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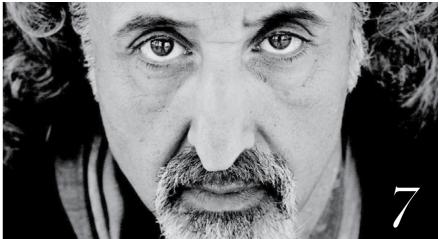
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**ON THE COVER** QSO musicians on location at Brisbane Powerhouse. Rebecca Seymour, violin, dressed by George Wu Couture. Paul O'Brien, double bass; Stephen Tooke, violin dressed by Van Heusen. Photography by Christian Tiger.



### WHAT A YEAR!

We are so proud to present you with a superstar collection of unprecedented musical pedigree.

Never before has Queensland seen such a line-up of international stars on our Concert Hall stage in one subscription season. We bring the world's best direct to your doorstep—names that represent a roll call of classical music's *crème de la crème:* Maxim Vengerov, Simone Young, Mischa Maisky, Sarah Chang, Pinchas Zukerman and QSO's first ever—and Australia's first—Soloist-in-Residence, Shlomo Mintz.

Our stars will shine in programs brimming with selections from Australia's Top Classic 100—music you know and adore. And more—we have selected some extraordinary works to support a year of joy and adventure, including the original 1903/04 version of the Sibelius Violin Concerto. The QSO will be amongst the select few of world orchestras to have permission to present this work in 2015 for the composer's sesquicentenary.

Don't delay—join the fine musicians of the Queensland Symphony Orchestra and our special guest artists in 2015 for a musical journey of epic proportions.

I urge you to subscribe and benefit from the many rewards that come with being a part of our QSO family. With this program of superstars, you will need to book early to secure your seats.

2015 can't come soon enough! See you there.

Sophie Salain

Sophie Galaise

CEO, Queensland Symphony Orchestra



A WARM WELCOME TO

## Shlomo Mintz

QSO Soloist-in-Residence

The announcement of world leading master violinist Shlomo Mintz as QSO's inaugural Soloist-in-Residence is a signal that the Queensland Symphony Orchestra has a global vision; a quest to grow our international family of musicians, and a commitment to have the world's best play here in Queensland. Importantly also, the world's best can experience the depth and richness of talent here at the QSO.

The Soloist-in-Residence program is supported by the T & J St Baker Charitable Trust and is set to truly elevate the QSO to a new level of musicianship and pride, while expanding the musical reach and influence of the company significantly.

Shlomo Mintz is already a favourite with audiences and the company, having shone as soloist in QSO's sold-out opening Maestro Concert in 2014 with Simone Young conducting. Shlomo Mintz is esteemed for his impeccable musicianship, stylistic versatility and commanding technique. He regularly appears with the most celebrated orchestras and conductors on the international music scene, he is a major recording artist, recitalist, arts ambassador, conductor and educator; and is also the co-founder of the first online Music Academy.

Shlomo Mintz will be resident with the QSO over two extended periods throughout 2015, performing in the QSO's mainstage concert season, leading a chamber music performance with QSO musicians and presenting workshops, masterclasses and talks.

# **OSO PRESENTS**

GALA OPENING

7.30PM 14 FEBRUARY 2015

**QPAC CONCERT HALL** 

You won't just *hear* Beethoven's Choral Symphony, you will *feel* it as new-generation maestro Gergely Madaras reveals contemporary meaning within its ancient truths.

Conductor Gergely Madaras Soprano Dominique Fegan Mezzo Soprano Nicole Youl Tenor Henry Choo Baritone David Wakeham Choir The Australian Voices

**Hamilton** A Trillion Souls - World premiere **Beethoven** Symphony No.9 *Choral* 

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# TAKE THE LEAD

#### **MAESTRO**

The world's great conductors and soloists, live, in symphonic music on the grandest scale.

This is the transformative experience that is the Maestro Series, concerts of profound beauty and power, performed at the pinnacle of orchestral excellence.

**PHOTO** QSO musicians on location at Brisbane Powerhouse.

Rebecca Seymour, violin; Paul O'Brien, double bass; Malcolm Stewart, French horn; Stephen Tooke, violin.

Photography by Christian Tiger.





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Towers of orchestral sound rising like grand architecture around you. This is the Maestro Series experience, world-class concerts, the greatest performers of our time, and a full-strength QSO creating music in three dimensions. On stage before you are legendary artists like Pinchas Zukerman, Mischa Maisky, Shlomo Mintz, Simone Young and Sarah Chang, some for the first time ever in Brisbane, all of them performing masterpieces from the heartland of the classical canon.

