band (NSW)	Ernie Ormerod	Test Piece Unknown
1957	Not Contested		Not Selected
1956	Not Contested		Not Selected
1955	Port Kembla Town Junior Band (NSW)	Bob Grant	Scotia's Sweetest Melodies (William Smith)
1953	Port Kembla Town Junior Band (NSW)	Bob Grant	In Old Tibet
1952	Dalby Town Band (QLD)	J.D. Napier	Test Piece Unknown
1951	Not Contested		Not Selected
1950	Not Contested		Not Selected
1949	Not Contested		Not Selected
1948	Portland School Band (NSW)	Not Listed	No Set Test Piece
1947	Not Contested		Not Selected
1946	Not Contested		Not Selected
1945	Cowra District Boys Band (NSW)	Colin Knight	The Spirit of Youth (J.A. Greenwood)
1939	Maryborough Boys Band (QLD)	Sam Whitaker	A Souvenir of the Opera (William Rimmer)
1938	Bexley Municipal Boys Band (NSW)	Richard Wells	Autumn Echoes (J.A. Greenwood)

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Junior 'A' Grade Brass Section			
Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
2025	Hyde Street Youth Band (VIC)	Phillipa Edwards OAM	A Summer Rhapsody (Kerry Thomas)
2024	Not Contested		Lydian Pictures (Simon Dobson)
2023	Not Contested		Not Selected
2019	Not Contested		Not Selected
2018	Gunnedah Shire Band (NSW)	Anthony Rowe	Platform to the Heavens (Paul Lovatt-Cooper)
2017	Gunnedah Shire Band (NSW)	Anthony Rowe	The Saga of Haakon the Good (Philip Sparke)
2016	Gunnedah Shire Band (NSW)	Anthony Rowe	Fanfares and Love Songs (Gavin Higgins)
2015	Gunnedah Shire Band (NSW)	Anthony Rowe	Behold the Narrows from the Hill (Dwayne Bloomfield)
2014	Gunnedah Shire Band (NSW)	Anthony Rowe	Heroic Overture (Kerry Thomas)
2013	Not Contested		Not Selected
2012	Gunnedah Shire Band (NSW)	Howard Taylor	Partita for Brass Band (Edward Gregson)
2011	Gunnedah Shire Band (NSW)	Laurence E. Rowe & Danny Alexander	The Dark Side of the Moon (Paul Lovatt-Cooper)
2010	Gunnedah Shire Band (NSW)	Laurence E. Rowe	Colonial Scenes (Lyall McDermott)
2009	Gunnedah Shire Band (NSW)	Danny Alexander	Shine as the Light (Peter Graham)
2008	Gunnedah Shire Band (NSW)	Bruce Myers	Lydian Pictures (Simon Dobson)
2007	Gunnedah Shire Band (NSW)	Bruce Myers	Three Places in Italy (Brenton Broadstock)
2006	Gunnedah Shire Band (NSW)	Danny Alexander	Lyonesse (Simon Dobson)
2005	Gunnedah Shire Band (NSW)	Jason Katsikaris	Dreams and Aspirations (Tony Cliff)
2004	Gunnedah Shire Band (NSW)	Jason Katsikaris	Images for Brass (Stephen Bulla)
2003	Gunnedah Shire Band (NSW)	Jason Katsikaris	Entertainments (Gilbert Vinter)
2002	Gunnedah Shire Band (NSW)	Laurence E. Rowe	Glasshouse Sketches (Barrie Gott)
2001	Barker College Brass (NSW)	Peter Walmsley	Pacific Dreams (Jacob de Haan)

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Junior 'A' Grade Brass Section (Continued)

Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
2000	Willoughby City Junior Band (NSW)	Matthew Walmsley	The Loaded Dog (Graham Lloyd)
1999	Willoughby City Junior Band (NSW)	Matthew Walmsley	Music from Kantara (Kenneth Downie)
1998	Willoughby City Junior Band (NSW)	Matthew Walmsley	Hollywood! (Goff Richards)
1997	Willoughby City Junior Band (NSW)	Matthew Walmsley	A Leadsman, a Lady and a Lord (David Stanhope)
1996	Willoughby City Band (NSW)	Matthew Walmsley	Music for a Festival (Philip Sparke)
1995	Willoughby City Junior Band (NSW)	Matthew Walmsley	Suite for Brass (Mike Davis)
1994	Willoughby City Band (NSW)	Matthew Walmsley	Confluence (William Himes)
1993	Willoughby City Band (NSW)	Peter Walmsley	Second Rhapsody on Negro Spirituals (Eric Ball)
1992	Willoughby City Band (NSW)	Peter Walmsley	Sinfonietta (Joseph Horovitz)
1991	Willoughby City Band (NSW)	Peter Walmsley	This Happy Land (Gareth Wood)
1990	Willoughby City Band (NSW)	Peter Walmsley	Music for a Festival (Philip Sparke)
1989	Willoughby Municipal Band (NSW)	Peter Walmsley	Overture to Youth (Eric Hughes)
1988	Willoughby Municipal Band (NSW)	Peter Walmsley	Concertino for Brass Band (Eric Gross)
1987	Willoughby Municipal Band (NSW)	Peter Walmsley	Music for Greenwich (Edward Gregson)
1986	Willoughby Municipal Junior Band (NSW)	Peter Walmsley	Little Suite for Brass Band (Op. 80) (Malcolm Arnold)
1985	Willoughby Municipal Band (NSW)	Peter Walmsley	Caprice (Paul Huber)

