Music in the tropics... Sounds like paradise. Australian Festival of Chamber TOWNSVILLE Music 27 JULY — 5 AUGUST 2018 ARTISTIC DIRECTOR KATHRYN STOTT



Welcome from the Artistic Director

Hurray! It's with great pleasure that I finally find myself in the position of being able to tell you about this year's festival. This moment is one of both relief and great excitement!

I don't really want to single out any one person because I feel strongly that every artist, whether they are from Australia or overseas, will be wholly committed to the festival and to performing in new collaborations. Many of our international musicians are coming to Australia for the first time, while some Australians are coming to AFCM for the first time. Perfect – they can all get acquainted in Townsville! Of course, we welcome our Quartet-in-Residence, the Goldner String Quartet whose members are AFCM family.

I hope you will agree that there is a terrific variety of music over the course of 10 days. We have many premieres, but as always, the great pillars of chamber music repertoire — which we all know and love — are in abundance. I decided upon a mini focus on women composers, so there is a fantastic range of music to enjoy here including Rebecca Clarke's dynamic Viola Sonata. British author, Jessica Duchen, has written a narrative called 'Being Mrs Bach', so this strand continues into Bach by Candlelight.

For my Composer-in-Residence, I have chosen Julian Yu who, years ago, made a brilliant arrangement for an orchestra close to my home. I was thrilled to reacquaint myself with his music and, in particular, look forward to hearing his Passacaglia performed by violinist Grace Clifford.

All the aspects you love will still feature; lots to chat about in Conversation Concerts, I'm sure, and a super new venue for this too. In fact, on Sunday 29th July, again at The Ville, I've created a more relaxed evening called Cleveland Bay Supper Club. This is going to be a very special event on all levels. Later in the week, some of our musicians will be at the Heritage Exchange, in 'a late night happening' performing some music not heard in the main program. Expect to be surprised!

We are also working for the first time with Griffith University and James Cook University Film and Visual departments from whom I've commissioned work to accompany Karen Gomyo as she performs all three Bach Partitas. This should be fascinating and add an extra collaborative dimension to the Bach experience.

I welcome young cellists from ANAM who will make up part of our Cello Octet. I welcome too Mairi Nicholson, an old friend and ABC presenter, who is going to host all the evening concerts. I also welcome Pavel Fischer, who is going to direct the Winterschool.

But most of all, I welcome YOU! Come and be amazed, moved, thrilled and entertained by all these brilliant musicians and be part of this exciting new AFCM chapter.







DAY 01: FRIDAY 27/07

Saint-Saëns Villa-Lobos

Stanhope Wu Tong

Federico Jofre

Chausson

7.30 PM

THE JAMES COOK UNIVERSITY

OPENING NIGHT CONCERT

LIFT OFF!

TOWNSVILLE CIVIC THEATRE

Hosted by Mairi Nicholson

Our opening concert features 24 artists and promises high drama, beauty and sparkle. Experience two world premieres with instruments from Argentina and China, plus hear Chausson's magnificent and passionate 'Concert', a chamber piece much loved by our Artistic Director.

CAMILLE SAINT-SAËNS

Septet Op.65

Tine Thing Helseth (trumpet), Katya Apekisheva (piano), Karen Gomyo (violin), Grace Clifford (violin), Lars Anders Tomter (viola), István Várdai (cello), Kees Boersma (double bass)

HEITOR VILLA-LOBOS

Bachianas Brasileira No.5

Siobhan Stagg (soprano), cello octet: Julian Smiles, István Várdai, Guy Johnston, Howard Penny, Eliza Sdraulig, Caleb Wong, Vicky Zhang, Liam Meany

PAUL STANHOPE

Ragad (World premiere)

Claire Edwardes (marimba)

WU TONG

Harmonium Mountain (Australian premiere)

Wu Tong (sheng)

LEOPOLDO FEDERICO

Capricho Otonal

JP Jofre (bandoneon)

IP JOFRE

Árboles (World premiere)

JP Jofre (bandoneon), Claire Edwardes (marimba), Wu Tong (sheng)

INTERVAL

ERNEST CHAUSSON

Concert for Violin, Piano and String Quartet Op.21

Alexander Sitkovetsky (violin), Kathryn Stott (piano), Goldner String Quartet



10.00AM

CONCERT CONVERSATIONS 1 with Kathryn Stott

THE PAVILION. THE VILLE RESORT - CASINO

Kathryn chats with Julian Bliss, Guy Johnston, Claire Edwardes and Tobias Breider

MOZART

Kegelstatt Trio, K498

Iulian Bliss (clarinet), Tobias Breider (viola), Timothy Young (piano)

CLARE JOHNSTON

Behind Blue Eyes

Claire Edwardes (vibraphone)

DAME ETHEL SMYTHE

Sonata for Cello and Piano Op.5

Guy lohnston (cello). Daniel de Borah (piano)

5.00PM

RAY GOLDING SUNSET SERIES WAS IT A DREAM?

TOWNSVILLE CIVIC THEATRE

IULIAN YU

Piano Trio

Grace Clifford (violin), Howard Penny (cello), Kathryn Stott (piano)

JEAN SIBELIUS

Songs Op.37 (Transcribed)

Tine Thing Helseth (trumpet). Timothy Young (piano)

JP JOFRE

El abrazo (World premiere)

IP lofre (bandoneon) Kees Boersma (double bass)

IOSEF HAYDN

String Quartet in F major Op.50 No.5 Goldner String Quartet

7.30PM

GOVERNOR'S GALA EXOTIC EXCURSIONS

TOWNSVILLE CIVIC THEATRE

Hosted by Mairi Nicholson

Let us transport you thousands of miles through the imaginative music and words featured in tonight's program. We get off to a flying start with our festival composer's absolutely brilliant Passacaglia after Biber. For those of you still new to the music of Iulian Yu. this is not to be missed.

IULIAN YU

Passacaglia after Biber Grace Clifford (violin)

MAURICE RAVEL

Rhapsodie Espagnole for piano four hands

Timothy Young (piano), Katya Apekisheva (piano)

RALPH VAUGHAN WILLIAMS

Songs of Travel

Roderick Williams (baritone), Daniel de Borah (piano)

INTERVAL

PYOTR ILYICH TCHAIKOVSKY

Souvenir de Florence Op.70

Alexander Sitkovetsky (violin) Karen Gomyo (violin) Lars Anders Tomter (viola) Tobias Breider (viola) István Várdai (cello) Guy Johnston (cello)

DAY 03: SUNDAY 29/07

Barber	Brophy	
Brahms	Yu	
Gypsy Kings	Rachmani	
Ravel	Kapustin	

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Barber Delibes

Myers

Kern & Hammerstein

Gershwin

Mozart

11.00AM

CHURCH CONCERT **DOVETAILING BARBER**

MARY MACKILLOP CHURCH

SAMUEL BARBER

Dover Beach Op.3

Roderick Williams (baritone) Goldner String Quartet

GERARD BROPHY

Dervish

CONNOR D'NETTO

Brief Moments (World premiere) Claire Edwards (vibraphone) Karin Schaupp (guitar)

WOLFGANG AMADEUS MOZART

Duo No.1 in G K423

Karen Gomyo (violin) Lars Anders Tomter (viola)

JOHANNES BRAHMS

Clarinet Quintet Op.115

Julian Bliss (clarinet), Goldner String Quartet

TRADITIONAL CHINESE SONG

Yanzi (Swallow Song)

TRADITIONAL TAIWANESE SONG

Longing for Spring Breeze

Wu Tong (sheng) István Várdai (cello)

IULIAN YU

Dovetailing

István Várdai (cello)

SAMUEL BARBER

Adagio (arr. for Cello Octet by Richard Birchall)

Cello octet: Julian Smiles István Várdai, Eliza Sdraulig, Guy Johnston, Caleb Wong, Liam Meany, Howard Penny, Vicky Zhang

3.00PM

OUEENS GARDENS CONCERT

FREE EVENT

OUEENS GARDENS

Hosted by Mairi Nicholson

Presented by Townsville City Council and AFCM, this entertaining concert in the park offers a variety of entertainment, not all of it chamber music. Visiting Festival artists are joined by local ensembles the Barrier Reef Orchestra and the 1RAR band.

Music to include:

STANLEY MYERS

Cavatina – Theme from The Deerhunter (arr. Richard Charlton)

GYPSY KINGS

Moorea (arr. Richard Charlton)

Karin Schaupp (guitar) and the Townsville Guitar Orchestra

SERGEI RACHMANINOFF

Zdes' Korosho (transcribed by Michael Rot)

LÉO DELIBES

Les filles de Cadiz

Tine Thing Helseth (trumpet) Barrier Reef Orchestra

AFRICAN/AMERICAN SPIRITUAL

Joshua fit de battle of Jericho (arr. Roderick Williams)

IEROME KERN, OSCAR HAMMERSTEIN

Ol' Man River (from Showboat) (arr. Roderick Williams)

Roderick Williams (baritone) Barrier Reef Orchestra

5.00PM

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D'Netto

AFCM WINTERSCHOOL **IUNIOR WINTERSCHOOL PERFORMANCE**

ST JAMES' CATHEDRAL

FREE EVENT

The Junior Winterschool show off their new skills to family, friends and festival patrons.

7.00PM FOR 7:30PM **CLEVELAND BAY SUPPER CLUB** BEYOND THE BLUES'

THE PAVILION THE VILLE RESORT - CASINO

Hosted by Mairi Nicholson

Tonight we are really excited to introduce something new to AFCM. In three parts, our festival musicians perform jazz, tango and some all-time favourites by George Gershwin. Come and relax with a glass of wine and canapés in our first lounge concert.

MAURICE RAVEL

Sonata for Violin and Piano No.2 Karen Gomyo (violin) Timothy Young (piano)

NIKOLAI KAPUSTIN

Trio for Flute, Cello and Piano Op.86 Prudence Davis (flute) Guy Johnston (cello) Daniel de Borah (piano)

INTERVAL (with food)

JP JOFRE

All Australian premieres

Hard Tango Primavera Manifesto Tango movements Universe

IP lofre (bandoneon) Karen Gomyo (violiń) Guy lohnston (cello) Kees Boersma (double bass) Kathryn Stott (piano)

INTERVAL (with food)

GEORGE GERSHWIN

Lullaby for String Quartet Alexander Sitkovetsky (violin) Grace Clifford (violin) Lars Anders Tomter (viola) Howard Penny (cello)

Embraceable You (arr. Earl Wild) Kathryn Stott (piano)

Someone To Watch Over Me (arr. Joseph Turrin) Julian Bliss (clarinet) Kathryn Stott (piano)

Three Preludes (arr. James Cohn) Iulian Bliss (clarinet) Katya Apekisheva (piano)

They Can't Take That Away From Me* I've Got Rhythm S'Wonderful Summertime* Let's Call the Whole Thing Off Siobhan Stagg (soprano) Kathryn Stott (piano)

* arranged by Steve Lodder

DAY 04: MONDAY 30/07			
Yu	Fauré	Keane	U4
Elgar	Monti	Beethoven	
Jiping	Shostakovich	Sollima	
Schubert	Messiaen		

10.00AM

CONCERT CONVERSATIONS 2 with Kathryn Stott

THE PAVILION, THE VILLE RESORT – CASINO

Kathryn chats with Tine Thing Helseth, Prudence Davis, Daniel de Borah, Timothy Young and Alexander Sitkovetsky

JULIAN YU

Sonata for Flute and Piano

Prudence Davis (flute) Timothy Young (piano)

GABRIEL FAURÉ

Dolly Suite Op.56

Kathryn Stott (piano) Daniel de Borah (piano), (4 hands)

ROBERT KEANE

Sonata for Trumpet and Piano Tine Thing Helseth (trumpet) Kathryn Stott (piano)

EDWARD ELGAR

Salut D'Amour Op.12

VITTORIO MONTI

Czárdás

Alexander Sitkovetsky (violin) Kathryn Stott (piano)

1.00PM

AFCM WINTERSCHOOL ADVANCED PUBLIC MASTERCLASS 1

ST IAMES' CATHEDRAL

FREE EVENT

An AFCM artist coaches emerging professionals in an hour-long public masterclass.

