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A MESSAGE FROM THE ARTISTIC DIRECTOR

BY MADELEINE EASTON

To be able to walk out in front of my beloved choir and orchestra once again, to fill the beautiful Christ Church St Laurence with the life affirming music of Bach, will surely be one of the most profound and intense moments of gratitude and happiness.

It is almost unfathomable to think that we were here in this very church at the same time last year, attempting to re-emerge from the ashes of 2020, and that it has taken another year to reach a point where live music can once again be heard. After the shared experience of lockdown here we are - thanks to you, our audience, we have a chance to collectively experience the relief of togetherness once again, letting the music of Bach transport us all to a more meaningful, joyful, sincere and loving state of grace.

If I had to describe the music of J.S Bach in one sentence, I would attempt to articulate my feeling that his music, experienced collectively by the musician and the listener, creates an experience of a transcendence.

This program will ignite the eternal flickering fire of life and art once more with the first hopeful and triumphant notes of Bach's cantata BWV 34, then briefly repose in the comforting beauty of part 6 of the Christmas Oratorio, before crowning the Christmas and new season with his Magnificat!

I'm sure J.S. would say if he were here, this music is for you, for all mankind and of all nations.

TICKETING AND SEATING

Tickets for our performances are available online through: bachakademieaustralia.com.au

To protect your health we have social distancing measures in place for seating, and tickets are only available to purchase as singles or doubles. We have restricted the number of tickets available.

Please arrive early to allow yourself time to register with our Front of House staff for contact tracing purposes.

Seating is unreserved, however, please be patient upon arrival as our ushers will direct you to the best available seats depending on your type of ticket.

Your email confirmation can be printed or shown on your device as proof of purchase.



PROTECTING YOUR HEALTH

Please practise social distancing, within the Church and on the footpath before and after performances.

A Service NSW QR code will be available at entry. We recommend that you install the Service NSW app on your device.

Our Front of House staff will require you to display your proof of vaccination.

Masks are mandatory whilst inside the Church as required by the NSW Government.

ATTENDANCE GUIDELINES IF YOU ARE UNWELL



Please do not attend a performance if you:

- are feeling unwell
- are awaiting results of a COVID-19 test
- have been in contact with a suspected or confirmed case of COVID-19
- have just returned from overseas or a hotspot area

In any of these cases, we will offer you a full refund on your ticket purchase, including the booking fee.



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YOU JUST HAVE TO PRESS
THE RIGHT KEYS AND THE
RIGHT PEDALS AT THE
RIGHT TIME AND THE
MUSIC PLAYS ITSELF

J.S.BACH



VENUE INFORMATION FOR MAGNIFICAT

Friday November 26, 6:30 and 8:30pm

Christ Church St Laurence
812 George St, Sydney

The doors will open 30 minutes prior to both concerts.

Parking is very difficult;

- nearest light rail stop is Haymarket
- buses stopping on Pitt or George St near Central Station

If you require any further information please email info@bachakademieaustralia.com.au or phone 1300 785 377.