



West Australian
Symphony Orchestra

A man and a woman are posed in a theater with red seats. The man, on the left, is seated and wearing a black suit over a black shirt. The woman, on the right, is standing and wearing a black dress, holding a violin and bow. A double bass is positioned between them, with a microphone cable extending from it towards the man. The background consists of rows of red theater seats.

Every magical moment

2023 Annual Giving



West Australian Symphony Orchestra respectfully acknowledges the Traditional Custodians and Elders of Country throughout Western Australia, and the Whadjuk Noongar people on whose lands we work and share music.

Everyone deserves the magic of live music

Music builds dreams, provides escape, gives voice to the inexpressible. We all need it. We all deserve it.

For 95 years, West Australian Symphony Orchestra has been dedicated to creating moments that inspire, uplift and move you. Its impact has permeated deeply into our society, playing music that is the soundtrack to our great state. I feel so privileged to be part of this musical family. From my first concert in the 1950s with my parents, enthusiastic subscribers, to my time as Chair of the Board, and now as the Patron of Private Giving, it has been such an honour to watch WASO grow into an internationally-renowned orchestra that continually engages with and develops its community.

In 2023, we celebrate Asher Fisch's history-making tenth year of leadership, and continue our commitment to bringing new orchestral works to life, expanding our repertoire and touring footprint and deepening our engagement with communities beyond the stage. Every gift empowers WASO to enrich lives through music in Western Australia. Contributing to our Annual Giving program is one of the most important ways you can help to shape our next chapter, sharing your love of great music with our extraordinary musicians.

I am delighted to journey with WASO, as we spread the triumphant power of music across our vast state. I invite you to travel with us through the power of philanthropy and become part of this wonderful family that brings the magical moments of music to so many.

Janet Holmes à Court

Janet Holmes à Court AC
Patron of Private Giving



With you by our side, the best is yet to come

Your love for this orchestra and our passion for this artform means we can continue to raise the bar and deliver the exceptional performances and world-class musicianship to which we have all become accustomed.

Every annual gift provides WASO with essential support to help us create truly exceptional music. Whether it's purchasing music stand lights or gifting a concert ticket to a child, the creation of digital concerts or commissioning new repertoire, the ways you support your Orchestra can translate to inspiring musical experiences for everyone in Western Australia.

Thank you. We look forward to sharing incredible music with you once again in 2023.

Asher Fisch

Principal Conductor and Artistic Advisor



Concerts & Performances



Bringing joy through music

We love performing for you. Every note of every rehearsal is driven by our desire to bring you outstanding music that uplifts, transports, thrills, challenges and inspires you.

We are proud to be an orchestra that creates music for so many moments in the lives of West Australians. From majestic symphonies, classics and film scores, to exciting contemporary works and First Nations collaborations, we play a soundtrack to life that creates memories and expression for everyone.

Knowing you are with us for every note and every breath, means the world to us. With your support, we shine.

Take your place onstage with us by making a gift towards the concerts and performances you love.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Adam Mikulicz".

Adam Mikulicz
Associate Principal Bassoon
Annual Giving Ambassador



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| \$250 | Replace the skin on a timpani |
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| \$750 | Provide new music stand LED lights for the musicians |
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| \$1,100 | Tune the piano across concert week for <i>Ravel's Piano Concerto</i> |
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| \$5,000 | Underwrite the rehearsal costs of the WASO Chorus as they prepare for Fauré's Requiem |
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| \$10,000 | Enable the digitisation of a live performance |
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Concerts & Performances



Behind the scenes

The generous, regular support of our annual givers enables us to dream bigger, to plan with integrity, and to create the magic you see both on and off the stage.

The dream is first envisioned by our Artistic Planning team, who work with Asher to plan a season of magical musical moments. Repertoire is sourced, secured and prepared by our Music Librarians, who ensure scores are ready for the musicians to rehearse. Meanwhile, our Production and Technical teams design the performance space, refining the stage, sound and lighting. It all comes together on stage when the Conductor begins to imagine, interpret and sometimes redefine the composer's intentions.

It is because of this attention to detail that we are able to bring you a truly spectacular performance every time. Help our team with a gift that raises the curtain.

Kylie Liang
Assistant Principal 2nd Violin
Annual Giving Ambassador



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| \$100 | Purchase four new music folders |
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| \$500 | Help maintain and service our beautiful harps |
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| \$1,000 | Prepare and bind scores for new commissions |
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| \$2,500 | Contribute to a new set of scores for the WASO music library |
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Duet



Partner with a musician

A partnership means sharing with someone both pleasure and responsibility. Our Duet program offers exactly that, in music – a chance to forge a close relationship with a musician throughout their creative pursuit. A remarkable act of giving, Duet gives you the opportunity to partner with a musician by directly supporting their chair.