5.00PM

RAY GOLDING SUNSET SERIES TWILIGHT ZONE

TOWNSVILLE CIVIC THEATRE

The last notes Shostakovich ever wrote are some of the most moving you will ever hear. With connections to Beethoven's 'Moonlight' Sonata, this brings one composer's epic journey to a close.

LUDWIG VAN BEETHOVEN

Sonata Op.27 No.2 'Moonlight' Katya Apekisheva (piano)

ZHAO IIPING

Moon Over Guan Mountain (Australian premiere)

Wu Tong (Sheng) Claire Edwardes (percussion) Karin Schaupp (guitar) István Várdai (cello)

DIMITRI SHOSTAKOVICH

Sonata for Viola and Piano Op.147

Tobias Breider (viola)

Daniel de Borah (piano)

7.30 PM

EVENING SERIES

TOWNSVILLE CIVIC THEATRE

Hosted by Mairi Nicholson

When Artistic Director Kathryn Stott first heard Violincelles, Vibrez! composed by amazing cellist Giovanni Sollima, she said 'I went to cello heaven!' Followed by two giants in the chamber music repertoire with both composers staring death in the face, Schubert and Messiaen transcend the power of the human spirit.

GIOVANNI SOLLIMA

Violincelles, Vibrez!

Cello octet: István Várdai Guy Johnston Howard Penny Liam Meany Julian Smiles Eliza Sdraulig Vicky Zhang Caleb Wong

FRANZ SCHUBERT

String Quartet No.14 D810 'Death and the Maiden' Goldner String Quartet

INTERVAL

OLIVIER MESSIAEN

Quartet for the end of time

Julian Bliss (clarinet)
Alexander Sitkovetsky (violin)
Guy Johnston (cello)
Timothy Young (piano)

DAY 05: TUESDAY 31/07

DAY 06: WEDNESDAY 01/08

Beethoven Granados

Beecher Debussy

Bach

1:00PM

ORPHEUS ISLAND CONCERT

SPECIAL EVENT

DEPART SEALINK BREAKWATER FERRY TERMINAL

A magical day combining sun, sea and fine music. Travel two hours by ferry to the uninhabited end of Orpheus Island. Enjoy some time exploring or taking a swim before settling down on the beach for a 60-minute concert of enchanting music performed by some of the Festival's star international artists.

Wu Tong (sheng and bawu) JP Jofre (bandoneon) Prudence Davies (flute) Tine Thing Helseth (trumpet) Julian Bliss (clarinet)

10.00AM

CONCERT CONVERSATIONS 3 with Kathryn Stott

THE PAVILION, THE VILLE RESORT – CASINO

Kathryn chats with Karin Schaupp, Wu Tong, Kees Boersma, Howard Penny, Julian Yu

LUDWIG VAN BEETHOVEN

Clarinet Trio in B-flat major Op.11

Julian Bliss (clarinet) Howard Penny (cello) Timothy Young (piano)

ENRIQUE GRANADOS

Spanish Dance No.5 'Andaluza' Recuerdos de la Alhambra Karin Schaupp (guitar)

JEFFREY BEECHER

Shreve's Cut (Australian premiere)

Wu Tong (sheng)
Pavel Fisher (violin)
Kees Boersma (double bass)

CLAUDE DEBUSSY

Petite Suite

Kathryn Stott (piano) Katya Apekisheva (piano), (4 hands)

1.00PM

AFCM WINTERSCHOOL
ADVANCED PUBLIC
MASTERCLASS 2

ST JAMES' CATHEDRAL

FREE EVENT

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5.00PM

RAY GOLDING SUNSET SERIES BACH BY CANDLELIGHT 1

TOWNSVILLE CIVIC THEATRE

BEING MRS BACH (World premiere)

The home life of the Bach family, with Anna Magdalena Bach at its epicentre, is reimagined by author/critic Jessica Duchen in words and music – from the ecstasy of creation to the depths of profound personal tragedy.

MUSIC BY AND ATTRIBUTED TO JS BACH

Jessica Duchen (narrator)
Siobhan Stagg (soprano)
Roderick Williams (baritone)
Daniel de Borah (piano)
Guy Johnston (cello)
Goldner String Quartet,
Kees Boersma (double bass)
Pavel Fischer (violin) and
Winterschool strings

7.30PM

EVENING SERIES BACH BY CANDLELIGHT 2

TOWNSVILLE CIVIC THEATRE

Hosted by Mairi Nicholson

A first for AFCM, Karen Gomyo will take us on a joyous journey through all the Violin Partitas by Bach. With unique visuals commissioned for this performance, it promises to be a very special evening.

JS BACH

Partita No.1 in B minor, BWV 1002 Karen Gomyo (violin)

IS BACH

Partita No.3 in E major, BWV 1006 Karen Gomyo (violin)

INTERVAL

IS BACH

Partita No.2 in D minor, BWV 1004 Karen Gomyo (violin)

10.00AM

CONCERT CONVERSATIONS 4
with Kathryn Stott

THE BOULANGER CONNECTION

THE PAVILION, THE VILLE RESORT – CASINO

Kathryn chats with Karen Gomyo, JP Jofre, István Várdai and Pavel Fischer

LILI BOULANGER

Nocturne

Prudence Davies (flute) Daniel de Borah (piano)

NADIA BOULANGER

Trois Pieces

István Várdai (cello) Daniel de Borah (piano)

ASTOR PIAZZOLLA

Étude No.3

Karen Gomyo (violin)

JP JOFRE

Rabbit (Australian premiere)

Karen Gomyo (violin) |P |ofre (bandoneon)

JEAN FRANÇAIX

Theme and Variations

Julian Bliss (clarinet)
Daniel de Borah (piano)

CLAUDE DEBUSSY

Sonata for Violin and Piano

Grace Clifford (violin) Kathryn Stott (piano)

1.00PM

AFCM WINTERSCHOOL ADVANCED PUBLIC MASTERCLASS 3

ST JAMES' CATHEDRAL

FREE EVENT

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5.00PM

RAY GOLDING SUNSET SERIES
SPAIN VERSUS ITALY

TOWNSVILLE CIVIC THEATRE

GIOVANNI SOLLIMA

Igiul (Australian premiere)

Cello octet: Guy Johnston Julian Smiles, Caleb Wong István Várdai, Eliza Sdraulig Vicky Zhang, Liam Meany Howard Penny

LUIGI BOCCHERINI

Quintet Op.30 No.6 in C major 'La Musica Notturna della strade di Madrid'

Paul Wright (violin)
Grace Clifford (violin)
Lars Anders Tomter (viola)
Guy Johnston (cello)
Eliza Sdraulig (cello)

ISAAC ALBENIZ

Asturias Granada Torre Bermeja

Karin Schaupp (guitar)

GIACOMO PUCCINI

Five Songs

Tine Thing Helseth (trumpet), Kathryn Stott (piano)

MANUEL DE FALLA

Pantomime and Ritual Fire Dance

Alexander Sitkovetsky (violin), Paul Wright (violin), Tobias Breider (viola), Howard Penny (cello), Kees Boersma (double bass), Katya Apekisheva (piano)

7.30PM

EVENING SERIES

GYPSIES, PIPERS AND DUKES

TOWNSVILLE CIVIC THEATRE

Hosted by Mairi Nicholson

If you love the influence of folk music, a piper in a kilt, the idea of three exciting premieres, our Winter School director leading a performance of his incredible Quartet and the collaboration between the Goldner Quartet, Wu Tong and Karin Schaupp — you have come to the right place. This is going to be quite a night!

ROXANNA PANUFNIK

Hora Bessarabia (Australian premiere)

Alexander Sitkovetsky (violin), Kees Boersma (double bass)

GEORGE ENESCU

Légende

Tine Thing Helseth (trumpet), Kathryn Stott (piano)

PERCY GRAINGER

Various songs

Roderick Williams (baritone) Kathryn Stott (piano)

GABRIELA LENA FRANK

Ritmos Anchinos (World premiere)

Wu Tong (sheng), Karin Schaupp (guitar), Goldner String Quartet

INTERVAL

PAVEL FISCHER

String Quartet No.3 'Mad Piper' (Australian premiere)

Pavel Fischer (violin), Alexander Sitkovetsky (violin), Lars Anders Tomter (viola), István Várdai (cello)

GREGORY PASCUZZI

Meditation on a Scottish Hymn Tune (Amazing Grace)

Tine Thing Helseth (trumpet), Timothy Young (piano) Sebastian Haukås (trumpet) plus 1RAR trumpets and bagpipes

BÉLA BARTÓK

Contrasts Op. BB116

Dene Olding (violin), Julian Bliss (clarinet), Katya Apekisheva (piano)

DAY 8: FRIDAY 03/08

Schumann Mendelssohn Dvořák

Beamish Grieg Fauré

Piazzolla Kreisler Wagner

lanáček

10.00AM

CONCERT CONVERSATIONS 5
with Kathryn Stott
RELATIVE LOVE

THE PAVILION, THE VILLE RESORT – CASINO

Kathryn chats with Paul Wright, Roderick Williams, Katya Apekisheva and Jessica Duchen

CLARA SCHUMANN

Variations on a theme of Robert Schumann Op.20 Katya Apekisheva (piano)

ROBERT SCHUMANN

Widmung Op.25 No.1 Meine Rose Op.90 No.2 Du bist wie eine Blume Op.25 No.24 Stille Tränen Op.35 No.10 Roderick Williams (baritone)

FANNY MENDELSSOHN

Piano Trio Op.11

Paul Wright (violin) Howard Penny (cello) Kathryn Stott (piano)

Kathryn Stott (piano)

1.00PM

AFCM WINTERSCHOOL ADVANCED CONCERT

ST JAMES' CATHEDRAL

SPECIAL EVENT

Experience Australia's finest emerging talent in concert

2.30PM

PLATINUM AND GOLD

PASS EVENT

An audience with Kathryn Stott

ST JAMES' CATHEDRAL

Hosted by Mairi Nicholson

Guaranteed to be entertaining and informative, Kathryn Stott chats with ABC Classic FM presenter (and long-time friend) Mairi Nicholson. This event is reserved exclusively for 2018 Platinum and Gold Pass holders only.

5.00PM

RAY GOLDING SUNSET SERIES LOVE STORIES

TOWNSVILLE CIVIC THEATRE

ANTONÍN DVOŘÁK

Miniatures Op.75a (Four Romantic Pieces)

Pavel Fischer (violin) Grace Clifford (violin) Tobias Breider (viola)

SALLY BEAMISH

Four Songs from Hafez (Australian premiere)

Roderick Williams (baritone) Daniel de Borah (piano)

EDVARD GRIEG

Haugtussa Op.67

Tine Thing Helseth (trumpet) Katya Apekisheva (piano)

TRADITIONAL CHINESE FOLK SONG (arr. Wu Tong)

Wine Madness

Wu Tong (sheng) Karin Schaupp (guitar) Pavel Fischer (violin) Guy Johnston (cello)

7.30PM

EVENING SERIES LOVE LETTERS

TOWNSVILLE CIVIC THEATRE

Hosted by Mairi Nicholson

Tonight begins with one of the most sensuous pieces composed by Fauré and ends with one of the most frenzied and powerful declarations of love ever written. An emotional rollercoaster!

