

West Australian Symphony Orchestra

Carmina Burana

Thursday 1, Friday 2, Saturday 3, 7.30pm & Sunday 4 October, 5.00pm Perth Concert Hall







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GRIEG Peer Gynt: Suite No.1 (15 mins)

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Interval (25 mins)

ORFF Carmina burana (63 mins)

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Wesfarmers Arts Pre-concert Talk

Find out more about the music in the concert with this week's speaker, Prue Ashurst (see page 32 for her biography). The Pre-concert Talk will take place on Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 6.45pm and Sunday at 4.15pm in the Terrace Level Foyer.

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West Australian Symphony Orchestra



From the centre of Perth to the furthest corners of our State, every year since 1928, we set hearts racing with extraordinary music and exhilarating performances for all West Australians to share.

West Australian Symphony Orchestra (WASO) is a for-purpose not-for-profit company that thrives on the enthusiasm, passion and support of our entire community. We harness this energy to create events and programs across the State to stimulate learning and participation in a vibrant cultural life.

We are both fierce advocates for our great classical musical heritage and passionate leaders in the commissioning and performance of new music by leading Australian and international composers. Every year we mobilise and nurture a new generation of young and emerging artists to help secure a bright future for music in Australia.

We create the spark that sets off a lifelong love of music because we believe it has the power to *touch the soul and enrich lives*.

Our resident company of full-time professional musicians are the beating heart of our organisation. The Orchestra plays a central role in the vibrancy of our creative state, and they are also supported by hundreds of visiting artists, alongside the volunteers of the WASO Chorus, to create exceptional performances for hundreds of thousands of people each year.

Our Orchestra is led by Principal Conductor and Artistic Adviser Asher Fisch. Israeli-born, Fisch is an internationally renowned conductor in both the operatic and symphonic repertoire, and is a frequent guest at the world's great opera houses including La Scala, the Bayerische Staatsoper and the Metropolitan Opera in New York.

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About The Artists



Jessica Gethin Conductor

Australian conductor Jessica Gethin has gained widespread attention for her stellar musicianship and vibrant energy, reviewers citing her performances as conducted with 'goose-bump inducing artistry... refined, charismatic, and exhilarating'. Gliding seamlessly between core symphonic, to ballet, opera, film and contemporary. Jessica's international roster includes guest conducting engagements throughout the United States, Asia, Australia and New Zealand, with collaborations including the Dallas Opera, Melbourne Symphony Orchestra, Malaysian Philharmonic Orchestra, Perth Symphony, Singapore Symphony Orchestra, West Australian Ballet, Auckland Philharmonic and Macao Orchestra, Listed in Limelight Australia's Top Twenty Australian Artists for 2017, further accolades include winning the 2015 Brian Stacey Emerging Australian Conductor Award and Australian Financial Review's 100 Most Influential Women, a Churchill Fellowship and named finalist in the WA of the Year Awards, Jessica held the position of Chief Conductor of the Perth Symphony from 2011-2019, as well as Inaugural Fellow at the Hart Institute of Women Conductors with the Dallas Opera.



Amy Manford Soprano

Australian/American soprano, Amy Manford most recently performed the role of 'Christine Daaé' in Andrew Lloyd Webber's original production of *The Phantom of the Opera* on the West End.

Prior to her West End debut, Amy had performed internationally as a soloist with the London Handel, London Cello and the Perth Symphony Orchestra. She has also sung at iconic venues such as the Seoul Arts Center in South Korea and at Buckingham Palace for the Prince of Wales. She was especially honoured to sing the Australian Anthem for HRH Prince Harry and Ms. Meghan Markle for the 2018 Anzac Day Memorial Service in London.

In 2017, Amy graduated with a Master of Performance from the prestigious Royal College of Music where she was lucky enough to perform numerous title roles with their International Opera School. Before moving to London, Amy graduated with a Bachelor of Music at The West Australian Academy of Performing Arts in her hometown, Perth.

A diverse performer, Amy also has a unique history in rhythmic gymnastics and pole vaulting, winning gold medals at the Australian National Championships in both fields.

About The Artists



Perry Joyce Tenor

Perry is a singer, composer, conductor, and educator who is actively involved in the Perth classical music scene. In 2018 he was nominated in the West Australian Young Achiever Awards for his achievements in music and community outreach. As a soloist Perry has performed with the West Australian Symphony Orchestra (Beethoven's Choral Fantasy, 2018), West Australian Opera, and many ensembles around Perth including as a member of St George's Cathedral Consort. In 2014 Perry founded the West Australian Young Voices (WAYV) and has established and conducted many choirs since. In 2018 Perry was Chorus Master for West Australian Opera's production of Don Giovanni and in 2019 was awarded a Bendat Scholarship to study abroad. Perry has also won many awards for his compositions including the Sydney Symphony's Young Composers Award, the Gondwana Voices Young Composers Award, and the 2012 Paula and David Tunley Award.



James Clayton Baritone

Praised for his vocal phrasing and colour, James is one the most versatile singers to emerge from Australia in recent years.

