





## Welcome

Here at Queensland Symphony Orchestra, we believe music makes life better.

But don't just take our word for it...

This year we asked our audience how our concerts make them feel, so within these pages you'll encounter real-life reviews that paint a vivid picture. If you haven't been to a concert before, we invite you to experience the magic of live orchestral music for yourself. And if you're already a fan, welcome back! It's great to see you again.

Whatever your musical journey, we're for you. We hope to meet you in the foyer soon.



#### **Meet our Chief Conductor and Musicians**

Get to know our musicians, and hear from our Chief Conductor about why we love making music together.



#### **Browse our concerts**

Find out about all the music we have planned for 2024, including great orchestral masterpieces, new Australian premieres, movie favourites, and more.



#### Explore our concert packages

A subscription package gives you access to the best seats, reduced ticket prices and the knowledge that you have lots of spectacular concerts to look forward to in 2024.



#### Curate your own package

Our Choose-Your-Own packages give you the same benefits of being a subscriber, but the flexibility to curate your own series depending on your musical tastes and schedule.



#### Renew your subscription

Welcome back! You already know that the smartest way to enjoy Queensland Symphony Orchestra in 2024 is to beat the rush and renew your subscription early.



Natsuko Yoshimoto, Concertmaster



### Meet our **Chief Conductor**



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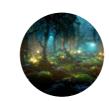
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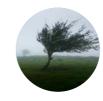
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Welcome to our 2024 season, my second as Chief Conductor. I am very excited for us to continue this journey together!

My ambition is to create a web of interconnected programs in which each concert has a clear unique storyline that develops through a unified arc. While this season may look slightly different to you, our longstanding friends, I hope you will take a leap of faith and continue to trust me on this journey. Be curious and explore unknown musical paths, safe in the knowledge that there will be many things I can guarantee you will discover and love.

The repertoire this year centres on Romanticism. We will perform for you music by the great German Romantics - Mahler, Strauss, Brahms, Mendelssohn and Schumann. You will also be delighted and moved by Puccini, Berlioz, Sibelius, Dvořák, Smetana and many others. The Romantic movement is essentially a rejection of the principles of order, harmony, balance and rationality that typified last year's focus, the Classical era. We will emphasise inspiration, emotions, subjectivity and the primacy of the individual. And of course we continue our Mahler and Mozart late-symphonies cycles, starting the Maestro Series with Mahler 7.

The philosophical theme is the 'Outer World'. For me, this is music which describes the world in many ways, from the contemplative Rain Tree by Takemitsu, to the new piece by our beloved Paul Dean dedicated to the Barrier Reef, as well as the majestic Become Ocean by the American composer John Luther Adams, who won both a Grammy and Pulitzer Prize for this monumental work.

I am delighted that QSO is expanding its reach in Brisbane and more broadly across the state, striving to be the orchestra for all Queenslanders. As artists, I believe that we should be part of the social debate about society and the world in which we all live whether that is here with you in person or via our music shared online.

I look forward to an exciting 2024 of music for all of us in Queensland.

A presto!

**Umberto Clerici Chief Conductor** 

Umberto Clerici, Chief Conductor

## Meet Our Musicians

We thank supporters of our Music Chair Program who allow us to attract musicians of the highest standard.



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Kaja Skorka Cello Robin Spencer Will and Lorna Heaslop Dr Siok Tan



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John Story AO and Georgina Story



Anne Buchanan Double Bass Support a Musician



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Paul O'Brien Double Bass Support a Musician



Ken Poggioli Double Bass Support a Musician



Alison Mitchell ~ Flute



Hayley Radke >> Flute
Desmond B Misso Esq.



Kate Lawson \* Piccolo Dr James R Conner



Huw Jones ~ Oboe Prof lan Gough AM & Dr Ruth Gough



Sarah Meagher >> Oboe Sarah & Mark Combe





Alexa Murray Oboe In memory of Les Masel Guy and Kathleen Knopke



Vivienne Brooke \* Cor Anglais Rebekah Ferris and Greg Hall CP Morris Irit Silver ~ Clarinet
Arthur Waring



Brian Catchlove >> Clarinet
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Kate Travers Clarinet
Dr Julie Beeby



Nicholas Harmsen \* Bass Clarinet John Story AO and Georgina Story



Nicole Tait ~ Bassoon In memory of Margaret Mittelheuser AM



David Mitchell >> Bassoon
John & Helen Keep



Evan Lewis Bassoon CP Morris In memory of Dr Vicki Knopke



Claire Ramuscak \* Contrabassoon CP Morris



Timothy Allen-Ankins >> French Horn Support a Musician



lan O'Brien \* French Horn David Miller and Rosslyn Walker



Vivienne Collier-Vickers French Horn John and Bonnie Bauld



Lauren Manuel French Horn



Rainer Saville ~ Trumpet Support a Musician



Richard Madden >> Trumpet A & E Travers



**Jason Redman ~ Trombone** Frances & Stephen Maitland OAM RFD



Ashley Carter >> Trombone
The K&D/S&R Anketell Foundation In memory of Nigel Johnston Peterson Family



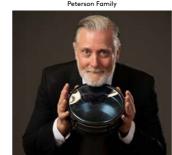
Nicolas Thomson\* Bass Trombone Support a Musician



Thomas Allely \* Tuba Arthur Waring



Tim Corkeron \* Timpani Dr Philip Aitken & Dr Susan Urquhart Peggy Allen Hayes





Josh DeMarchi >> Percuss Dr Graham & Mrs Kate Row



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### Meet our **Chief Executive** & Board Chair





There is nothing like the palpable buzz that a new concert season on the horizon brings. If the level of activity and energy that has filled the QSO calendar in 2023 is anything to go by, 2024 looks positively hyperactive. It is enormously exciting to be part of QSO's journey at this point in time; a moment where we have the good fortune of inspiring musical leadership from our Chief Conductor Umberto Clerici and Concertmaster Natsuko Yoshimoto, a bold new regional touring strategy, and an everexpanding program of unforgettable performances.

All of this wonderful music will take place in an expanded selection of venues next year including St Stephen's Cathedral, the Queensland Conservatorium of Music, Redland Performing Arts Centre, HOTA on the Gold Coast, and of course our beloved Concert Hall in the Queensland Performing Arts Centre.

Our increased commitment to regional touring will allow QSO musicians to do more of what they do best-connect with people from all walks of life through music. Wherever we perform, be it in Cairns, St George, Gladstone or Brisbane, the level of artistic excellence travels with us acting as an equaliser which provides people everywhere with the same access to joyous and enriching orchestral music.

Alongside our concert program, we encourage you to follow our journey of discovery as we embark on warrma piipa. This multi-year adventure in partnership with our dear friend and colleague William Barton will see the QSO deepen and extend our connection to country and community through music, stories, and numerous creative projects. It is a privilege for us to be part of this and we can't wait to learn and share more of our exploration of First Nations culture with you.

On behalf of the Board and Management of QSO, we invite you to lean in closely this year and take advantage of all we have to offer. Join us for epic mainstage performances, bring family and friends to a movie in concert, follow us up north for a Symphony Under the Stars, and visit our Studio for intimate special music events. There is so much on offer, including our performances for Opera Queensland and Queensland Ballet, that we will be hard to miss. We look forward to seeing lots more of you in 2024 in foyers and venues all over this wonderful state.

Yarmila Alfonzetti **Chief Executive** 

**Rod Pilbeam** Chair

## **Meet Our Principal Partner**



Australia Pacific LNG and its operators ConocoPhillips and Origin Energy are proud to support Queensland Symphony Orchestra's vision of access to life-affirming music for all.

Queensland Symphony Orchestra's regional engagement enriches the lives of students, teachers and communities across Queensland, providing unparalleled opportunities to enjoy, learn from, and perform alongside the state's best musicians.

We believe that everyone, no matter where they're from, deserves to experience the transformative power of music. Queensland Symphony Orchestra truly is an Orchestra for all Queenslanders, and we are delighted to play our part in helping them fulfill that vision.

We look forward to their 2024 Season and the many opportunities it will bring.

Khoa Dao **Chief Executive Officer Australia Pacific LNG** 





**30** 

schools involved



1,002

students attended school students school concerts participated in workshops



**37** 

teachers attended PD sessions



students performed in community concerts



people attended community concerts



## warrma piipa

"warrma piipa is about connection to country, and legacy of landscape.

My people have been interpreting the Australian landscape for thousands of years, singing the songlines of this country. When you look at the great composers of the classical world, they wrote about their landscape and their feeling of country too.

Queensland Symphony Orchestra is my musical family, my home state orchestra, and it's where my journey started in the classical world. So it's coming full circle. warrma piipa is a coming together of both worlds - connecting my traditional first nations home of Kalkadunga with the sonic force of the symphony orchestra. It's pretty special.