GABRIEL FAURÉ

La Bonne Chanson Op.61

Siobhan Stagg (soprano), Paul Wright (violin), Alexander Sitkovetsky (violin), Lars Anders Tomter (viola), István Várdai (cello), Kees Boersma (double bass) Daniel de Borah (piano)

ASTOR PIAZZOLLA

Five Tango Sensations — Nos, 2, 3 and 5 Loving, Anxiety and Fear

JP Jofre (bandoneon), Karen Gomyo (violin), Alexander Sitkovetsky (violin), Tobias Breider (viola), Guy Johnston (cello)

FRITZ KREISLER

Liebesleid and Liebesfreud

Grace Clifford (violin) Kathryn Stott (piano)

INTERVAL

RICHARD WAGNER

Prelude 'Tristan and Isolde' (arranged for Cello Octet by Richard Birchall)

Cello octet: Howard Penny Guy Johnston, Eliza Sdrauli, Julian Smiles, István Várdai, Caleb Wong, Vicky Zhang, Liam Meany

LEOŠ JANÁČEK

String Quartet No.2 'Intimate Letters' Goldner String Quartet

10.00PM

AFCM UP LATE — THE WORLD COMES TO FLINDERS

HERITAGE EXCHANGE BAR

FREE EVENT

Some of our international artists will present a lighter side of AFCM and show their diverse skills away from the concert platform.
Anything could happen!

Pavel Fisher (violin) Tine Thing Helseth (vocal) Kathryn Stott (keyboard) JP Jofre (bandoneon) Wu Tong (sheng) DAY 09: SATURDAY 04/08

Borodin Schubert Clarke

L'Estrange Vine Dutilleux

Gershwin Yu Ravel

Igudesman Mozart Dvořák

9.30AM

CONCERT CONVERSATIONS 6 with Kathryn Stott

THE PAVILION, THE VILLE RESORT – CASINO

Kathryn chats with Lars Anders Tomter, Goldner String Quartet, Siobhan Stagg, Grace Clifford and Eliza Sdraulig

ALEXANDER BORODIN

Nocturne from String Quartet No.2 Goldner String Quartet

FRANZ SCHUBERT

Shepherd on the Rock D.965 Siobhan Stagg (soprano), Julian Bliss (clarinet), Katya Apekisheva (piano)

REBECCA CLARKE

Sonata for Viola and Piano Lars Anders Tomter (viola) Kathryn Stott (piano)

1.00PM

FAMILIES' CONCERT — AHOY! SING FOR THE MARY ROSE

TOWNSVILLE CIVIC THEATRE

Choirs and singers from Townsville join with festival musicians to present this entertaining cantata that tells the story of the salvaged King Henry VIII warship. It combines Tudor music and folk songs with well-known sea shanties.

ALEXANDER L'ESTRANGE

Conducter/choir master: Anne Milanovic

Artists: Pavel Fisher (violin) Kees Boersma (double bass) Ian Brunskill (percussion) Timothy Young (piano) Bronia Renison (accordion)

7.30PM
FAREWELL CONCERT
MAGICAL CONNECTIONS

TOWNSVILLE CIVIC THEATRE

Hosted by Mairi Nicholson

Tonight's Grande Finale will be in three parts as we bring all our connections full circle in a glorious and exhilarating journey around the globe.

CARL VINE

String Quartet No.3
Goldner String Quartet

HENRI DUTILLEUX

Sonatine

Prudence Davis (flute) Katya Apekisheva (piano)

GEORGE GERSHWIN

Porgy and Bess (arr. Percy Grainger)
Kathryn Stott (piano)
Daniel de Borah (piano)

INTERVAL

JULIAN YU

The Lamentation of Micius

Julian Bliss (clarinet), Alexander Sitkovetsky (violin), Paul Wright (violin), Lars Anders Tomter (viola), Guy Johnston (cello)

MAURICE RAVEL

Piano Trio in A minor

Katya Apekisheva (piano) Alexander Sitkovetsky (violin) István Várdai (cello)

INTERVAL

WU TONG

Faraway Mountain (Australian premiere)

Wu Tong (sheng) Kathryn Stott (piano)

PAQUITO D'RIVERA

Cape Cod Files 'Benny @100' (Australian premiere)

Julian Bliss (clarinet) Timothy Young (piano)

IP IOFRE

Como El Agua (Australian premiere)
JP Jofre (bandoneon)
Tine Thing Helseth (trumpet)

ALEKSEY IGUDESMAN

Arrangements of:

Danny Boy My Bonnie Flies Over the Ocean La Cucaracha Auld Lang Syne

Violinists: Paul Wright, Pavel Fischer, Dimity Hall, Karen Gomyo, Grace Clifford Violists: Lars Anders Tomter and Tohias Breider

MONTY NORMAN

007 arranged for Cello Octet by Richard Birchall

Cello octet: István Várdai, Guy Johnston, Caleb Wong, Eliza Sdraulig, Howard Penny, Vicky Zhang, Liam Meany, Julian Smiles

WOLFGANG AMADEUS MOZART

Magic Flute Medley (arr. Roderick Williams)

Siobhan Stagg (soprano) Roderick Williams (baritone) AFCM Festival Orchestra

DVORAK

'Going Home' (arr. Roderick Williams) All Festival Artists

DAY 10: SUNDAY 05/08

3.00PM

AFCM AFTER PARTY

PEPPERS BLUE ON BLUE, MAGNETIC ISLAND

A perfect way to close out your time in Townsville is to soak up the sunshine on the seaside deck at Peppers Blue on Blue and listen to beautiful music by Festival artists. Your ticket includes return ferry trayel to Magnetic Island.

Roderick Williams (baritone) JP Jofre (bandoneon), Dimity Hall (violin), Julian Smiles (cello) "Her playing was, as you might expect, luminous and delicately shaded — her technique is superb, and she's a master of subtle emotions and telling details." Washington Post

Kathryn Stott

Artistic Director Piano

Born in Lancashire, Kathryn studied at the Yehudi Menuhin School and the Royal College of Music. Her teachers included Nadia Boulanger, Vlado Perlemuter and Kendall Taylor.

A regular visitor to international festivals both as soloist and chamber musician, Kathryn has constantly performed around the world since 1978, when she was a prize winner in the Leeds International Piano Competition. Performances continue to be varied with appearances at the BBC Proms, extensive tours of Australasia, and collaborations with artists as diverse as cellist Giovanni Sollima, JP Jofre and his Hard Tango Chamber Band and Janine Jansen. To celebrate their 30th anniversary of performing together, Kathryn recorded 'The Arc of Life' with Yo-Yo Ma and her recent solo release 'Solitaires' for BIS, continues her exploration of French works for piano. Upcoming performances include recitals in Italy with Janine Jansen, an extensive solo tour of the UK, a recording with Christian Poltéra, and concerto performances with Piers Lane and the Western Australia and Tasmanian Symphony Orchestras.

With a vast repertoire, Kathryn has maintained a keen interest in contemporary music and has had many works written especially for her.

In particular, her close musical relationship with the composer Graham Fitkin has led to seven world premieres. She is a remarkable exponent of Tango and other Latin dance music, reflected in her collaboration with Yo-Yo Ma and leading South American musicians on the Grammy Award-winning Sony CD 'Soul of the Tango' and its successor 'Obrigado Brazil'. In the recording studio she has created a large and eclectic body of work including concertos and solo repertoire.

Apart from her CDs with Yo-Yo Ma, she has amongst others recorded with Truls Mørk, Christian Poltéra, Guy Johnston, the Doric String Quartet, Noriko Ogawa, Tine Thing Helseth, the BBC Philharmonic, London Symphony Orchestra, Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra and Tokyo Symphony Orchestra. Latest solo recording releases include an eight CD box set re-release of her Conifer recordings on SONY.

Kathryn Stott has been the artistic vision behind many major festivals and concert series. 'Piano 2000' and 'Piano 2003' (Bridgewater Hall, Manchester) established her reputation as an astute programmer; and following the earlier 'Fauré and the French Connection' she was appointed Chevalier dans l'Ordre des Arts et Lettres by the French Government.

From 2009 – 2014 she was Artistic Director of the Manchester Chamber Concerts Society and was Guest Artistic Director of Incontri in Terra di Siena in 2010 and 2011.

Kathryn curated a series of six concerts called 'Dance!' for Leeds International Concerts in 2014. Kathryn was joint Artistic Director of the Fjord Classics Festival in Norway in 2017 before moving to take up her position as Artistic Director of the Australian Festival of Chamber Music.

A dedicated teacher, Kathryn is a visiting professor and Honorary Chair at the Royal Academy of Music in London, holds the position of International Chair at the Royal Northern College of Music in Manchester and regularly visits Chethams School of Music. Kathryn joined the piano faculty of the Norwegian Academy of Music in Oslo in 2016

Kathy Stott has a daughter, Lucy, and lives in Manchester. A keen walker, she enjoys being out in the countryside and spending time with her working cocker spaniel, Archie.





Quartet-in-Residence

Goldner String Quartet (Australia)

Dene Olding (Violin)

Dimity Hall (Violin)

Irina Morozova (Viola)

Iulian Smiles (Cello)

Founded in 1995, the Goldner String Quartet has performed throughout Australia, UK, Europe, USA, the Asia-Pacific and NZ. They have several critically acclaimed CD releases on Tall Poppies, Naxos and ABC Classics including a DVD documentary, The Quartets, with Peter Sculthorpe and several discs with Piers Lane for the prestige UK label, Hyperion. Major projects have included a retrospective of 20th century String Quartets and the complete Beethoven Quartet cycle, which was recorded live and won the ABC Limelight Award for 'Best Classical Recording' in 2009. New works have regularly been commissioned for the Goldners from many of Australia's leading composers.

Composer-in-Residence

Iulian Yu (Australia)

Julian composed a short Peking Opera at age 12 and later taught composition at the Central Conservatory in Beijing. After studying with Joji Yuasa in Tokyo, he migrated to Australia in 1985, and in 1988 was Tanglewood Composition Fellow under Oliver Knussen (winning the Koussevitzky Tanglewood Composition Prize). Commissioned by Ensemble Modern, the BBC Proms and the Beijing Olympic Games, he was Theme Composer of the 2011 Suntory Hall Festival and twice winner of Australia's Paul Lowin Orchestral Prize.



Katya Apekisheva (UK)

Katya is one of Europe's most renowned pianists, in demand internationally as both a soloist and as a chamber musician. Since becoming a prize-winner in the Leeds International and Scottish Piano Competitions and collating awards such as the London Philharmonic 'Soloist of the Year' and the Terence ludd Award she has been marked out as a pianist of exceptional gifts, performing with many of the world's leading orchestras, including the London Philharmonic



Daniel de Borah (Australia)

Daniel has performed widely throughout the UK and Australia, appearing as soloist with the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra, English Chamber Orchestra, London Mozart Players and the Sydney, Melbourne and Adelaide Symphony Orchestras. His sympathetic musicianship finds a natural home on the chamber music platform, where he has partnered many leading soloists including Nicolas Altstaedt, Baiba Skride, Liwei Qin and Andrew Goodwin. Daniel lives in Brisbane where he serves on the faculty of the Queensland Conservatorium. Griffith University.



