



This year's Spring Music Festival brings to Port Fairy a long weekend of wonderfully exciting music-making. As you will see when reading this brochure Len Vorster, the Festival's Artistic Director, and I have prepared a program that promises you a first-class musical adventure.

A roster of leading international artists will join with many of Australia's finest musicians to perform a whole kaleidoscope of music ranging from 'authentic performance' medieval composition through to thrilling new concertplatform and staged operatic works. You can enjoy instrumental and vocal recitals; choral, percussion and orchestral music; folk/jazz concerts and operas; all presented in small, cosy spaces that offer a refreshing intimacy of performance now lost in many cavernous capital city venues.

Festival dress is informal. Most performances are approximately one hour long, and all venues are within a leisurely 5-10 minute walk from each other. Seating is unreserved/general admission.

Once again, we are delighted to be offering a number of World and Australian Premieres, and we are particularly happy to welcome the participation of Musica Viva Australia, which is presenting a leading Australian ensemble as part of its 50th Anniversary Year celebrations. Incredibly, Musica Viva is the world's largest presenter of chamber music, and we look forward to strengthening this association in the coming years. Most of the performances are exclusive to this Festival.

Port Fairy is a three-and-a-half hour drive from Melbourne, and boasts an over 150 year history that goes right back to the earliest days of Victorian settlement. In its heyday, it was the second-busiest seaport to Sydney, with a thriving whaling and sealing industry. With a permanent population of 2,600, carefully restored buildings, wide tree-lined streets and many beautiful Georgian-style cottages, it retains an irresistible freshness and charm for visitors. The Festival's timing coincides with balmy Spring weather that usually offers sunny days and cool nights. Local accommodation information is available from Shipwreck Coast Booking Office, telephone 008 817 989 Free Call.

Tickets for all performances are now on sale. All of last year's performances were sold-out, so I urge you to book early by completing the accompanying Booking Form. Or if it is more convenient, telephone the BASS Credit Card number: 11 500. Country callers can call BASS on 1800 338 998 Free Call.

Please join us in making this sixth annual Festival our best yet! Sincerely

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MICHAEL EASTON Festival Director

FRIDAY 13 OCTOBER



8.00 - 9.00pm, Cinema

Two Piano Recital

John McCabe, piano **Len Vorster,** piano

SCHUMANN Andante and
Variations for two pianos, Op 46
SCHUMANN Six Canonic Etudes,
arr DEBUSSY Op 56
DEBUSSY En blanc et noir
John McCABE Edward II: Two
Scenes(1995)

Len Vorster, founding Artistic Director of the Festival, is a distinguished pianist. He joins the esteemed British pianist John McCabe, for this memorable two piano recital which includes scenes from a new work of McCabe's, dedicated to his fellow pianist.

Tickets \$15 Concession \$10

9.30pm, Commercial Hotel

Hugh McDonald

From 1986, Hugh McDonald was the lead singer and main songwriter with Australia's top contemporary folk/rock band, **Redgum**. Now, after ten years with **Redgum** he is pursuing a distinguished career as a solo artist. **Tickets \$10 No concessions**

SATURDAY 14 OCTOBER



10.00 - 11.00am, St John's Church

leuan Jones: Harp Recital

HANDEL Concerto in B flat GRANADOS Valses Poeticos POSSE Variations on A Carnival

of Venice
LISZT Consolation No 3
Nocturne No 2
SATIE Gymnopedie No 3
Gnossienne No 3
ALVARS Romances
La Mandoline

This brilliant young Welsh harpist, hailed as "Outstandingly gifted" by Sir Georg Solti. will perform some of the most enchanting harp music ever written, in the magnificent acoustic of St John's Church.

Tickets \$15 Concession \$10



11.30am - 12.30pm, Lecture Hall

John McCabe plays *Ludus Tonalis*

Composer and pianist, John McCabe, will perform this challenging keyboard masterpiece in celebration of the centenary of Paul Hindemith's birth and John McCabe's recent CD recording of this work for the Hyperion label.

Tickets \$15 Concession \$10



11.30am - 12.30pm, Cinema

The Selfish Giant

Grahame Murphy, director Narrator, George Fairfax Duchess Diesel, Margaret Haggart The Giant, Ian Cousins Sprout, Richard O'Shaughnessy The Boy, Stephen Mansour Members of the Australian Ballet School

The Selfish Giant is one of nine fairy tales Oscar Wilde wrote for his two sons. This story, with its beauty and wonder is the inspiration for a new ecological children's opera, written by Michael Easton and Michael Atkinson.

Tickets \$8 Concession \$5



3.30 - 4.30pm, St Patrick's Church

Slava Grigoryan Guitar Recital

At 18 years of age, Kazackstanborn Slava Grigoryan is a musical prodigy in the true sense of the word. He is the first classical guitarist to be signed, worldwide, by the Sony Classics record label since John Williams in 1971. His debut Sony CD



5.00-6.00pm, Lecture Hall

Vienna Dreams

Louise Page, soprano Len Vorster, piano

A panel of eminent judges recently convened in Melbourne for a weekend of thrilling singing. From a strong field of our finest young vocalists, Louise Page emerged as the inaugural winner of Mietta's Art Song Award Hear he in a repertoire that includes works by Mozart, Schubert, Lehar, Johann Strauss and Robert Stolz.