Duet partnerships provide significant support to your Orchestra, propelling us towards our vision. These gifts increase our ability to direct funds towards outreach experiences and performances. Duet partners are vital in our artistic vision to enrich lives through music.

In Duet, you will experience a deeper connection with your musician through post-concert drinks, exclusive onstage rehearsals side-by-side with your musician, and an intimate annual celebration especially for Duet Partners.

We invite you to Duet with us and become closer to our artists and the exciting, bold vision that continues to drive us.

To find out more about this distinctive partnership, contact your Philanthropy team at philanthropy@waso.com.au or (08) 9326 0016.

Photo: Jean Stokes, Duet Champion of Principal Tuba, Cameron Brook

A gift of **\$2,500** in a syndicate of four towards a Tutti Chair

A gift of **\$5,000** in a syndicate of three towards an Associate Principal Chair

A gift of **\$10,000** to champion a Tutti Chair

A gift of **\$15,000** to champion an Associate Principal Chair

A gift of **\$25,000** to champion a Principal Chair

Education



Igniting the next generation

Music education is essential. Incorporating music into a child’s development increases socialisation and language, improves articulation and cognitive skills, and boosts confidence. We believe that learning music should be accessible to everyone in our community, and we are passionate about sharing our knowledge and experience to inspire the next generation of Australian artists.

While delivering world-class performances, WASO is also developing future musicians, composers and conductors through our interactive learning programs. From the first orchestral encounters with WASO in Schools performances, to our Composition Project mentoring emerging composers in a professional environment, we are lighting accessible pathways to develop and enjoy music.

We are committed to discovering, nurturing and promoting the musical talents of tomorrow. Help us ignite the rising generation by contributing to the evolution of our art form to secure a bright future for music in Australia.

Alex Timcke
Principal Timpani



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| \$250 | Gift fifteen tickets to a school music class to attend a Morning Symphony |
| \$500 | Purchase licenses to arrange popular music themes for our WASO in Schools performances |
| \$1,000 | Support the cost of a workshop for our Composer in Residence |
| \$5,000 | Fund a WASO in Schools concert for an outer metropolitan high school |





Crescendo

Transforming lives through music

Music has the power to change lives, and we believe that all young West Australians should have the opportunity to learn at school. Unfortunately, too many WA students are finishing primary school without ever having access to a music lesson.

WASO's unique in-school play-based music learning program aims to change this.

Crescendo is a free music education program delivered in two schools in Kwinana. From Pre-Primary, students are 'given a voice' by being encouraged to discover, use and train their in-built instrument through song. In Year Four, they begin lessons on string instruments, building on their appreciation for music and the skills to pursue it.

Studies indicate that continuous music education helps address social disadvantage, and our Crescendo students are demonstrating confidence, strengthened resilience, emotional and social wellbeing.

Supporting Crescendo has brought me great satisfaction. Not only have I witnessed change in action, but I have also felt the joy radiating from students during their performances; I have seen the pride that has grown from their hard work, and it is truly a delight to behold. I invite you to join me in supporting this remarkable program. Take pride in knowing you are enacting positive change in the lives of these deserving children.

Gavin Bunning
Major Crescendo Supporter



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| \$500 | Maintain the students' violins for six months |
| \$1,500 | Support a Crescendo student for a year |
| \$3,000 | Maintain the new cellos, including new strings, for a year |
| \$9,000 | Support a Crescendo student for the whole primary-school journey, from Pre-Primary to Year 6 |

Community



Making music accessible

Music's power is universal. It heals. It connects. It unites. Music can create and strengthen a community. I have watched audiences bond through their shared experience of a musical moment. I have seen hearts begin to mend with a remembered tune.

Through our outreach programs we bring the joy of music to those who may not be able to access a live orchestral performance. Our Music for the Ages program takes chamber ensembles to older adults who can no longer attend concerts; the Connect program engages adults living with disabilities in an intimate and interactive concert; the Hospital Orchestra Project (HOP) takes live music into Perth Children's Hospital.

Sharing music with the community is one of our great privileges. My fellow musicians and I are passionate about giving everyone the opportunity to hear, participate and be moved by the power that music holds.

Thank you for your generosity. It is because of you that we can continue to connect to our community through music.

Rachael Kirk
Tutti Viola



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| \$250 | Purchase four portable music stands for community chamber concerts |
| \$500 | Enable a group from a community service organisation to attend an open rehearsal |
| \$1,000 | Enable a disability support group to attend an open rehearsal |
| \$5,000 | Gift a Music for the Ages performance to residents of an aged care facility |
| \$10,000 | Enable a HOP concert at Perth Children's Hospital |

Legacy



Give the gift of a lifetime

For 95 years, WASO has been enriching the lives of West Australians far and wide. You can help continue this important tradition with a gift in your will, ensuring the magic of orchestral music exists for future generations to experience.