Timothy: I'm most looking forward to the exciting atmosphere of the AFCM, performing the amazing music that Kathy Stott has programmed, working with so many fabulously talented colleagues and enjoying the weather.

Julian: For me, this will be a once-in-a-lifetime experience to hear many of my original chamber pieces performed by such great Australian and international musicians!

Bandoneon



IP Jofre (Argentina)

Native from San Juan, Argentina, "I.P." Jofre is an award-winning bandoneon player and composer. He has been repeatedly highlighted by the New York Times and praised as one of today's leading artists by Great Performers at Lincoln Centre. He is a recipient of the National Prize of the Arts grant in Argentina. JP has performed with the San Antonio Symphony, San Diego Symphony and Argentina's National Symphony Orchestra among others.



Timothy Young (Australia)

Timothy is Head of Piano and Chamber Music at the Australian National Academy of Music and a founding member of Ensemble Liaison. He collaborates regularly with Australia's finest musicians, has toured Australia for Musica Viva and recently performed as soloist with the Australian World Orchestra and Simone Young. Timothy's internationally acclaimed discography includes númerous recordings for the Tall Poppies, Melba, EL and Heritage labels.

AUSTRALIAN FESTIVAL OF CHAMBER MUSIC





Grace Clifford (Australia)

In 2014, at the age of 16, Grace won the ABC Young Performer of the Year award, the biggest prize in Australia for classical musicians. Since then, she has been studying at the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia and has performed with a number of orchestras around the world. This July, Grace joins the MSO and Associate Conductor Benjamin Northey to perform Bruch's First Violin Concerto. Grace plays a Jean-Baptise Vuillaume from 1859.



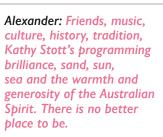
Pavel Fischer (Czech Republic)

Pavel is a violinist, teacher and composer. When he isn't visiting professor of chamber music at the Royal Academy in London and violin tutor at the Royal Northern College of Music in Manchester. he is putting all his energy into composition. His first-string quartet 'Morava' was premiered at Carnegie Hall in New York in 2008. The premiere of his first Violin Concerto was held in 2016. and 'Temperaments' for voice. violin, cello, accordion and strings was held in 2018. Pavel plays a Joseph Gagliano violin.



Karen Gomyo (Japan/Germany)

Karen travels the world performing as soloist and chamber musician. Recent highlights include her debut with the Chicago Symphony conducted by Esa-Pekka Salonen in a new work written for Karen by Samuel Adams, a debut at London's Barbican, and upcoming appearances with the San Francisco Symphony, WDR Köln in Germany, and Philharmonia Orchestra in London. She is an avid fan of Argentine tango, having performed with legendary tango pianist Pablo Ziegler, and enjoys dancing tango in her free time. Karen plays a 'Aurora, ex-Foulis' Stradivarius violin made in 1703.



Karen: With Kathy Stott's special talent for bringing the most wonderful people and musicians together in a memorable setting, there is nothing about AFCM I don't look forward to!



Viola

Tobias Breider (Germany/Australia)

Tobias has established himself as one of Australia's most asked for viola players in chamber music and collaborates regularly with some of the country's finest artists and ensembles. Internationally he was invited to perform at Festivals in the UK, South Africa, USA and his native Germany. Whenever his busy chamber music schedule allows Tobias plays full time as Principal violist of the Sydney Symphony Orchestra. He plays a Ritter viola from 1877.



Irina Morozova (Australia)

Irina has had a long and distinguished career primarily as a chamber musician but also as principal viola in various major Australian orchestras. She is a founder and current member of both the Australia Ensemble@ UNSW and Goldner String Quartet with whom she has performed in over 30 countries around the world and recorded extensively. Irina plays a fine AE Smith viola made in 1947.



Dimity Hall (Australia)

As a member of both the Goldner String Quartet and the Australia Ensemble@UNSW, Dimity has performed, toured and recorded extensively. She has appeared as soloist with the Sydney Symphony and the ACO among others and as guest Concertmaster with numerous Australian orchestras. Her recording of Vaughan Williams' The Lark Ascending' is released on ABC Classics. Dimity plays a Nicolo Gagliano violin.



Dene Olding (Australia)

Dene is currently first violinist with both the Goldner String Quartet and the Australia Ensemble@UNSW. He is also Concertmaster Emeritus of the Sydney Symphony Orchestra and Artistic Advisor of Michael Hill International Violin Competition in NZ. In addition he has many solo and recording credits to his name with major conductors and orchestras including many world premieres. He trained at the Juilliard School in New York and lives in Sydney with his wife Irina Morozova and son Nikolai. He plays a fine Joseph Guarnerius violin made in 1720.



Alexander Sitkovetsky (UK/Russia)

Born into a family with a wellestablished musical tradition, he made his concerto debut at the age of eight and studied with the late Yehudi Menuhin. Engagement highlights include the Netherlands Philharmonic, Philharmonia, Royal Philharmonic Orchestra, BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra, Tokyo Symphony Orchestra, Norwegian Chamber Orchestra, Brussels Philharmonic, London Philharmonic Orchestra. A frequent guest soloist on nationwide UK tours and has toured Australia extensively as guest director with the Australian Chamber Orchestra.



Paul Wright (Australia)

Paul is deeply involved in the performance practice of music from the 18th and 19th century and has performed in numerous ensembles and orchestras throughout Australia and overseas. He has also performed as guest Concertmaster with the West Australian Symphony Orchestra, the Australian Chamber Orchestra, the Melbourne Chamber Orchestra, and the Australian Brandenburg Orchestra and many others. Paul is currently Music Fellow at St George's College in Perth.

Lars: I am looking tremendously forward to play fabulous music with wonderful people like Kathy and to put my foot on a continent and in a hemisphere I have not been before. Australians I have have met around the world have always been delightful; relaxed, generous, open and with a developed sense of the pleasures of life.



Lars Anders Tomter (Norway)

Described as 'the giant of the Nordic viola' Lars has distinguished himself as a world leading violist. His repertoire embraces all major works for viola as well as new works written for him. He has recorded for labels such as Simax, Naxos, Virgin Classics, NMC and Chandos. He is Professor at the Norwegian Academy of Music and visiting professor at the Royal Danish Academy of Music. He is the founder of The Risør Chamber Music Festival in Norway and the now new festival, Fjord Classics. Lars plays a Gasparo Salò da viola from 1590.



Guy Johnston (UK)

Guy won the BBC Young Musician of the Year in 2000 and has since performed with many leading international orchestras and in festivals such as the BBC Proms. Known also as an outstanding chamber musician, he is Artistic Director of the Hatfield House Chamber Music Festival. One of Guy's recent projects includes a recording, Tecchler 300, based on the history of his instrument, a 1714 David Tecchler cello.



Howard Penny (Australia)

Howard is currently Head of Strings at ANAM having been based in Europe for nearly 30 years. His activities as soloist, chamber musician, principal cello of chamber orchestras and teacher have taken him to five continents, performing regularly in all major halls in Europe, the US and Japan, as well as at festivals such as Salzburg and the Proms. He has an extensive discography of solo and chamber music repertoire, and frequently directs orchestral programs from the cello. Howard plays a cello by Jean-Baptiste Vuillaume from 1850.



Liam Meany (Australia)

Liam Meany is in his third year studying the cello under Howard Penny at the Australian National Academy of Music (ANAM). A keen orchestral musician, he performs regularly with the Tasmanian Symphony Orchestra and Orchestra Victoria, and has also enjoyed extensive chamber music activity with the Ossia Trio, the Quercus Quartet, and with various ensembles and guest artists throughout his studies at ANAM.



Eliza Sdraulig (Australia)

Eliza Sdraulig is a cellist from Melbourne currently undertaking studies at the Australian National Academy of Music (ANAM) with Howard Penny. She also recently commenced a Master of Music in Cello Performance at the New England Conservatory in Boston, USA. Eliza is a 2018 Emerging Artist with the Australian Chamber Orchestra and casual musician with the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra.



Kees Boersma (Australia)

Kees enjoys a multifaceted career as Principal Double Bass with the Sydney Symphony Orchestra and as Lecturer of Bass at the Sydney Conservatorium of Music, recitalist and chamber musician. As a soloist with the SSO he has given world premiere performances of concertos by Colin Bright and Mary Finsterer, the latter performances earning a nomination for best performance of a new work in the 2013 APRA Music Awards. Kees is a frequent guest leader of international and Australian ensembles.



Karin Schaupp (Australia)

Karin's playing has been hailed by the German press as 'so perfect, so complete, that it seems like a miracle. She is sought after internationally as a recitalist, soloist and festival guest and has made countless television and radio appearances. Karin has released six solo CDs, and various ensemble and orchestral albums, winning numerous awards, including two ARIAs.



Julian Smiles (Australia)

Julian's diverse career combining solo, chamber music and orchestral performance reaches national and international audiences. He is cellist of the Goldner String Quartet and Australia Ensemble@UNSW and has appeared as soloist with numerous Australian orchestras and ensembles. He is in demand as a teacher and chamber music mentor and is Lecturer in Cello at the Sydney Conservatorium of Music. Julian plays a Lorenzo Ventapane cello from 1827.



István Várdai (Hungary)

István is the only cellist in the world to have won both the International Cello Competition in Geneva (2008) and the ARD Competition in Munich (2014) the two most important contests for cellists. Since his debut concert in 1997 in The Hague, he has performed in New York, London, Paris, Prague, Vienna, Frankfurt, Munich, Geneva, Dublin, Moscow, St Petersburg, Florence, Tokyo and Beijing with great success. István plays a Montagnana cello from 1720.



Caleb Wong (Australia)

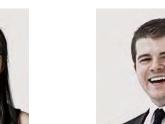
Caleb Wong is in his third year studying the cello under Howard Penny at the Australian National Academy of Music (ANAM). In 2016, he was awarded joint First Prize for Most Outstanding Solo Recital, and was a finalist in the ANAM Concerto Competition performing Elgar's Cello Concerto with the TSO. Caleb was also a prize-winner in the 2017 Gisborne International Competition.



Vicky Zhang (Australia)

Vicky Zhang is an avid chamber musician and has participated in programs and masterclasses in both Brazil and Italy. She is an alumnus of the Sydney Conservatorium of Music, where she was mentored by both Umberto Clerici and Susan Blake. Vicky is currently studying at the Australian National Academy of Music (ANAM) under the tutelage of Howard Penny.

Liam, Eliza, Caleb and Vicky perform at AFCM courtesy of the Australian National Academy of Music.



Julian Bliss (UK)

Clarinet

One of the world's finest clarinettists, an outstanding soloist, chamber and jazz musician, Julian performs at leading venues around the world and with many international orchestras. The Julian Bliss Septet, with programmes inspired by Benny Goodman and Latin music, has played at Ronnie Scott's, Amsterdam's Concertgebouw and across the USA. Recent album releases include Mozart and Nielsen concertos, David Bruce's 'Gumboots', and an album of Russian and French music





Tine Thing Helseth (Norway)

Tine has rapidly established herself as one of the foremost trumpet soloists of our time following her 2013 BBC Proms debut performance of Matthias Pintscher's 'Chutes d'étoiles' with the BBC Scottish Symphony. She has gained critical acclaim for her soulful, lyrical sound and collaborative approach to music-making. Tine challenges the boundaries of genre with an intensely creative, open-minded philosophy. She has worked with some of the world's leading orchestras.

