



The Score

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Hello Music-lovers,

August and September are wonderful months for music in Geelong, especially piano music. If you were at the Piers Lane Recital, you will have experienced a truly remarkable performance by, probably, the most distinguished and personable pianist we are likely to hear for a very long time. Piers flew to Melbourne especially for this recital and returned to Brisbane for another on Sunday. We are privileged indeed that he was so generous with his time and played such a wonderful program for us. You would have noticed that he enjoys colourful socks under the white tie and tails, so the gift we gave him was a pair of fancy black Italian socks with colourful circles woven into them.

Then there was the Australian Youth Classical Music Competition when judge Barry Tuckwell was required to select three young musicians from eleven very talented young people who played piano, strings, woodwind and percussion at an impressive semi-final concert. Pianist, Nicholas Young, violinist Anne-Marie Johnson and cellist Karol Kowalik, all of whom are current students at the Sydney Conservatorium of Music went through to the final of the National Competition. They were joined by four regional finalists, for the concert on Thursday 16 August at Costa Hall.

The winners were: Regional: Jamie Parker, Violin; National: Karol Kowalik, Cello.

Melbourne Chamber Orchestra in September

On Friday 7 September, the Melbourne Chamber Orchestra will perform a program of Bach father and son and Dvorak. The soloist will be flautist Taryn Richards. Tickets are available from the society, by sending a note with your order and payment, to GCMS PO Box 988 Geelong, 3220, or through GPAC, phone 5225 1200 or online at www.gpac.org.au

Unfortunately, due to a necessary change to the dates of the Melbourne Chamber Orchestra regional tour this year, this is the final concert in the society's 2012 series. In October or early November, we will release details of our 2013 series and we are delighted with the calibre of the artists we have been able to attract and that the series will run to October.

The good news is that there is still plenty of wonderful music to be heard in Geelong.

Avan Yu, Winner of the Sydney International Piano Competition, in Geelong

There will be very special piano recital in McAuley Hall at 7.30pm on Thursday 13 September, this time by 24-year old Canadian pianist, Avan Yu, the winner of the recent Sydney International Piano Competition. He will perform a program of Beethoven, Schumann, Debussy and Liszt. Tickets are \$45 and can be purchased through the College, either on the website www.shcmusic.com.au or by phoning the college on 5221 4211. Avan is now undertaking the Australia-wide concert tour that is part of the winner's prize and Geelong was very fortunate to be allocated a date. The concert is being presented by Sacred Heart College and will support the college's new library and the restoration of the beautiful heritage-listed chapel that is almost complete. Refreshments are included in the ticket price. We recommend that you purchase your tickets soon to secure a good seat and we hope to see many GCMS concert-goers there, as supporting and encouraging young musicians is an important reason for our existence as a society and a cultural organisation.



Trio Anima Mundi in October

The final concert in the trio's series 'A Russian Odyssey' will be presented on Sunday 14 October at 3pm in the Keith Humble Centre, Geelong College, Aphrasia St, Newtown. The trio can be relied on for a thoroughly enjoyable and stimulating afternoon of piano trios. We can expect to hear gems that are inexplicably missing from the usual concert repertoire, at least outside the countries in which the composers lived. The October concert will include the premiere of the winning work in the trio's international composition prize in addition to works by Glinka, Bach and Schoenberg. Single tickets can be purchased at the door for \$35/25, student \$10.

Friends of the MSO Concert in November

The Melbourne Symphony Orchestra Chorus returns to Geelong this year with exquisite musical visions of paradise. The concert 'In Paradisum' will be presented at St Mary's Basilica, Geelong, on Sunday 4 November at 3.00pm. Often compared to Fauré's well-known setting, Duruflé's setting for organ and chorus of the Requiem brings a gentleness, certainty and extraordinary beauty that beguiles and soothes in equal measure. The internationally-renowned MSO Chorus will sing selected movements interspersed with haunting music of our own time.

Tickets may be purchased from GPAC (03) 5225 1200 or www.gpac.org.au or from Geelong Friends MSO ticket secretary (03) 5221 4632 or at the door. Adults and seniors \$30, Pensioners \$25, Students \$10, Groups of ten or more \$25.

GCMS Membership and Donations

If you would like a closer association with the society by becoming a member, please complete the form below and return it with your payment to GCMS, PO Box 988, Geelong 3220.

The GCMS Committee is planning to look at a more tangible way to support and encourage young musicians, hopefully through a scholarship drawn from the society's reserves and your donations. If you would like to support the objectives of the society by making a tax-deductible donation, please complete the donation form below and return it to the society.

If you prefer to transfer funds directly into the society's account, please phone Helen Jordan on 5243 6931 or email admin@gcms.org.au for the account details.

With our thanks for your continuing support and for being part of the growing Geelong chamber music concert community, enjoying aural and spiritual treasures together.

GCMS Committee.

GEELONG CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY INC
Application for Membership/Renewal of Membership 2012-13

Name(s)

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wish to apply for/renew membership of the Incorporated Association for the year 2012-13.

Enclosed is cheque/money order for the **annual membership fee of \$20 per person.**

If appropriate, please complete the following:

I/We wish to receive the society's newsletters and notices of meetings by email sent to the following address:

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I will inform the Secretary at admin@gcms.org.au if my email address changes.

Signed

Date

Send to GCMS, PO Box 988, Geelong 3220 or hand in to the Box Office at the next concert.

GEELONG CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY INC
DONATION FORM

I/We would like to make a donation towards the work of the Geelong Chamber Music Society. I understand that the society is a registered Cultural Organisation, that my donation is tax deductible, and that I will be issued with a receipt for tax purposes.

Enclosed is my cheque for \$.....

Name

Address

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Donations will be acknowledged in the concert programs unless you request anonymity.

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