Be a part of the Maestro Series experience. Join QSO and feel the music from that first thrilling moment when the hall is hushed, to that exhilarating, collective outpouring of emotion and standing ovation at the end. This is music live, lovingly and immaculately performed, impossible to replicate.

The QSO's Maestro Series takes the lead, delivering international excellence to your doorstep. Don't miss a moment.

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As one of Australia's leading fashion designers, George Wu takes great pride in classic technique, masterful craftsmanship and exquisite, innovative detail. That makes his couture a perfect fit with QSO. And we're in good company. George Wu has caught the eye of international stars such as Angelina Jolie, The Veronicas, Kristy Hinze, Jessica Mauboy, Cat Deeley and Kate Miller-Heidke... just to name a few. Our own Rebecca Seymour, QSO violin, adorns our front cover dressed in George Wu. Swoon!



#### **FRITZSCH** & SHLOMO MINTZ

**SAT 14 MAR** 7.30PM

Also Morning Masterworks FRI 13 MAR

Conductor Johannes Fritzsch

R. Strauss Also Sprach Zarathustra

Grieg Peer Gynt Suite No.1

Sibelius Violin Concerto

Violin Shlomo Mintz

(1905 version)





**THU 2 APR** 7.30PM

Cello Mischa Maisky

Conductor Yan Pascal Tortelier

**Dvořák** Cello Concerto Tchaikovsky Symphony No.4

Chen Qigang

Conductor Yu Long Violin Sarah Chang

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& SARAH

**SAT 18 APR** 7.30PM

CHANG

Enchantements oubliés **Bruch** Violin Concerto Shostakovich Symphony No.5

QSO. **ALONDRA** & SERGIO

**SAT 23 MAY** 7.30PM

Also Morning Masterworks FRI 22 MAY\*

Conductor Alondra de la Parra Piano Sergio Tiempo

Tchaikovsky Piano Concerto No.1\* Rimsky-Korsakov Scheherazade\* **Stravinsky** The Rite of Spring

The maiestic solitude of Sibelius' Violin Concerto provides the perfect vehicle for this collaboration between QSO's two biggest names -revered former Chief Conductor Johannes Fritzsch and incoming Soloist-in-Residence Shlomo Mintz. Like the Sibelius. Griea's Peer Gvnt sounds Scandinavian, even if meant to depict the Sahara desert. 'Sunrise' from Also Sprach Zarathustra is equally famous as wide-horizon daybreak music, ever since Stanley Kubrick used it in 2001: A Space Odyssey.



A night of music so emotional it could make a stone weep. Mischa Maisky's famously warm tone will capture the aching, yearning feeling for home in Dvořák's Cello Concerto, written in New York as he sat on the docks watching the steamers heading back toward Europe. And then, prepare for inexhaustible melodies to tear at your heartstrings, brass fanfares to raise the roof, and some of music's most riotous explosions of orchestral colour to pin you to the back of your seat in Yan Pascal Tortelier's grand vision of Tchaikovsky.

She auditioned for the New York Philharmonic at age eight, and the next day was playing live with them, without rehearsal. Sarah Chang still brings that immediacy to the stage, in Bruch's showstopping concerto with its immortal finale. Shostakovich too flirts with danger in a symphony about struggle for survival within oppression, with China's pre-eminent conductor Yu Long ensuring the slow movement brings radiance into darkness, and warmth into the bitter Soviet winter.

Its premiere caused a riot. but whether it's a scandal or a quintessential classic, The Rite of Spring picks you up in a wave of energy, leaving you invigorated and dazzled as Mexican conductor Alondra de la Parra shows why she's fast becoming one of the brightest stars in classical music. In glorious Russian colour, Rimsky-Korsakov weaves musical tales of magic and mystery, while Sergio Tiempo brings powerhouse pianistics to heart-on-sleeve Tchaikovsky.