The song that I sing around the fire is about the passing of culture from generation to generation, and in that moment of truth, honesty and reconciliation, I hand that nurturing legacy to Queensland Symphony Orchestra.

The long-term journey of warrma piipa is about connecting and giving pride to communities across Queensland. We are not the heroes, we are just the facilitators, helping convey a story of legacy, language, lullaby and peace.

Music is truth, and people, irrespective of their cultural background - they can feel and hear truth and honesty. Music is also entertainment, but there's a point for me where it becomes a statement of my landscape, of my heart and soul. I want to take people to my Kalkadunga country wherever I am in the world."

- William Barton

"warrma piipa gives Queensland Symphony Orchestra an opportunity to evolve, and is a journey that we are taking in partnership with William Barton. He will lead us over many years and through multiple artforms to create a work that will reflect Queensland. This is a journey of discovery.

Alongside this artistic journey, we are seeking to support and mentor the next generation of emerging First Nations creatives through this project. QSO is proud to make a significant commitment to the deepening maturity of our artistic collaborations and to the career development of a special set of new First Nations colleagues who will be the guiding stars of our future. I cannot thank William enough for being a kindred spirit to QSO."

- Yarmila Alfonzetti



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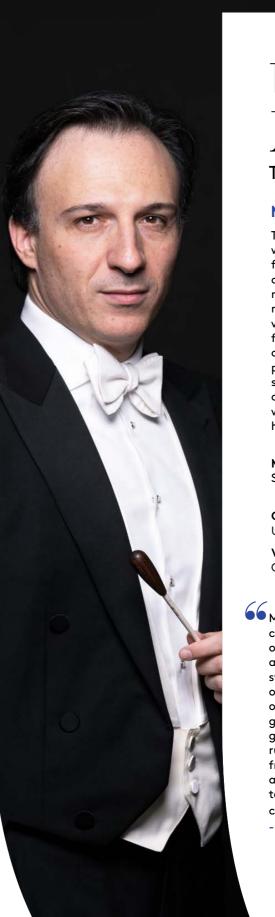
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## Umberto's Mahler

THE JOURNEY CONTINUES

#### Maestro

There's a reason Mahler's Symphony No.7 was chosen to open our Maestro season for 2024: it's an absolute epic! Clocking in at over an hour, this turn-of-the-century masterwork is packed with action. A rollicking first movement holds glimmers of victory between boasting brass and feverish flutes. The centre of the work conjures the dark of night, birds calling from their hiding places – but do sinister figures lurk in the shadows? You'll hear it all under the baton of our Chief Conductor Umberto Clerici, who lifts this symphony to its tremendously happy ending.

#### Mahler

Symphony No.7 in E minor

#### CONDUCTOR

Umberto Clerici

#### VENUE

Concert Hall, QPAC

Mahler 7 is a very special symphony that celebrates the grandeur and the power of Nature. This year's season opening is a journey from the night to the day, a symphony of victory. After the hammer of his 6th symphony, symbolising the blows of Destiny, in his 7th Mahler includes a guitar, a mandolin and two harps and the gentle clanking of distant cowbells evokes rural moods and rustic dances. Surging from the night music, the Finale is a wild and wonderful movement that leads us to the light and the joy of life. Come and celebrate it with us!

- UMBERTO CLERICI

Friday 23 February 7.30pm

Saturday 24 February 1.30pm

## Mozart's Jupiter

#### HIS ICONIC SYMPHONY

#### **Special Event**

Beethoven or Schumann? It's a tough choice – and we're leaving it up to you when we present Mozart's Jupiter. The first time we perform the symphony, we'll pair it with Beethoven's moody Moonlight Sonata (with that famous melody), and Hungarian composer György Kurtág's eerie ...quasi una fantasia... Our second Jupiter concert kicks off with Schumann's only piano concerto. Top-tier Aussie pianist Andrea Lam will traverse every peak of this tastefully emotive work.

As for the *Jupiter*? Well, it's Mozart - so you can expect spirit-lifting jollity interspersed with witty melodrama. Can't decide? Why not come to both?

#### **FRIDAY NIGHT**

#### **Beethoven**

Sonata Op.27 No.2, Quasi una fantasia (Moonlight sonata), mvt 1

#### Kurtág

...quasi una fantasia...

#### Turnage

Set To for Brass Dectet

#### Mozart, W.A.

Symphony No.41, K.551 (Jupiter)

#### **SATURDAY NIGHT**

#### Schumann

Concerto for Piano in A minor

#### Takemitsu

Rain Tree

#### Mozart, W.A.

Symphony No.41, K.551 (Jupiter)

#### **CONDUCTOR**

Umberto Clerici

#### SOLOIST

Andrea Lam, piano

#### **VENUE**

Queensland Conservatorium Theatre

Presented in association with Queensland Conservatorium Griffith University





Friday 1 March 7.30pm

Saturday 2 March 7.30pm







# Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows<sup>TM</sup> Part 1

THE END IS NIGH

#### **Movie Event**

Get ready to embark on the penultimate leg of Harry's journey as Warner Bros. and CineConcerts bring to the screen Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows Part 1. Harry, Ron and Hermione face their latest set of challenges and foes both new and old as the seventh film comes to Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre, projected on a giant screen and accompanied by our musicians. Relive every harrowing moment with a live movie experience you'll never forget.

#### CONDUCTOR

Vanessa Scammell

#### VENUE

Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre

NB. This concert is only available as an individual purchase. Visit qso.com.au or ticketek.com.au to secure your seats.

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Saturday 16 March 1.30pm

Saturday 16 March 7.30pm

## Messiah

AN EASTER PASSION

#### **Special Event**

A triumph of the baroque period, Handel's *Messiah* is one of the world's most loved masterpieces.

This tale of redemption, passion and resurrection has travelled centuries. The power of the human voice erupts in exultations of rapturous joy and reaches a pinnacle of glory with the famous 'Hallelujah chorus.' Under the baton of choral specialist Brett Weymark, four dazzling soloists and Brisbane Chamber Choir will breathe life into this timeless work of reverence. In the beautiful surrounds of the QPAC Concert Hall, this stirring performance will bring renewed peace and moments of reflection to your Easter.

> Handel Messiah

CONDUCTOR Brett Weymark

#### **SOLOISTS**

Celeste Lazarenko, soprano Stephanie Dillon, mezzo soprano Alexander Lewis, tenor Christopher Richardson, bass-baritone

#### CHOIR

Brisbane Chamber Choir

#### VENUE

Concert Hall, QPAC

Thursday 28 March 7.30pm





VIBRANT ORCHESTRAL COLOURS

#### Morning Masterworks | Maestro

The lyrical clarinet opens Tchaikovsky's Symphony No.5 - and it's a melody you'll be whistling for days after the concert. The rest of the instruments soon join in and before you know it, our entire Orchestra is performing at full throttle. Just wait for their electrifying finale! British conductor Andrew Gourley won't succumb to the drama-he'll create it, arms drawing romantic melodies from the strings, spine arching towards the commotion. Britten's Sinfonia da Requiem begins at the other end of the energy spectrum, and your heart will beat with our lowest instruments before this music takes a haunting turn. Serious concertgoers won't want to miss this performance - and if you're looking to kick off your classical music journey, this is a spectacular way to start.

Britten

Sinfonia da Requiem

**Tchaikovsky**Symphony No.5

CONDUCTOR

Andrew Gourlay

VENUE

Concert Hall, QPAC

Friday 12 April 11.30am

Friday 12 April 7.30pm

Saturday 13 April 7.30pm

## My Homeland

#### JOURNEY THROUGH BOHEMIA

#### Maestro

The pleasures of a crisp mountain breeze and a rippling river are bundled into Má vlast, Smetana's picturesque homage to his Bohemian homeland. Through six sensational movements, you will travel to Prague and beyond with Czech conductor Tomáš Netopil as your tour guide. A curious harp melody invites you to gaze upon a magnificent castle that has towered over the city since the Middle Ages. Next you'll take a daredevil ride down the rapids of the Czech Republic's longest river, our musicians depicting moonlit mermaids and rural weddings along the way. This performance will have you battling legendary knights and warriors one minute, and dancing to the music of a countryside festival the next. Smetana found it all in his backyard, and now Queensland Symphony Orchestra is bringing it to yours. Every note from this fun and heartfelt work will spark a bright new picture in your mind, making this concert truly unforgettable.