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Junior 'B' Grade Brass Section			
Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
2025	Box Hill Academy Brass (VIC)	Lauren Innes	A Bournemouth Suite (Benjamin Tubb-Hearne)
2024	Hyde Street Youth Band (VIC)	Andrew Wilson & Bethany McAuliffe-D'Rozario	Partita for Brass Band (Edward Gregson)
2023	Hyde Street Youth Band (VIC)	Phillipa Edwards	Capriol Suite (Peter Warlock, arr. Phillip Littlemore)
2019	Sunshine Coast Youth Band - Bright as Brass (QLD)	Elena Katahanas	A Malvern Suite (Philip Sparke)
2018	Hyde Street Youth Band (VIC)	Jeroen Kromhof	The Comber Suite (Darrol Barry)
2017	Sunshine Coast Youth Band - Bright as Brass (QLD)	Kevin Brown	Diogenes (Jacob de Haan)
2016	Just Brass Geelong (VIC)	Wendy Steele	Three Part Invention (Kenneth Downie)
2015	Not Contested		Not Selected
2014	Warriparinga Youth Band (SA)	Veronica Boulton	A Malvern Suite (Philip Sparke)
2013	Not Contested		Not Selected
2012	Warriparinga Youth Band (SA)	Veronica Boulton	Voices of Youth (Edward Gregson)
2011	Not Contested		Not Selected
2010	Hobart Junior Brass (TAS)	Simon Cawthorn	A Swedish Rhapsody (Gordon Jacob)
2009	Warringah Youth Brass (NSW)	John E. Saunders	A Disney Fantasy (arr. Goff Richards)
2008	Warringah Youth Brass (NSW)	John E. Saunders	St Andrews Variations (Alan Fernie)
2007	Whitehorse Brass (VIC)	Alwayne Strentz	The Comber Suite (Darrol Barry)
2006	Not Contested		Not Selected
2005	Boroondara Youth Brass (VIC)	Danny van Bergen	Fantasia on 17th Century English Songs (Michael Kenyon)
2004	Ulverstone Municipal Band (TAS)	Chris Lusted	Island Music (Stuart Johnson)
2003	City of Wollongong Junior Brass (NSW)	Tara Grimm	Mexican Fiesta (Ronald Hanmer)
2002	City of Holroyd Junior Band (NSW)	Mark Strykowski	A Slaidburn Festival Overture (Beverley Ann Stoll)
2001	Newcastle PCYC Brass Band (NSW)	John Kellaway	The Journeyman (Ray Steadman-Allen)

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Junior 'B' Grade Brass Section (Continued)

Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
2000	Ulverstone Municipal Band (TAS)	Chris Lusted	Sirius (Frank Wright)
1999	Greater Bendigo Concert Youth Brass (VIC)	Wally J. Pope	Key West (Darrol Barry)
1998	Darebin Youth Brass (VIC)	Phillipa Edwards	Fantasy on a Swiss Folk Song (Urs Heri)
1997	Parade College Band (VIC)	Martin Macaulay	Key West (Darrol Barry)
1996	Toronto & District Brass Band (NSW)	Michael Bell	Voices of Youth (Edward Gregson)
1995	Toronto & District Junior Band (NSW)	Michael Bell	A Northumbrian Suite (Stuart Johnson)
1994	Ulverstone Municipal Junior Band (TAS)	Chris Lusted	Three Times a Tune (Jan Hadermann)
1993	Ulverstone Municipal Band (TAS)	Chris Lusted	Devon Fantasy (Eric Ball)
1992	St Marys District Junior Band (NSW)	Ken Bradley	Partita for Brass Band (Edward Gregson)
1991	Barker College Concert Band (NSW)	Peter Walmsley	A Northumbrian Suite (Stuart Johnson)
1990	Beaufort Municipal Band (VIC)	Ian Lofts	A Tameside Suite (Philip Sparke)
1989	Newcastle PCYC Brass Band (NSW)	John Kellaway	Voices of Youth (Edward Gregson)
1988	Newcastle PCYC Brass Band (NSW)	John Kellaway	Burke and Wills Suite (Peter Sculthorpe)
1987	Toronto & District Brass Band (NSW)	Ian Wilson	Kaleidoscope (Stuart Johnson)
1986	Gunnedah Shire Band Juniors (NSW)	Stan Priestley	The Rising Generation (Edrich Siebert)
1985	Beaufort Municipal Band (VIC)	Ian Lofts	Indian Summer (Eric Ball)

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Junior 'C' Grade Brass Section			
Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
2025	Richmond Youth Brass Band (VIC)	Adam Arnold	Haunted (Adrian Hallam)
2024	Box Hill Academy Brass (VIC)	Lauren Innes	The Castle by the Sea (Jay Helbers)
2023	City of Wollongong Junior Brass (NSW)	Desmond Cannings	Fanfare, Theme & Finale for HPs! (Mark Ford)
2019	Brisbane State High School Brass Ensemble (QLD)	Heather McWilliams	Music for Greenwich (Edward Gregson)
2018	North West Junior Brass (TAS)	Peter Johnston	Times Passed (Alan Fernie)
2017	Hyde Street Youth Band (VIC)	Jeroen Kromhof	Two Places (Simon Reade)
2016	Hyde Street Youth Band (VIC)	Murray Walker	Susato Variations (Jan de Haan)
2015	Sunshine Coast Youth Band (QLD)	Kevin Brown	Kaleidoscope (Stuart Johnson)
2014	Morawa District High School Senior Band (WA)	Helen Walter	Four Old Dances (Jan van der Roost)
2013	Morawa District High School Brass Band (WA)	Dean Carslake	The Territorians (Bill McAllister)
2012	Bendigo Youth Brass (VIC)	Hannah Trewartha	Suite for a Ceremonial Occasion (Tony Cresswell)
2011	Warriparinga Youth Band (SA)	Veronica Boulton	Little Suite for Brass Band (Op. 80) (Malcolm Arnold)
2010	Warriparinga Brass (SA)	Veronica Boulton	St Andrews Variations (Alan Fernie)
2009	Not Contested		Not Selected
2008	Brisbane Brass Juniors (QLD)	Bill Barker	Glasgow Overture (Alan Fernie)
2007	Warringah Youth Brass (NSW)	John E. Saunders	Fata Morgana (Kees Schoonenbeek)
2006	Warringah Youth Brass (NSW)	John E. Saunders	The Seasons (Philip Wilby)
2005	Boroondara Youth Brass (VIC)	Danny van Bergen	The Territorians (Bill McAllister)
2004	Not Contested		Not Selected
2003	St Marys Band Club Junior Brass (NSW)	Robert Pearce	Little Suite for Brass Band (Op. 80) (Malcolm Arnold)
2002	Kensington & Norwood Youth Brass (SA)	Veronica Bowman	Kaleidoscope (Stuart Johnson)
2001	City of Holroyd Brass Band (NSW)	Mark Strykowski	A Circus Suite (Stuart Johnson)