Tickets \$10 Concession \$8

6.00 - 8.00pm **Dinner**



2.00 - 3.00pm, Lecture Hall

Australian String Quartet

William Hennessy, violin Elinor Lea, violin Keith Crellin, viola Janis Laurs, cello

SCHUBERT *Quartettsatz* in C minor. D 703 SHOSTAKOVICH String Quartet No 8 in C minor Carl VINE String Quartet No 2

Australia's leading string quartet is based in Adelaide and pursues a busy schedule of Australian and international performances, in addition to making regular ABC broadcasts and a growing number of acclaimed CD recordings.

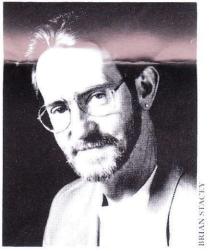
Tickets \$15 Concession \$10

release, Spirit of Spain, which has attracted worldwide acclaim, was recorded when he was just 16.

He has performed in recital, chamber music and as an orchestral soloist in Australasia, the Far East and Europe. At 15 years of age, he was the youngest finalist in the history of the Tokyo International Guitar Competition.

Future engagements include the Guitar Summit tour of Australia and New Zealand, when he will appear with Paco Peña, Pepe Romero and leo Kotke; and a national tour in 1996 with the Australian Chamber Orchestra. For this solo recital at Port Fairy, Slava Grigoryan will draw an unforgettable program from his extensive repertoire.

Tickets \$10 Concession \$8



8.00 - 9.45pm, Cinema

The Aspern Papers

Brian Stacey, conductor Grahame Murphy, director Chamber Orchestra of Geelong

Miss Tina, Ann Mackay Mrs Prest, Margaret Haggart Juliana, Jeannie Marsh Servant, Kirsten Boerema Harry Jordan, Ian Cousins Gondoliers: Mathew Doneley, Cameron Macmillan, Paul Knobloch, Luke Giacomin

British composer Michael Hurd, whose musical inventiveness has made a major contribution to the success of earlier Festivals, has prepared this newly commissioned opera for the Festival based on the famous Henry James' story.

Tickets \$20 Concession \$15

10.00pm, Star of the West Hotel

Allan Browne Trio

Geoff Hughes, guitar Ben Robertson, bass Allan Browne, drums

Relax after a busy day of concertgoing as we welcome the Allan Browne Trio, who continue a popular Festival tradition: late-Saturday night fine performances - cool and hot - by some of Australia's most acclaimed jazz soloists in ensemble.

Tickets \$10 No concessions

Sunday 15 October



10.00 - 11.00am, Venue to be confirmed

Cantigas

Zana Clarke, recorders, rebec, tanbur

Caroline Downer, vielle, harp Philip Gunter, lute, oud, percussion Simon Gormon, percussion

Cantigas performs a whole world of musical exotica, exploring a fabulous repertoire of medieval and folk-based music from Europe, Asia and the Middle East, with percussion, recorder and mediaeval instruments including the rebec, vielles, hurdy-gurdy, harp, lute and oud.

Tickets \$10 Concession \$8



PORT FAIRY SPRING MUSIC FESTIVAL

Booking Form

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Acknowledgements
John McCABE's Two Scenes from Educard II receives its
World premiere on 13 October. Michael EASTON's and
Michael ATKINSON's The Selfish Giant receives its
World premiere on 14 October. The Festival
acknowledges with gratitude that the performance by the
Australian String Quartet is presented by Musica Viva
Australia. Michael HURD's The Aspent Papers receives its
World premiere on 14 October, and his Vight Songs of
Educard Thomas receives its Australian premiere on 15
October. Aaron Jay KERNIS' Six Fragments of Gentrade
Stein composed 1979, revised 1990 receives its
Australian premiere on 14 October.
Michael EASTON's Beasts of the Bush receives its World
premiere on 15 October.

All details correct at time of printing. The Port Fairy Spring Music Festival reserves the right to vary without notice programs, artists and/or venues as may become necessary. All sales are final.

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	Mietta's Award Winner	@ \$10	@ \$8*			
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	Academy of Melbourne	@ \$15	@ \$10*			
	Stephen McIntyre recital	@ \$15	@ \$10*			
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11.30am - 12.30pm, Lecture Hall Ann Mackay sings Songs from America

Len Vorster, piano Frederick Shade, flute, alto flute and piccolo

BARBER Four James Joyce Songs Rain has fallen, Óp 10 No 1 Sleep now, Op 10 No 2 Nuvoletta, Op 25 Solitar, Hotel, Op 41 No 4

André PREVIÑ Friday Night in the Royal Station Hotel

Gian Carlo MENOTTI Five Songs The Eternal Prisoner The Idle Gift The Longest Wart My Ghost