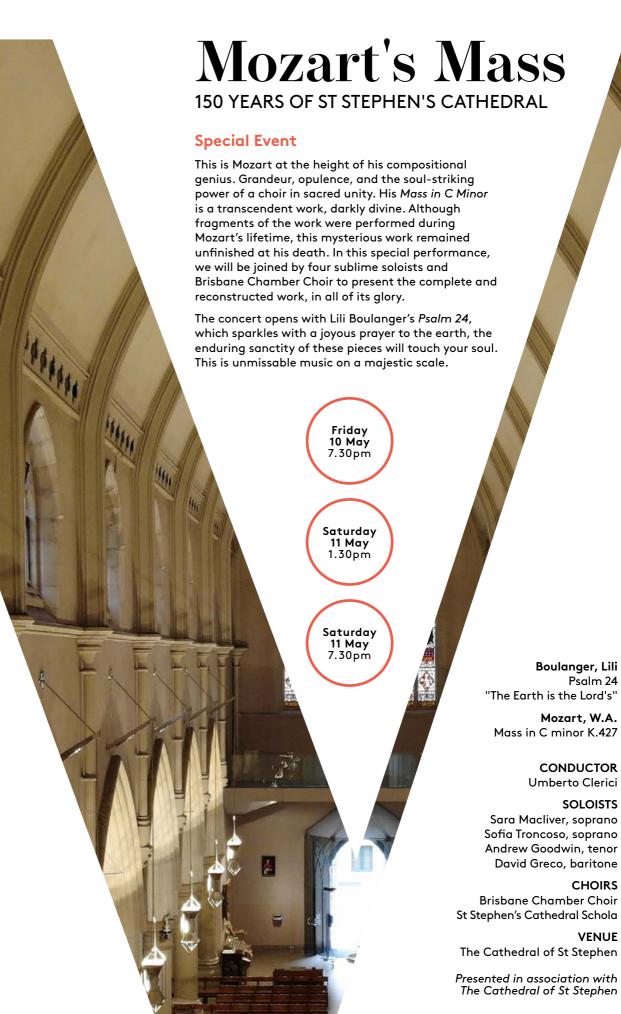
Smetana Má vlast (My Fatherland)

CONDUCTOR Tomáš Netopil

VENUE Concert Hall, QPAC

> Friday 3 May 7.30pm







# Symphony Fantastic LOVE, LUST AND MADNESS

#### Maestro

Death has never sounded more alive than in Saint-Saëns' Danse Macabre, where a violin charms skeletons from their graves so they can dance until the break of dawn. Then, allow yourself to be lured to the depths of a crazed composer's mind in Symphonie Fantastique. Our Chief Conductor Umberto Clerici will energise the orchestra with Berlioz's evocative cocktail of opium and desire and actor Eugene Gilfedder will set a nightmarish scene. Between these killer works you'll hear Ravel's Tzigane, rapsodie de concert, as Hungarian violinist József Lendvay will hold you in the clutches of this spellbinding solo infused with a gypsy spirit.

**Saint-Saëns**Danse Macabre

Rave

Tzigane, rapsodie de concert

Berlioz

Symphonie Fantastique

CONDUCTOR

Umberto Clerici

SOLOIST

József Lendvay, violin

ACTOR

Eugene Gilfedder

**VENUE** 

Concert Hall, QPAC

Presented in association with 4MBS Festival of Classics

Friday 17 May 7.30pm

Saturday 18 May 1.30pm

## The Lost Birds

#### SUBLIME VOCAL THEATRICS

#### Special Event | Music on Sundays

A celebration of their magnificence, and an elegy for their extinction: American composer Christopher Tin's *The Lost Birds* is a haunting reminiscence on the artistry and wonder of nature's feathered friends. Preeminent British vocal collective VOCES8 join our musicians for this special collaboration. In this heart-rending portrait, hope, peace and renewal nestle in the branches of the orchestra and resonate through the intimacy of the human voice.

Violinist Jack Liebeck will join our musicians to perform *The Lark Ascending*, Vaughan Williams' mesmerising tribute to its' flutter and flight. Soar above the noise of the everyday and into a pastoral haven rich with reflection, as conductor Barnaby Smith illuminates a breathtaking aviary.

#### Mendelssohn

The Hebrides (Fingal's Cave)\* (Saturday only)

Vaughan Williams arr. Paul Drayton/Barnaby Smith

The Lark Ascending

Shaw, Caroline

and the swallow

Tin, Christopher The Lost Birds

#### **CONDUCTOR & HOST**

Barnaby Smith

**ENSEMBLE** 

VOCES8

SOLOIST Jack Liebeck, violin

VENUE

Concert Hall, QPAC

Saturday 8 June 7.30pm

> Sunday 9 June 11.30am

## Brahms & Rachmaninov

MASTER COMPOSERS

#### Morning Masterworks | Special Event

Illustrious conductor Jaime Martín joins our musicians for this spectacular concert. Paganini composed an array of tunes for violin – and Rachmaninov was such a fan that he borrowed one and wrote 24 flashy variations of his own. Pianist Denis Kozhukhin will perform them all in one rhapsodic sitting, every brush of the keys infused with intense focus and flair. Afterwards, it's Brahms' luscious Symphony No.4. You might find it comparable to Beethoven, at first. But once you're knee-deep in these ferocious melodies, you'll hear Brahms finally escaping the shadow of his predecessor to leave a monumental legacy of his own.

For those attending the Saturday concert, you will be treated to a performance of Ravel's wondrous Le Tombeau de Couperin. It's about the everlasting bond of friendship, and each movement – from the strange to the sprightly – honours someone Ravel held close to his heart.

#### Ravel

Le Tombeau de Couperin\* (Saturday only)

#### Rachmaninov

Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini

#### **Brahms**

Symphony No.4

#### CONDUCTOR

Jaime Martín

#### **SOLOIST**

Denis Kozhukhin, piano

#### VENUE

Concert Hall, QPAC

Friday 21 June 11.30am

Saturday 22 June 7.30pm



## Heroic Tales

#### SYMPHONIC MASTERPIECES

#### Morning Masterworks | Maestro

Strauss injected multiple musical quotations into his self-referential masterpiece *Ein Heldenleben* – so you're bound to recognise a few when you hear it live. Spot your favourite Straussian sound bite or simply revel in the triumphant melodies that earned the piece the title of *A Hero's Life*. Conductor Nicholas Carter will also take you on a journey of *Shéhérazade* for Voice and Orchestra. The expressive voice in question belongs to Australian soprano Siobhan Stagg, and for you she'll sing three fantastical tales inspired by *The Arabian Nights*. Helen Grime's intricately textured Near Midnight tells another story, evoking D. H. Lawrence's poetic imagery of church bells clamouring through the night.

Grime

Near Midnight\* (Saturday only)

Ravel

Shéhérazade for Voice and Orchestra

**Strauss, R.** Ein Heldenleben

**CONDUCTOR** Nicholas Carter

**SOLOIST** 

Siobhan Stagg, soprano

**VENUE** 

Concert Hall, QPAC

Friday 2 August 11.30am

Saturday 3 August 7.30pm



## Dreams & Stories

#### **IMAGINATION TAKES FLIGHT**

#### Music on Sundays

Close your eyes. Prepare to be transported worlds away from the concert hall, as dreams and stories unfurl in spellbinding musical moments.

Magic shimmers in the fluttering passages of Mendelssohn's A Midsummer Night's Dream, before John Williams' music from Harry Potter whisks you away into the realm of witches and wizards. Stravinsky's radiant Firebird Suite will erupt with a kaleidoscope of orchestral colour.

At the heart of this concert is Peter Sculthorpe's Kakadu – a vivid reflection on the changing of seasons, and the powerful cycle of life and death so integral to the land. Digeridoo virtuoso William Barton, will breathe rhythm and life into this now iconic Australian work.

#### Mendelssohn

Overture from A Midsummer Night's Dream

Sculthorpe

Kakadu

Strauss, Johann Jr.

Tales of the Vienna Woods

#### Williams

Harry's Wondrous World from Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone

#### Stravinsky

Danse infernale du roi Kastcheï, Berceuse and Finale from Firebird Suite

#### CONDUCTOR

Katharina Wincor

#### **SOLOIST**

William Barton, didgeridoo

#### HOST

Ashleigh Denning

#### VENUE

Concert Hall, QPAC

Sunday 18 August 11.30am





**QSO and Brisbane Festival Present** Spirit of the Wild A VISION OF NATURE Morning Masterworks | Maestro Chief Conductor Umberto Clerici will be captain of this voyage to some of the wildest natural places. John Luther Adams' visceral work Become Ocean does more than evoke the pull of the tides. It invites you to become one with the sea itself – to remember life's humble beginnings on our water-based planet and ponder a future in which we return to its depths. Equally as evocative is Nigel Westlake's Spirit of the Wild, brought to life by Australian oboe royalty Diana Doherty. Her vivid performance will transport you to Tasmania's rugged South West wilderness where nature reigns supreme. This existential program exudes chaos of epic proportions with stirring music from Haydn's The Creation. The Depiction of Chaos from The Creation Spirit of the Wild Adams, John Luther Become Ocean Friday 13 September 11.30am CONDUCTOR Umberto Clerici **SOLOIST** Diana Doherty, oboe **VENUE** Saturday Concert Hall, QPAC 14 September In association with Queensland Conservatorium Griffith University



## Reel Classics

THE GOLDEN AGE OF CINEMA

#### **Special Event**

Our tribute to the golden era of Hollywood returns for another trip down musical memory lane. The soundtracks of the 1930s -1980s defined cinema, as the silver screen brought symphonic music to audiences like never before. New technology enabled soundtracks to be preserved alongside films forever. Orchestral composers leapt at this opportunity, writing iconic music that has defined movie-memories.