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Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
2000	Glenorchy City Concert Brass (TAS)	Dean Hunt	Purcellian Suite (Henry Purcell, arr. Frank Wright)
1999	Gunnedah Shire Band (NSW)	Laurence E. Rowe	The Flintknappers Suite (Stuart Johnson)
1998	Irrawang High School Brass (NSW)	Adele Robinson	Erasmus' Tales (Jan Hadermann)
1997	Irrawang High School Brass (NSW)	Adele Robinson	Kaleidoscope (Stuart Johnson)
1996	Gunnedah Shire Band (NSW)	Laurence E. Rowe	Episodes for Brass (Ronald Hanmer)
1995	Narrabri Shire Junior Band (NSW)	Robyn Smith	No Set Test Piece
1994	Hawthorn City Junior Band (VIC)	Lindsay Paterson	No Set Test Piece
1993	Not Contested		Not Selected
1992	Warringah Youth Brass (NSW)	John E. Saunders	Episodes for Brass (Ronald Hanmer)
1991	Not Contested		Not Selected
1990	Not Contested		Not Selected
1989	Not Contested		Not Selected
1988	Moree & District Band (NSW)	Laurence E. Rowe	Old Westminster (Brass Triptych) (Frank Wright)

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Open Grade Concert Section			
Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
1981	Hornsby Concert Band (NSW)	Victor Grieve	No Set Test Piece
1980	Adelaide College Concert Band (SA)	Harold Hall	No Set Test Piece
1979	Hornsby Concert Band (NSW)	Michael Butcher	No Set Test Piece
1978	Hornsby Concert Band (NSW)	Michael Butcher	No Set Test Piece
1977	Hornsby Concert Band (NSW)	Michael Butcher	Test Piece Unknown
1976	Hornsby Concert Band (NSW)	Michael Butcher	Test Piece Unknown
1975	Hornsby & District Youth Band (NSW)	Max Spiller	No Set Test Piece

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Open 'A' Grade Concert Section			
Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
2025	Western Australian Wind Symphony (WA)	Samuel Parry	Bury and Rise (Catherine Likhuta)
2024	Western Australian Wind Symphony (WA)	Samuel Parry	Duende (Luis Serrano Alarcón)
2023	Castle Hill RSL North West Wind Ensemble (NSW)	James Brice	Folksongs for Band (Suite No. 3) (David Stanhope)
2019	Castle Hill RSL North West Wind Ensemble (NSW)	James Brice	Metropolis 1927 (Peter Graham)
2018	Castle Hill RSL North West Wind Ensemble (NSW)	James Brice	Symphony for Band (Jerry Bilik)
2017	Hobart Wind Symphony (TAS)	Simon Reade	Of Sailors and Whales (William Francis McBeth)
2016	Unley Concert Band (SA)	Stephen Boyle	Flourishes and Meditations on a Renaissance Theme (Michael Gandolfi)
2015	Castle Hill RSL North West Wind Ensemble (NSW)	James Brice	25 April 1915 (Graham Lloyd)
2014	Queensland Wind Orchestra (QLD)	Patrick Burns	Elgar Variations (Martin Ellerby)
2013	Hobart Wind Symphony (TAS)	Simon Reade	Yiddish Dances (Adam Gorb)
2012	Castle Hill RSL North West Wind Ensemble (NSW)	James Brice	Concerto for Band (Graham Lloyd)
2011	North West Wind Ensemble (NSW)	James Brice	The Year of the Dragon (Philip Sparke)
2010	Hobart Wind Symphony (TAS)	Simon Reade	Lincolnshire Posy (Percy Grainger)
2009	Hobart Wind Symphony (TAS)	Simon Reade	Lochinvar (James Curnow)
2008	Queensland Wind Orchestra (QLD)	Patrick Burns	Paris Sketches (Martin Ellerby)
2007	Castle Hill RSL North West Wind Ensemble (NSW)	James Brice	Land of Perpetual Ice (Greg Butcher)
2006	Castle Hill RSL North West Wind Ensemble (NSW)	James Brice	Harrison's Dream (Peter Graham)
2005	NSW Public Schools Symphonic Wind Ensemble (NSW)	Martin Hardy & John Benson	Blue Shades (Frank Ticheli)
2004	City of Sydney Wind Ensemble (NSW)	Steven Hillinger	Music for Arosa (Philip Sparke)
2003	NSW Public Schools Symphonic Wind Ensemble (NSW)	Stephen Williams	Reminiscencia Gitana (André Waignein)
2002	NSW Public Schools Symphonic Wind Ensemble (NSW)	John Benson	Song of Swans (Barry McKimm)
2001	City of Sydney Wind Ensemble (NSW)	Steven Hillinger	Symphonic Variations (Jacob de Haan)

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Open 'A' Grade Concert Section (Continued)

Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
2000	City of Sydney Wind Ensemble (NSW)	John Buckley	Masada (Ralph Hultgren)
1999	Melbourne Youth Symphonic Band (VIC)	Ken Waterworth	Cartoon (Paul Heart)
1998	University of Newcastle Wind Orchestra (NSW)	Ian Cook	Symphony for Wind Orchestra (1st, 2nd & Last Movements)
1997	University of Newcastle Wind Orchestra (NSW)	Ian Cook	Celebration (Philip Sparke)
1996	City of Sydney Concert Band (NSW)	Michael Butcher	Divertimento for Band (Op. 42) (Vincent Persichetti)
1995	Elder Conservatorium Wind Ensemble (SA)	Robert Hower	Variations on a Hymn by Louis Bourgeois (Claude T. Smith)
1994	Elder Conservatorium Wind Ensemble (SA)	Robert Hower	Music for 'Hamlet' (Alfred Reed)
1993	Elder Conservatorium Wind Ensemble (SA)	Robert Hower	Liturgical Dances (David R. Holsinger)
1992	Elder Conservatorium Wind Ensemble (SA)	Robert Hower	Folksongs for Band (Suite No. 3) (David Stanhope)
1991	South Australian University Concert Band (SA)	Harold Hall	Sinfonia Americana (James Curnow)
1990	South Australian C.A.E. Concert Band (SA)	Harold Hall	Mutanza (James Curnow)
1989	Sydney Schools Symphonic Ensemble (NSW)	Stephen Williams	Tombstone Arizona (Gareth Wood)
1988	South Australian C.A.E. Concert Band (SA)	Robert Hower	Song of Swans (Barry McKimm)
1987	South Australian C.A.E. Concert Band (SA)	Harold Hall	Divertimento for Band (Op. 42) (Vincent Persichetti)
1986	South Australian C.A.E. Concert Band (SA)	Harold Hall	First Suite for Military Band (Alfred Reed)
1985	South Australian C.A.E. Concert Band (SA)	Harold Hall	Canticle of the Creatures (James Curnow)
1984	South Australian C.A.E. Concert Band (SA)	Harold Hall	Till Eulenspiegel (Richard Strauss, arr. L.H. Hicks)
1983	Hills Music Academy (NSW)	Michael Butcher	Impressions of Cairo (Robert Washburn)
1982	Hills Music Academy (NSW)	Michael Butcher	Academic Festival Overture (Johannes Brahms)

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Open 'B' Grade Concert Section			
Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
2025	Manukau Concert Band (NZ)	Alex Aichelbaum	Under Loch and Quay (Daniel Dinh)
2024	Sutherland PCYC Concert Band (NSW)	Mark Brown	Compostela (The Way of St James) (Thierry Deleruyelle)
2023	Castle Hill RSL Youth Wind Orchestra (NSW)	James Brice	Home Away from Home (Catherine Likhuta)
2019	Launceston College Community Concert Band (TAS)	Peter Quigley	Infinite Hope (Brian Balmages)
2018	Knox Wind Symphony (VIC)	Danny van Bergen	Geometric Dances (Roger Cichy)
2017	Castle Hill RSL Youth Wind Orchestra (NSW)	James Brice	Three Extraordinary Journeys (Philip Sparke)
2016	Sutherland PCYC Concert Band (NSW)	Michael Psaltis	Pequeña Suite (Luis Serrano Alarcón)
2015	Castle Hill RSL Youth Wind Orchestra (NSW)	James Brice	Parapet Crenellations (Greg Butcher)
2014	Castle Hill RSL Youth Wind Orchestra (NSW)	James Brice	The Hornet's Nest (Ralph Hultgren)
2013	City of Perth Concert Band (WA)	Peter Moore	Illyrian Dances (Guy Woolfenden)
2012	Sutherland PCYC Concert Band (NSW)	Lloyd Edge	From the Core (Graham Lloyd)
2011	Sutherland PCYC Concert Band (NSW)	Lloyd Edge	Music for a Festival (Philip Sparke)
2010	Anderson Junior College Band (Singapore)	Alvin Seville	Dutch Masters (Johan de Meij)
2009	Sutherland PCYC Concert Band (NSW)	Lloyd Edge	Evocations (Martin Ellerby)
2008	Sutherland PCYC Concert Band (NSW)	Michael Psaltis	The Noon Witch (Polednice) (Op. 108) (Antonín Dvořák)
2007	Geelong Concert Band (VIC)	Mark Irwin	Champion of the Seas (Matt Klohs)
2006	South East Queensland Symphonic Winds (QLD)	Ian Brown	Canzon, Fugato and Hymn (Mark Camphouse)
2005	Castle Hill RSL North West Wind Ensemble (NSW)	Michael Butcher	Hollywood! (Goff Richards)
2004	Hobart City Band (TAS)	Simon Reade	North Bridge Portrait (Stephen Bulla)
2003	Penrith Valley Concert Band (NSW)	Ray Gallagher	Inspiration (Jan de Haan)
2002	Sutherland PCYC Concert Band (NSW)	Beth Moloney	Hollywood! (Goff Richards)
2001	NSW Public Schools Symphonic Wind Ensemble (NSW)	Stephen Williams	Firestorm (Stephen Bulla)

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Open 'B' Grade Concert Section (Continued)

Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
2000	Derwent Valley Concert Band (TAS)	Layton Hodgetts	Blue Sky Fair Weather (Barry McKimm)
1999	Hills Music Academy (NSW)	Garry Clark	Sea Songs for Symphonic Band (Thomas Knox)
1998	Forest Wind Orchestra (NSW)	Robert Bedwell	S.P.Q.R. (Guy Woolfenden)
1997	Forest High School Concert (NSW)	Robert Bedwell	Slavia (Jan van der Roost)
1996	Campbelltown-Camden District Band (NSW)	Harold Pollard	The Hornet's Nest (Ralph Hultgren)
1995	Not Contested		Not Selected
1994	Southern Area Concert Band (VIC)	Craig Seymour	Suite Française (Darius Milhaud)
1993	City of Brighton Concert Band (SA)	Stephen Boyle	An Outdoor Overture (Aaron Copland)
1992	City of Brighton Concert Band (SA)	Stephen Boyle	Kelly (Brian Hogg)
1991	City of Brighton Concert Band (SA)	Stephen Boyle	Overture Alfresco (Jerry Bilik)
1990	Southern Area Concert Band (VIC)	Craig Seymour	Armenian Dances (Part 2) (Alfred Reed)
1989	Sutherland PCYC Concert Band (NSW)	Gregory Marks	Bushdance (Ralph Hultgren)
1988	Geelong Concert Band (VIC)	Michael Butcher	The Hornet's Nest (Ralph Hultgren)
1987	Bankstown PCYC Concert Band (NSW)	Gary Brahe	Third Suite (Robert Jager)
1986	Broadmeadow High School & Community Band (NSW)	Peter G. Boys	First Suite for Military Band (Alfred Reed)
1985	Brighton High School Concert Band (SA)	Carl Crossin	Fox River Festival (James Curnow)
1984	Hawkesbury District Concert Band (NSW)	Michael Priest	Portrait of Perth (Richard Johns)
1983	Western Suburbs Police & Citizens Band (NSW)	Dennis Williams	Divertimento for Band (Karl Kroeger)
1982	Lane Cove Municipal Band (NSW)	Brian McGuinness	Overture Pastorale