His 2018/2019 performances included Marcello (*La bohème*), Escamillo (*Carmen*), Leporello (*Don Giovanni*), The Forrester (*The Cunning Little Vixen*), Germont (*La traviata*), Judge Turpin (*Sweeney Todd*) and the title role in *Macbeth* in West Australian Opera, The Forrester in Adelaide and Peter (*Hansel and Gretel*) in Melbourne.

James made his Opera Australia debut as Baron Douphol in *La traviata* – in Handa Opera on Sydney Harbour – and his Japanese debut as Don Alfonso in *Cosi fan tutte* for Biwako Hall.

Concert appearances include Messiah and Le damnation du Faust, Haydn's Mass in Time of War, Puccini's Messa di Gloria, Mozart's Mass in C Minor, Beethoven's Symphony No. 9 and Verdi's Requiem for the major Australasian orchestras.

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WASO Chorus

The WASO Chorus was formed in 1988 and consists of around 100 volunteer choristers who represent the finest form of community music making, bringing together singers from all walks of life. They regularly feature in the WASO annual concert season, and are directed by Andrew Foote.

The Chorus has built an international reputation for its high standards and diverse range of repertoire. While its main role is to perform with the West Australian Symphony Orchestra the Chorus also maintains a profile of solo concerts, tours and community engagements.

The Chorus sings with the finest conductors and soloists including Asher Fisch, Simone Young, Stephen Layton and Paul Daniel. Recent highlights have included Poulenc's Stabat Mater, Mahler's Second Symphony and Verdi's Requiem. Last year the Chorus performed at the Denmark Festival of Voice and in 2018 toured China with performances of Orff's Carmina burana.

Andrew Foote Chorus Director

Lea Hayward Accompanist

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About The Music

Leonard Bernstein

(1918-1990)

Candide: Overture

'The greatest piece of slap-dash ever written,' said Lillian Hellman of *Candide*, the 1759 novel by Voltaire that formed the basis of her and Leonard Bernstein's musical of the same name. And Bernstein's overture captures that -aperfect opening to a light-hearted night out at the theatre. Light-hearted?

Candide, the hero, endures wars, famines, shipwrecks and earthquakes, all the while adhering to the increasingly ridiculous philosophy of his teacher, Dr Pangloss, an advocate of the Leibniz-ian philosophy that 'all is for the best...in this best of all possible worlds'.

In 1954, Hellman and Bernstein latched onto Voltaire's satire as a means to criticise President Dwight Eisenhower's 'complacent' America – which meant that *Candide* was meant to carry a lot of freight. At one stage Bernstein conceived the work as a 'big three-act opera with chorus and ballet'. By the end of 1954 he saw nothing wrong with being a composer of musicals. (The next year he would entertain plans for a piece to be called *East Side Story*.)

Over the years since its 1956 premiere, *Candide* saw many writers try their hand at knocking the piece into some sort of final shape; versions teetered between opera and musical, until Bernstein's comprehensively operatic Deutsche Grammophon version of 1989, his last recording. Some have felt that the success of the Original Cast Album should have been a clue: the work was a musical. But one thing was always clear. The show contained some of Bernstein's most exhilarating music. 'Lenny' seems to have torn ahead of all his collaborators, music gushing forth. If ever there was a case of 'first the music and then the words', this was it. As Andrew Porter says in the DGG liner notes: 'It was as if *Candide* music bubbled into Bernstein's fertile brain and then waited to discover its just verbal expression.'

That is something that we could believe from hearing the tearaway overture. The opening flourish is never heard after the curtain rises, but in other respects the overture is a modern-day version of a 19th-century pot-pourri overture with the fleetness of Mozart's overture to Marriage of Figaro. We hear within the space of four minutes: the battle music for the invasion of 'Westphalia'; and then, for second subject, music from the duet, 'Oh Happy We'. All this is recapitulated and followed by the refrain from Cunegonde's aria 'Glitter and be Gay.' But the listener barely has time to stop and take note.

Whatever the continuing debate over the merits and final form of *Candide* (the show), Leonard Bernstein's volcanic musical inspiration has given our concert platform one of its most effective and effervescent concert-openers.

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About The Music

Edvard Grieg

(1843-1907)

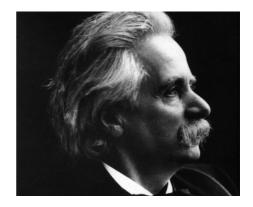
Peer Gynt: Suite No.1, Op.46

Morning – Mood (Allegretto pastorale) The Death of Åse (Andante doloroso) Anitra's Dance (Tempo di Mazurka) In the Hall of the Mountain King (Alla marcia e molto marcato)

Edvard Grieg was fascinated by the literature of his native land, and many of his greatest compositions were inspired by Norwegian drama and poetry. In 1874 Ibsen asked Grieg to write music to accompany a staging of a revised version of his dramatic poem *Peer Gynt*, which premiered in Oslo in 1876.

Although the score for the incidental music comprises 26 numbers, Grieg's *Peer Gynt* music is known to most listeners largely through the two fourmovement suites he produced in 1888 and 1893 respectively (the score for the incidental music remained unpublished until after his death). The immediacy and melodic charm of the items Grieg chose for the suites have made them some of the best-known pieces in the classical repertoire.

