

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas



Lotterywest Christmas Symphony Saturday 15 December 2018 Langley Park

Christmas cheer is almost here, with only ten days to go until West Australian Symphony Orchestra presents Lotterywest Christmas Symphony, a City of Perth celebration with Variety, the children's charity.

WASO is thrilled to have joined forces with Lotterywest, City of Perth, Burswood Park Board, Variety WA, *The West Australian* and The Sunday Times, ABC Radio Perth and Channel 9 to create this all-new, free event for the people of Perth to enjoy.

The magical evening will feature more than 150 performers on stage including West Australian Symphony Orchestra, WASO Chorus, Variety Choir and special guests including the one and only, Santa. Conductor Dane Lam and Principal Trumpet Brent Grapes (chair partnered by NAB) will be joined by vocalist Jennifer Barrington throughout the night.

Families are invited to bring a picnic from 5pm or enjoy the food options available. Pre-show entertainment commences at 5.30pm, including face painting, balloon animals and performances by Lilyan Smith and Lachlan Glover. Both multiple Variety WA scholarship recipients, Lilyan and Lachlan are no strangers to the stage with Lilyan having performed regularly in musicals with APAN and Lachlan appeared with WASO as a Special Guest Soloist in 2015.

Hosted by Channel 9's Louise Momber and Michael Thomson, Christmas Symphony will feature a complete program of classical music hits and everyone's favourite Christmas carols. Commencing with a Welcome to Country presented by Olman Walley and including a performance by Gina Williams, Guy Ghouse and students from Wesley College, Christmas Symphony is an event with something for everyone.

We are proud to announce the full program for Lotterywest Christmas Symphony:

Christmas Festival (Anderson)
Candide: Overture (Bernstein)
The Nutcracker: Waltz of the Flowers (Tchaikovsky)
"With Malice Toward None" from *Lincoln* (John Williams)
Jupiter from *The Planets* (Holst)
Simple Gifts from *Appalachian Spring* (Copland)
Sleigh Ride (Anderson)
Oh Come All Ye Faithful
Away in a Manger

Hark the Herald Angels Sing
Silent Night
Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas
Jingle Bells
Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer
We Wish You a Merry Christmas
1812 Overture (Tchaikovsky)

After the event, additional Transperth train services will run on all lines, and Transperth ferries will operate on a summer timetable with the last ferry departing Elizabeth Quay Jetty at 11.30pm. Concert-goers are encouraged to plan their journey beforehand. For more information visit www.transperth.wa.gov.au

For those unable to attend on the night, the concert will be streamed via Facebook live at <https://www.facebook.com/WASymphonyOrchestra/>

West Australian Symphony Orchestra presents Lotterywest Christmas Symphony, a City of Perth Celebration with Variety, the children's charity will light up the night at Langley Park on Saturday 15 December from 5pm.

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

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