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WASO'S Arena Christmas Spectacular

Christmas classics return over two performances at RAC Arena



WASO's annual free end of year concert is reconceived in 2020 as an RAC Arena spectacular on Saturday 12 December.

Presented by West Australian Symphony Orchestra with the support of Lotterywest and City of Perth, no other show in the City this year will feature such a magnificent combination of sing-along Christmas hits and dazzling special effects, totally free and COVID-safe for the whole family.

Western Australia's favourite leading lady, Lucy Durack, will be our host while your West Australian Symphony Orchestra and special guests perform a much-loved program of Christmas classics. Families can sing-along to *Baby, It's Cold Outside*, *What A Wonderful World* and *Santa Claus is Coming to Town* while also enjoying favourites from *The Nutcracker* and *Home Alone*.

"After the year we've had, all West Australians need the chance to come together and celebrate the resilience of our community. And what a joyous way to express that; singing everyone's favourite Christmas melodies with your family and friends supported by the biggest band in town." – Evan Kennea, Executive Manager, Artistic Planning, WASO

This magical production will feature more than 130 West Australian performers on stage including the Orchestra and WASO Chorus led by Perth's rising star conductor Jen Winley. They will be joined by international musical theatre star Amy Manford, and acclaimed soprano Samantha Clarke, with more special guests including the one and only, Santa.

"Lotterywest is proud to play a leading role in supporting and showcasing local talent, and encouraging the connection of Western Australians at such an important time of year for our families." **Lotterywest CEO Susan Hunt PSM**

While the event remains free for all the family, tickets will need to be secured via Ticketek with contact details required at booking.

"We are absolutely delighted WASO has created such a wonderful outcome with the City of Perth to keep a much-loved tradition alive."

Lord Mayor Basil Zempilas, City of Perth

West Australian Symphony Orchestra presents Lotterywest Christmas Spectacular, a City of Perth celebration to light up RAC Arena over two performances - Saturday 12 December at 2pm & 7pm.

THE DETAILS (OVER PAGE):

West Australian Symphony Orchestra presents Lotterywest Christmas Spectacular A City of Perth celebration Saturday 12 December at 2pm & 7pm RAC ARENA

A FREE TICKETED EVENT.

Tickets available from 10am Wednesday 18 November from waso.com.au or Ticketek.

More info: https://www.waso.com.au/concerts-tickets/whats-on/concert/christmas-symphony

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