Created out of your love for the Orchestra, a planned gift in your will could be the most thoughtful gift you ever make, helping to secure the future of WASO and music in Western Australia. Legacy gifts are invested in the WASO Endowment Fund, creating ongoing financial support and stability for the organisation.

When you remember WASO in your will, you become a member of the Symphony Circle, receiving invitations throughout the year to special events. This is our way of expressing our deep honour at being written into your life story.

Leaving a gift in your will is a personal decision that can be made for many different reasons: to acknowledge the impact of the Orchestra on your life; to ensure the continuation of music education programs for future generations; to honour the lives of family and friends.

I invite you to consider including WASO in your will. Please contact me to confidentially discuss our future.



Emma Matson

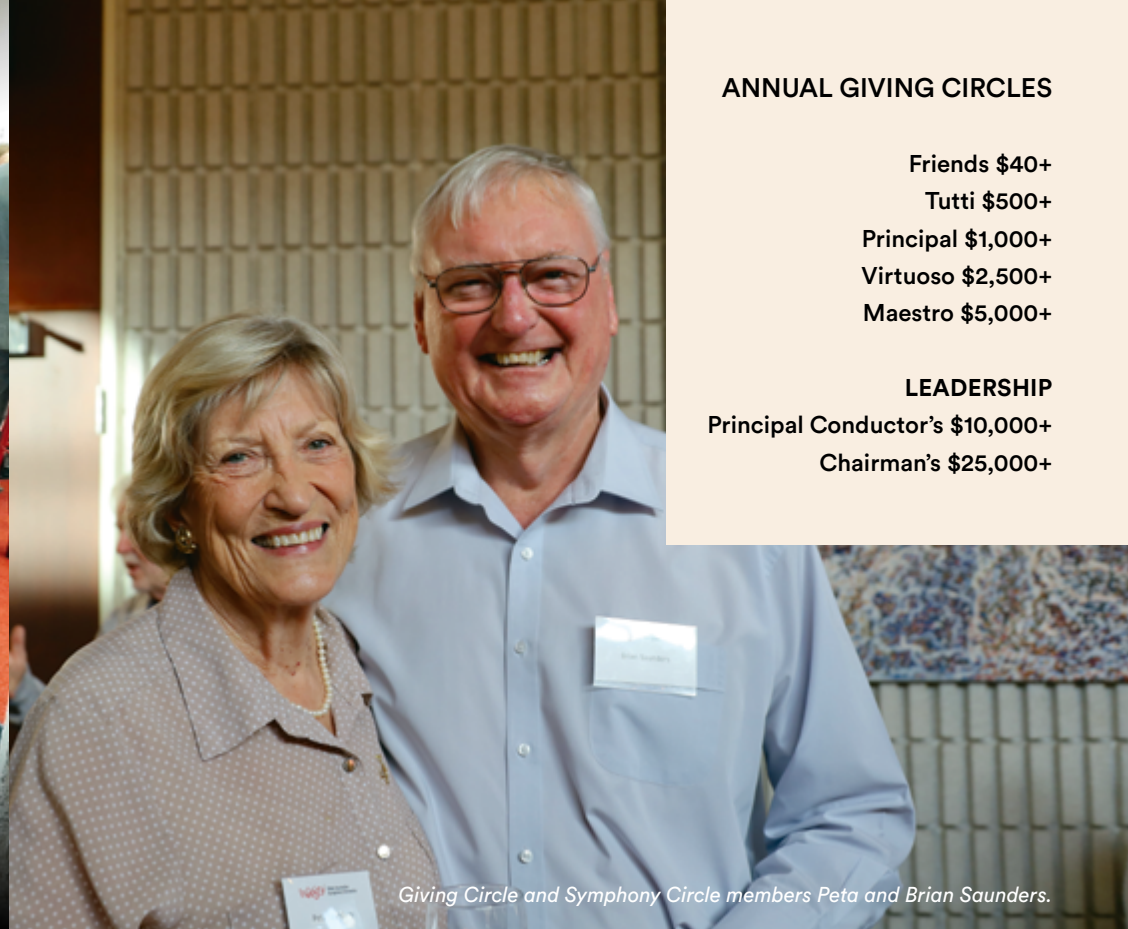
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"I made a decision a little while ago to leave a gift in my will to WASO. While it is (obviously!) my profound wish that WASO doesn't receive my donation for a number – preferably a large number – of years, I thought it important that I should give something to an institution that has made such a profound impact on my life and on the lives of others. My personal enjoyment of listening to the Orchestra pales beside their contribution to the artistic and cultural life of Western Australia and, indeed, the wider world. Without WASO, the world would be a poorer place." Stewart Lloyd, Symphony Circle member

Join our family



Giving Circle member Dallas Hickman with Principal Clarinet Allan Meyer.



