## **MUSIC SHOALHAVEN 2018**

GOOD NEWS NEWSLETTER: **NOVEMBER** 

**David Greco and John Martin: Review** This was a concert that oozed "class". From the extensive range of David Greco' magnificent Baritone voice to the delicate touch of John Martin's playing we were transported to a sublime world. Even though David left his suit hanging on his verandah at home we were so enthralled by his dramatic interpretation of the songs he sang we didn't even notice! John's arrangement of "I Dream of Jeannie", written for his mother, was so enchanting and touching I doubt that there was a dry eye in the hall. It was a superb concert.

# OUR NEXT CONCERT – 2:00PM, SUNDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER AT BERRY UNITING CHURCH



VERNA LEE – HARPIST



ALICIA CROSSLEY – VIRTUOSO RECORDER

**VERNA LEE:** Since 1990, Verna has won critical acclaim for her performances. Her playing was recently described as "all tears and goosebumps".

With 45 concerto performances to date, she has built a reputation as a versatile soloist with premieres of contemporary Australian concertos as well as many performances of the ever popular Mozart and Handel harp concertos. One highlight was performing as a soloist with the Australian Youth Orchestra at the

After making her solo debut at the age of 15, she has performed many recitals and toured Australia as a soloist.

Adelaide Arts Festival in 1992.

In 2012, Verna was awarded a grant for her soldout multimedia performances
The Harp In Nature which showcased stunning images of the Australian landscape set to works by Australian composers. This recital was also performed at the World Harp Congress in 2014. She has worked and recorded with various orchestras such as the Singapore Symphony, the Sydney Symphony, Australian Opera and Ballet

**ALICIA CROSSLEY:** is one of Australia's leading recorder players. She performs a wide variety of repertoire from Renaissance Dance tunes to contemporary works with particular interest in the bass Recorder. In 2010 she completed her Masters of Music Course at the Sydney Conservatorium of Music. She has won many competitions since then including the Kruger Scholarship in 2014. She released her first CD, "Addicted to Bass", in 2011. In 2015 her second album, "Alchemy", was nominated for Best Classical Music Album. Alicia has travelled extensively in Australia, New Zealand and the USA and has participated in many music festivals. She has performed with a number of notable people and ensembles such as Neal Peres da Costa, Salut Baroque! and the Sydney Consort. Alicia also teaches student of all ages and tutors for the Sydney Recorder Society, the NSW Arts Unit and the Sydney Region Recorder Camp.

Orchestra, Adelaide Symphony and Tasmanian Symphony and spent 10 years as principal harpist with the Australian Youth Orchestra. Verna has also performed with international artists such as Sumi Jo, Aled Jones, Il Divo, Tina Arena, the Kiev Ballet, the Deutche Kammerakademie Neuss, Greta Bradman and regularly accompanies soprano, Amelia Farrugia. Verna is a passionate educator. Not only does she teach at the Sydney Conservatorium High School, other private schools and at her busy private studio but she also directs the Sydney Harp Eisteddfod, organises harp weekends, workshops and harp camps, and presents lectures at various harp festivals.

#### PLEASE NOTE THE VENUE: BERRY UNITING CHURCH

Please take into account the road works taking place between Bomaderry and Berry when planning your trip. Give yourself some extra time... or plan to have some lunch in Berry before the concert.

## TREASURER: TED JARRETT

Music Shoalhaven only continues because of the dedication of those on our committee to bring fine music and performers to the Shoalhaven for our enjoyment. Ted Jarrett, our present treasurer, has worked extremely hard to set up online banking and to organize for the club to become incorporated. The committee, on behalf of the members of Music Shoalhaven, would like to thank Ted for his efforts on our behalf. Ted has informed us that he cannot continue in this position next year. Please thoughtfully consider whether you could take on this responsibility beginning from the AGM in 2019.







<u>AFTERNOON TEA:</u> May I encourage you to bring along some afternoon tea to share. You could bring some dips or biscuits or sandwiches if you feel you're not a cook. Every bit helps!

## NEXT MUSIC SHOALHAVEN CONCERT: AGM Luke Bowen, Pianist.

Luke, the recipient of the 2017 "Hugh Macken Award", will perform for us at the 2019 AGM, which will be held at the home of Roy and Ona Frazier, 11 Lacebark Grove, Worrigee. RSVP to Roy and Ona 0400890839 by 31st January, 2019. The January newsletter will have more details. You will receive, if we have your address and/or email address, information regarding the AGM as well as the 2019 Programme during January. Please consider carefully if you can help on the Music Shoalhaven Committee, especially if you could be our treasurer.

CONCERT
AGM – Luke Bowen (Piano)
The Sydney University Graduate Choir
Phoenix Collective – (Baroque Trio including Harpsichord)
Conservatorium Ensemble and David Miller
Duo Blokstix – Recorder and Percussion
Steel City Strings (String Ensemble)
TBC

### **CONCERTS COMING UP:**

## **GERRINGONG MUSIC CLUB:**

2:00pm Sunday, 18<sup>th</sup> November, 2018 Gerringong Town Hall

David Miller - Piano, Narelle Yeo -Soprano, James Kortum - Flute

Programme: Songs, Lighter Theatre Music,

Duos for Flute and Piano

Tickets: \$25

## Australian International Touring Choir "SOUTHLAND"

**Conductor: Lesley Challender** 

CONCERT

FOR "PARKINSON'S SHOALHAVEN"

BERRY UNITING CHURCH
2:00pm, SUNDAY, 10<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2019
Guest Artists: Vicki McCartney – Flute, Sarah

Turvey, Ona Boyd-Frazier – Sopranos



This programme will include a selection of traditional and well-loved carols, but the highlight will be the Sunrise Mass by Ola Gjeilo. Ola Gjeilo (b. 1978) is a Norwegian composer who exploded on the choral scene in 2007. His masterwork for double SATB chorus and string orchestra, the Sunrise Mass was commissioned in 2007 by Tore Erik Mohn for performance by two combined choruses, Majorstua Kammerkor and Kammerkoret Nova, and was premiered on November 2, 2008. Since then, the Mass has been presented in concerts across the world to grand acclamation.





7:00pm, Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> February, 2019 Berry Uniting Church Hall

## "HAYDN'S NATURE"

String Quartet Programme that celebrates Haydn's love of the natural world:

"The Lark"

"The Seasons" (selections)
"The Creation" (selections)
"Sunrise"