Including music from Hancock's thrilling Psycho, the timeless themes of James Bond, the playful intrigue of The Pink Panther, and much more, this concert is a nostalgic ride through the wonders and triumphs of Hollywood. Join conductor and host Vanessa Scammell, for a cinematic≈adventure in surround sound, live on stage.

#### **Music From**

Psycho

The Wizard of Oz

James Bond: Goldfinger

The Pink Panther

The Magnificent Seven

And more...

#### **CONDUCTOR & HOST**

Vanessa Scammell

VENUE

Concert Hall, QPAC

Friday 11 October 7.30pm

Saturday 12 October 1.30pm

#### **Music on Sundays**

A MORNING IN FRANCE

Hear the saxophone as you've never heard it before, as soloist Nick Russionello joins forces with Umberto Clerici for this selection of musical vignettes. From jazz-influenced joy to moments of enchanting lyricism, this Music on Sundays performance will showcase the unparalleled versatility of this much-loved instrument.

Debussy's Rhapsody features the saxophone as alluring, mysterious soloist, with snaking harmonies and impressionist colours. Ravel, too, thought the saxophone was the perfect haunting addition to his orchestration of Mussorgsky's Pictures at an Exhibition. Other concert highlights include Gershwin's bustling An American in Paris – a postcard from a vibrant city, and Satie's dreamy Gymnopédies, a true moment of serenity. This concert has it all, and we know you'll love it.

#### Gershwin

An American in Paris

#### Debussy

Rhapsody for Alto Saxophone and Orchestra

#### Mussorgsky (arr. Ravel)

Selections from Pictures at an Exhibition

#### Satie (orch. Debussy)

Selections from Les Gymnopédies

#### Rameau

Selections from Les Indes Galantes

#### **CONDUCTOR & HOST**

Umberto Clerici

#### **SOLOIST**

Nick Russoniello, saxophone

#### **VENUE**

Concert Hall, QPAC



**QSO and QPAC Present** 

Sounds Like an Orchestra

**FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY** 

#### **Family Event**

What's that sound? Is it a flute? A trumpet? A cello?

Come and meet Queensland Symphony Orchestra and embark on an action-packed musical journey. Weave your way through the stormy drama of a Brahms *Hungarian Dance*, and float on the breeze in Kats-Chernin's *Dance of the Paper Umbrellas*.

Composer and presenter Paul Rissman will be live on stage to guide your young music lovers through the concert experience culminating in a performance of Leon and the Place Between. This interactive musical tale follows a young magician and is jam-packed with mystery and wonder. Leon's escapades will be brought to life by the majestic force of the orchestra, conducted by Jen Winley.

Closing with the triumphant theme from Star Wars, Sounds Like an Orchestra is the perfect introduction to the magnificent world of live orchestral music.

Coleridge-Taylor

Dance from Othello Suite

Brahms (arr. Parlow)

Hungarian Dance No.5

Kats-Chernin

Dance of the Paper Umbrellas

Rimsky-Korsakov

Flight of the Bumblebee from Tale of the Tsar Saltan

Rissmann

Leon and the Place Between

William

Main Title from Star Wars

CONDUCTOR

Jen Winley

**PRESENTER** 

Paul Rissmann

**SOLOIST** 

Ashleigh Denning, vocalist

VENUE

Concert Hall, QPAC



## Rachmaninov's Piano

#### **BRILLIANT AND BREATHTAKING**

#### Morning Masterworks | Maestro

Rachmaninov doesn't mess around with his Piano Concerto No.3 in D minor - his melodies draw you in from the very beginning. Your soloist is Nobuyuki Tsujii, a former child prodigy who gave his major Tokyo debut at 12, and has since taken the world by storm, as he presents history's most challenging music learnt through Braille and ear. Marvel at the depth of expression he pours into every note before our knock-out program continues with Prokofiev's Symphony No.7. Brazilian conductor Eduardo Strausser will give you safe passage through a daring opening movement; if you can face the foreboding strings, you will be rewarded with sweeping melodies and a gratifying finale. Tchaikovsky's Waltz from Sleeping Beauty will whirl you home with the perfect comingof-age dance for anyone who has ever enjoyed a 16th birthday – or perhaps has one on the horizon in 2024?

#### Rachmaninov

Piano Concerto No.3 in D minor

#### Prokofiev

Symphony No.7 in C sharp minor

#### **Chaikovsky**

Waltz from Sleeping Beauty\* (Saturday only)

#### CONDUCTOR

Eduardo Strausser

#### SOLOIST

Nobuyuki Tsujii, piano

#### VENUE

Concert Hall, QPAC



Saturday 19 October 7.30pm

## QSO Favourites

#### **BELOVED MELODIES**

#### **Special Event | Music on Sundays**

Bernstein's electric Overture to Candide is the fanfare opening to a concert of some of Queensland Symphony Orchestra's best-loved music. Featuring favourites of musicians and audiences alike, this program radiates pure joy.

There is something for everyone; Kats-Chernin's delicate Dance of the Paper Umbrellas is plucked straight out of a fairytale, while Sibelius' hymn to victory, Finlandia, brims with stormy drama. Featuring our 2023 Young Instrumentalist Prize winner, Ein Na, Saint-Saëns' fiery Introduction and Rondo Capriccioso is a show of incredible virtuosity, thrilling until its final beat.

From Beethoven to Tchaikovsky, Sibelius to Strauss, this jam-packed





## **Umberto** & Natsuko

**SEASON CLOSING GALA** 

#### Maestro

You may have witnessed our Chief Conductor Umberto Clerici and Concertmaster Natsuko Yoshimoto in concert -but have you ever heard these powerhouse musicians take centre stage together? Clerici swaps baton for bow when he tears through a cello solo alongside our showstopping violin superstar in Brahms' Double Concerto. There'll be two virtuosic performers on stage, but it's not a competition – rather you'll hear a musical conversation that glows with genuine care and compassion. Clerici is back to the podium in Four Last Songs, where Australian soprano Eleanor Lyons soars over Strauss' exquisitely atmospheric melodies that don't feel out of place next to Wagner's Overture to The Flying Dutchman.

#### Schubert

Rosamunde Overture

Concerto for Violin and Cello in A minor (Double Concerto)

Overture to The Flying Dutchman

#### Strauss, R.

Four Last Songs

#### **CONDUCTOR & SOLOIST**

Umberto Clerici, cello

#### **SOLOISTS**

Natsuko Yoshimoto, violin Eleanor Lyons, soprano

#### VENUE

Concert Hall, QPAC

Friday 15 November

Saturday 16 November 1.30pm





#### **Special Event**

Beethoven's enduring masterpiece makes a triumphant return in 2024.

It begins with a whisper. Pinpricks of light start glowing with the excitement of the musical odyssey to come. Then wholly unified, a brooding orchestral force rises. Under the baton of Chief Conductor Umberto Clerici, bask in Beethoven's embrace of the full spectrum of human emotion and experience the rapture of the glorious finale, 'Ode to Joy'. Sit back and marvel as the sound of Brisbane Chamber Choir and our superb soloists fill the Concert Hall.

One of the crowning achievements of classical music, you won't want to miss a moment of Beethoven's exhilarating testament to the human spirit.

#### Beethoven

Symphony No.9 (Choral)

#### **CONDUCTOR** Umberto Clerici

#### SOLOISTS

Eleanor Lyons, soprano Ashlyn Tymms, mezzo soprano Andrew Goodwin, tenor Samuel Dundas, baritone

#### CHOIR

Brisbane Chamber Choir

#### VENUE

Concert Hall, QPAC

Presented in association with QPAC

Friday 29 November 7.30pm

Thursday

28 November

7.30pm

Saturday 30 November 1.30pm



## Bach's Christmas Oratorio

A FESTIVE CELEBRATION

#### **Special Event**

Celebrate the festive season with Bach's sublime *Christmas Oratorio*. This expression of joy is the perfect close to the year. Conductor Benjamin Bayl has chosen a jubilant collection of Bach's masterwork for this special performance. The sanctity of the nativity and the wonder of the Christmas season sing through pastoral woodwind and triumphant brass, as the conservatorium theatre becomes a poignant cathedral of sound. Exultant and divine, Bach's holy offering is timeless.