Ibsen's satire concerns the adventures of the eponymous Peer, an anti-hero with enough character defects – chief of which are recklessness and ego – to keep him perpetually on the brink of disaster. His escapades across various nations and emotional landscapes take him to Mountain Kingdoms, Bedouin camps and other exotic destinations, but nothing, it seems, can make him come to any form of self-realisation.



Nevertheless, Grieg finds in this mad journey the stuff of musical sublimity, with each section of the First Suite a jewel in the crown of orchestral repertoire. *Morning – Mood* brings us sunrise over the Norwegian fjords; Åse's *Death* marks a poignant tribute to Peer's mother; *Anitra's Dance* is a Saharan travelogue; while the frenzied tone and grotesquerie of the immortal *In the Hall* of the Mountain King depict the hostile trolls baying for Peer's blood.

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Carl Orff

(1895-1982)

Carmina burana

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and Helena) Fortung imperatrix mundi

In 1803 a large collection of medieval poetry was discovered in the abbey of Benediktbeuern in Bavaria. Its 320 poems, written on parchment and illustrated with illuminated capital letters, represent an anthology of styles and languages including medieval Latin, Old French and Middle High German. It seems that the collection was compiled for the Bishop of Seckau in 13th-century Austria. The Bishop must have been quite worldly as the collection includes songs of springtime and love as well as drinking songs. In the mid-1930s the collection came to the attention of Carl Orff who later remarked:

Fortune smiled on me when she put into my hands a Würzburg secondhand books catalogue, in which I found a title that exercised on me an attraction of magical force: *Carmina burana: Latin and German songs and poems of a 13th-century manuscript from Benediktbeuern*, edited by J.A. Schmeller.

Orff spoke more truly than he knew: certainly *Carmina burana* (Songs of Beuern) would make his fortune, at least artistically. But its success put much of his subsequent achievement in the shade.



Orff was born in 1895 into a military family with intellectual and artistic interests and studied music from an early age including, significantly, research into non-European music. His early opera *Gisei*, for instance, is based on Japanese $N\bar{o}h$ drama. In 1917 he enlisted in the German army, but was wounded and invalided out. The 1920s saw the gradual development of the music-education theories for which, apart from *Carmina burana*, he is best remembered today.

Orff's own compositions during the 1920s show an increasing interest in the use of percussion often with piano (influenced partly by Stravinsky's *Les Noces*), harmony which is essentially diatonic but avoids the goal-directed feel of traditional tonal music, and rhythm characterised by the 'Stravinsky-like' use of repeated figurations. These musical techniques reached their first realisation in 1931's *Carmina Catulli*, settings of one of the great Roman poets. *Carmina burana* followed a few years later, and was first performed in Frankfurt in 1937. 1937 was of course a time when Hitler and the Nazis were doing their utmost to win the hearts and minds of Germany. *Carmina burana* comes perilously close to the kind of music favoured by the regime; the cheerfully hedonistic poetry ('I am the Abbot of Cockaigne') similarly reflects the growing anti-clericalism in 1930s Germany.

For this reason we need to take with a grain of salt Orff's assertion that the work never got a good review in Nazi Germany. Generally critics praised the work in language redolent of much Nazi propaganda, noting its 'radiant strengthfilled life-joy'.

Wherever it has been performed, *Carmina burana* retains its ability to evoke what Alex Ross calls 'primitive, unreflective enthusiasm'. And that's partly because of the texts. Orff described reading the collection:

On opening it I immediately found, on the front page, the long-famous picture of 'Fortune and her wheel' and under it the lines O fortuna/velut luna/statu variabilis ... Picture and words seized hold of me ... a new work, a stage work with singing and dancing choruses, simply following the illustrations and texts, at once came into my mind. The 'O Fortuna' chorus bookends the whole work with its mighty choral and orchestral forces and implacable rhythms. The body of the work, which uses 23 of the published poems, is divided into three main sections. The first, 'Springtime' and 'On the Meadow', uses the conventional genres of pastoral poetry: spring returns, the sun warms the earth, forests awaken, and a young person's thoughts turn to love. But not before a brief spell 'In the Tavern', a male-dominated environment in which Orff creates a number of memorable characters. None more so, if only musically, than the Roasting Swan, a high tenor whose lament is for the loss of his whiteness as much as for his imminent consumption. Finally 'The Court of Love' takes up the erotic threads of 'Spring', contrasting delicacy and robust humour before the soaring soprano solo of 'Dulcissime' and ecstatic chorus to 'Blanziflor and Helena'. The ecstasy will, of course, be swept away by Fate, so the music returns to 'O Fortuna'. As Michael Steinberg has noted, one wouldn't guess from the music that the last line of the poetry is 'mecum omnes plangite' (come, weep with me).

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Originally designed for the stage, Carmina burana was first performed by the Frankfurt Opera under the direction of Bertil Wetzelsberger on 8 June 1937. The West Australian Symphony Orchestra first performed it in October 1968 under Frank Callaway.