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#### **DEMIDENKO PLAYS BRAHMS**

#### QSO. **MORRISON** & MEYER

**QSO & PINCHAS ZUKERMAN** 

QSO & SIMONE YOUNG

**QSO** & SHLOMO **MINTZ** 

QSO PLAYS **BOLERO** 

**SAT 20 JUN** 7.30PM

Also Morning Masterworks FRI 19 JUN

**FRI 17 JUL** 7.30PM

**SAT 15 AUG** 7.30PM

Also Morning Masterworks THU 13 AUG\*

**SAT 12 SEP** 7.30PM

**SAT 17 OCT** 7.30PM

**SAT 7 NOV** 7.30PM

Also Morning Masterworks FRI 6 NOV

Conductor Edvard Tchivzhel Piano Nikolai Demidenko

Brahms Piano Concerto No.2 Saint-Saëns Symphony No.3 Organ

Conductor Santtu-Matias Rouvali **Trumpet** James Morrison **Double Bass** Edgar Meyer

**Nielsen** Overture to *Maskarade* Savikangas Concerto for Trumpet and Double Bass Beethoven Symphony No.5

**Conductor** Rory Macdonald Violin Pinchas Zukerman

Sibelius Karelia Overture Elgar Violin Concerto\* Sibelius Symphony No.7\* **Conductor** Simone Young Soprano Lisa Gasteen

Mahler Rückert Lieder Mahler Symphony No.6 Conductor/Violin Shlomo Mintz

Mendelssohn Violin Concerto Mahler Symphony No.5

**Conductor** Fabien Gabel Piano Beatrice Rana

**Beethoven** Symphony No.8 Ravel Rapsodie Espagnole Chopin Piano Concerto No.1 Ravel Bolero

YOUR FAVOURITE MESSIAH SAT 21 NOV **QPAC CONCERT HALL Conductor** Emily Cox Brisbane Chorale

Soprano Anna Leese **Tenor** Simon Gilkes Mezzo Soprano Emma Moore Baritone Sam Roberts Smith

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Nielsen's colourful Maskarade Overture is followed by Max Savikangas's newly commissioned concerto for virtuosic trumpeter James Morrison and legendary bassist Edgar Meyer, an artist with unparalleled technique and musicianship. This dream combination is set to create a thrilling world premiere. And then, four notes of music, Fate knocking at the door and a symphony that is the live classical music experience, all conducted by new-school Finnish sensation Santtu-Matias Rouvali.

World premiere, QSO/QMF co-commission with the Tampere Philharmonic Orchestra in Finland 'Herein is enshrined the soul of...' and then Elgar leaves off the dedication of his Violin Concerto, an achingly poignant love-poem to an unattainable woman. This rare opportunity for Brisbane to experience Pinchas Zukerman live is prefaced by Sibelius' final symphony, conducted by young Briton Rory Macdonald who shot to prominence last year conducting acclaimed performances with the Royal Concertgebouw Orchestra.

Will it be two hammer blows, meaning hope, or three, foretelling doom, at the end of Mahler's epic Sixth Symphony? He leaves the choice to the performers, in a visceral musical drama played out in raw human emotion. Simone Young continues her profound Mahler odyssey in Brisbane while Lisa Gasteen returns with a song cycle perfectly suited to her incomparable dramatic soprano.

Two of the most famous openings in all music herald Shlomo Mintz's debut as a conductor with QSO. Mendelssohn's Violin Concerto is searching, questing, intensely lyrical, with musical legend Mintz playing the solo part as well as directing the orchestra. Then, Mahler's strident fanfare at the opening of his Fifth Symphony paves the way to the most famous slow movement in late Romanticism.

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Join us for a complimentary drink at 5.30pm

QSO STUDIO, SOUTH BANK

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THUR 19 MAR 6PM

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#### 2 ALONDRA & SERGIO

THUR 21 MAY 6PM

#### **3 MAXIM VENGEROV**

THUR 26 NOV 6PM

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#### 12 + 14 MAR

Violin Concerto (1905 version, Shlomo Mintz)

#### 13 + 15 AUG

Symphony No.7

#### **15 AUG**

Karelia Overture

#### **28 NOV**

Violin Concerto (1903/04 version, Maxim Vengerov)



QSO congratulates QPAC on its 30th Anniversary in 2015. As QPAC's resident orchestra, we are delighted to present these concerts as a tribute to our major venue partner.

14 FEB Gala Opening Ode to Joy14 MAR Fritzsch & Shlomo Mintz28 NOV Season FinaleQSO & Maxim Vengerov







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QSO goes global with music that's as exotic as the latest Bollywood epic, but as English as Yorkshire Pudding. From the Old World of Empire to the new superpower in Asia, WorldBeat is the rhythm of our global village, captured in vibrantly-coloured orchestral music and anthemic choruses.

