

ASME Presenter Bios

Alice Combe



Alice Combe has taught music and the performing arts in schools for over 20 years, and she is currently teaching music at Linden Park Primary School. She has worked with children from preschool to secondary in the public, Catholic and independent sectors. Alice spent several years working in international schools in Malaysia and China where she also worked as a generalist primary school teacher. Additionally, Alice has spent the past 12 years at The University of South Australia, tutoring pre-service teachers in the Arts and mentoring them on their teaching placements. Alice comes from a strong musical family and grew up learning piano, violin, singing and recorder. She has a keen interest in how music education is connected to brain development. Alice holds a Bachelor of Education (Junior Primary and Primary) and a Master of Education (TESOL).

Chris Narrowway



Chris Narrowway is an experienced educator with specialised skills and knowledge in music education. During her career Chris has worked in education settings from preschool to tertiary and is currently employed by the Department for Education as part of the Music Education Strategy [MES]. In her current role as a MES Coach, Chris works with preschool and primary educators across the state to build their confidence and capacity to deliver quality music education to children and young people. Chris has a strong commitment to supporting music education and has been a Council member of the SA chapter of the Australian Society for Music Education (ASME) for many years. In 2023 she received a certificate of appreciation for 30+years of service as a volunteer, and has been awarded ASME life membership. When Chris is not running around after her grandchildren she loves exercising and playing netball.

Sally Oxenberry



Sally Oxenberry has taught music in schools from ELC to Year 12 since the late 1990s. Her passion for music education in schools has led her to teach in Alice Springs, Adelaide and she spent 18 years abroad in International Schools in Indonesia, China and Vietnam. She returned to Adelaide in 2018 with her Vietnamese Australian daughter who is now 11 years old. Currently, Sally is the Performing Arts Leader at Immanuel Primary School. Sally has extensive experience in directing many primary choral and instrumental ensembles, and has implemented band and strings programs in primary schools. Sally holds a Master of Education (Leadership), Graduate Diploma of Education, Bachelor of Music Education, Certificate Choral Performance, and has completed the Australian Kodaly Certificate (Primary Years).