Text & Translation

FORTUNA IMPERATRIX MUNDI

1. Chorus

O Fortuna, velut Luna statu variabilis, semper crescis aut decrescis; vita detestabilis nunc obdurat et tunc curat ludo mentis aciem, egestatem, potestatem dissolvit ut glaciem.

Sors immanis et inanis, rota tu volubilis, status malus, vana salus semper dissolubilis, obumbrata et velata michi quoque niteris; nunc per ludum dorsum nudum fero tui sceleris.

Sors salutis et virtutis michi nunc contraria, est affectus et defectus semper in angaria. Hac in hora sine mora corde pulsum tangite; quod per sortem sternit fortem, mecum omnes plangite!

2. Chorus

Fortune plango vulnera stillantibus ocellis, quod sua michi munera subtrahit rebellis. Verum est, quod legitur fronte capillata, sed plerumque sequitur Occasio calvata.

In Fortune solio sederam elatus, prosperitatis vario flore coronatus; Quicquid enim florui felix et beatus, nunc a summo corrui gloria privatus.

FORTUNE, EMPRESS OF THE WORLD

O Fortune. changeable as the moon, you are always either waxing or waning. Detestable life at one moment thwarts and at another mockingly indulges the mind's desire, melting away both poverty and power, like ice. Vain, monstrous Fate. you turning wheel, you can, when you will, destroy bad circumstances and delusive success alike. Veiled and shadowy. you attack me too; now at your whim

I bare my back under your assault.

You, Fate, who dispose health and strength, are now against me; my desires and my weakness are in constant slavery. At this hour without delay let all pluck the string; since Fate crushes the strong man everyone weep with me!

I lament Fortune's blows with weeping eyes, for she aggressively extorts tribute from me; sometimes she offers a rich harvest, but usually she provides a lean supply.

Once I sat high up on Fortune's throne, garlanded with all the blooms of prosperity; indeed I was in the bloom of blessed happiness, but now I have tumbled from my eminence, robbed of my glory. Fortune rota volvitur: descendo minoratus; alter in altum tollitur; nimis exaltatus rex sedet in vertice caveat ruinam! nam sub axe legimus Hecubam reginam.

PRIMO VERE

3. Semichorus

Veris leta facies mundo propinatur, hiemalis acies victa iam fugatur, in vestitu vario Phebus principatur, nemorum dulcisono que cantu celebratur.

Flore fusus gremio Phebus novo more risum dat, hoc vario iam stipata flore. Zephyrus nectareo spirans in odore; certatim pro bravio curramus in amore.

Cytharizat cantico dulcis Philomena, flore rident vario prata iam serena, salit cetus avium silve per amena, chorus promit virginum iam gaudia millena.

4. Baritone solo

Omnia sol temperat purus et subtilis, nova mundo reserat facies Aprilis, ad Amorem properat animus herilis, et iocundis imperat deus puerilis.

Rerum tanta novitas in solemni vere et veris auctoritas iubet nos gaudere, vias prebet solitas, et in tuo vere fides est et probitas tuum retinere. Fortune's wheel turns: I am cut down and fall; another is raised to the heights; the king sits at the peak, too much exalted – let him beware of ruin, for under the axle we read the name of Queen Hecuba.

SPRINGTIME

The smiling face of spring is granted to the world, keen winter is now defeated and chased away. Phoebus reigns in colourful robes, honoured in the sweet-sounding song of the woods.

Lying once more in Flora's lap, Phoebus laughs; surrounded by many-coloured flowers Zephyrus breathes the fragrance of their nectar; let us hasten to love and compete for its price.

The sweet nightingale strikes up her song, the radiant meadows smile with many-coloured flowers, the birds dart about the pleasant woods, the chorus of dancing maidens now brings delights in thousands.

The bright, keen sun tempers everything; returning April discloses her face to the world; men's hearts hasten to love, and the boyish god rules over the amiable.

This great renewal and the power of festive spring bid us rejoice; spring brings back the well-known ways, and in spring it is good and loyal to hold fast to your lover.

Text & Translation

Ama me fideliter! fidem meam nota: de corde totaliter et ex mente tota sum presentialiter absens in remota, quisquis amat taliter, volvitur in rota.

5. Chorus

Ecce gratum et optatum Ver reducit gaudia; purpuratum floret pratum, Sol serenat omnia. lamiam cedant tristia! Estas redit, nunc recedit Hyemis sevitia.

lam liquescit et decrescit grando nix et cetera; bruma fugit, et iam sugit Ver Estatis ubera; illi mens est misera qui nec vivit, nec lascivit sub Estatis dextera.

Gloriantur et letantur in melle dulcedinis. Qui conantur, ut utantur premio Cupidinis; simus iussu Cypridis gloriantes et letantes pares esse Paridis.

UF DEM ANGER

6. Dance (Orchestra)

7. Chorus

Floret silva nobilis, floribus et foliis. Ubi est antiquus meus amicus? Hinc equitavit, eia, quis me amabit? Floret silva undique, nah mime gesellen ist mir wê. Gruonet der walt allenthalben, wâ ist min geselle alse lange? Der ist geriten hinnen, o wî, wer sol mich minnen? Love me faithfully, see the faithfulness of my whole heart and my whole mind. I am with you even when I am far away. Whoever loves like that is tortured on the wheel.