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BRISBANE CITY HALL



#### (NOT) THE LAST NIGHT OF THE PROMS

#### **THURS 19 FEB** 7.30PM

Popular classics, patriotism, and of course, Pomp and Circumstance—the enduring appeal of the Last Night of the Proms is almost synonymous with English music as a whole.

Originally conceived in the days of Empire when Britannia ruled the waves, these days the Last Night is a more international letting-down of the musical hair, and the Brits don't have it all their own way. The thumping choruses can be Italian, the orchestral showpieces French, and even Beethoven gets to go all steak-and-kidney for this one special night. But even if it's not the beloved institution itself, the night still belongs to the seafaring English, and all those who wish they were.



#### **BOLLYWOOD GALA**

#### **THURS 24 SEP** 7.30PM

The international success of Bollywood movies has taken Indian culture to the world, and brought the music of its composers from the cinema into the concert hall.

A R Rahman leads the charge, with his moving music for *Slum Dog Millionaire* explicitly aiming to mix ancient Indian traditions with new musical styles, and in the process winning almost every moviemusic award on the planet. And from the 1960s, Ravi Shankar's Sitar Concerto still casts a mesmerising spell. But Bollywood is all about its songs, presented with dazzling colour and movement as the QSO brings Asia's most vibrant musical culture to Brisbane's City Hall.

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# GOD NONG

#### **MORNING MASTERWORKS**

Good morning indeed! QSO offers a concert series of world-class soloists and timeless classics for music-lovers who prefer to go out during the day.

PHOTO QSO musicians on location at QPAC. Claire Ramuscak, contrabassoon; Evan Lewis, bassoon.

Photography by Christian Tiger.





**QPAC CONCERT HALL** 

#### Arrive early to enjoy a complimentary morning tea.

QSO's Morning Masterworks Series offers an international quality concert experience for those who prefer to go out during the day, or those whose work and time commitments make it difficult to attend evening Maestro concerts. With stress-free daytime access, public transport options and no interval, Morning Masterworks concerts are an easy and fuss-free way to experience great live classical music. Arrive early for a complimentary morning tea, enjoy world-class soloists and timeless classics, and still be home (or back at work) for lunch. In 2015, Morning Masterworks brings you a who's-who of musical legends, from violinists Shlomo Mintz and Pinchas Zukerman to pianist Nikolai Demidenko plus a new generation of keyboard masters, all of them





#### QSO. **ALONDRA** & SERGIO



#### QSO & **PINCHAS ZUKERMAN**



#### **QSO PLAYS BOLERO**

FRI 13 MAR 11.00AM

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**FRITZSCH** 

& SHLOMO

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**DEMIDENKO** 

Also Maestro SAT 20 JUN

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#### **MUSIC ON SUNDAYS**

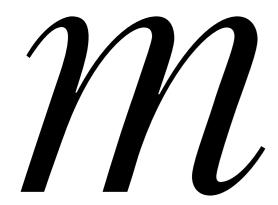
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Concerts for anyone who's ever fallen under the spell of a glorious orchestral tune.

Classical music highlights, compelling themes and jovial host Guy Noble make these
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**PHOTO** QSO musicians on location at South Bank Parklands. Glenn Christensen, violin; Nicole Tait, bassoon, Tim Corkeron, timpani. Photography by Christian Tiger.





# **MUSIC SUNDAYS**

**QPAC CONCERT HALL** 

It's no wonder QSO's Music on Sundays has become such a beloved institution. From the Classic 100 to the soaring ballet themes of Tchaikovsky, Music on Sundays is for anyone who's ever fallen under the spell of a glorious orchestral tune. Revel in the sumptuousness of film scores that have raised lovescenes to fever-pitch or sent tears welling in your eyes. Hear Imperial Russian melodies so grand that composers elsewhere learnt to orchestrate through them. Music on Sundays is all that and more, music of miracles and pure magic, and an incomparable kick-start to idyllic Brisbane Sundays in the heart of South Bank.



without our much-loved and cheeky host Guy Noble centre stage, setting the scene. Or sometimes, unsettling the scene! Guy Noble is one of Australia's