Flute

Concert Host

Families' Concert Conductor/Chorus Master



Claire Edwardes (Australia)

Internationally acclaimed percussion soloist, chamber musician and Ensemble Offspring Artistic Director, Claire, has been described by the press as a 'sorceress of percussion'. She is a recent recipient of an Australia Council Music Fellowship, three time recipient of the Art Music Award for Excellence by an Individual (2016/2012/2007) for Claire's contribution to Australian music and won the 1999 Symphony Australia Young Performers Award.



Prudence Davis (Australia)

Principal Flute of the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra (MSO) since 1980, Prudence studied at the Victorian College of the Arts with Peter Edge and later with Aurele Nicolet in Switzerland. She has appeared as soloist in Carnegie Hall New York, in Japan with the Orchestra Ensemble Kanazawa, and on many occasions in Australia with the MSO and other ensembles. Prudence has also toured internationally with the Australian Chamber Orchestra, and throughout Australia for Musica Viva with West Germany's Reger Trio.



Mairi Nicholson (Australia)

Mairi Nicolson's long and varied career as a broadcaster for the ABC and BBC has taken her from the Sydney Opera House to New York's Avery Fischer Hall, from the Royal Albert Hall, London to Hamer Hall, Melbourne. For ABC Classic FM she currently presents a range of afternoon radio programs including the long-running Opera Show and concert broadcasts for the MSO, Opera Australia and Musica Viva.



Anne Milanovic (Germany/Australia)

Anne has been Chorus Master for the AFCM Families' Concert for the last five years ('Noye's Fludde' 2013, 'Cinderella' 2014, 'The Little Sweep' 2015, 'The Little Prince' 2016 and 'Brundibar' in 2017) and has greatly enjoyed this rewarding work with children. In 2014, Anne founded the community children's choir 'Amadeus Singers' drawing together the many talented children from across Townsville



Barrier Reef Orchestra

Sheng



Wu Tong (China)

Wu Tong graduated from the Central Conservatory of Music in 1994 and has appeared as soloist with the New York Philharmonic, London Sinfonietta, Chicago Symphony Orchestra, and Hong Kong Philharmonic Orchestra. He was awarded the 2012 Musician of the Year by New York's China Institute. In 2013, he premiered Zhao Lin's Duo, a double concerto written for him and Yo-Yo Ma. Wu Tong is a member of Yo-Yo Ma's Silk Road Ensemble and was a member of the first rock band ever to appear on Chinese television.





Roderick Williams (UK)

Roderick enjoys relationships with all the major UK opera houses and is particularly associated with the baritone roles of Mozart. He has sung world premieres of operas by, among others, David Sawer, Sally Beamish, Michel van der Aa. Robert Saxton and Alexander Knaifel and concert repertoire with all the BBC orchestras and many other orchestras and ensembles internationally. Festival appearances include BBC Proms, Edinburgh, Cheltenham, Aldeburgh and Melbourne, Awarded the OBE for services to music in 2017.

Soprano



Siobhan Stagg (Germany/Australia)

With a voice of 'ravishing tone' and 'radiant' presence (The Age), Siobhan Stagg is establishing a reputation in Europe and Australia as a young singer of enormous potential. Performance highlights of 2017/18 include Pamina (Die Zauberflöte) at the Royal Opera House Covent Garden, Musetta (La bohème) and Zerlina (Don Giovanni) at the Deutsche Oper Berlin, and the role of Mélisande (Pelléas et Mélisande) with Victorian Opera in Melbourne.

Narrator/Director



Jessica Duchen (UK)

London-based author Jessica Duchen specialises in words for, with and about music. She was classical music correspondent for The Independent for 12 years and her output includes two biographies, five novels and numerous stage works for musicians and actors, besides narrated concerts that she presents herself. Recent works include the libretto for Roxanna Panufnik's acclaimed opera 'Silver Birch' (Garsington 2017) and the novel 'Ghost Variations', based on the Schumann Violin Concerto's rediscovery in the 1930s.

1RAR Band (Australia)

1RAR Band is a highly regarded component of the Australian Defence Force in North Queensland. The band supports 3rd Brigade units, other Defence organisations and the wider community for anything from ceremonial activities to dinners, balls, community concerts and sporting events. They also continue to support their own 1st Battalion on domestic duties and overseas deployments including East Timor and more recently Afghanistan.

Barrier Reef Orchestra (Australia)

Fast becoming one of North Queensland's cultural jewels, the Barrier Reef Orchestra this year launches its 18th year of performing orchestral music throughout North Queensland. BRO is a community orchestra consisting of the finest musicians drawn from Townsville and as far afield as Cairns and Mackay.

Jessica: I can't wait to bring Anna Magdalena Bach to life for the AFCM audience – and the wonderful Australian food and wine will be a plus!



SUNDAY 29/07 3:00PM

QUEENS GARDENS CONCERT

QUEENS GARDENS

Co-presented by Townsville City Council and set in the beautiful leafy grounds of Queens Park, this popular 90-minute concert offers a variety of entertainment – not all of it chamber music. Visiting Festival artists are joined by local talent including the Barrier Reef Orchestra and the 1RAR band.

The program includes UK baritone Roderick Williams singing 'Showboat' tunes, Norwegian trumpeter Tine Thing Helseth playing Rachmaninoff and Australian classical guitarist Karin Schaupp leading a local guitar orchestra. It is a wonderful way to spend a Sunday afternoon in the tropics.

Bring your picnic, a rug or some chairs and enjoy this entertaining concert in the park.

FREE EVENT

SUNDAY 29/07 7:00PM FOR 7:30PM CLEVELAND BAY SUPPER CLUB

THE PAVILION, THE VILLE RESORT – CASINO

Our world class musicians will be performing jazz, tango and some all-time favourites by George Gershwin in our very first lounge concert. Over three parts, guests are invited to come and relax with a glass of wine and delicious canapes and settle in for a night of musical delight and socialising in the relaxed surroundings of the Pavilion at The Ville. Your night will include an Australian premiere, world first collaborations, and the possibility of a surprise guest.

Adult \$165

TUESDAY 31/07 1:00PM

ORPHEUS ISLAND CONCERT

DEPARTS SEALINK BREAKWATER FERRY TERMINAL

This unique concert delivers enchanting music on the remote end of Orpheus Island, a truly spectacular day of sunshine and music, with some whale watching along the way! Travel two hours by fast cat ferry to Orpheus Island, a beautiful jewel in the Great Barrier Reef surrounded by the Coral Sea.

There is a five-star resort at one end and uninhabited beaches at the other, where the concert takes place. You will have time to explore the natural beauty of Orpheus and take a dip in the water before settling down on the beach to enjoy the concert.

Chinese musician Wu Tong will play two intriguing instruments, the sheng and the bawu; he will be joined by Argentinian JP Jofre on bandoneon and three other visiting musicians on clarinet, flute and trumpet. A sunset cruise back to Townsville follows, with food and wine included.

1:00pm Depart Breakwater Ferry Terminal 4:30pm Concort

4:30pm Concert

6:15pm Depart Orpheus Island 8:00pm Arrive back at Breakwater Ferry Terminal

\$230 includes canapés and buffet dinner

A high level of mobility is required for this event given the restricted access to the beach and for walking over the sand and rocks on the island. No seating is provided on the beach however you are welcome to bring a towel or a fold-up chair on the ferry. Dress is casual.

In the unlikely event of cancellation due to bad weather tickets will be fully refunded.

SATURDAY 04/08 1:00PM

FAMILIES' CONCERT A'hoy! Sing for the Mary Rose

TOWNSVILLE CIVIC THEATRE

Join us as singers and choristers of all ages from around Townsville come together to form a massed choir and tell the story of King Henry VIII's famous battleship, the Mary Rose in song. The cantata, Ahoy! Sing for the Mary Rose by English composer Alexander L'Estrange features many well-loved Tudor tunes and sea shanties as well as new compositions.

It promises to be an entertaining afternoon for the young and young at heart and you will even have a chance to join in the fun!

Adult \$25; Member \$20

Concession \$22

SUNDAY 05/08 2:45PM AFTE

AFCM AFTER PARTY

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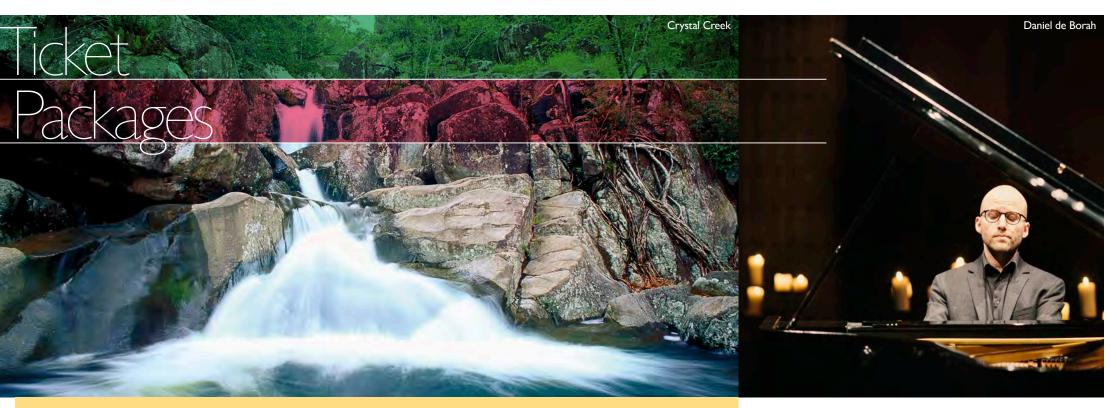
Head over early so you can explore the stunning bays and beaches, take a pleasant hike, cuddle a koala or simply sit in a Horseshoe Bay café for a relaxing lunch.

Arrive at Peppers Blue on Blue Resort by 2.45pm, find your spot on their seaside deck, soak up the sunshine, mix with other guests and musicians before listening to a stunning performance by Julian Smiles, Dimity Hall, Roderick Williams and IP Jofre.

Your ticket includes return ferry transfers, two complimentary drinks at Peppers Blue on Blue Resort, canapes and the performance.

Adults \$75 per person

Concert only \$55



Platinum Pass

The Festival Platinum Pass is a new addition for the ultimate chamber music fan. It includes a seat at every ticketed Festival event – that's 24 concerts over 10 days.

Enjoy all six Concert Conversations, all Sunset and Evening concerts, the Sunday morning church concert plus five special events including Orpheus Island, Cleveland Bay Supper Club, Families' Concert, Winterschool Advanced Masterclass Concert and the AFCM After Party.

Platinum Pass holders will also enjoy priority seating, a complimentary program and bag, an invitation to the Opening Night VIP function and a seat at the Exclusive Audience with Kathryn Stott.

Limited numbers available.

\$1,705 per adult

\$1,550 for AFCM Members

Gold Pass

There are 21 concerts in the Gold Pass including all concerts in the main program, the Families' Concert and the Advanced Masterclass concert. It excludes three of the special events, namely Orpheus Island, Cleveland Bay Supper Club and the AFCM After Party. Gold pass holders can purchase these separately.

A Gold Pass provides preferential seating, a complimentary program and bag, an invitation to the Opening Night VIP function and a seat at the Exclusive Audience with Kathryn Stott.

\$1,265 per adult

\$1,150 for AFCM Members

Please note: Gold Pass Holders from the previous year retain the same seating allocation if booked by 28 March 2018.

Bus Transfers

Both the Platinum Pass and the Gold Pass have the option to include bus transfers.