Soloists Sara Macliver, Stephanie Dillon, Paul McMahon and Shaun Brown are joined by the expressive qualities of the Brisbane Chamber Choir, in one of the most eloquent tributes to the festive season.

#### Bach, J.S.

Christmas Oratorio BWV248 Cantatas I, II, V, VI

#### CONDUCTOR

Benjamin Bayl

#### SOLOISTS

Sara Macliver, soprano Stephanie Dillon, mezzo soprano Paul McMahon, tenor Shaun Brown, baritone

#### CHOIR

Brisbane Chamber Choir

#### **VENUE**

Queensland Conservatorium Theatre

Presented in association with Queensland Conservatorium Griffith University

> Saturday 7 December 7.30pm





## **QSO Up Close**





### An Italian Vista

Grieg

**Holberg Suite** 

Puccini

Crisantemi (Chrysanthemums)

Mendelssohn

Symphony No.4 (Italian)

DIRECTOR

Natsuko Yoshimoto

**VENUE** 

QSO Studio, South Bank

## A Midsummer Night's Dream

Rossini

Overture to La Scala di Seta (The Silken Ladder)

Beethoven

Symphony No.8 in F

Mendelssohn

Suite from A Midsummer Night's Dream

**CONDUCTOR** 

Umberto Clerici

**VENUE** 

QSO Studio, South Bank

Saturday 10 February 7.30pm

Sunday 11 February 3pm

Friday 22 March 7.30pm Saturday 23 March 3pm Our Up Close series has been designed to celebrate music written for chamber orchestra. In the intimate QSO Studio, you will be closer to the music-making than ever.





### A Heavenly View

Mahler

Symphony No.4 [Simon reduction]

DIRECTOR

Natsuko Yoshimoto

**SOLOIST** 

Alexandra Flood, soprano

VENUE

QSO Studio, South Bank

Friday 26 July 7.30pm Saturday 27 July 3pm

## A Symphony for Winds

**THURSDAY** 

Strauss, R.

Symphony for Winds No.2 in E flat (Happy Workshop)

Penderecki

Polymorphia

Greenwood

48 Responses to Polymorphia

**SATURDAY** 

Strauss, I

Symphony for Winds No.2 in E flat (Happy Workshop)

Tchaikovsky

Serenade for Strings

CONDUCTOR

Umberto Clerici

VENUE

QSO Studio, South Bank

Thursday 7 November 7.30pm Saturday 9 November 3pm

## **Chamber Players**







Chamber

Players 3

New Work for String Quartet

Serenade for Flute, Violin

QSO Studio, South Bank

String Quartet No.14, K.387 (Spring)

Mozart, W.A.

and Viola in D

VENUE

## Chamber Players 1

Sibelius Duo for Violin and Viola in C

Haydn Duo for Violin and Viola in F, HoB VI:1

Piazolla arr. Jackson Tango Suite for Bassoon Quartet

Strauss, R. arr. Mansted Alpine Fantasy

And more...

**VENUE** QSO Studio, South Bank

Sunday 28 April Sunday

3pm

## Chamber Players 2

Norman Gran Turismo

Cawrse

Songs Without Words

Mendelssohn, Fanny String Quartet in E flat

And more...

**VENUE** QSO Studio, South Bank

> Sunday 11 August 3pm

Experience QSO in joy-filled chamber mode. Enjoy music hand-picked and introduced by our musicians in these relaxed Sunday afternoon concerts.





## Chamber Players 4

Rózsa Sonata for 2 violins

**Brahms** String Sextet No.1 Grieg arr. Young **Holberg Suite** 

Popper arr. Young Requiem

Fauré arr. Young Après un rêve

Satie arr. Young Gymnopedie No.1 reimagined

Chamber

Players 5

And more...

VENUE QSO Studio, South Bank

Sunday

. 3pm

Sunday 13 October

VENUE QSO Studio, South Bank





Discover the musicians performing in these concerts.

## **QSO Presents**





### Omega **Ensemble**

**Holly Harrison** New Work for Sextet

Shostakovich Piano Quintet, Op.57

Kats-Chernin Ornamental Air

David Rowden, clarinet Vatche Jambazian, piano Peter Clark, violin Neil Thompson, viola Paul Stender, cello

VENUE QSO Studio, South Bank

Friday 7.30pm

### **Denis Kozhukhin** Piano Recital

Schubert Sonata in B flat Major D. 960

Liszt

Sonata in B minor

VENUE QSO Studio, South Bank

Monday 7.30pm

Witness the skill and artistry of our musical colleagues in this unique concert series, hosted in our home studio.





## Australian **String Quartet**

Beethoven

String Quartet in E flat, Op.127

Sdraulig

New Work (World Premiere tour)

Korngold

String Quartet No.2 in E flat, Op.26

Dale Barltrop, violin Francesca Hiew, violin Christopher Cartlidge, viola Michael Dahlenburg, cello

**VENUE** 

QSO Studio, South Bank

Thursday 7.30pm

### Nobuyuki Tsujii Piano Recital

Piano Sonata No. 14 in C sharp minor, Op. 27, No. 2 (Moonlight)

Consolation \$172/R12 No.2, Un poco più mosso

Verdi's Rigoletto: Paraphrase de concert

Pavane pour une infante défunte

Kapustin

Eight Concert Etudes, Op. 40

VENUE

QSO Studio, South Bank

Monday 21 October 7.30pm



## Regional Touring



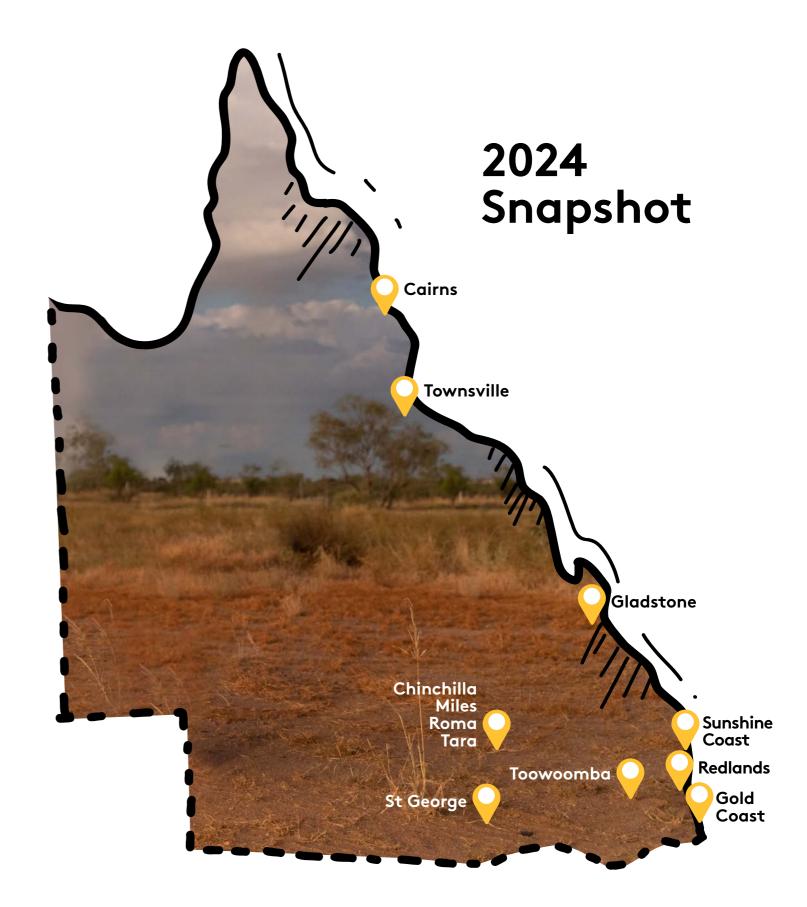
QSO is committed to investing into Regional Queensland. This investment includes the delivery of educational workshops and large-scale community concerts, professional development for local music teachers, resources to aid continuous learning, and cultural tourism events which expand the economy and visitation of regional and remote areas. Our multi-year strategy aims to unlock the value of community-wide engagement which will be followed by an evaluation of the economic, social and educational impact that QSO can bring to Queensland communities.

Our state touring footprint will see the full symphony orchestra travel to four major cities and one outback location each year, inviting schools and communities from neighbouring areas to come together to hear the orchestra. This Residency Model will ensure that many thousands of regional and remote Queenslanders are given an opportunity to experience their state orchestra live in concert. The special opportunity to hear a performance can then be enhanced with in-person contact, playing and learning events led by QSO Musicians and the QSO specialist music education team.

This city-led approach works to support the interests of multiple stakeholders including state and local government, councils, economic development agencies, local leaders, local festivals and events, businesses, state tourism bodies and philanthropists. However, most significantly, our priority is always sharing the joy of great music with as many Queenslanders as we can, in the places where they live.