**MOVIE MASTERPIECES** 



**MAESTRO'S** CHOICE



**MIGHTY IMPERIAL RUSSIA!** 



**MIRACLES AND MAGIC** 

**SUN 8 MAR** 11.30AM

**SUN 14 JUN** 11.30AM

**SUN 9 AUG** 11.30AM

**SUN 6 SEP** 11.30AM

**SUN 15 NOV** 11.30AM

Conductor Nicolette Fraillon

Conductor/Host Guy Noble

**Conductor** Johannes Fritzsch Host Guy Noble

Conductor Benjamin Northey Host Guy Noble

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Host Guy Noble

'Everyone at the theatre is raving about my music...' So wrote Tchaikovsky during rehearsals for his first ballet, Swan Lake, and his unerring instinct for music that moves dancers and emotions alike never left him. Just listen to it in modern ads. It's the rhythm, of course, but most of all it's in the melody, animating the spirits of the Nutcracker and Sleeping Beauty. Only Coppelia and Giselle can rival them in popularity and in their memorable tunes, as you'll hear in this delightful musical morning 'At the Ballet'!

It's hard to imagine great movies without their equally great soundtracks—that monumental swell of Saharan grandeur in Lawrence of Arabia, the epic, evocative theme of Gone with the Wind. the ominous acceleration of rhythm as jaws emerge from the depths below. So expressive, so vital to the meaning of the movie, is it any wonder that concert composers have always been drawn to writing with stopwatch in hand and silent rushes on the screen before them? Net result? Melodies so sublime, and orchestral showpieces so exhilarating, that they define the music of our times.

ABC Classic FM's annual Classic 100 survey is a phenomenon, with tens of thousands of Australian musiclovers voting for the music that they can't live without. And the results always surprise, while still confirming that some works are simply timeless, alltime classics that are handed down through the generations. Now, with the survey into its second decade, Johannes Fritzsch and QSO give you Maestro's Choice, the best of the best music that means the most to them, and you.

'Art is not an end in itself, but a means of addressing humanity.' The quote is from Mussorgsky and perhaps it explains why the music of Russia still speaks so universally to listeners everywhere. In Khovanschina, Mussorgsky paints mist rising over the river and in Pictures at an Exhibition, the Promenade theme and Great Gate of Kiev sweep you along in a tide of musical grandeur. And there's always an element of the exotic too, witness Rimsky-Korsakov's spell-binding violin lines in Scheherazade based on the Arabian Nights. Oriental perhaps, but it's Russian music in all its emotion, power and beauty.

'Ah, music,' he said, wiping his eyes. 'A magic beyond all we do here!'

- J.K. Rowling, Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone.

Music might be magic, but it's also very good at *depicting* magic. Whether it's enchanted gardens in Stravinsky's Firebird, the sorcery of Mozart's The Magic Flute, the theme from *Harry Potter* or the wonder of Respighi's Magic Toyshop, music has a way of conjuring up miracles all of its own. This wonderland of a concert is so alluring and taste-tempting that it could be made of gingerbread.

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**VILLA-LOBOS** AND FRIENDS



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**SHLOMO MINTZ WITH QSO STRINGS** 

**SUN 22 FEB** 3.00PM

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Warwick Adeney, Leader

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Violin Alan Smith Flute Alexis Kenny Clarinet Irit Silver Horn Lauren Manuel

Crusell Clarinet Quartet No.2 **Debussy** Sonata for Flute. Viola and Harp Berwald Grand Septet

R. Strauss (arr. Hasenöhrl) Till Eulenspiegel einmal anders! Violin Rebecca Seymour Flute Hayley Radke Clarinet Irit Silver Bassoon Nicole Tait **Trumpet** Sarah Wilson

Antheil Symphony for Five Instruments Villa-Lobos Choros No.7 Schulhoff Concertino for Flute, Viola and Double Bass **Hindemith** Octet

**Adina String Quartet** 

Alan Smith, Leader Horn Malcolm Stewart Piano Angela Turner

Beethoven String Quartet No.10 Brahms Trio for Violin. Horn and Piano

Violin and viola

Shlomo Mintz, QSO Soloist-in-Residence Violin Warwick Adeney **QSO Strings** 

**Brahms** String Quintet No.2 Schoenberg Verklärte Nacht

Borodin may have been an industrial chemist by profession, but as a composer the melodies he wrote were so beautiful that they were adapted into the musical Kismet, including the famous Nocturne from his Second String Quartet which became the song And This Is My