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Open 'C' Grade Concert Section			
Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
2025	Shepparton Brass & Wind (VIC)	Lachlan Gallacher	Aurora Australis (Martyn Hancock)
2024	Northern Youth Symphonic Wind (NSW)	Matthew Walmsley	Canticle of the Creatures (James Curnow)
2023	City of Wollongong Wind Band (NSW)	Leanne Walton	K2: The Savage Mountain (Julie Giroux)
2019	Northern Beaches Symphonic Youth Band (NSW)	Jennifer Power	Primordial Overture (Darren W. Jenkins)
2018	Trinity College Senior Concert Band (SA)	Bruce Raymond	Psalm: A Stronghold Sure (Brian Hogg)
2017	Trinity College Senior Concert Band (SA)	Bruce Raymond	Stephenson's Rocket (Nigel Hess)
2016	City of Holdfast Bay Concert Band (SA)	Andreas Pretterhofer	Bridgewater Breeze (Adam Gorb)
2015	Hunter Central Coast Regional Wind Ensemble (NSW)	Michael Jobson & Scott Eran	ANZAC Suite (Brendan Collins)
2014	Korean Sydney Orchestra (NSW)	Jinwong Chang	Joyful Variations (Brian Beck)
2013	Trinity College Senior Concert Band (SA)	Bruce Raymond	Three Klezmer Miniatures (Philip Sparke)
2012	Northern Youth Symphonic Wind (NSW)	Matthew Walmsley	Visions of Australia (Graham Lloyd)
2011	City of Holdfast Bay Concert Band (SA)	Maria Foot	Pilatus: Mountain of Dragons (Steven Reineke)
2010	Launceston College Symphonic Band (TAS)	Peter Quigley	The Lord of the Rings (Excerpts from Symphony No. 1) (Johan de Meij, arr. Paul Lavender)
2009	Hunter Central Coast Regional Wind Ensemble (NSW)	Scott Ryan	English Folk Song Suite (Ralph Vaughan Williams)
2008	John Paul College Wind Orchestra (QLD)	Craig Johnson	And the Multitude with One Voice Spoke (James L. Hosay)
2007	Gold Coast City Wind Orchestra (QLD)	Alan White	The Saint and the City (Jacob de Haan)
2006	Gold Coast City Wind Orchestra (QLD)	Alan White	Autumn Celebrations (Dean Sorenson)
2005	Not Contested		Not Selected
2004	Unley Concert Band (SA)	Kevin Cameron	Swords Against the Sea (James L. Hosay)
2003	Forest High School Wind Orchestra (NSW)	Robert Bedwell	The Lord of the Rings (Excerpts from Symphony No. 1) (Johan de Meij, arr. Paul Lavender)
2002	Warrnambool College Band (VIC)	Gary Hommelhoff	Glasshouse Sketches (Barrie Gott)

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Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
2001	Warrnambool College Band (VIC)	Gary Hommelhoff	The Loaded Dog (Graham Lloyd)
2000	Burnie Concert Band (TAS)	David Turner	With My Swag (Sean Thorne)
1999	Warrnambool College Senior Band (VIC)	Gary Hammelhoff	Oregon (Jacob de Haan)
1998	Bendigo & District Concert Band (VIC)	Simon Brown	Proclamation and Symphonic Decree (Ed Huckleby)
1997	Penrith Valley Concert Band (NSW)	Ray Gallagher	Rhapsody from the Low Countries (Henk van Lijnschooten)
1996	Penrith Valley Concert Band (NSW)	Mervyn Lawrence	Affirmations (Mark Williams)
1995	Forest High School Concert (NSW)	Robert Bedwell	No Set Test Piece
1994	Golden Square Concert Band (VIC)	Colin Wellard	No Set Test Piece
1993	Not Contested		Not Selected
1992	City of Newcastle Junior Concert Band (NSW)	Michael Bell	Brandenburg Jubilee: In Celebration of Freedom (Calvin Custer)
1991	Not Contested		Not Selected
1990	Not Contested		Not Selected
1989	Not Contested		Not Selected
1988	Metropolitan West Schools Band (NSW)	Robert Busan	Per Ardua (Lindsay Aked) / The Sussex Mummers Christmas Carol (Percy Grainger)