Enjoy bus transfers, from a pick up point close to your hotel, to and from most concerts included in your pass. See page 34 for details.

Please note: bus transfers are not provided for Cleveland Bay Supper Club, Orpheus Island Concert, AFCM After Party or Queens Garden Concert.

Bus timetable will be available in July at www.afcm.com.au

\$145 per adult

Exclusive Event

An Audience with Kathryn Stott will be an entertaining and highly insightful discussion with the Festival's new Artistic Director.

Hosted by ABC Classic FM's Mairi Nicholson, this one hour event will provide a look into the life of Kathryn Stott – how she got started, what makes her tick and why AFCM is so close to her heart.

FRIDAY 03/08, 2.30PM

ST JAMES' CATHEDRAL

Silver Pass

A Festival Silver Pass is the ideal solution if you're limited for time. It offers a wonderful mix of morning, sunset and evening concerts over four or five days. Choose the first 11 concerts of the Festival including Opening Night, Governor's Gala and three Concert Conversations; or the final 11 concerts including the hugely entertaining Festival Farewell and the final three Concert Conversations.

A Silver Pass also includes a complimentary program and Festival bag, with a total saving of 10%.

Silver Pass A — first 11 concerts, \$690 for Adults, \$620 for Members

Silver Pass B — last 11 concerts, \$635 for Adults, \$570 for Members

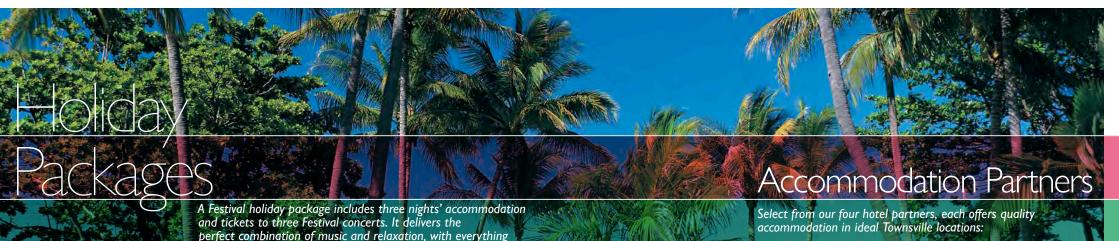
Festival Four Package

The Festival Four is a popular package because it provides great savings! Select any four concerts from the Ray Golding Sunset Series and the Evening Series concerts* and pay \$210 for all four concerts – that's a saving of up to \$46. Choose two 5:30pm Sunset Series and two 7:30pm Evening Series concerts, or attend four Evening concerts – the choice is yours, either way you save!

Cost: \$210 for Adults \$200 for Concession \$189 for AFCM Members

* Excludes Opening Night, Closing Night and Governor's Gala.

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OR PURCHASE ONLINE AT AFCM.COM.AU
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Opening Weekend Extravaganza

This popular package includes the glitz of Opening Weekend with perhaps the three most popular concerts of the Festival.

FRIDAY 27/07, 7:30PM James Cook University Opening Night — Lift Off!

SATURDAY 28/07, 10:00AM Concert Conversations 1 with Kathryn Stott

SATURDAY 28/07, 7:30PM Governor's Gala — Exotic Excursions

Priced from \$466 per person twin share or \$444 for AFCM Members

Closing Weekend Indulgence

booked for you.

The final weekend of the Festival is always exhilarating with a hugely entertaining Farewell Concert.

FRIDAY 03/08, 7:30PM Evening Series — Love Letters

SATURDAY 04/08, 9:30AM Concert Conversations 6 with Kathryn Stott

SATURDAY 04/08, 7:30PM Festival Farewell — Magical Connections

Priced from \$450 per person twin share, \$430 for AFCM Members

Sunset Spectacular

This mid-week package offers three one-hour sunset concerts over three consecutive days.

WEDNESDAY 01/08, 5:00PM Ray Golding Sunset Series — Bach by Candlelight 1

THURSDAY 02/08, 5:00PM
Ray Golding Sunset Series —
Spain versus Italy

FRIDAY 03/08, 5:00PM
Ray Golding Sunset Series —
Love Stories

Priced from \$392 per person twin share, \$378 for AFCM Members

1 — Quest Townsville on Eyre

Quest Townsville on Eyre is located within walking distance to the iconic Townsville Strand and CBD and only a 5-minute drive from Townsville airport. With 85 serviced apartments including Studio, One, Two and Three Bedroom Apartments, it is ideal for families and larger groups looking for a home away from home experience with full kitchen and laundry facilities...

2 — Rydges Southbank Townsville

Situated in the vibrant Palmer Street precinct, Rydges Southbank offers the perfect location for your Festival stay. All hotel rooms feature the signature Rydges dream beds and free Wi-Fi in addition to modern amenities to make you feel comfortable throughout your stay. Rydges is a luxurious yet affordable hotel with facilities including a resort style pool and free onsite parking

3 — Grand Chancellor Townsville

The 4 star Hotel Grand Chancellor, situated in the heart of the CBD, is fondly known locally as the 'Sugar Shaker', due to its unusual shape. Being Townsville's tallest building, the hotel offers stunning views across the city, Castle Hill and towards Magnetic Island, from its contemporary guest rooms and rooftop pool. Great location and great service!

4 — The Ville Resort – Casino

Having just completed a \$40 million redevelopment, the Ville is a multi-award winning property, boasting exceptional quality accommodation from Deluxe Rooms to Executive Suites. Located on the Townsville Breakwater with views over the CBD, marina and seaward to Magnetic Island, the Ville offers a number of superb restaurants and bars onsite, a range of guest services and facilities, and is just a few minutes walk from The Strand.







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The AFCM Winterschool program is an important part of the Festival. It allows us to tap into the immense talent of artists visiting Townsville, and deliver invaluable coaching and education to young musicians at both high school and tertiary levels.

ADVANCED MASTERCLASS PROGRAM

Led by Pavel Fischer, the Advanced Masterclass Program is an opportunity for tertiary-level ensembles to experience chamber music-making at its finest and gain top-level tuition from leading national and international musicians. This ten-day program offers a series of private and public master classes as well as performance and networking opportunities. Daily group session with guest artists including Goldner String Quartet, Julian Yu, JP Jofre, Wu Tong, Jessica Duchen Mairi Nicholson and Grace Clifford. This is an unforgettable experience for emerging musicians.

10 days for only \$399 per student. Highlights include:

Welcome function with AFCM artists

Private and public masterclasses with world leading musicians

Private coaching for each ensemble with the Winterschool Director

Complimentary tickets to Festival concerts at the Townsville Civic Theatre

Magnetic Island discovery afternoon

The Advanced Public Masterclasses and the Junior Winterschool Performance are free to attend.

The Advanced Masterclass Concert costs \$20 to patrons (excluding Platinum & Gold Passes).

More information is available in the Program section, the booking form and on line at afcm.com.au.

JUNIOR ENSEMBLE WORKSHOP

The Junior Ensemble Workshop is open to high school students who are members of established ensembles. This weekend workshop offers students top-level tuition, along with advice and guidance from international musician, composer and teacher Pavel Fischer. Attendees will also perform in a concert on the final day.

\$150 per student, and includes:

Open Masterclass

Two-day weekend workshop with Winterschool Director

Private coaching for each ensemble with the Winterschool Director

Double pass to a Festival concert at the Townsville Civic Theatre

APPLICATIONS OPEN NOW FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO APPLY VISIT AFCM.COM.AU OR CALL 07 4771 4144 WINTERSCHOOL DIRECTOR

Pavel Fischer (Czech Republic)

Not only is Pavel a visiting professor at the Royal Academy in London and violin tutor at the Royal Northern College of Music in Manchester he is a well known Violinist, teacher and composer. Pavel is a passionate chamber musician as well as an active member of leading quartet Skampa and visiting AFCM artist (see biography page 16). Pavel regularly delivers masterclasses at the Quartet Academy in Amsterdam. This will be his first visit to Australia

What can students expect to gain under your guidance?

Holistic approach to music making. Making music is not just reading notes, it is a life style, it is a mental as well as physical discipline and it is a philosophy.

How would you describe your teaching style?

I try to make them realize what they want, and help them to accomplish it.

What advice do you give young and upcoming musicians?

When you make music try to forget vanity, irony and competitiveness, but try to enjoy the process of learning and performing.

Townsville is a popular destination during winter given its glorious sunshine and warm weather. July and August are peak season so please book your accommodation early to avoid disappointment..

Townsville

As the capital of North Queensland and situated right on the coast, Townsville enjoys over 300 days of sunshine each year, and barely registers a winter with clear blue skies, gentle tropical breezes and an average temperature of 24° during the winter months.

The region offers a vibrant mix of rainforests, reefs, sandy beaches, outback towns, and islands packed with interesting flora and fauna.

Townsville's attractions include the popular waterfront esplanade known as The Strand featuring the Rockpool and Jezzine Barracks, the world-heritage tropical rainforest area of Paluma, the Wetlands, reef and estuary fishing, the Great Barrier Reef and Magnetic Island.

Townsville also boasts a diverse culinary scene with quality dining options along Palmer Street, Gregory Street, City Lane and Flinders Street.

Magnetic Island

This large island is two-thirds national park and offers over 25 kilometres of walking tracks, 23 beautiful bays and beaches, several fringing reefs perfect for snorkelling and a friendly community atmosphere.

Over 2,500 people live on Magnetic Island, and it is also home to Northern Australia's largest colony of koalas living in the wild. Magnetic Island is a pleasant 20-minute ferry ride from Townsville and a must-see during your visit

For more information visit our website or townsvillenorthqueensland.com.au

Travel

Townsville enjoys direct flights from Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne and Darwin. The city centre is just 10 minutes from the airport, serviced by bus and taxi.

Accommodation

Townsville offers a wide choice of accommodation from 4.5 star hotels to self-catering apartments, caravan parks and budget accommodation.

Our Festival partner properties include Quest Townsville and The Ville Resort and Casino. Both hotels offer quality accommodation in highly convenient locations. Feel free to contact the properties directly or book as part of a Festival Holiday package.

Holiday Packages

Take the easy option and have everything booked for you with a Festival Holiday Package.

Select from four participating hotels, plus enjoy reserved seating at Festival concerts. There are three packages to choose from, plus all of your travel, car hire, extra nights and more can be booked in one place.

Contact the Australian Holiday Centre on 1300 799 342 or visit afcm.com.au/packages for more information.

THE VILLE RESORT SPECIAL Accommodation Offer For Platinum & Gold Pass Holders

For AFCM guests staying a minimum of nine nights, The Ville Resort – Casino is offering a special rate for all room types, from Deluxe Hotel rooms through to Executive Suites.

Rates start from \$160 per night and include breakfast for two. To book, contact The Ville directly on 07 4722 2333, or via email: tsvl.reservations@the-ville. com.au and quote 'Gold AFCM Package'.

Pre and Post Touring

There is so much to see in North Queensland so why not stay a little longer and explore more of this magnificent region? Festival sponsor Escape Travel Townsville offer a wonderful three night post-Festival tour plus a City Lights tour.

Hidden Valley & Highland Tour

7 - 10 August

This magical four-day tour showcases the region's beautiful rainforests. Stay three nights at Hidden Valley Cabins on the banks of the Running River, and each day explore a different area with your local guide in a fully airconditioned coach.

Take in the Paluma Range National Park, the Southern Hemisphere's highest sheer drop waterfall Wallaman Falls and the township of Ingham known affectionately as 'Little Italy'. There is also time to relax in the beautiful surrounds of Hidden Valley, take a walk through the grounds and along the river, perhaps even spotting the elusive platypus!