Behold, welcome and longed-for spring brings delight back, the meadows glow with rich flowers, the sun makes all things bright. Now sorrow flees! Summer returns, and harsh winter withdraws.

Now hail, snow, and the rest melt away; winter flees, and now spring sucks the breast of summer; sad is the heart of him who neither enjoys life nor frolics under the hand of summer.

Those who seek to take advantage of Cupid's prize glory and rejoice in the honey of sweetness; let us, at the command of Cyprian Venus, glory and rejoice to be the equals of Paris.

ON THE MEADOW

The noble forest blooms with flowers and leaves. Where is he who was my lover? He has ridden away. Alas, who will love me? Everywhere the forest blooms, I am longing for my lover. The wood is green all over, where is my lover this long time? He has ridden away. Alas, who will love me?

8. Soprano solo and chorus

Chramer, gip die varwe mir, die min wengel roete, da mit ich die jungen man an ir dank der minnenliebe noete. Seht mich an, jungen man! lat mich iu gevallen.

Minnet, tugentliche man, minnecliche frouwen! minne tuot iu hoch gemuot unde lat iuch in hohen eren schouwen. Seht mich an...

Wol dir, Werlt, daz du bist also freudenriche! ich will dir sin undertan durch din liebe immer sicherliche. Seht mich an...

9a. Reie [Round Dance] (Orchestra)

9b. Chorus

Swaz hie gat umbe, daz sint allez megede, die wellent an man alle disen sumer gan!

9c. Semichorus

Chume, chum, geselle min, ih enbite harte din.

Suzer rosenvarwer munt, chum uñ mache mich gesunt.

Swaz hie gat umbe...

10. Chorus

Were diu werlt alle min von deme mere unze an den Rin, des wolt ih mih darben, daz diu chünegin von Engellant lege an minen armen. Hei!

IN TABERNA

11. Baritone solo

Estuans interius ira vehementi in amaritudine loquor mee menti: factus de materia, cinis elementi, similis sum folio, de quo ludunt venti. Hawker, give me the rouge to make my cheeks red, so that I can invite the young men to welcome love. Look at me, young men! Let me please you!

Gallant men, love lovely women! Love puts you in high spirits and does you great credit. Look at me...

Hail, world, so rich in joys! I will always be subject to you through love of you. Look at me...

Here, all in a circle, are maidens who are all after a man this summer.

Come, come, my love, I implore you.

Sweet rosy mouth, come and make me whole.

Here, all in a circle ...

If all the world were mine from the sea to the Rhine, I would give it up to have the Queen of England lying in my arms. Hey!

IN THE TAVERN

Boiling inside with violent rage, I talk bitterly to myself; made of matter, ash of the elements, I am like a leaf that the winds play with.

Text & Translation

Cum sit enim proprium viro sapienti supra petram ponere sedem fundamenti, stultus ego comparor fluvio labenti, sub eodem tramite nunquam permanenti.

Feror ego veluti sine nauta navis, ut per vias aeris vaga fertur avis, non me tenent vincula, non me tenet clavis, quero mihi similes et adiungor pravis.

Mihi cordis gravitas res videtur gravis; iocus est amabilis dulciorque favis; quicquid Venus imperat, labor est suavis, que nunquam in cordibus habitat ignavis.

Via lata gradior more iuventutis, implicor et vitiis immemor virtutis, voluptatis avidus magis quam salutis, mortuus in anima curam gero cutis.

12. Tenor solo and male chorus

Olim lacus colueram, olim pulcher extiteram, dum cignus ego fueram.

Miser, miser! modo niger et ustus fortiter!

Girat, regirat garcifer; me rogus urit fortiter; propinat me nunc dapifer.

Miser, miser...

Nunc in scutella iaceo et volitare nequeo, dentes frendentes video:

Miser, miser...

For, while it is the mark of the wise man to build his foundation on rock, I, a fool, am like a gliding river, which never keeps to the same course.

I am carried along like a ship without a helmsman, as a bird is carried aimlessly through the ways of the air; No fetters hold me, no key holds me; I seek others like myself, and I join up with the wicked.

Heaviness of heart Seems to me a grievous thing; merriment is delightful and sweeter than honeycombs; whatever Venus commands is sweet labour, and never dwells in spiritless hearts.

I travel the broad path In manner of youth, I am entangled in vice And forgetful of virtue. Greedier for pleasure Than for welfare, Dead in soul, I look after my body.

Once I lived in the lakes, once I was beautiful, when I was a swan.

Woe, woe is me! Now I am black and roasted through!

The cook turns me about on the spit; the fire roasts me through; now the waiter prepares me.

Woe, woe is me...

Now I lie on the salver, and I cannot fly; I see gnashing teeth that would masticate me.

Woe, woe is me...

13. Baritone solo and male chorus

Ego sum abbas Cucaniensis, et consilium meum est cum bibulis, et in secta Decii voluntas mea est et qui mane me quesierit in taberna, post vesperam nudus egredietur, et sic denudatus veste clamabit:

Wafna, wafna! quid fecisti sors turpissima? Nostre vite gaudia abstulisti omnia!