## Cairns

Schools Concert Friday 24 May 9.30am

Dean, Paul New Work

Piazzolle

Aconcagua; Concerto for Bandoneon, mvt 3

Beethoven

Symphony No.5, mvt 1

CONDUCTOR

Umberto Clerici

SOLOIST

James Crabb, accordion

PRESENTER

Peter Clark





## Gladstone

Schools Concert Friday 16 August 11.30am

Strauss, R.

Sunrise from Also Sprach Zarathustra

Vaughan Williams

Overture to The Wasps

Twist, Joe

The Flying Orchestra

Stravinsky

Danse infernale du roi Kastcheï, Berceuse and Finale from Firebird Suite

CONDUCTOR

Katharina Wincor

**PRESENTER** 

Ashleigh Denning





#### Symphony Under the Stars Friday 16 August 7pm

Mendelssohn

Overture from A Midsummer Night's Dream

Sculthorpe

Kakadu

Strauss, Johann Jr.

Tales of the Vienna Woods

William

Harry's Wondrous World from Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone

Stravinsky

Danse infernale du roi Kastcheï, Berceuse and Finale from *Firebird* Suite

CONDUCTOR

Katharina Wincor

SOLOIST

William Barton, didgeridoo

HOST

Ashleigh Denning



## Townsville

Family Concert Friday 27 September 11.30am

**Strauss, R.**Sunrise from *Also Sprach Zarathustra* 

**Vaughan Williams**Overture to *The Wasps* 

Westlake

Flying Dream Suite from Paper Planes

**Twist, Joe** The Flying Orchestra

CONDUCTOR Vladimir Fanshil

**PRESENTER**Ashleigh Denning

Symphony Under the Stars Friday 27 September 7pm

Westlake

Flying Dream Suite from Paper Planes

Dean, Paul New Work

Dvořák

Symphony No.8 in G

And more...

**CONDUCTOR** Vladimir Fanshil

HOST

Ashleigh Denning



## Toowoomba

**Symphony Under the Stars** Friday 4 October 7pm

Gershwin

An American in Paris

Debussy

Rhapsody for Alto Saxophone and Orchestra

Mussorgsky (arr. Ravel)

Pictures at an Exhibition

**CONDUCTOR & HOST** 

Umberto Clerici

SOLOIST

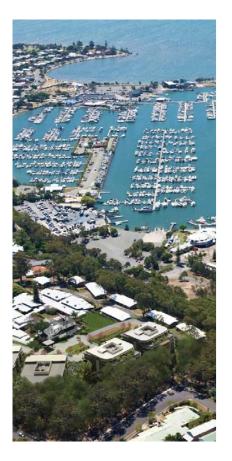
Nick Russoniello, saxophone

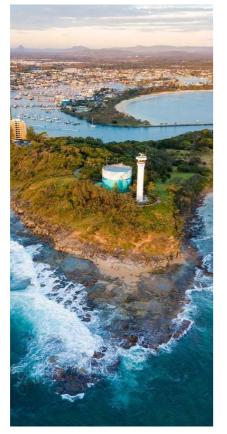














## Redlands

Friday 16 February 7.30pm Friday 8 November 7.30pm

## Sunshine Coast Gold Coast

Saturday 10 August 7.30pm

Saturday 26 October 7.30pm











## **QSO** Connect

We believe music changes lives for the better.

In 2024, we want to be the spark that ignites a life-long love of music. We are committed to providing access for all young Queenslanders to discover and enjoy live orchestral experiences.

The power of music to inspire individuals and unite communities informs our QSO Connect Programs, giving students, teachers, and community members the opportunity to be involved in music at every level.

Check out all our education and community activities at **qso.com.au/qsoconnect** 

One of the best educational concerts we have attended. The students were raving about their experience, as were all the staff.

### Young Instrumentalist Prize

In 2024 we are proud to present the 25th edition of our competition designed to encourage talented Queensland secondary school students along their music pathways. After auditions, six finalists are chosen to perform in a public recital, where an overall winner is determined by a panel of QSO musicians. The winner has an opportunity to perform with the full orchestra at a future concert.

## Compose Project

This project is designed to introduce secondary school students to composing for orchestral instruments. Through workshops and face-to-face activities under the guidance of musician-composer Craig Allister Young and QSO musicians, participating students have the opportunity to write compositions for our 13-piece QSO Connect ensemble resulting in a final performance presentation at QSO Studio in South Bank.



## Support Us

#### **Health and Wellbeing**

Music is powerful – we are passionate about providing hope, health and happiness in our communities. Help us share the joy of music with those that need it most.

"The importance of music can't be underestimated. Listening to music helps improve our physical, mental and emotional health."

- DR ROBYN LITTLEWOOD, CHIEF EXECUTIVE, HEALTH AND WELLBEING QUEENSLAND

#### **Corporate Partnerships**

Experience the power of music with progressive, 'money cannot buy' benefits for multilevel stakeholder engagement. Return on investment is a priority.

"We are delighted to partner with QSO. Their philosophy of 'music for everyone' strongly resonates with us and our decision to align our brand with such a highly regarded company was not difficult. We are really pleased to be a part of an organisation that is able to support our local artists and musicians."

- STEVEN SORBELLO, MANAGING PARTNER BDO BRISBANE

#### **Music Chair Program**

A unique opportunity to strengthen your relationship with QSO and connect with musicians. Support received through this program helps develop QSO as a world-class orchestra.

"It makes us so proud when our supported musician gives us a friendly wave from the stage. If you want to engage with QSO in an exciting and meaningful way, certainly consider joining the Program."

- LORNA AND WILL HEASLOP

#### **Annual Giving**

Please make an annual gift today and help our QSO thrive.

"One of the most significant ways you can support the vitality and longevity of the company is through an Annual Gift."

- NATSUKO YOSHIMOTO, QUEENSLAND SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA CONCERTMASTER

#### **Planned Giving**

Providing a gift in your Will is one of the most powerful ways to support the future of QSO. Your legacy will help us to share the joy of music with future generations of Queenslanders.

"I am delighted and very excited to leave a lasting legacy, which will support the continued growth of QSO."

- ROBERTA HENRY

For more information on how you can support Queensland Symphony Orchestra please contact the Development Team
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## Join Us In 2024

When you buy a concert package, you become a Queensland Symphony Orchestra subscriber. As well as a year of wonderful music, here are some of the other benefits you will enjoy:

#### Best prices and big savings

By purchasing a concert package you can save more than 26%\* on individual concert tickets.

\*Saving based on Adult A-reserve Maestro Set Series Package vs Adult A-reserve Individual Concert Tickets

#### Same seats for renewing subscribers

Renewing Maestro, Morning Masterworks and Music On Sundays subscribers are allocated their same seat each year when booking during the priority period.

(Monday 25 September 2023 – Monday 23 October 2023).

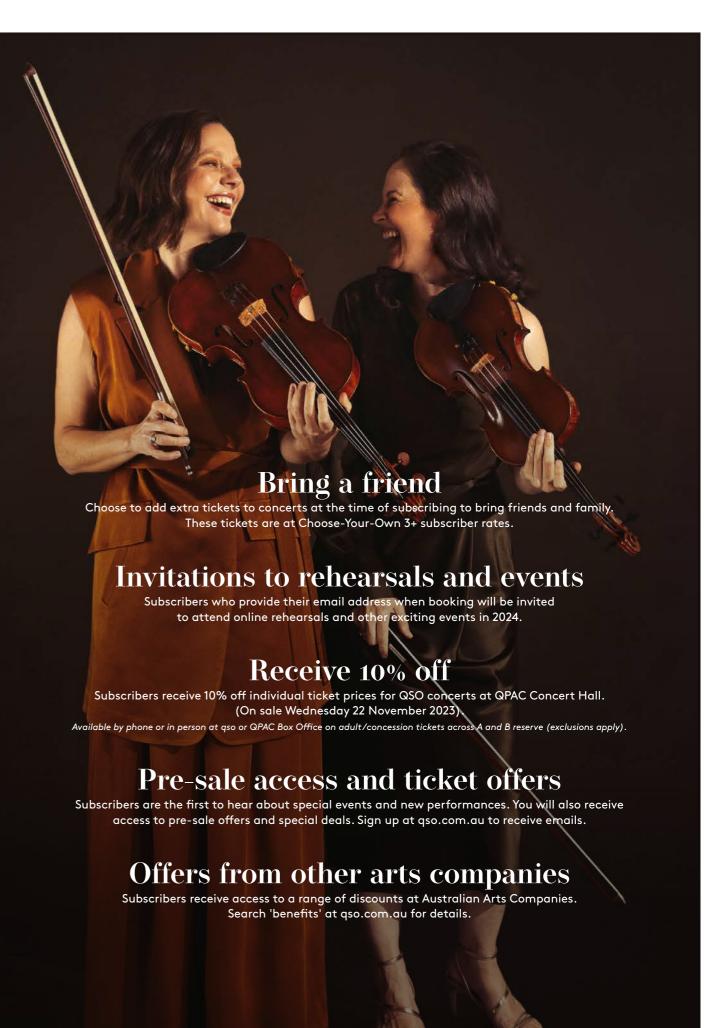
#### First in, best seats

Book early to sit in your favourite area before it gets snapped up when single tickets go on sale on Wednesday 22 November 2023.