Tour begins with a guided city sights tour of Townsville, includes all transfers, all meals each day (except for first and last day) and three nights twin-share accommodation.

\$775 per person Rustic Cabin twin-share

\$879 per person Deluxe Cabin twin-share

Scenic City Lights Tour

Operating each day of the Festival

This tour allows you to see the beauty of Townsville by day and night. Your private tour guide will collect you in the afternoon, and then as the sun starts to set, your evening tour will begin.

Admire the work of a local artist at one of Townsville's boutique art galleries before taking in the spectacular scenery of Townsville by twilight. Dine at a private venue overlooking the water, enjoying a meal prepared by exquisite local chefs, with the chance to bring your own wine. After admiring Castle Hill from the water's edge the tour concludes with a visit to the very top of the Hill providing spectacular views over the city and across the Coral Sea to Magnetic Island. Menu available on request.

\$100 per person includes dinner

To book either of these local escapes, contact Escape Travel Townsville on 07 4722 5055, email events@escapetravel.com.au or visit escapetravelnq.com.au





Tropical Rainforest Tour

Begin this magical tour with a stop at Balgal Beach to enjoy the views across to Palm Island and Rattlesnake Island, then travel to the world heritage listed rainforest, tucked away among crystal clear rock pools, cascading waterfalls and lush jungle. Visit the tiny village of Paluma nestled in the tropical rainforest atop Mt Paluma and eniov a rainforest walk. From here head to Hidden Valley for lunch, with the final stop being the iconic Frosty Mango where you can delight in homemade ice-cream made with exotic fruits straight from the farm.

Tuesday 31 July, departs Townsville at 8.30am and returns at 5.00pm

Cost: \$135 per person includes transfers, morning tea, lunch and national park entry fee.

To book: call Detours on 07 47 285 311

Note: Tour requires minimum of 12 passengers to proceed.

Cape Cleveland Lighthouse Tour

Cape Cleveland Lighthouse was the first lighthouse to be built in Townsville back in 1879. This half-day tour begins with a 40-minute ferry ride across Cleveland Bay. Upon arrival you will be taken ashore by barge for the walk up to the lighthouse*. Spend your time enjoying the natural beauty and history of Cape Cleveland, take a scenic flight or relax at the Lighthouse residence.

Tuesday 31 July, departs from SeaLink Breakwater Terminal at 8.30am, returning at 12.30pm

Cost: \$119 per person includes high tea

To book: call the SeaLink Travel Desk on 07 4726 0888 or email travel1@sealink.com.au

* NOTE: This tour requires a high level of physical activity. It is a 20-minute walk from the beach to the summit of the lighthouse including a steep incline.

The Waterfall Tour

This fully guided tour takes you to the beautiful rainforests and waterfalls in the region. The first stop is Jourama Falls where you can explore the beautiful surrounds and bush trails, swim in fresh water swimming holes and view the magnificent waterfalls. It then travels to Ingham for a little bit of Italy, stopping in at a local café and visiting the picturesque 50 metre mosaic art work.* and then it is off to the largest waterfall drop in Australia, Wallaman Falls. Take a moment to enjoy the breath-taking views from the lookout, or you can hike to the bottom of the waterfall. Transfers to and from your accommodation can be arranged.

Cost: \$95

To book: call Escape Travel Townsville on 07 4722 5055 or email events@escapetravel.com.au

*Lunch not included.

Umbrella Studios Exhibition – Defective Rituals

These works by artists Carolyn McKenzie-Craig, Caity Reynolds and Katelyn Jane-Dunn at once explore, satirize and subvert the expectations of being female through different media with a puckish sense of humor. While the exhibition consists primarily of drawing, painting and photography, there is a strong aspect of performance which informs each work, whether it is translated through the media, or adopted as a creative avenue to be cross boundaries of what is accepted and expected.

Free Exhibition. July 14 to August 20 at Umbrella Studio 482 Flinders Street.

umbrella.org.au

A Day or Stay on Magnetic Island

Magnetic Island is a fabulous way to spend your day off, or the ideal place to stay once the Festival concludes. Explore the natural beauty of the island on foot with its many walking tracks, cruise around the various bays in a topless car or relax with an organised day tour. A return ferry ticket with SeaLink costs \$33 for adults or \$16.50 for concession.

Two Night Island Discovery package

Enjoy return ferry travel, two nights' accommodation and car hire for two days from \$272pp twin share.

Call SeaLink on 1300 MAGGIE (1300 624 443) or visit sealinkgld.com.au

LONG TABLE DINNERS

Mix with like-minded music lovers over dinner! For an opportunity to meet other Festival patrons head along to a Long Table Dinner any night of the Festival at Michels Restaurant or Jam, both on Palmer Street.

Between 5.30pm and 7.00pm both restaurants will have a group table reserved for Festival guests and a special \$35 menu including a glass of wine.

Head down on your own or with friends and join others for an enjoyable dinner before heading to a fabulous Festival concert!

Festival Venues

The Festival's concert venues are centrally located. Please refer to the Townsville map opposite.

Festival Buses

There are two bus services that run during the festival. Please see below for information regarding costs and pick up points.

Townsville Civic Theatre

41 Boundary Street, South Townsville

The Ville Resort – Casino
Sir Leslie Thiess Drive. Townsville

Mary MacKillop Church

43 Ross River Road, Mundingburra

Queens Gardens

Paxton Street, North Ward (bounded by Gregory Street and Kennedy Lane)

Orpheus Island

Departing from SeaLink Breakwater Ferry Terminal, Sir Leslie Thiess Drive. Approximately 2 hours ferry ride from Townsville

Magnetic Island

Departing from SeaLink Breakwater Ferry Terminal, Sir Leslie Thiess Drive. Approximately 25 minute ferry ride from Townsville

St James' Cathedral

155 Denham Street, North Ward

Festival Taxis & Hire Cars

A taxi costs approximately \$15 from the CBD to the theatre and \$8 to The Ville Resort — Casino, taxi telephone number is 131 008.

Hiring a car is also a great option while staying in Townsville, with plenty of free parking at the Townsville Civic Theatre and at The Ville Resort – Casino.

Townsville City Council Festival Bus Service

The Townsville City Council Festival Bus Service is provided for the period from Friday 27 July to Saturday 4 August 2018 to transport patrons to most concerts at the Townsville Civic Theatre and at The Ville Resort — Casino. Tickets are \$5 per person per transfer and can be purchased from the driver.

Please see below the list of concerts covered by this service and pick-up points for 2018.

Concert Conversations Series — commencing at 10:00am, with Concert Conversations 6 commencing at 9.30am

Ray Golding Sunset Series — commencing at 5:00pm

Evening Series — commencing at 7:30pm

Families' Concert — Saturday 04/08 commencing at 1pm.

Please see below the list of pick-up points. Departure times will be available late July on the AFCM website and also during the Festival at the Festival Information Booth and at the Theatre Box Office.

Pick up points:

Palmer Street in front of Quest Hotel

Hotel Grand Chancellor Townsville (Flinders St Mall)

QCWA - Denham Street

Longboard bus stop on The Strand

The Ville Resort – Casino

SeaLink Breakwater Ferry Terminal

Q Resort (Flinders Street East)

This schedule may change, so please refer to the AFCM website in July for the final bus route.

AFCM Platinum & Gold Pass Bus

In 2018 Platinum and Gold Pass holders who have paid for bus transfers can travel on the AFCM Platinum & Gold Pass bus by showing their lanyards to the bus driver.

Please see below the list of pick-up points. Departure times will be available late July on the AFCM website and in print at the Festival Information Booth and the Theatre Box Office.

Pick up points:

Stops opposite Aquarius on The Strand

Longboard bus stop on The Strand

Quest Hotel on Palmer Street

Stops opposite Quest on Eyre

Stops outside Tobruk Pool (near Mariners North Apartments on The Strand)

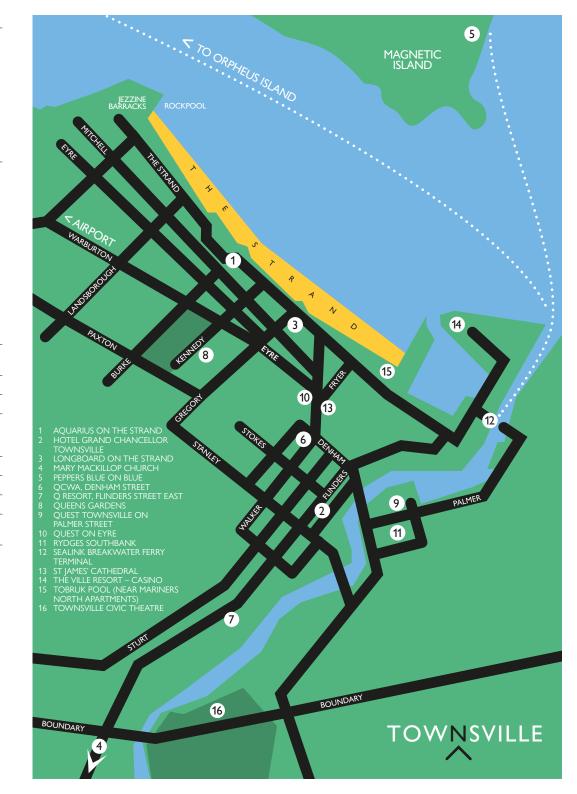
The Ville Resort – Casino

SeaLink Breakwater Ferry Terminal

QCWA (Denham Street)

Hotel Grand Chancellor Townsville (Flinders Street Mall)

Please note: Transfers to special events including Orpheus Island concert, Cleveland Bay Supper Club, AFCM After Party and Queens Gardens Concert are not included in the Platinum & Gold Pass bus schedule. This schedule may change, so please refer to the AFCM website in July for the final bus route.



You can find more information on the AFCM website at afcm.com.au. Tickets can also be purchased online. We encourage you to subscribe to AFCM e-newsletters to ensure you receive up-to-date information.

General Public

Bookings for the 2018 Festival will be open to the general public from 9am Wednesday 4 April 2018. You can purchase tickets online, or by calling TicketShop on 1800 44 99 77 or filling out the 2018 Booking Form enclosed and mailing it to the TicketShop, PO Box 5181. Townsville OLD 4810. You can also email the form to ticketshop@townsville.qld.gov.au. Tickets can be purchased online from 9am Wednesday 4 April 2018 at www.afcm.com.au. For enquiries or assistance, please contact the TicketShop on 07 4727 9797 or 1800 449 977.

AFCM Member Priority Booking Period

AFCM members and student members may book during the exclusive priority booking period which commences 9am Wednesday 7 March 2018 and concludes 5pm Wednesday 28 March 2018.

Only current 2018 Members can purchase Platinum Passes, Gold Passes, Silver Passes, Holiday Packages and Ticket Packages during this time. To receive priority booking just add an AFCM Membership to your booking, either online or on the Booking Form at Step 1.

Non-members can book passes, packages and single tickets from Wednesday 4 April.

Under 30 for \$30

If you are under 30 you can purchase tickets for yourself for just \$30. Tickets must be collected from the Townsville Civic Theatre Box Office. Please have your ID available for sighting when collecting your tickets. Valid only for Festival concerts held at the Townsville Civic Theatre. Excludes Concert Conversations, the Church concert, Cleveland Bay Supper Club, Orpheus Island Concert and AFCM After Party.