The Swing Aaron Jay KERNIS Six Fragments of Gertrude Stein for Soprano and Flute John CORIGLIANO The Cloisters

(William Hoffman, words) Fort Tryon Park: September Song to the Witch of the Cloisters

Christmas at the Cloisters The Unicorn

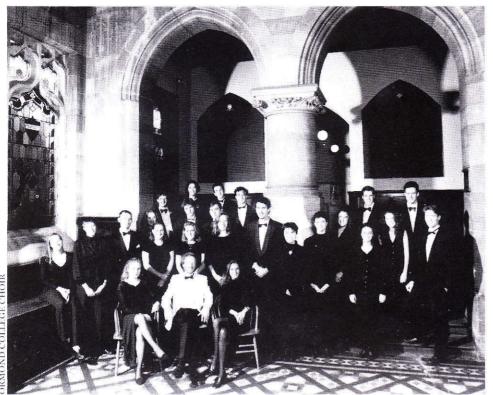
Richard Rodney BENNETT Dream-Songs (Walter de la Mare, words) The Song of the Wanderer The Song of the Shadows

Dream Song The Song of the Mad Prince

After her acclaimed Australian recitals last year, internationally acclaimed British soprano Ann Mackay, returns in this affectionate exploration of the byways of the American Song.

Tickets \$15 Concession \$10





2.00 - 3.00pm, St Patrick's Church Ormond College Choir

Douglas Lawrence, director

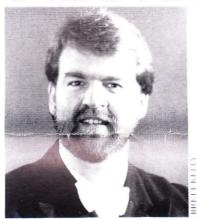
Michael HURD Night Songs of Edward Thomas ALLEGRI Miserere Christopher WILLCOCK Triptych J S BACH Singet dem Herren ein neues Lied

Founded in 1982 by Douglas Lawrence, Ormond College Choir is one of Australia's finest. During their recent triumphant European tour, the Berlin Morgenpost said of them, "24 singers from a student choir in Melbourne showed the Germans how to sing Bach".

Tickets \$10 Concession \$8



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(Port Fairy)



3.30 - 5.00pm, St John's Church Academy of Melbourne

Brett Kelly, conductor
John McCabe, piano
Deborah Fox, violin
Lorraine Hook, violin
George Fairfax, narrator
BACH Double Violin Concerto in
D minor, BWV 1043
Alan RAWSTHORNE Concerto
No 1 for Piano, Strings and
Percussion
Michael EASTON Beasts of the Bush
(words by Rosslyn Beeby)
NIELSEN Little Suite for Strings
MOZART Divertimento for
Strings, K 136

Brett Kelly's Academy of Melbourne is one of the most vital and exciting of Melbourne's smaller orchestras. Their regular Mozart Collection subscription concerts in Hawthorn Town Hall draw full houses and warm critical response, with performances of frequently stimulating, satisfying musical programs. Tickets \$15 Concession \$10 8.00 - 9.15pm, Lecture Hall

8.00 - 9.15pm, Lecture Hall **Stephen McIntyre in** recital

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Reflets dans l'eau
Hommage a Rameau
Mouvement
Images Book II
Cloches a travers les feuilles
Et la lune descends sur le

temple qui fut

Poissons d'or

DEBUSSY L'Isle joyeuse

Hailed in The Australian as 'Australia's finest pianist', for his contribution to our musical life as a leading solo recitalist, accompanist, chamber musician, orchestral soloist, music competition artistic adviser and juror, and director of the Melbourne Festival's Chamber Music Sunset Series, he is one of our indispensable artists

Tickets \$15 Concession \$10



Friday 13 - Sunday 15 October 1995

GOLD COIN FRINGE EVENTS

As a part of this years festival, we have incorporated a series of Gold Coin Fringe Events to accompany and enhance the program of recitals and concerts already scheduled. We have invited musicians both from around the district and those who are studying at the Melbourne Conservatorium. However, if you are unfortunate and happen to miss seeing these budding artists, don't despair as you may be lucky enough to see some of these musicians'and others performing on the main streets', depending on our Port Fairy weather!

Gavin Franklin (harpsichord) Terry Simmons (recorder)
Local Musicians with great versatility present a Baroque repertoire.
Saturday 1pm - 2pm Uniting Church, James Street.

Bernadette Conlon (piano accordion)
Extraordinarily gifted Bernadette will perform a repertoire of various works.
Sunday 2pm - 3pm Uniting Church, James Street.

Georgie Meyer (oboe) Mark Gandabur (violin) Enjoy a well deserved lunch break at "Rebecca's" in Sackville Street, while listening to this wonderful duo.

Saturday and Sunday 12pm -2pm

Georgina Ellul (violin)

Talented violinist Georgina, will entertain you between 12pm-2pm on both Saturday and Sunday, while you enjoy an appetising meal from "Lunch"cafe.

Anna-Lee Robertson (vocalist) Julie McErlain (piano) Anna-Lee will be performing a variety of works, from Musical Comedy to Jazz at the Merrijig between 6.30pm-7.30pm on both the Friday and Saturday.