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Open 'D' Grade Concert Section			
Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
2025	Australind Senior High School Senior Concert Band (WA)	Jayden Williamson	Policewomen's Polka (Becky Llewellyn)
2024	Hills Community Concert Band (NSW)	Steve Clark	Glorified Dances (Matt Klohs)
2023	Port Macquarie Hastings Municipal Band (NSW)	Amy Corrigan	Into the Sun (Jodie Blackshaw)
2019	St Patricks College Wind Ensemble (NSW)	Derek Rose	Be Thou My Vision (Larry Clark)
2018	Shepparton Brass & Wind (VIC)	Eric Andersen	In the Forest of the King (Pierre La Plante)
2017	Launceston College Concert Band (TAS)	Peter Quigley	Lyric Suite (Gerald Finzi)
2016	St Patricks College Wind Ensemble (NSW)	Derek Rose	Blackwater (Fergal Carroll)
2015	Wallarah Community Band (NSW)	Rowen McBride	ANZAC Ceremonial Processional and Recessional (Brendan Collins)
2014	Redland City Wind Ensemble (QLD)	Allen Clark	Sonatina for Band (Frank Erickson)
2013	Not Contested		Not Selected
2012	Not Contested		Not Selected
2011	Playford City Concert Band (SA)	Gareth Budd	Cajun Folk Songs (Frank Ticheli)
2010	Not Contested		Not Selected
2009	Not Contested		Not Selected
2008	Not Contested		Not Selected
2007	Pembroke Concert Band (SA)	Kevin Cameron	Prelude to a Festival (Alan Fernie)
2006	Not Contested		Not Selected
2005	Newton Moore Senior High School Band No. 1 (WA)	Gwilyn Arwel Jenkins	Royal Coronation Dances (Bob Margolis)
2004	William Clarke College Concert Band (NSW)	Mark Strykowski	British Isles Suite (Larry D. Daehn)
2003	Newton Moore Senior High School Band (WA)	Gwilyn Arwel Jenkins	Yorkshire Ballad (James Barnes)
2002	Camperdown Fire Brigade Band (VIC)	Wayne Bowden	El Caballero (Roger Cichy)
2001	Clefhangers Concert Band (NSW)	Mark Strykowski	A Caledonian Journey (Alan Fernie)

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Open 'D' Grade Concert Section (Continued)

Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
2000	Newton Moore Senior High School Band (WA)	Gwilyn Arwel Jenkins	The Stone Guest (Brian Hogg)
1999	Mazenod College Concert Band (VIC)	Douglas Leutchford	Windstar (Claude T. Smith)
1998	Kooweerup Secondary College Band (VIC)	Claudia Barker	Excelsior (James Curnow)
1997	St Pius X College Concert Chatswood (NSW)	Gerard Plummer	The Lion of Lucerne (James Curnow)
1996	Abbotsleigh Girls School Concert Band (NSW)	Robert Bedwell	Three Songs from Sussex (Hugh Stuart)
1995	Not Contested		Not Selected
1994	Not Contested		Not Selected
1993	Not Contested		Not Selected
1992	Not Contested		Not Selected
1991	Not Contested		Not Selected
1990	Not Contested		Not Selected
1989	Not Contested		Not Selected
1988	Sutherland PCYC Concert Band (NSW)	Gregory Marks	Antipodean Fantasy (Mervyn Allis)

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Junior Grade Concert Section			
Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
1984	Canberra City Junior Band (ACT)	Keith Helgesen	Pineapple Poll (Arthur Sullivan, arr. Charles Mackerras)
1983	Hornsby Concert Juniors No. 1 (NSW)	Victor Grieve	Mayflower Overture (Ron Nelson)
1982	Hills Music Academy (NSW)	Unknown	Test Piece Unknown
1981	Hornsby Concert Band (NSW)	Victor Grieve	No Set Test Piece
1980	Hornsby Concert Band (NSW)	Victor Grieve	No Set Test Piece
1979	Hornsby Concert Band (NSW)	Michael Butcher	No Set Test Piece
1978	Not Contested		Not Selected
1977	Not Contested		Not Selected
1976	Not Contested		Not Selected
1975	Not Contested		Not Selected
1974	Not Contested		Not Selected
1973	Not Contested		Not Selected
1972	Not Contested		Not Selected
1971	Not Contested		Not Selected
1970	Canterbury-Belmore Police & Citizens Band (NSW)	Ian Brown	No Set Test Piece

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Junior 'A' Grade Concert Section			
Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
2025	Castle Hill RSL Youth Wind Orchestra (NSW)	James Brice OAM	The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse (Randall D. Standridge)
2024	Northern Youth Symphonic Wind (NSW)	Matthew Walmsley	Steampunk Suite (Erika Svanoe)
2023	Castle Hill RSL Youth Wind Orchestra (NSW)	James Brice	Ford's Machine (Jess Langston Turner)
2019	Queensland Youth Orchestra Wind Ensemble (QLD)	David Law	Berglicht (Oliver Waespi)
2018	Northern Youth Symphonic Wind (NSW)	Matthew Walmsley	December Dance (Andrew Boysen Jr.)
2017	Castle Hill RSL Youth Wind Orchestra (NSW)	James Brice	Instinctive Travels (Michael Markowski)
2016	Knox Grammar School Symphonic Wind Ensemble (NSW)	James Brice	On Further Reflection (David John Lang)
2015	Northern Youth Symphonic Wind (NSW)	Matthew Walmsley	Quartets (Roger Cichy)
2014	Brisbane State High School Symphonic Band (QLD)	Bradley Ruben	Masada (Ralph Hultgren)
2013	Not Contested		Not Selected
2012	NSW Public Schools Symphonic Wind Ensemble (NSW)	Stephen Williams & Jason Isaac	Flight to Freedom (Graham Lloyd)
2011	Knox Grammar School Concert Band (NSW)	James Brice	Liturgical Dances (David R. Holsinger)
2010	Castle Hill RSL Youth Wind Orchestra (NSW)	James Brice	Bushdance (Ralph Hultgren)
2009	Castle Hill RSL Youth Wind Orchestra (NSW)	James Brice	Transfiguration (James Curnow)
2008	Not Contested		Not Selected
2007	Castle Hill RSL Youth Concert Band (NSW)	James Brice	Hollywood! (Goff Richards)
2006	Castle Hill RSL Youth Concert Band (NSW)	James Brice	Everyday Hero (Timothy Mahr)
2005	Castle Hill RSL Youth Concert Band (NSW)	Michael Butcher	Sun Dance (Frank Ticheli)
2004	Hunter School of the Performing Arts Concert Band (NSW)	Kylie Gardner	Three Tasmanian Sketches (Lyall McDermott)
2003	NSW Public Schools Symphonic Wind Ensemble (NSW)	John Benson	The Hounds of Spring (Alfred Reed)
2002	NSW Public Schools Symphonic Wind Ensemble (NSW)	Stephen Williams	Music for a Festival (Philip Sparke)