Giving Circle and Symphony Circle members Peta and Brian Saunders.

ANNUAL GIVING CIRCLES

Friends \$40+

Tutti \$500+

Principal \$1,000+

Virtuoso \$2,500+

Maestro \$5,000+

LEADERSHIP

Principal Conductor's \$10,000+

Chairman's \$25,000+

When you support West Australian Symphony Orchestra, you become a Giving Circle member, united by the love for music.

As a member you will enjoy unique, personalised opportunities with the musicians throughout the year, keeping you close to the heart of the Orchestra. You will also receive a biannual issue of *Encore* magazine filled with artistic insight, stories reporting the impact of your giving and our latest news. Giving Circle members enjoy access to the Riverside

Lounge year-round: a private bar open pre-performance and during interval for Masters and Classics concerts.

Membership is renewed yearly through your annual gift, which supports the many varied elements of our Orchestra you have read about in this brochure.

For all Giving Circle Members

Behind the Music

Receive exclusive invitations to rehearsal viewings giving you a sneak peek of the concert before the premiere performance.

Meet the Orchestra Series

Meet your musicians as they share their professional journeys, highlights and fascinating artistic insights with you.

WASO Christmas Party

Ring in the festive season with lots of cheer as you celebrate the success of the year with the musicians.

For Tutti Giving Circle members and above

WASO Annual Dinner

Enjoy a sumptuous dining experience with the musicians, complemented by special performances.

For Leadership

Wesfarmers Arts Lounge

Elevate your concert experience with pre, interval and post receptions for select concerts. Major supporters also receive invitations to bespoke events hosted by our Chairman, CEO and Artistic and Executive leadership.

Event ticket costs may apply. Each Giving Circle builds on the acknowledgements of the previous Circle.



Your gift

Scan to make your donation online.



| CONCERTS & PERFORMANCES | Gift | Qty | Subtotal |
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| <i>BRINGING JOY THROUGH MUSIC</i> | | | |
| To replace the skin on a timpani | \$250 | | \$ |
| Provide new music stand LED lights for the musicians | \$750 | | \$ |
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| <i>BEHIND THE SCENES</i> | | | |
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| Gift a Music for the Ages performance to residents of an aged care facility | \$5,000 | | \$ |
| Enable a HOP concert at Perth Children's Hospital | \$10,000 | | \$ |
| My choice - please direct to an area of most need | | | \$ |
| TOTAL | | | \$ |

Your details

Name/s _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

We would love to send you birthday wishes!

Name _____ (DD/MM) ____ / ____

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Acknowledgement

Gifts \$500 and over are recognised on our Giving List featured in concert programs and on our website.

Please honour my gift as _____

☐ I wish to remain unnamed

My Gift

You can choose to gift in a way which suits you.

☐ I wish to make my gift in full today

or

☐ I wish for this to be an ongoing contribution \$ _____

☐ monthly ☐ quarterly ☐ biannually ☐ annually

(the Philanthropy team will contact you to confirm this arrangement)

Payment

☐ Credit Card _____ / _____ / _____ / _____ Exp ____ / ____

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☐ EFT BSB: 086 006 Acc: 32 221 0801

Please include your full name in the reference line

☐ Cheque Made payable to West Australian Symphony Orchestra

Legacy

☐ I would like to receive information about making a bequest to WASO.

☐ I have made arrangements to include WASO in my will.

Thank you!

All donations \$2 and over are tax deductible. Please allow up to 15 business days for your receipt. Through your gift, you automatically opt into our mailing list keeping you up to date with the latest news and ensuring you receive invitations to Giving Circle events.

☐ Please opt me out of ALL communications from WASO

For details of our Privacy Policy, please refer to our website.

Thank you for your support in 2023

WASO is your State Orchestra, committed to providing the soundtrack to life by creating, curating and presenting high quality musical and entertainment experiences for the enjoyment of all West Australians.

The significance of philanthropy for the future of WASO cannot be understated: it is a crucial part of our income and provides an inspiring forum for a community of like-minded supporters who are united in their love of this artform. Your generosity sustains and invigorates us.

A donation to our Annual Giving appeal ensures your Orchestra can reach audiences far and wide from all walks of life. We treasure your support and thank you with every note, every breath, and every magical moment of music.

The WASO Philanthropy team



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If you have any questions about Annual Giving or would like to discuss other ways you can empower WASO to enrich lives through music, please contact a member of the Philanthropy team.

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