14. Male chorus

In taberna quando sumus, non curamus quid sit humus, sed ad ludum properamus, cui semper insudamus. Quid agatur in taberna, ubi nummus est pincerna, hoc est opus ut queratur, si quid loquar, audiatur.

Quidam ludunt, quidam bibunt, quidam indiscrete vivunt. Sed in ludo qui morantur, ex his quidam denudantur, quidam ibi vestiuntur, quidam saccis induuntur. Ibi nullus timet mortem sed pro Baccho mittunt sortem.

Primo pro nummata vini, ex hac bibunt libertini; semel bibunt pro captivis post hec bibunt ter pro vivis, quater pro Christianis cunctis, quinquies pro fidelibus defunctis, sexies pro sororibus vanis, septies pro militibus silvanis.

Octies pro fratribus perversis, nonies pro monachis dispersis, decies pro navigantibus, undecies pro discortantibus, duodecies pro penitentibus, tredecies pro iter agentibus. Tam pro papa quam pro rege bibunt omnes sine lege.

Bibit hera, bibit herus, Bibit miles, bibit clerus, bibit ille, bibit illa, bibit servus cum ancilla, bibit velox, bibit piger, bibit albus, bibit niger, bibit constans, bibit vagus, bibit rudis, bibit magus. I am the Abbot of Cockaigne, and my associates are drinkers, and my adherence is to the sect of Decius, and whoever meets me in the tavern over dice in the morning will go out naked by the end of the evening, and stripped of his clothes will cry:

Wafna, wafna! what have you done, evil fate? You have stolen away all the joys of my life!

When we are in the tavern we take no thought for the grave, but rush to the gaming-tables, over which we always sweat. If you want to know what happens in the tavern, where it is money that brings the wine, then listen to what I say.

Some gamble, some drink, some just let themselves go. Of those who spend their time gambling, some lose their clothes, others gain them, others put on sackcloth. There no one fears death: they throw the dice for Bacchus.

First they throw for the wine bill, from which the libertines drink. Once more they drink to prisoners, then three times to the living, four times for all Christians, five times for the faithful departed, six times for the boastful sisters, seven times for forest soldiers.

Eight times for sinful brothers, nine times for scattered monks, ten times for the seafaring, eleven times for the quarrelling, twelve times for the penitent, thirteen times for travellers. They all drink without restraint for the Pope just as for the King.

The mistress drinks, the master drinks, the soldier drinks, the cleric drinks, this man drinks, that woman drinks, the servant drinks with the maid, the active man drinks, the lazy man drinks the white man drinks, the black man drinks, the settled man drinks, the wanderer drinks, the ignorant man drinks, the scholar drinks.

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Bibit pauper et egrotus, bibit exul et ignotus, bibit puer, bibit canus, bibit presul et decanus, bibit soror, bibit frater, bibit anus, bibit mater, bibit iste, bibit ille, bibunt centum, bibunt mille.

Parum sexcente nummate durant, cum immoderate bibunt omnes sine meta, quamvis bibant mente leta; sic nos rodunt omnes gentes, et sic erimus egentes. Qui nos rodunt confundantur et cum iustis non scribantur.

lo io!

COUR D'AMOURS

15. Soprano solo and children's chorus

Amor volat undique; captus est libidine. luvenes, iuvencule coniunguntur merito.

Siqua sine socio, caret omni gaudio, tenet noctis infima sub intimo cordis in custodia: fit res amarissima.

16. Baritone solo

Dies, nox et omnia michi sunt contraria, virginum colloquia me fay planszer, oy suvenz suspirer, plu me fay temer.

O sodales, ludite, vos qui scitis dicite, michi mesto parcite, grand ey dolur, attamen consulite per voster honur.

Tua pulchra facies me fay planszer milies, pectus habet glacies a remender, statim vivus fierem per un baser. The poor man and the sick man drink, the unknown man and the exile drink, the boy drinks, the old man drinks, the leader and the deacon drink, the sister drinks, the brother drinks, the old woman drinks, the mother drinks, this woman drinks, that man drinks, hundreds drink, thousands drink.

Six hundred coins do not last long enough, where all drink without limit of restraint, though they may drink with happy hearts; thus everyone disparages us, and thus we shall be destitute. Let those who disparage us be confounded, and their names be not inscribed with those of the just. lo io!

THE COURT OF LOVE

Love flies everywhere, seized by desire. Young men and girls are rightly joined together.

A girl without a man lacks all delight; deepest night holds her inmost heart enchained: such a thing is indeed bitter.

Day, night, and all things are against me, and the sound of girls' voices makes me weep, and, alas, makes me often sigh, and even makes me fear.

O friends, amuse yourselves; you who know, speak on. spare me in my grief; great is my sorrow. But yet reflect, by your honour.

Your lovely face and my heart make me weep a thousand tears; I should be cured and brought to life again by one kiss.

17. Soprano solo

Stetit puella rufa tunica: si quis eam tetigit, tunica crepuit. Eia.

Stetit puella tamquam rosula; facie splenduit, os eius floruit. Eia.