AFCM Members

If you hold a 2018 AFCM Membership, you may purchase tickets for yourself at member prices. Please quote your member number on the 2018 Booking Form or when booking online. If you have misplaced your membership number please contact the Festival office on 07 4771 4144.

AFCM Student Members

If you hold a 2018 AFCM Student Membership you may purchase tickets for yourself to any Festival concert at the Townsville Civic Theatre (excluding C2) for \$30, or at member prices for all other concerts. Student members also receive two free tickets to a concert of your choice (at the Townsville Civic Theatre, excluding C2). Please quote your Student Member number to the TicketShop or on your Booking Form. Tickets must be collected from the Townsville Civic Theatre Box Office. Please have your ID available for sighting when you collect your tickets.

Concession Card Holders

The AFCM offers concession ticket prices to aged or disability pension card holders (seniors card not accepted). In order to claim the concession ticket price please quote your aged or disability pension card number on the 2018 Booking Form or when booking online. If you have any enquiries please contact the TicketShop on 07 4727 9797 or 1800 44 99 77.

Companion Card Holders

The AFCM is a participant in the Companion Card Program for people who require their carer to be present when attending a performance. A carer is entitled to a free ticket when accompanying a paying Companion Card holder.

Tick the box on the booking form and indicate with CC on the individual concerts that you will require this service.

Your tickets will be held for collection from the Townsville Civic Theatre Box Office. Please have your companion card available for sighting when collecting your tickets. Valid for concerts only at the Townsville Civic Theatre. Excludes Concert Conversations, the Church concert, Cleveland Bay Supper Club, Orpheus Island Concert and AFCM After Party.

Terms & Conditions

Transaction fees apply. All sales are final. Tickets cannot be refunded or exchanged after purchase. AFCM reserves the right to make changes without notice.

How can I buy tickets?

To purchase tickets for any Festival event please call the TicketShop on 1800 44 99 77 or purchase online at afcm.com.au.

Tickets can be purchased in person from the TicketShop at the Townsville Civic Theatre, 41 Boundary Street, South Townsville Qld 4810, or at Riverway Arts Centre. 20 Village Boulevard, Thuringowa Central, Queensland 4817.

What food is available at concerts?

Concert Conversations

Ticket price includes coffee, tea and biscuits.

Cleveland Bay Supper Club

Ticket price includes 90 minutes of canapés and wine served throughout the evening.

Orpheus Island Concert

Ticket price includes canapés, buffet dinner and drinks.

AFCM After Party

Ticket price includes canapés, two drinks and return ferry transfers.

Townsville Civic Theatre

The Civic Theatre bar will be open one hour prior to all Evening Concerts in the Civic Theatre. Food and drink will be available to purchase.

How long are the concerts?

Concert Conversations (starting at 10:00am)

Approx. 90 minutes no interval, morning tea follows and concludes by 11.45am. Please note Concert Conversation 6 on Saturday 04/08 begins at 9:30am.

Ray Golding Sunset Series (starting at 5pm)

Approx. 60 minutes no interval

Evening Series (starting at 7:30pm)

Approx. 120 minutes including one 20 minute interval, excluding closing night which is 180 minutes including 2 intervals.

Winterschool Concerts & Masterclasses

Approx. 60 minutes no interval

Families' Concert

Approx. 50 minutes no interval

Queens Gardens Concert

Approx. 90 minutes no interval

Cleveland Bay Supper Club

Commences at 7:00pm for 7:30pm, event concludes at 10:30pm

Orpheus Island Concert

Ferry departs at 1pm, arrives back into Townsville approx. 8:00pm

AFCM afterparty

Approx. 40 minutes, concert concludes at 4:10pm

How can I purchase a 2018 Festival Program book?

You can add a Program at Step 7 on your Booking Form or include in your purchase when booking online. Programs cost \$15 and will be for sale during the Festival from the Festival Information Booth.

Future Festival dates

26 July – 3 August 2019

30th Anniversary: 31 July – 9 August 2020

Transport Options

The majority of Festival events are held at the Townsville Civic Theatre or at The Ville Resort' – Casino. During the Festival there will be a dedicated public bus service to the theatre and to The Ville. This bus is operated by Sunbus, and tickets can be purchased on board for \$5 each way. Platinum and Gold Pass holders have a separate bus service available to them at a cost of \$145 for the Festival period. When considering your accommodation please consider the mode of transport that best suits your requirements during AFCM.

CBD Area

Where to stay: **Hotel Grand Chancellor**

Other accommodation in this area: OCWA - Denham Street, Holburn Apartments, Madison Plaza, Comfort Inn Robert Towns.

Bus: 25 minutes each way — Return Trip \$10 — Single Trip \$5

Taxi: Approx. \$12 one way

Walk: 30 minutes (approx. 2.4km)

Self-drive: 5 minutes

North Ward near The Strand

Where to stay: Quest on Eyre or The Ville Resort - Casino

Other accommodation in this area: Aguarius on the Strand, Mariners North Apartments, Seagulls Resort, Beach House Motel.

Bus: 30 minutes each way — Return Trip \$10 – Single Trip \$5

Taxi: Approx. \$13 – \$15 one way

Walk: 40 minutes (approx. 3.4km)

Self-drive: 7 minutes

South Townsville near Palmer Street

Where to stay: Quest Townsville or Rydges Southbank Townsville

Other accommodation in this area: Grand Hotel Townsville, Townsville Central Hotel, Park Regis Anchorage, Oaks Gateway on Palmer.

Bus: 20 minutes each way — Return Trip \$10 - Single Trip \$5

Taxi: Approx. \$10 – \$12 one way

Walk: 30 minutes (approx. 2.4km)

Self-drive: 5 minutes





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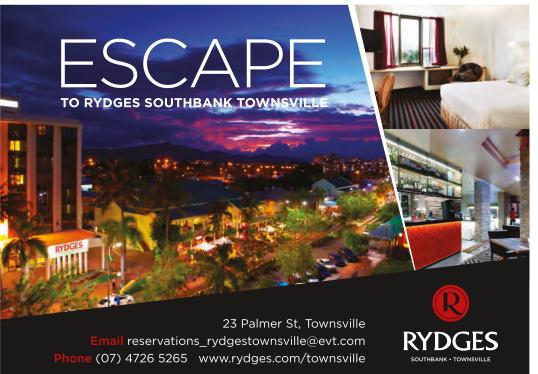
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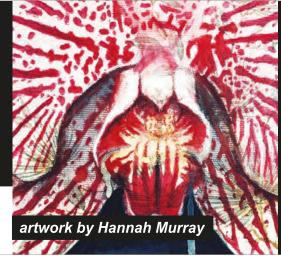
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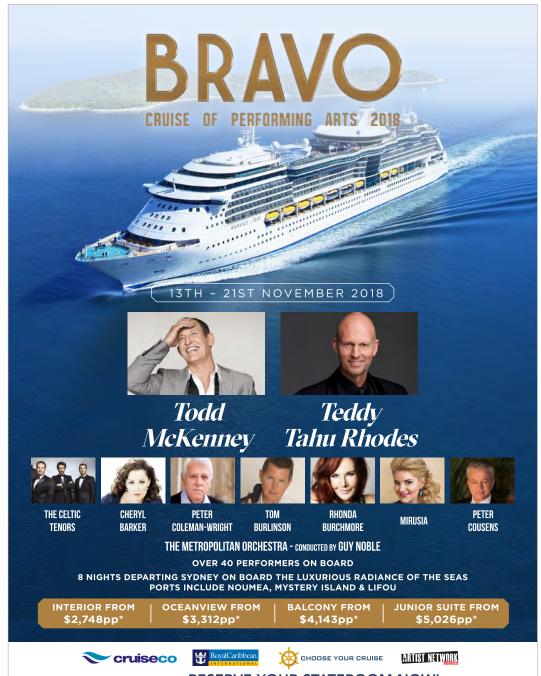
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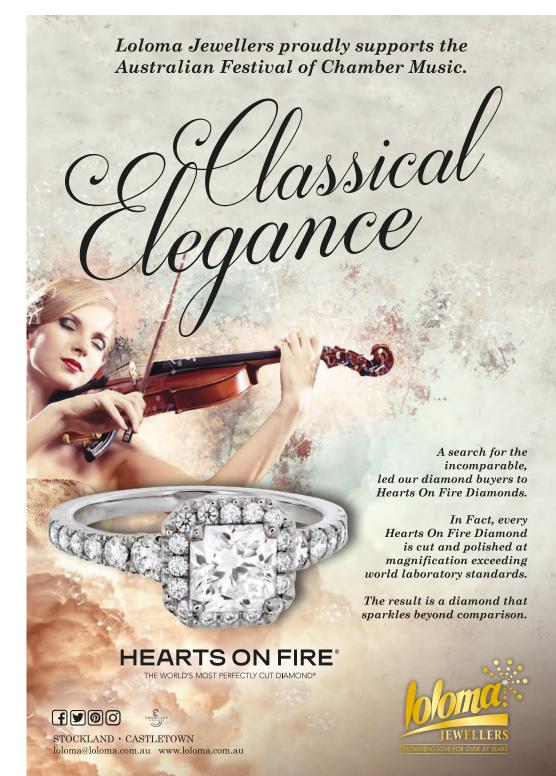
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The Australian Festival of Chamber Music is as renowned for the excellence of its artists and programming as it is for its unique tropical setting. The festival's founders, conductor Theodore Kuchar and the late Professor Ray Golding, former Vice Chancellor of James Cook University, created an event of national and international significance. We are as committed today to their vision as they were twenty-eight years ago. We invite you to be a partner in securing our future. There are many ways in which you can help us.

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Donations to support an artist are tax deductible and donors are invited to meet their artist at a reception during the Festival.

Festival Partnerships

The AFCM works collaboratively with business partners who recognise the positive economic and cultural impact the AFCM generates and our importance as a fixture on the national arts calendar. The AFCM offers a range of Festival Partnership levels for cash or in-kind support, from Bronze through Silver and Gold to Platinum. Entertainment Packages are also available.

The AFCM Future Fund

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To discuss, in confidence, supporting the Festival please contact:

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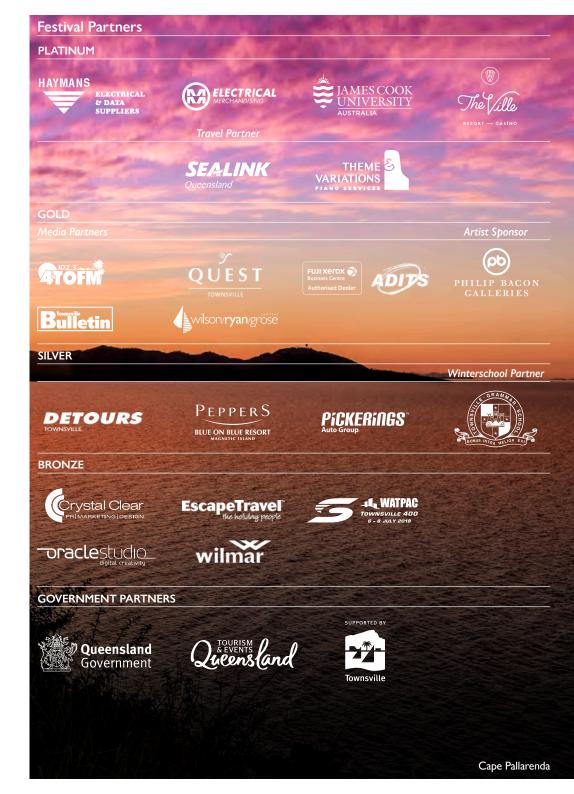
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