Beloved. Brahms wrote a kind

of love song too in his String

Sextet No.2, in the form of a

name of Agathe von Siebold

at the time. But both works

remain pure, unadulterated

with whom he was infatuated

secret musical reference to the

'Spring has returned and with it gaiety/Is greeted by the birds in joyous song'. So goes the sonnet prefacing Vivaldi's immortal Four Seasons, a work of creative vitality and sheer joy that has been drawing people to classical music for centuries. Tango master Astor Piazzolla quotes the Vivaldi masterpiece in his loving depiction of his adopted city. Written for tango quintet between 1964 and 1970, it was later adapted for string orchestra by Russian composer Leonid Desyatnikov, and alongside the Vivaldi it now makes an ideal coupling

Till Eulenspiegel was an anti-hero of German folk culture long before Strauss wrote this famous orchestral tone poem. These days though, Strauss' score, with its graphic depiction of Till's sticky end, is more famous than the original tale itself, having been rearranged for many different ensembles. This chamber version by Hasenöhrl keeps the two key instruments-horn and violinat the forefront. Beguiling Debussy, a classic quartet from Crusell and Berwald's finest chamber work complement Till's shenanigans.

When he wasn't writing mystery novels or inventing new communication systems, George Antheil was a celebrated avant-garde composer whose Symphony for Five Instruments is still compelling listening today. Brazilian Heitor Villa-Lobos went the other way, finding inspiration within his country's rich folk traditions. As for Paul Hindemith, he described the composition of his Octet as 'no world-shattering event' but musicians ever since have disagreed.

It's nicknamed 'The Harp' because of its distinctive pizzicato (plucked) section in the first movement, but Beethoven's quartet isn't some curiosity. Its predominantly heroic tone makes it a kindred spirit with the Fifth Symphony, and a work of great profundity. So too is Brahms' Horn Trio. written in the Black Forest, with the horn's achingly expressive tone providing the composer with an opportunity to mourn the loss of his beloved mother.

It may be a Brisbane afternoon, but Shlomo Mintz and leading QSO players transport you to a moonlit night in a forest outside Vienna, where the branches of the oak trees look like dark claws against the cloudless sky. And here in Schoenberg's Verklärte Nacht, two lovers play out a ghostly scene of reconciliation in music of exquisite, ravishing beauty. Schoenberg always acknowledged his indebtedness to Brahms, whose String Quintet No.2 was intended to be his last work. However its rapturous reception, which has never wavered since, convinced him to continue.

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Maestro	3	3	QSO & MISCHA Maisky	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
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Music on Sundays	5	5	4 Easter Saturday	5	5	<b>5 SUN</b> Till Eulenspiegel	5	5	5 Labour Day	5	5
	6	6	- 5	6	6	- III Laichspiegei	6	<b>6 SUN</b> Mighty Imperial	6	<b>6 FRI</b> QSO Plays Bolero	6
Chamber Players	7	7	6 Easter Monday	7	7	- 6	7	Russia!	7		7
riayers	8	8 SUN At the Ballet	7	8	8 Queen's Birthday	- 7	8	7	8	7 SAT	8
PECIAL CONCERTS	9	At the Builet	8	9	9	- 8	<b>9 SUN</b> Maestro's Choice	8	9	QSO Plays Bolero	9
Opening	10	- 9	9	<b>10 SUN</b> Lights, Camera,	10	9	ridestro s choice	9	10		<b>10 THU</b> Symphonic Santa
and Closing	11	- 10	10	Action!	11	10	10	10	11	0	Symphonic Santa
WorldBeat	12	- 11	11	11	12	- 11	11	11	12	10	11 FRI
Messiah	13	12	12 SUN	12	13	12	12 EKKA Day (Brisbane)	12 SAT	13	10	Symphonic Santa
Family	<b>14 SAT</b> Ode to Joy	13 FRI	Vivaldi vs Piazzolla	13	<b>14 SUN</b> Movie Masterpieces	13	13 THU	QSO & Simone Young	14	12	
Kiddies Cushion		Fritzsch & Shlomo Mintz	13	14	Tiovic Flasterpieces	14	QSO & Pinchas Zukerman	13	15		12 SAT
	15		14	15	15	15			16	13	Symphonic Santa
ANZAC Eve Concert	16	14 SAT Fritzsch &	15	16	16	16	- 14	14	17 SAT QSO & Shlomo Mintz	14	13
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	(Not) The Last Night of the Proms	17	<b>18 SAT</b> QSO & Sarah Chang	20	Demidenko plays Brahms	18	- 17		20	17	17
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	28	26 THU	27	27	- 28	29	- 28	Villa-Lobos & Friends	27	25	27
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