

Paul Williams B.Mus. Victoria University, LTCL Dip Music performance

Paul Williams is a woodwind musician. Although he had no formal musical training, he is an alumnus of the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra and was awarded the Licentiate of Trinity College London (LTCL) for performance on flute, clarinet, saxophone and bassoon. These qualifications and his Music Degree were achieved in his mid-fifties.

From 1972 to 2000 he was a bassoonist with the Sydney and Melbourne Symphony Orchestras as well as the Sydney Opera House Orchestra and State Orchestra Victoria. In the 90s and beyond he ran The Elastic Band (CD Classic Elastic) and Trio Grande (CD Hush Collection Vol. 1) in children's shows and Cabaret.

Currently (2024) in semi-retirement due to hand impairment caused by chemotherapy, he continues to teach, write and examine music.

Crabtree Oration: 2013 *Joseph Crabtree and the Great Schism of the Fagotti*