#### Ticket exchange privileges

We understand that plans can change. Subscribers can exchange tickets between concerts in our 2024 season. The first three concert exchanges are free.

See page 85 for full details.



## Maestro Evening

#### **PACKAGE**

Our Maestro package features orchestral favourites, exciting new Australian compositions, and some rare jewels too – all performed by great conductors, dazzling soloists, and of course, the talented musicians of Queensland Symphony Orchestra. In 2024, there are also some Saturday matinee performances of our Maestro concerts. These can be purchased as part of a Choose Your Own package (see page 86).



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Buy a Maestro package now and save up to 26% on the individual concert ticket price (based on package price vs individual concert tickets). See page 86 for package pricing. Individual concerts will go on sale Wednesday 22 November 2023. Individual Maestro ticket prices range from \$81 - \$135 (Adult). Individual ticket prices are subject to change based on demand. Purchase early to lock in the best price and seats.

## Maestro Matinee

#### **PACKAGE**

Our Maestro Matinee package features the same great music as our Maestro evening concerts, but in a convenient Saturday afternoon timeslot. Enjoy orchestral favourites, new Australian compositions, and some rare jewels too - all performed by dazzling soloists, great conductors, and of course, the talented musicians of Queensland Symphony Orchestra.



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## Morning Masterworks

#### **PACKAGE**

Our Morning Masterworks package features a slightly condensed version of our Maestro concerts, in a convenient Friday morning timeslot. It's a beautiful way to spend a day South Bank.



Triumphant Tchaikovsky Fri 12 Apr 11.30am Page 23



**Brahms & Rachmaninov** Fri 21 Jun 11.30am Page 30



Heroic Tales Fri 2 Aug 11.30am Page 32



Spirit of the Wild Fri 13 Sep 11.30am Page 35



Rachmaninov's Piano Fri 18 Oct 11.30am Page 41

"It's such a thrilling gift to sit and let the orchestra's magnificent music wash over me. A day out doesn't get much better!"

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## Music on Sundays

PACKAGE

If you like your concerts fun and relaxed, then our Music on Sundays package is for you! With entertaining and informative hosts, these concerts feature a mix of lighter classical works brought together by a common theme.



**Worlds Collide** Sun 18 Feb 11.30am Page 16



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**Vignettes** Sun 6 Oct 11.30am Page 36



**QSO Favourites** Sun 27 Oct 11.30am Page 42

"I love to escape to the Concert Hall with my friends. The music is always uplifting and played with such joy. The host really adds to the experience too.'

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## QSO Up Close

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"I really enjoy the more intimate feeling of these concerts. The repertoire is always well chosen and every seat is a good one."

Buy a QSO Up Close package now and save up to 20% on the individual concert ticket price (based on package price vs individual ticket).

See page 86 for package pricing. Individual concerts will go on sale Wednesday 22 November 2023. Individual QSO Up Close ticket prices range from \$71 - \$79 (Adult). Individual ticket prices are subject to change based on demand. Purchase early to lock in the best price and seats.

# Chamber Chayers PACKAGE

Experience QSO in joy-filled chamber mode. Enjoy music hand-picked and introduced by our musicians in these relaxed Sunday afternoon concerts.



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Chamber Players 4
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Chamber Players 5 Sun 13 Oct 3pm Page 53

"These concerts are so personal. I love hearing directly from the musicians about why they enjoy playing, and what to listen out for. They are enthralling."

Buy a Chamber Players package now and save up to 20% on the individual concert ticket price (based on package price vs individual ticket).

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## Special Events

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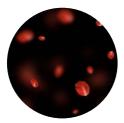
In 2024 we have some extra special concerts planned that we know you'll enjoy. By adding them to your concert package, you will be able to access great seats at the best prices before they go on sale to the general public.



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Cinematic
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Beethoven's Ode to Joy Thu 28 Nov 7.30pm Fri 29 Nov 7.30pm Sat 30 Nov 1.30pm Page 45



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Include a Special Event in a Choose-Your-Own package or add on to your Set Series package and save up to 20% on the individual concert price (based on package price vs individual concert tickets). See page 86 for package pricing. Individual concerts will go on sale Wednesday 22 November 2023.

Individual Special Event ticket prices range from \$90 - \$130 (Adult). Individual ticket prices are subject to change based on demand.

Purchase early to lock in the best price and seats.

## Choose Your Own

#### **PACKAGE**

Do you have a favourite composer? Or enjoy a particular instrument? Or perhaps you have a busy schedule that you need to work around? Whatever your reason, we're flexible! Our Choose-Your-Own packages allow you to curate your own collection of concerts for the dates and times that suit you. Simply choose three or more concerts in our 2024 season and you will receive all the subscriber benefits and ticket savings.











## How To Book

#### **Key Dates**

25 September 2023

Subscriber bookings open 9am

#### 25 September 2023 – 23 October 2023

Renewing subscriber priority booking period

Set series subscribers with renewable seating need to book during this period to keep their same seats from the previous year. Renewing Choose-Your-Own subscribers will be seated in order of receipt.

#### 25 September 2023

New subscriber bookings open 9am

New subscribers can also book during the priority period. They will have their payments taken and be placed in a queue for best seating once the renewing subscriber priority period ends.

#### 23 October 2023

Renewing subscriber priority booking period ends at midnight

After this date, unclaimed set series subscriber seats will be released for general sale to all subscribers.

#### 22 November 2023

Tickets to all 2024 concerts on sale 9am

All remaining seats are now available for sale via packages or single tickets.

#### How to Save

You can save up to 26%\* by purchasing a Queensland Symphony Orchestra concert package.

#### **Choose-Your-Own Series**

Flexibility and choice.

Choose 7+ or 3+ concerts across the set series and special events to create a 2024 concert season that's perfect for you.

#### **Set Series**

Best value and your same seats each year.

#### Maestro Evening

10 concerts 7.30pm

#### Maestro Matinee

5 concerts Saturday 1.30pm

#### **Morning Masterworks**

5 concerts Friday 11.30am

#### **Music on Sundays**

5 concerts Sunday 11.30am

#### **Chamber Players**

5 concerts Sunday 3pm

#### QSO Up Close

4 concerts 7.30pm

#### **Special Events**

Either add them to your set series or select them in your Choose-Your-Own package to access special subscriber discounts. See page 80 for concerts.

#### How to Book

**Book Online** QSO.COM.AU

#### **Book Via QSO Box Office**

#### By phone

07 3833 5044 Mon-Fri, 9am-5pm

#### In person

Queensland Symphony Orchestra Box Office is located in the ABC building, 114 Grey Street, South Brisbane, QLD, 4101 Mon-Fri, 9am-4.30pm

#### By post

QSO Box Office GPO Box 9994 Brisbane QLD 4001

#### Book single concert tickets for QPAC Concert Hall events via QPAC

#### By phone

QPAC 136 246 Mon – Sat, 9am – 8.30pm

QSO authorises QTIX ticketing agency to

#### **Booking With Friends**

manage relevant single ticket sales. Single

tickets on sale from 22 November 2023.

For bookings exceeding two ticket recipients on this form, we highly recommend contacting the QSO Box Office on 07 3833 5044 to book your season. This ensures we can record all attendees appropriately and avoid any errors when processing your order. Alternatively, if you and your party are booking on multiple forms for the same or similar concert selection and would like to sit together, please staple and submit the forms together.

#### **Concession Tickets**

Concession discounts are available to means tested Centrelink issued Concession Card holders. Please see the full Terms and Conditions on qso.com.au for a list of accepted concession cards. Seniors Cards are not accepted. Please supply proof of Concession status for each discount claimed including card expiries. Please bring your valid Concession card with you to concerts if you are purchasing or collecting tickets at the venue.

**Booking Terms** 

#### Student tickets

Student discounts are available to current full-time university students only. Please supply Student ID for each discount claimed that clearly includes an expiry and full-time status. Orders with Student tickets will be held at the QSO Box Office until Student ID meeting these requirements is sighted. An image of ID may be emailed to info@qso.com.au. Please bring your valid Student card with you to concerts if you are purchasing or collecting tickets at the venue.

