

MEDIA RELEASE
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EChO Kids' Cushion Concerts

March Along with EChO!

Saturday 1, Friday 21 and Saturday 22 September at 9.45am

Captain Dynamics and the Supersonic Symphony!

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WARDLE ROOM PERTH CONCERT HALL

Libby Hammer: presenter



Join WASO musicians for fun-filled musical adventures!

The West Australian Symphony Orchestra continues to cater for Western Australia's youngest audience members through the EChO (Education Chamber Orchestra) program which introduces children to the instruments of the symphony orchestra and the joy of live music. Presented by renowned music performer and vocal coach, Libby Hammer, **EChO Kids' Cushion Concerts** introduce two brand new shows for 2018:

March Along with EChO! (suggested ages: 0-4 years)

This program features a whole new selection of favourite, well-known nursery rhymes alongside exciting original works written especially by Libby for this new show! With something for everyone from singing along, interactive action and even using body percussion to "join the band", **March Along with EChO!** is a perfect introduction to the instruments of the orchestra, and our WASO musicians.

Captain Dynamics and the Supersonic Symphony!

(suggested ages: 4 - 6 years)

Get set for a wild ride around the orchestra and come 'behind the scenes' to explore just some of the different elements of music. Discover the musical alphabet, learn the difference between major and minor keys, and hear how different tempi can take a song from very slow to supersonic speed! With excerpts from favourite orchestral classics as well as some brand new interactive songs written by Libby especially for EChO, **Captain Dynamics and the Supersonic Symphony!** will have our young audiences (and the young at heart!) feeling invincible in no time!

EChO Kids' Cushion Concerts are one hour in length, with a performance of 40 - 45 minutes and opportunity to meet some of the musicians after the show.

A 15-piece chamber orchestra, EChO has been showcasing the instruments of the orchestra through ensemble performance, instrument demonstrations and original story-based programs for over 21 years. With the overarching aim to engage, entertain and inspire children of all ages, children (and their grown-ups!) clap, sing and dance their way through stories and songs, well-known favourites and famous classical repertoire.

Libby Hammer is one of Western Australia's premier jazz vocalists. She has a background in musical theatre and circus and is passionate about introducing and fostering the appreciation of music and musicianship in children of all ages. She has been involved with WASO's education programs for a number of years and has also performed on stage with the Orchestra.

All Tickets \$18 per person (Children under 1 year free – ticket required)

Bookings: WASO on 9326 0000 or waso.com.au

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