

# **The New Zealand Suzuki Institute Incorporated**

## **Constitution**

1. The name of the Institute is "THE NEW ZEALAND SUZUKI INSTITUTE INCORPORATED"
2. The objects of the Institute shall be:
  - (a) "To further the teaching method of Dr Suzuki and his philosophy of education throughout New Zealand".
  - (b) To promote teacher training, establish and maintain internationally recognised teacher training courses and ensure the maintenance of professional standards and practice.
  - (c) To facilitate Branches in their organising of seminars, workshops and concerts pertaining to "The Suzuki Method".
  - (d) To cultivate international relations with other Suzuki Associations.
  - (e) To produce a journal containing articles and news of a pedagogical, psychological and philosophical kind relating to "The Suzuki Method".
  - (f) To attend to such matters that in the opinion of the Institute may be incidental or conducive to the attaining of any of the Institute's objects or in the exercise of any of the foregoing powers.
3. WITHOUT limiting any general powers vested in it, the Institute shall have the power to:
  - (a) Purchase, take on lease, or in exchange, or hire, or licence, or otherwise acquire, hold, mortgage and dispose of any real or personal property and any rights and privileges which the Institute may think necessary or expedient for the purposes of attaining the objects of the Institute or any of them, or promoting the interests of the Institute or its members.
  - (b) Affiliate with any Society, Club or Association having similar objects, or to join, co-operate with, or subscribe to the funds of any such Society, Club or Association for the purposes of better attaining the objects or interest of the Institute or the members thereof.
  - (c) Borrow or raise money from time to time by the issue of debentures, bonds mortgage or any other security, on all or any of the property and or properties of the Institute or without any security or without any such security and upon such terms and conditions as to priority or otherwise as the Institute shall decide.

- (d) Invest and re-invest , in such securities or assets and upon such terms as the Institute shall from time to time think fit, the whole or any part of the funds of the Institute which may not be required for the immediate business of the Institute.
  - (e) Raise or set up funds to promote any of the objects of the Institute, and for such purposes to appeal for subscriptions and donations by whatever means the Executive in its discretion may approve.
4. The Registered Office of the Institute shall be the residence of the Administrative Officer for the time being.
5. The Institute shall consist of Current Financial Members, Honorary Members, Life Members and Patrons.
- 6(a) Current Financial Members. Current Financial Members of the Institute shall be those Institute registered teachers or individuals or families who have submitted an application for Current Financial Membership and paid the appropriate then current relevant annual subscription to the Administrative Officer.
- 6(b) Current Financial Members are entitled to participate in Institute events provided they are Institute registered teachers or learning from an Institute registered teacher on the instrument of participation.
- 6(c) Current Financial Members have the right to one vote, hold office and receive the journal of the Institute.
- 7(a) Honorary Members. The Executive shall have the power to grant Honorary Membership to any person as a result of services rendered to the Institute or to musical education generally. The following provisions shall apply to Honorary Members:
- (i) They shall be entitled to all the privileges of the Institute but shall not be entitled to vote or hold office.
  - (ii) The term of membership shall be not longer than one year.
  - (iii) The Executive may revoke the grant of Honorary Membership to any person at any time.
  - (iv) Honorary Members shall not be required to pay the annual subscription fee.
- 7(b) Life Members. Any person (whether previously a member or not) may, with his/her consent, be elected a Life Member by unanimous vote of the Executive and a two thirds majority of Current Financial Members at an Annual General Meeting. Life Members shall