18. Baritone solo and chorus

Circa mea pectora multa sunt suspiria de tua pulchritudine, que me ledunt misere. Manda liet, manda liet, min geselle chumet niet!

Tui lucent oculi sicut solis radii, sicut splendor fulguris lucem donat tenebris. Manda liet...

Vellet deus, vellent dii, quod mente proposui: ut eius virginea reserassem vincula. Manda liet...

19. Male semichorus

Si puer cum puellula moraretur in cellula, felix coniunctio. Amore suscrescente, pariter e medio avulso procul tedio, fit ludus ineffabilis membris, lacertis, labiis.

20. Double chorus

Veni, veni, veni venias, ne me mori facias, hyrca, hyrce, nazaza, trillirivos...

Pulchra tibi facies, oculorum acies, capillorum series, o quam clara species!

Rosa rubicundior, lilio candidior, omnibus formosior, semper in te glorior! There stood a girl in a red tunic; if anyone touched the tunic it rustled. Eia.

There stood a girl like a little rose; her face was radiant, and her mouth bloomed. Eia.

My heart is filled with many sighs which give me grievous pain because of your beauty. Manda liet, manda liet, my love does not come.

Your eyes shine like rays of the sun, as the brilliance of lightning gives light to the dark night. Manda liet...

May the gods approve my resolve to undo the bonds of her virginity. Manda liet...

If a boy is with a young girl in a little room, that is a happy union. Love wells up as restraint is banished far from them, and inexpressible pleasure comes over their limbs, their arms, their lips.

Come, come, come, do not make me die, hyrca, hyrce, nazaza, trillirivos...

Your beautiful face, the look of your eyes, the braids of your hair, o how glorious you look!

Redder than the rose, whiter than the lily, more beautiful than all the rest, I glory in you unceasingly!

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21. Soprano solo

In trutina mentis dubia fluctuant contraria lascivus amor et pudicitia. Sed eligo quod video, collum iugo prebeo; ad iugum tamen suave transeo.

22. Soprano and Baritone solos Chorus and Children's chorus

Tempus est iocundum o virgines, modo congaudete vos iuvenes. Oh, oh, oh, totus floreo! lam amore virginali totus ardeo, novus amor est quo pereo!

Mea me confortat promissio, mea me deportat negatio. Oh, oh, oh...

Tempore brumali vir patiens, animo vernali lasciviens. Oh, oh, oh...

Mea mecum ludit virginitas, mea me detrudit simplicitas. Oh, oh, oh...

Veni, domicella, cum gaudio, veni, veni, pulchra iam pereo. Oh, oh, oh...

23. Soprano solo

Dulcissime, ah, totam tibi subdo me!

Opposite courses hang in the balance of my wavering mind; wanton love and chastity. But I choose what I see and bend my neck to the yoke – to the sweet yoke I submit.

The season is pleasant, o maidens; rejoice together, you young men. O, o, o, I bloom all over with love for a maiden; it is a new, new love that I die of.

Complying soothes me, refusing casts me down. O, o, o, I bloom all over...

In winter time a man is passive, the breath of spring arouses his desires. O, o, o, I bloom all over...

My virginity teases me, my innocence defeats me. O, o, o, I bloom all over, etc.

Come with joy, my mistress, come, come, my beautiful one, for I am dying. O, o, o, I bloom all over...

Sweetest boy, I give myself to you utterly.

BLANZIFLOR ET HELENA

24. Chorus

Ave formosissima gemma pretiosa, ave decus virginum, virgo gloriosa, ave mundi luminar, ave mundi rosa, Blanziflor et Helena, Venus generosa!

FORTUNA IMPERATRIX MUNDI

25. Chorus

O Fortuna, velut Luna statu variabilis, semper crescis aut decrescis; vita detestabilis nunc obdurat et tunc curat ludo mentis aciem, egestatem, potestatem dissolvit ut glaciem.

Sors immanis et inanis, rota tu volubilis, status malus, vana salus semper dissolubilis, obumbrata et velata michi quoque niteris; nunc per ludum dorsum nudum fero tui sceleris.

Sors salutis et virtutis michi nunc contraria, est affectus et defectus semper in angaria. Hac in hora sine mora corde pulsum tangite; quod per sortem sternit fortem, mecum omnes plangite!

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BLANZIFLOR AND HELENA

Hail, most beautiful one, precious jewel; hail, pride of maidens, glorious maiden; hail, light of the world; hail, rose of the world, Blanziflor and Helena, noble Venus.

FORTUNE, EMPRESS OF THE WORLD

O Fortune. changeable as the moon, you are always either waxing or waning. Detestable life at one moment thwarts and at another mockingly indulges the mind's desire, melting away both poverty and power, like ice. Vain. monstrous Fate. vou turning wheel. you can, when you will, destroy bad circumstances and delusive success alike. Veiled and shadowy. you attack me too; now at your whim I bare my back under vour assault.

You, Fate, who dispose health and strength, are now against me; my desires and my weakness are in constant slavery. At this hour without delay let all pluck the string; since Fate crushes the strong man everyone weep with me!

Meet The Musician

Brian Maloney Principal Percussion

How and where did your musical journey begin?