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Junior 'A' Grade Concert Section (Continued)

Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
2001	Queensland Youth Orchestra Wind Ensemble (QLD)	Katrina Mothershaw	Chorale and Shaker Dance (John P. Zdechlik)
2000	Castle Hill RSL Youth Wind Orchestra (NSW)	Michael Butcher	An Australian Rhapsody (Ralph Hultgren)
1999	Hunter School of the Performing Arts Community Band (NSW)	Marcus Neale	A Suite to American Jazz (arr. Sammy Nestico)
1998	University of Newcastle Wind Orchestra (NSW)	Michael Bell	The Four Horsemen (1st, 2nd & 3rd Movements) (Andrew Boysen Jnr.)
1997	University of Newcastle Concert Band (NSW)	Michael Bell	Fanfare and Allegro (Clifton Williams)
1996	City of Sydney Youth Wind Ensemble (NSW)	Michael Butcher	Four Scottish Dances (Malcolm Arnold)
1995	Broadmeadow High School & Community Band (NSW)	Peter G. Boys	El Camino Real (Alfred Reed)
1994	Broadmeadow High School & Community Band (NSW)	Peter G. Boys	Lads of Wanphray (Percy Grainger)
1993	NSW Public Schools Symphonic Wind Orchestra (NSW)	Ann Boyle	The Hornet's Nest (Ralph Hultgren)
1992	Geelong Concert Band (VIC)	Stephen Wright	Handel in the Strand (Percy Grainger)
1991	Broadmeadow High School & Community Band (NSW)	Peter G. Boys	Of Pride and Celebration (James Swearingen)
1990	Broadmeadow High School & Community Band (NSW)	Peter G. Boys	The Hounds of Spring (Alfred Reed)
1989	Sydney Schools Symphonic Ensemble (NSW)	Stephen Williams	An Australian Rhapsody (Ralph Hultgren)
1988	Lane Cove Junior Concert Band (NSW)	Brian McGuinness	Irish Tune from County Derry & Shepherds Hey (Percy Grainger)
1987	Broadmeadow High School & Community Band (NSW)	Peter G. Boys	Incantation and Dance (John Barnes Chance)
1986	Canberra City Band (ACT)	Keith Helgesen	American Folk Rhapsody No. 4 (Clare Grundman)
1985	Canberra City Band (ACT)	Keith Helgesen	Seacliffe Overture (James Curnow)

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Junior 'B' Grade Concert Section			
Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
2025	Australind Senior High School Senior Concert Band (WA)	Jayden Williamson	Choreography (Robert Sheldon)
2024	Not Contested		Cyprian Suite (Carol Barnett)
2023	Newington College Symphonic Winds (NSW)	Joshua Mann	Surfonic Winds (Adrian Hallam)
2019	Moreton Youth Concert Ensemble (QLD)	Liam Thomas	A Divine Comedy (4th Movement: Paradiso) (Robert W. Smith)
2018	Hunter School of the Performing Arts Community Band (NSW)	Kylie Gardner	Into the Sun (Jodie Blackshaw)
2017	Rose Bay High School Concert Band (TAS)	Dean Hunt	Greek Folk Song Suite (Op. 25) (Franco Cesarini)
2016	Not Contested		Not Selected
2015	Hunter School of the Performing Arts Senior Concert Band (NSW)	Dave Thompson	At Dawn They Slept (Jay Bocook)
2014	Killara High School Concert Band No. 1 (NSW)	Darren Jones	Tanodd y Castell (Brian Hogg)
2013	NSW Public Schools Symphonic Wind Orchestra (NSW)	Scott Ryan	Gypsy Dance (Joseph Compello)
2012	NSW Public Schools Symphonic Wind Orchestra (NSW)	Elizabeth Scott & Scott Ryan	From Dawn to Dusk (Graham Lloyd)
2011	Hobart Youth Winds (TAS)	Claire Reade	American Riversongs (Pierre La Plante)
2010	Fort Street High School Wind Ensemble (NSW)	Elizabeth Scott	Second Suite in F Major (Gustav Holst, ed. Colin Matthews)
2009	Knox Grammar School Concert Band (NSW)	James Brice	Hopetown Holiday (Steven Reineke)
2008	Handsworth Secondary School Band (Canada)	Keith Woodward	Four Dances from 'West Side Story' (Leonard Bernstein)
2007	Fort Street High School Wind Ensemble (NSW)	Paul Vickers	Scottish Folk Song Suite (Bruce Fraser)
2006	Hunter School of the Performing Arts Concert Band (NSW)	Andrew Scully	Brook Green Suite (Gustav Holst, arr. James Curnow)
2005	Brighton Secondary School Concert Band (SA)	Antony Hubmayer	Punga Aaku (Keith Wilson)
2004	Christian College Geelong Wind Symphony (VIC)	Fiona Gardner & Andrew Dunlop	The Stone Guest (Brian Hogg)
2003	Hunter School of the Performing Arts Intermediate Concert Band (NSW)	Kylie Gardner	A Little Concert Suite (Alfred Reed)

