

2017

2017 FINALS CONCERT

SATURDAY 15 JULY 7:00PM

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DAMIAN ARNOLD
tenor 25* NSW



DANIEL CARISON
baritone 24* VIC



**PAULL-ANTHONY
KEIGHTLEY**
bass baritone 25* WA



FILIPE MANU
tenor 24* NZ



**SHIKARA
RINGDAHL**
mezzo soprano 25* QLD



*Age as at 23 June 2017

COMPERE
Margaret Throsby AM



CONDUCTOR
Dr. Nicholas Milton AM



GUEST ARTIST
Sitiveni Talei
Winner 2008 Marianne Mathy
Scholarship



PATRON

Dr. Haruhisa Handa
Chairman, International Foundation
of Arts and Culture (IFAC)

PROGRAMME

APPROXIMATELY 3 HOURS,
WITH A 20-MINUTE INTERVAL

ADJUDICATORS

Catrin Johnsson
(National Adjudicator)
Tahu Matheson
Noëmi Nadelmann
Olafur Sigurdarson
Raff Wilson
Narelle Yeo

The Finals Concert will be broadcast on
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with biographies, sponsor and supporter
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Head of Music, Opera Australia

Jun-Yi Ma

Concertmaster and Artistic Advisor, Opera Australia

Gérard Patacca

General Manager, Opera Australia

OPERA AUSTRALIA ORCHESTRA

Overture **ACADEMIC FESTIVAL** / Brahms

DAMIAN ARNOLD

La fleur que tu m'avais jetée **CARMEN** / Bizet

DANIEL CARISON

Sois Immobile **GUILLAME TELL** / Rossini

PAULL-ANTHONY KEIGHTLEY

Vi ravviso, o luoghi ameni **LA SONNAMBULA** / Bellini

FILIFE MANU

Pastorello d'un povero armento **RODELINA** / Handel

SHIKARA RINGDAHL

The Swimmer **SEA PICTURES** / Elgar

DAMIAN ARNOLD

Il mio tesoro **DON GIOVANNI** / Mozart

DANIEL CARISON

Heiterkeit und Fröhlichkeit **DER WILDSCHÜTZ ODER DIE STIMME DER NATUR** / Lortzing

PAULL-ANTHONY KEIGHTLEY

Fear no more the heat o' the sun **LET US GARLANDS BRING** / Finzi

FILIFE MANU

Ah mes amis... Pour mon âme **LA FILLE DU RÉGIMENT** / Donizetti

SHIKARA RINGDAHL

Se Romeo t'uccise un figlio... La tremenda ultrice spada **I CAPULETI E I MONTECCHI** / Bellini

INTERVAL / 20 MINUTES

SITIVENI TALEI

Largo al factotum **IL BARBIERE DI SIVIGLIA** / Rossini

OPERA AUSTRALIA ORCHESTRA

Overture **ROMEO AND JULIET** / Tchaikovsky

PRESENTATIONS

The Right Honourable Sir John Key, Patron, IFAC HANDA

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\$30,000 TO ASSIST WITH A PROGRAMME OF STUDY AND/OR SINGING ACTIVITY

The winner of The Mathy will also receive:

Audition Prize from Lyric Opera of Chicago's Ryan Center

Fine Music 102.5 Recording Session - One-hour studio recording with *Fine Music 102.5*

Lili Ussher Prize Portrait painting of the winner in concert dress.

Oral History Award Taped interview by oral historian Diana Ritch will be recorded and retained within the Oral History Collection of the *National Library of Australia*.

The Mathy Limited edition Drago Marin Cherina sculpture presented by Music & Opera Singers Trust Ltd (MOST®).

ARTIST DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

In 2017 the ASC facilitated the first Artist Development Programme (ADP) under the direction of acclaimed soprano Emma Matthews. All Finalists in the ASC have been invited to enrol in the programme and will be matched with an appropriate Mentor. For more information visit our website.

OTHER PRIZES:
AWARDED TO ANY FINALIST

GUILDHALL SCHOOL OF MUSIC AND DRAMA AWARD

Fees for one year's study at the Guildhall School of Music and Drama in the Postgraduate Diploma Vocal Training Course in the academic year 2018/19. The winner will also receive the \$5,000 Pasqualina Lipari Prize. *Sponsored by V&A Accountants and Business Advisors, Adelaide.*

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Fees for one year's study at the Royal Northern College of Music (RNCM) in Manchester (UK) in the academic year 2018/19. *Sponsored by Royal Northern College of Music, UK.*

ROSL ARTS SCHOLARSHIP ROYAL OVER-SEAS LEAGUE (UK, VIC)

Return flights and accommodation in London at Royal Over-Seas House. The winner will enjoy several performance opportunities in London or Edinburgh and will receive \$2,000 from the Australian Victorian Branch of ROSL. *Sponsored by ROSL ARTS; ROSL UK (London) and ROSL Victoria Australia.*

MERENDA LEGACY PRIZE

Cash grant of \$8,000 to enable the recipient to study the Italian language in Italy. *Sponsored by the Merenda Foundation.*

SAARBRÜCKEN OPERA HOUSE PRIZE

A three-week immersion program at the State Opera House of Saarbrücken including opportunities for language coaching and cultural experiences. *Sponsored by Dr. Nicholas Milton AM.*

The winner will also receive the \$5,000 Phoebe Patrick Award. *Sponsored by Donna Woodhill, Sydney.*

NELLY APT SCHOLARSHIP

Scholarship of up to \$7,000 to fund travel and accommodation to attend the Israeli Opera Young Artist Program at the Meitar Opera Studio in Tel Aviv. *Sponsored by the Israeli Opera and the Nelly Apt Estate.*

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NEW YORK SCHOLARSHIP

A scholarship to attend the IVAI Summer School in New York in July 2018. *Sponsored by IVAI, New York.* The winner will also receive the \$3,000 Nell Pascall Award. *Sponsored by the Nell Pascall Estate.*

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An opportunity to attend the Audition Training Opera Program in Munich in 2018. Sponsored by the Bel Canto Summer Voice Program, Munich. *Sponsored by the Bel Canto Summer Voice Program.*

The winner will also receive the \$2,500 Haas Award to assist with travel expenses. *Sponsored by the Haas Family Trust.*

SYDNEY SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA AWARD

An engagement to perform with the Sydney Symphony Orchestra. *Sponsored by the Sydney Symphony Orchestra.*

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Professional engagement to perform with the Sydney Philharmonia Choirs in 2018. *Sponsored by the Sydney Philharmonia Choirs.*

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An engagement to perform with the Canberra Symphony Orchestra. *Sponsored by the Canberra Symphony Orchestra.*

WAAPA INTERNATIONAL ART SONG ACADEMY PRIZE

A scholarship to attend and participate in the next Western Australian Academy of Performing Arts (WAAPA) International Art Song Academy, including flights, accommodation and master classes with internationally renowned accompanist Graham Johnson and other international guests. *Sponsored by the Western Australian Academy of Performing Arts (WAAPA), Edith Cowan University, Perth.*

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CHAIRMAN INTERNATIONAL
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- Dr. Handa



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