I began studying drums when I was 10 years old. I first started out playing in my school concert band, and from there began studying privately and eventually auditioned for a local youth orchestra where I fell in love with orchestral music.

Can you remember your first WASO concert?

It was a program under the baton of Alexander Lazarev that had Tchaikovsky Symphony No.1, which is an amazing piece. It was my first time playing that particular Tchaikovsky symphony and to play it under a Russian conductor was an experience I'll never forget.

What do you love most about being a professional musician?

I think the greatest joy of being a musician comes from our ability to change peoples' lives for the better, whether it's over the course of a night, a year, or even a fleeting moment. If I can provide some sort of solace or reprieve even for just one person in the audience I've done my job well.

What are your favourite percussion instruments to play?

That's a tough question. In a way, being section principal means it's my job to love all the various percussion instruments equally, so I tend to love whichever instruments I'm playing that week the most. That being said, there's nothing better than playing the climactic cymbal crash in a Mahler symphony!



When no one's around, what music do you listen to?

As a professional musician, and especially as a percussionist, I try to listen to as many different genres of music as possible. I've got literally thousands of songs on my playlist ranging from heavy metal to progressive jazz to hip hop, and it changes daily.

You've recently been appointed Chair of Percussion at UWA. In your opinion, what is the most important concept to teach to your students?

I think the concept of developing a strong work ethic is easily one of the most important things you can instil in a student. Talent accomplishes nothing without hard work and dedication, and that's a lesson that is transferable into any field of study.

How does it feel to be back performing with an audience?

Quite simply, it's amazing. I am so privileged to be here in WA and to play in an orchestra of this calibre. It really makes me grateful for where I'm at in life, and where Western Australia is in relation to the current global climate.

How would you describe tonight's concert in one sentence? Epic... beautifully epic.

WASO Community Engagement

WASO's Community Engagement team have been delighted to be back in the community!

In August, we delivered Music for the Ages performances in Aged Care residences and our Hospital Orchestra Project was also back in action at Perth Children's Hospital. It was a Meet the Strings morning – WASO musicians visited children on the wards followed by a Meet the String Quartet performance in the auditorium that was broadcast out to the wards on Starlight TV.

In September, we welcomed guests from disability support agencies to a special performance at Perth Concert Hall as part of our Connect program. We also visited four Education Support Schools with our Harmony Music program, to share music with students in the comfort of their school environment. Our musicians shared stories about life as a musician and introduced students to the instruments of the orchestra.

'We had a great time... thank you thank you wonderful magical music' Disability Support Worker regarding the Connect Chamber Concert

'Thank you so so much for the quartet visiting us. The performance was amazing and such a joy to see our residents out in the sunshine enjoying the music.' Kim Hughes, Brightwater Onslow Gardens

'Thought I'd relay a story about one of our Year 1 students. This young boy spent most of the incursion lying peacefully on the mat and being peaceful for any length of time for this child is challenging.





The Year 1 teacher had been playing orchestral Spring music in the classroom as part of the Seasons curriculum and she believes that the student related to this. As I said on Friday, we never know how your visits are going affect our students and this is just a perfect example.'

Teacher, Harmony Music Participant School

We are looking forward to reaching more communities through our renewed calendar of Community Outreach events in 2020.

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This year we were especially humbled by the support shown by those who donated their concert tickets or made an annual gift during our COVID-19 shutdown period.



On behalf of WASO, and all its staff and musicians, thank you for helping us continue to touch souls and enrich lives through music.



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About The Speaker

Prue Ashurst Pre-concert Speaker

Prue is a graduate from the University of Western Australia with a Masters in Music Performance (Choral Conducting) and Bachelor degrees of Music Education and Performance. Having taught at Churchlands SHS, Perth Modern and Penrhos College, Prue's school choirs have sung in Geneva, London, Singapore and Wales. She is now in demand as a choral conductor, educator, adjudicator and guest speaker. She has conducted for the Perth Festival, WA Opera, UWA Choral Society, WASO Chorus, PUCS and the Gondwana Choirs. For 14 years Prue has been a regular presenter on ABC 720 with the late Eoin Cameron.

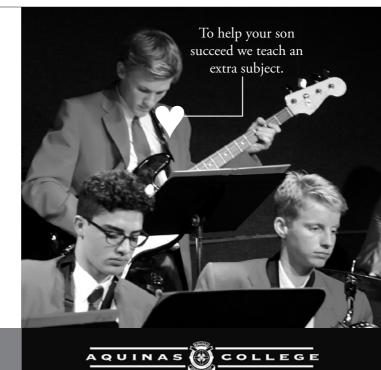
In 2013 the Rotary Foundation named her a Paul Harris Fellow for her lifetime work in music education. In 2016 she co-commissioned RIFT by the acclaimed British composer Anna Clyne for the Cabrillo Festival of Contemporary Music in California and in 2018 was a guest prerehearsal speaker for this festival. In 2019 Prue returned to ABC Perth radio as a regular guest with Gillian O'Shaughnessy and was Commissioning Patron of Paul Stanhope's I Am Martuwarra for Gondwana Choirs World Choral Festival at the Sydney Opera House. Prue is the current President of WASO's Patrons & Friends Committee.

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