

MEDIA RELEASE
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Ravel's Boléro & Two Pianos

Thurs 10 May 11.00am
Fri 11 May 7.30pm
Sat 12 May 7.30pm

PERTH CONCERT HALL

Rory Macdonald: conductor
Piers Lane: piano
Kathryn Stott: piano

Two grand pianos will sit front and centre with the West Australian Symphony Orchestra for a world premiere by **Carl Vine** – one of Australia's most accomplished composers. Vine's **Concerto for Two Pianos** is titled *Implacable Gifts* and will feature the outstanding international pianists **Piers Lane** and **Kathryn Stott**. The concerto was commissioned by the West Australian Symphony Orchestra and Tasmanian Symphony Orchestra with support from philanthropist Geoff Stearn.

Scottish conductor Rory Macdonald returns to lead these performances in which three colourful works frame Vine's concerto. First, **Stravinsky's** witty and elegant **Dumbarton Oaks**, a neo-classical jewel of the repertoire inspired by Bach's Brandenburg concertos. Then the jaunty satire of **Prokofiev's** suite from the 1934 film *Lieutenant Kijé*, with **Ravel's** hypnotic *Boléro* building inexorably to a finale that will be nothing short of ecstatic!

About Carl Vine:

Carl Vine AO is one of Australia's best known and often performed composers, with an impressive orchestral catalogue featuring seven symphonies and twelve concertos. His piano music is performed frequently around the world and recordings of his music on more than 60 CDs play regularly on Australian radio. He has an extensive range of chamber music alongside various work for film, television, dance and theatre. Although primarily a composer of modern art music, he has undertaken such diverse tasks as arranging the Australian National Anthem and writing music for the Olympic Games (Closing Ceremony, Atlanta 1996). In his role as Artistic Director of Musica Viva Australia, Carl is also Artistic Director of the Huntington Estate Music Festival, Australia's most prestigious chamber music festival. Since 2014 Carl has also been Senior Lecturer in Composition at the Sydney Conservatorium of Music.

Concert Program

STRAVINSKY *Dumbarton Oaks*
CARL VINE Concerto for Two Pianos and Orchestra WORLD PREMIERE
PROKOFIEV *Lieutenant Kijé*: Suite
RAVEL *Boléro*

Tickets from \$33 on sale now at WASO on 9326 0000 or waso.com.au

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