#### **Companion Card**

QSO participates in the QLD Government Companion Card scheme. This is a discount scheme for those with a disability and a lifelong need for 'attendant care support'. If you hold a Companion Card, indicate this at the time of booking. QSO Box Office need to sight the card in person, or an image of the card may be sent to info@qso.com.au. Orders with companion tickets will be held at Box Office until the card is sighted.

#### Processing your package/ subscription order

Tickets will be allocated in order of receipt. Seats are subject to availability. Your credit card will be debited or your cheque banked on receipt of your subscription application. This establishes your booking within the QSO's ticketing system and seating queue. For orders received September to December you can expect to receive your tickets in mid-January 2024. For orders received later, tickets will be posted within 5 working days after receipt of your booking. It can take up to 10 working days for your tickets to reach you via Australia Post. Your tickets will be posted to the primary contact listed on the booking.

## Pre-book your car park at QPAC

Patrons wishing to book parking at QPAC will need to contact QPAC on 136 246 or book online at apac.com.au.

#### Set series subscribers with renewable seats

If you were a Maestro 10-pack, Morning Masterworks 5-pack or Music on Sundays 5-pack subscriber, QSO Box Office has already reserved you the same seats you had in 2023 for the 2024 Season. In order to retain these seats, you must renew by midnight 23/10/2023. After this date your seats will be released for sale. Seating change requests must be made at the time of renewing. Changes, where possible, will be made in date order of receipt. Where it is not possible to satisfy a change request, the original seats will be allocated. If you were a QSO Up Close or Chamber Players series subscriber, a General Admission seat will be held for you to renew until 23/10/2023.

## Subscriber ticket exchange benefit

A ticket exchange is characterised by the act of organising changes to a subscription with a member of QSO Box Office staff. In this way, a patron may exchange several tickets to a handful of concerts at once and only complete one exchange. To complete an exchange, tickets must be returned to QSO Box Office either in person, by post or via an email to info@qso.com.au. When emailing to exchange tickets, you must attach an image of the tickets ripped in half. You must nominate the replacement concert(s) at the time of organising an exchange. Exchanges must be completed no later than two working days before a concert affected by the exchange. If tickets are not received within this timeframe, the exchange cannot be completed.

#### Ticket exchange fees

Subscribers will not be charged for their first three exchanges. Subscribers will be charged an exchange fee of \$5 per ticket on their fourth exchange and for any exchanges thereafter. If the ticket being exchanged is less expensive than the new ticket, you will need to pay the difference in price plus any \$5 exchange fees applicable. If the ticket being exchanged is more expensive than the new ticket, you will not be refunded the difference in ticket value, and will be charged any \$5 exchange fees applicable.

#### Payment

Payment must accompany your booking and can be made by cheque, credit card or by cash at QSO Box Office only. All bookings are non-refundable. All subscription bookings warrant a \$15 transaction fee.

#### Single Ticket sales

Individual concert sales outside of the subscription format will be available from 25/11/2023 at 9am.

### Subscription ticket delivery/collection

Tickets purchased as part of a subscription package can be posted (postage fees are included in the transaction fees) or made available for collection. If you request to collect your tickets, they will be available from the Queensland Symphony Orchestra Box Office, 114 Grey Street, South Brisbane, QLD, 4101 (Mon-Fri, 9am-4.30pm) up to the day before the first performance in your subscription. On the day of the first performance, tickets can be collected from QSO staff at the venue Box Office from up to one and a half hours prior to the performance start.

#### Sunshine Coast bus

Val Bradfield organises transport from the Sunshine Coast to selected QSO concerts. For details phone Val direct on 07 5491 4668. Please note this is a privately run service.

#### **Deferred payments**

If paying by credit card, payment for your subscription can be split over two instalments. QSO will take half of the cost of your tickets, a deferment fee of \$15, the \$15 transaction fee, and any donation upon receipt of your booking. Please note that your second instalment will automatically be deducted on 10/01/2024 without further notice from QSO. When paying in instalments your tickets will be posted to you after the final payment is taken.

### Full terms and conditions available at asso.com.au

When booking online, clicking the 'Buy Tickets' button may take you to ticketing companies other than Queensland Symphony Orchestra. When completing a purchase with another company (e.g. QTIX or Ticketek) their ticketing terms and conditions apply. Queensland Symphony Orchestra respects your privacy and is committed to protecting your personal information and complying with its obligations under the Privacy Act. Full details on Queensland Symphony Orchestra's privacy policy are at aso.com.au. To opt out, or if you have any questions, comments or complaints about how we handle your personal information, you may contact us on 07 3833 5044 or info@qso.com.au.

<sup>\*</sup>Saving based on Adult A-reserve Maestro Set Series Package vs Adult A-reserve Single Tickets.

Please note that in 2024 Morning Masterworks feature a slightly condensed version of our Maestro concerts.

Subscription ticket prices include GST where applicable. A transaction fee of \$15 applies to each subscription booking.

All programs, repertoire and artists are correct at time of printing and subject to change without notice.

## **Subscription Pricing**

Use Section One to calculate your Set Series pricing.

Use Section Two if you want to add extra tickets to your Set Series or to create a Choose-Your-Own Package with 3-6 concerts.

Use Section Three if you want to create a Choose-Your-Own Package with 7 or more concerts.

A transaction fee of \$15 per booking applies to ticket packages in 2024.

	A RE	A RESERVE		B RESERVE		C RESERVE*		ALL RESERVES	
	ADULT	CONCESSION	ADULT	CONCESSION	ADULT	CONCESSION	CHILD (U18)	STUDENT	
SET SERIES PACKAGE (Renewable seating available)		PRICE PER PACKAGE							
Maestro Evenings (All 10 Concerts)	\$1,000	\$850	\$850	\$730	\$700	\$600	\$350	\$450	
Maestro Matinees (All 5 Concerts)	\$540	\$440	\$460	\$375	\$380	\$305	\$175	\$225	
Morning Masterworks (All 5 Concerts)	\$435	\$375	\$370	\$320	\$300	\$260	\$175	\$225	
Music on Sundays (All 5 Concerts)	\$435	\$375	\$370	\$320	\$300	\$260	\$175	\$225	
Chamber Players (All 5 Concerts)	\$235	\$210	Not Applicable*				\$175	\$175	
QSO Up Close (All 4 Concerts)	\$255	\$230	Not Applicable*				\$140	\$140	

CHOOSE-YOUR-OWN 3+ CONCERTS (Renewable seating unavailable)	CYO 3+ AND EXTRA TICKET PRICE PER CONCERT							
Maestro Evenings & Matinee	\$115	\$99	\$98	\$84	\$81	\$69	\$35	\$45
Special Events	\$115	\$99	\$98	\$84	\$81	\$69	\$35	\$45
Music on Sundays	\$93	\$78	\$78	\$68	\$65	\$55	\$35	\$45
Morning Masterworks	\$93	\$78	\$78	\$68	\$65	\$55	\$35	\$45
Chamber Players**	\$50	\$45	Not Applicable*				\$35	\$35
QSO Up Close/QSO Presents**	\$67	\$60	Not Applicable*				\$35	\$35
Sounds Like an Orchestra	\$44	\$44	Not Applicable*				\$35	\$35

CHOOSE-YOUR-OWN 7+ CONCERTS (Renewable seating unavailable)	CYO 7+ PRICE PER CONCERT							
Maestro Evenings & Matinee	\$108	\$88	\$92	\$75	\$76	\$61	\$35	\$45
Special Events	\$108	\$88	\$92	\$75	\$76	\$61	\$35	\$45
Music on Sundays	\$87	\$75	\$74	\$64	\$60	\$52	\$35	\$45
Morning Masterworks	\$87	\$75	\$74	\$64	\$60	\$52	\$35	\$45
Chamber Players**	\$47	\$42	Not Applicable*				\$35	\$35
QSO Up Close/QSO Presents**	\$63	\$57	Not Applicable*				\$35	\$35
Sounds Like an Orchestra	\$44	\$44	Not Applicable*				\$35	\$35

\*C Reserve Balcony Row H-J Balcony QPAC Concert Hall Only. Stalls Row W-Y when Balcony closed

Please note: \$35 Under 18 Child Price will be widely available in 2024.

#### **NEED HELP? CONTACT US**

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Phone 07 3833 5044 (Mon-Fri, 9am-5pm)

Email

In person Queensland Symphony Orchestra Box Office, 114 Grey Street, South Brisbane, QLD 4101 (Mon-Fri, 9am-4.30pm)

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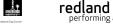




















<sup>\*</sup>C Reserve Stalls Row T-U Queensland Conservatorium Only

<sup>\*\*</sup>Chamber Players, QSO Up Close and QSO Presents are General Admission at QSO Studio South Bank

Mozart's Mass at Cathedral of St Stephen is General Admissio

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