

Music in the Hunter 2012

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FIRST CREEK WINERY, POKOLBIN, NSW
14-16 SEPTEMBER 2012



Dear Friends,

Once again, it is that time of year when we announce our Music in the Hunter Festival, featuring the best in chamber music repertoire and showcasing some of Australia's greatest performers. The 2012 programme will continue the fine tradition of chamber music excellence established at this festival over more than twenty years.

The internationally acclaimed members of the Goldner String Quartet, Dene Olding, Dimity Hall, Irina Morozova and Julian Smiles, have had another successful and varied musical year since our last festival. Recently, they released a premiere recording of the music of Hamilton Harty to rave reviews. This followed last year's outstanding success of their CD of Elgar's chamber music, which was listed on the Top 10 classical charts in the UK for many weeks.

These recordings for the Hyperion label, bring to five the number of CDs released by the Goldner String Quartet with world-renowned UK-based Australian pianist, Piers Lane. This fruitful collaboration between the Goldners and Piers Lane has now spanned many years and resulted in musical performances in

Australia, the UK and France that have been notable for their sympathetic, unified approach and brilliant technical mastery.

We are delighted to be able to present Piers Lane for the first time at Music in the Hunter. Piers will be in the middle of an extensive tour of Australia, appearing with many orchestras. He will also give the world premiere performance of Carl Vine's Piano Concerto with the Sydney Symphony Orchestra in August. Piers is well-known to Australian audiences as Artistic Director of the annual Australian Festival of Chamber Music held in Townsville. Highlights of his career in the past few years have included a sold-out performance with the London Philharmonic Orchestra under conductor Alexander Verdernikov at the Royal Festival Hall, concerto performances at Lincoln Center's Avery Fisher Hall, a three-recital series entitled *Metamorphoses*, performances for the London Pianoforte series at Wigmore Hall and five concerts for the opening of the Recital Centre in Melbourne. Piers received an AO for services to music in this year's Queen's birthday honours list.

To acknowledge David Constable's recent auspicious birthday and his unfailing support for the festival over the last 22 years, we would like to feature great masterpieces by Franz Schubert, one of David's favourite composers. We will perform works for strings and piano, including Schubert's extraordinary, epic, final quartet in G major, in which the composer allows his imagination to roam into musical territory rarely explored before or since.

Piers is no stranger to grand performances and will give a recital of Chopin Nocturnes in a candle-lit concert to emphasise the meditative and contemplative mood of these pieces of exceptional beauty.

Piers and the quartet will perform piano quintets by Arensky and Taneyev (soon to be recorded by us on Hyperion) and numerous other works including the piano quintet of Frank Bridge, a masterpiece of late English romanticism.

As always, fine food and wine are features of this festival, so please join us for Australia's most intimate chamber music experience.

Dene Olding.

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DENE OLDING



DIMITY HALL



IRINA MOROZOVA



JULIAN SMILES



PIERS LANE

Friday September 14

7:30pm Champagne Reception
8:30pm Concert 1 followed by Supper

Saturday September 15

10.15am Pre-concert talk
11:00am Concert 2 followed by Lunch
3.30pm Wine tasting & garden tour at
Constable Estate
205 Gillards Road, Pokolbin.
6:15pm Pre-concert talk
7:00pm Concert 3 followed by black-tie dinner

Sunday September 16

10:45am Pre-concert talk
11:30am Concert 4 followed by Lunch

Venue: First Creek Winery
Address: Cnr McDonalds & Gillards Road
Pokolbin NSW 2320
Dates: 14-16 September 2012
Performers: Dene Olding
Dimity Hall
Irina Morozova
Julian Smiles
Piers Lane

Accommodation options:

There are many places to stay close by including:
*Chateau Elan, Hermitage Lodge, Leisure Inn,
Mercure Hunter Valley, Peppers Guest House,
Tower Estate, Villa Provence*

Subscription Form

Please send \$750 per person to Music in the Hunter, c/- 432 Elizabeth Street, Surry Hills, NSW, 2010.

Includes all Food, Wine, Concerts, Pre-concert talks and Champagne Reception.

Online bank transfer: DN Constable in trust for Music in the Hunter.

BSB 062156. Account number 1018 8555 Please remember to include your name as reference.

For further details please phone Anna Cerneaz: 0412 093 063 or email: cenika.anna@gmail.com.

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