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Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
2002	Mazenod College Symphonic Band (VIC)	Jason Mears	Crosswinds (Bruce Fraser)
2001	Warrnambool College Band (VIC)	Gary Hommelhoff	By Loch and Mountain (Robert W. Smith)
2000	Mowbray College Concert Band (VIC)	Robert Breen	Sinfonietta No. 1 (Mark Saunders)
1999	Hunter School of the Performing Arts Intermediate Concert Band (NSW)	Paul Scott	The Symphonic Gershwin (George Gershwin, arr. Warren Barker)
1998	Broadmeadow High School & Community Intermediate Band (NSW)	Paul Scott	Spirit of Independence (Jan van der Roost)
1997	Muswellbrook Shire Band (NSW)	Russell Passfield	A Jubilant Overture (Alfred Reed)
1996	University of Newcastle Wind Orchestra (NSW)	Michael Bell	An Australian Rhapsody (Ralph Hultgren)
1995	St Patricks College Strathfield Concert Band (NSW)	Greg Carger	Hudson River Suite (John O'Reilly)
1994	St Patricks College Strathfield Concert Band (NSW)	Paul Kellett	Sleepers Awake (Johann Sebastian Bach, arr. Alfred Reed)
1993	Pymble Ladies College Concert Band (NSW)	Allen Stiles	Children's March (Percy Grainger)
1992	St Patricks College Strathfield Concert Band (NSW)	Paul Kellett	Rhapsodic Concertante (Lennie Niehaus)
1991	Bankstown PCYC Concert Band (NSW)	Gary Brahe	Nutcracker Suite (arr. Paul Lavender)
1990	Not Contested		Not Selected
1989	St Patricks College Strathfield Concert Band (NSW)	Paul Kellett	A Circus Suite (Stuart Johnson)
1988	Belconnen Musicians Concert Band (ACT)	Robin Eakin	The Immovable Do (Percy Grainger)
1987	Bankstown PCYC Concert Band (NSW)	Gary Brahe	Dedicatory Overture (Clifton Williams)
1986	City of Lake Macquarie Concert Band (NSW)	Geat Ulanas	North West Saga (Clare Grundman)
1985	Broadmeadow High School & Community Band (NSW)	Peter G. Boys	Variations on an English Folk Song (Claude T. Smith)

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Junior 'C' Grade Concert Section			
Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
2025	Genazzano FCJ College Symphonic Band (VIC)	Erin Ellenburg	Adventure to Empress Falls (Alex Manton)
2024	Not Contested		Salon Morisot (Jodie Blackshaw)
2023	Northern Sydney Youth Orchestra Winds (NSW)	Tim Ferrier	Overture Spiritoso (Ralph Hultgren)
2019	Brisbane State High School Wind Orchestra (QLD)	Bradley Ruben	Adrenaline Engines (Randall D. Standridge)
2018	Killara High School Concert Band No. 2 (NSW)	Sophie Bromley	West Highlands Sojourn (Robert Sheldon)
2017	Launceston College Concert Band (TAS)	Matthew Dudfield & Peter Quigley	Walking in the Labyrinth (Karlin Greenstreet Love)
2016	Hills Community Concert Band (NSW)	Steve Clark	Capriccio on Three Japanese Children Songs (Yo Gotto)
2015	Mountains Youth Band (NSW)	Garry Clark	Eiger: Journey to the Summit (James Swearingen)
2014	Ying Wa Primary School Senior Band (Hong Kong)	Poon Po Choi Maurice	Metrix (Robert Sheldon)
2013	Not Contested		Not Selected
2012	Killara High School Concert Band No. 2 (NSW)	Sophie Bromley	Successive Flames (Graham Lloyd)
2011	Hills Community Concert Band (NSW)	Steve Clark	A Huntingdon Celebration (Philip Sparke)
2010	Mountains Youth Band (NSW)	Garry Clark	High Country (Ralph Hultgren)
2009	Mountains Youth Band (NSW)	Garry Clark	Last Ride of the Pony Express (David Shaffer)
2008	Pine Rivers Combined Band (QLD)	Peter Pagett	Prima Luce (Jan van der Roost)
2007	Hunter School of the Performing Arts Junior Concert Band (NSW)	Kylie Gardner	Rychemount Chronicles (Kit Turnbull)
2006	Scotch College Adelaide Concert Band (SA)	Antony Hubmayer	Fanfare for the Third Planet (Richard L. Saucedo)
2005	St Andrews School Band (SA)	Anna Coppens	Chesford Portrait (James Swearingen)
2004	Hobart City Band (TAS)	Lyall McDermott	A Little French Suite (Pierre La Plante)
2003	Hunter School of the Performing Arts Community Junior Band (NSW)	Bruce Rowlatt	Alliance (Larry Clark)
2002	Eltham High School Concert Band (VIC)	Megan George	Estampie (William Francis McBeth)

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Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
2001	William Clarke College Concert Band (NSW)	Mark Strykowski	Overture Español (John Higgins)
2000	Mowbray College Concert Band (VIC)	Robert Breen	Three Tasmanian Sketches (Lyal Mc Dermott)
1999	William Clarke College Concert Band (NSW)	Mark Strykowski	Latin Gold (Paul Lavender)
1998	Broadmeadow High School & Community Junior Band (NSW)	Michael Beeton	Nordic Sketches (Pierre La Plante)
1997	Artarmon Public School Band (NSW)	Matthew Walmsley	Jewish Folk Song Suite (Roland Kernen)
1996	St Pius X College Concert Chatswood (NSW)	Gerard Plummer	Overture for a Celebration (Steve Hodges)
1995	Burwood Girls High School Band (NSW)	Glenn Armitage	No Set Test Piece
1994	Burwood Girls High School Band (NSW)	Glenn Armitage	No Set Test Piece
1993	Not Contested		Not Selected
1992	North Sydney Girls High Symphonic Winds (NSW)	Robert Busan	Seagate Overture (James Swearingen)
1991	Not Contested		Not Selected
1990	Not Contested		Not Selected
1989	Not Contested		Not Selected
1988	Western Lake Macquarie Concert Band (NSW)	Douglas Treloar	Australian Festival (Ronald Hanmer)

Junior 'D' Grade Concert Section

Year	Winning Band	Conductor	Test Music
1992	Muswellbrook Shire Band (NSW)	Russell Passfield	In Celebration (John O'Reilly)