Gwyn Roberts - Conductor



Gwyn Roberts has had a very active career as a cellist, conductor and music educator. He was Musical Director of the Queensland University Symphony Orchestra for 25 years, and Senior Lecturer in the School of Music. His varied career as a cellist has seen him play principal cello with Tasmanian, Adelaide, Auckland and Canberra Symphony Orchestras, the Australian Chamber Orchestra, the Melbourne Chamber Orchestra, and with Mayne String Trio, the Queensland Piano Trio, Ensemble I, and the contemporary ensemble Perihelion. Since retiring from UQ, he continues to be involved in music education at all levels from student to professional as performer, teacher, conductor, examiner and researcher.

This is the first time Gwyn has worked with the Barrier Reef Orchestra. Gwyn has chosen the theme of "Let's Dance" for this concert because it offers both sparkling and sensuous music possibilities, with great variety in character from different countries.

Everyone can relate to dance in one form or another, unlike a serious Sibelius or Mahler Symphony which arguably requires more musical understanding (and a lot of patient listening). Different rhythms and melodies from different countries provide a variety of characters which relate directly to the human spirit; memorable melodies, often repeated a number of times so people can remember the "good tunes".

Gwyn would like to introduce Gianni and Elena who are TangoCraze, an Argentinian Tango School in Cairns, operating since 2011. Gianni and Elena will dance in tonight's performance. They aim to help their students learn the Argentinian Tango in a simple, lively and playful way. They offer courses and classes throughout Far North Queensland.

Orchestia

Violin 1

Steve Frewen-Lord Lara Herlambang Emily Macdonald Daniel Lee Annette Beck Susan Fraser Cara Taggart (Mt Isa)

Violin 2

Olivia Jung Lucy Fagez Karli Williams Robyn Shaw Heidi Rapson Jordana Hobday Tara Cherian Viola Emily Matthews

Nathan Randall Lily Roehr Meghan Knowles Iskra Nicetic

Cello Carla Mulligan Margaret Loftus Angela Summets Wade Tattersall Jack Camp Max Robson Bass Olivia Adcock Steve Kluver Piccolo Monika Ortloff Flute Mia Yoo Shinako Macdonald **Cor Anglais** Francesca Adcock Oboe Bernie Girard (Bris) Kate Moyle

Clarinet Jacinta Payne Monika Ward **Bass Clarinet** Erin Smart Alto Saxophone Rianta Belford Bassoon Helen Land Tammy Brown Horn Andrew Ryder Annie Doherty Angus Marsh-Brown Nicholas Bail Trumpet Suzanne Darrigan Jonathan Conrad Mark Smith Trombone Mike Ingel Dylan Cutler Lachlan Cutler

Tuba Gavin Findlay Piano Jenni Flemming (Bris) Keyboard Jo Batterham Timpani Ruby Ansic Auxillary Percussion Noel Price Jade Pagan Belicia Hafenstein Phil Wong

Concert Master: Stephen Frewen-Lord **Orchestra Manager:** Sally Frewen-Lord

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Program

Gigue from Orchestral Suite in D major

Habanera from Carmen

Soloist: Alice Beams Featuring: Tango Craze

Symphonic Dance No. 1

Milonga del Angel

Featuring: Tango Craze

Miller's Dance from The Three-Cornered Hat

INTERVAL

Piano Concerto in G major - 2nd movt

Soloist: Jenni Flemming (Brisbane)

Oblivion

Featuring: Tango Craze and Jenni Flemming, Stephen Frewen-Lord & Gwyn Roberts

Polovtsian Dances from Prince Igor

Libertango

River Dance

Soloist: Alice Beams (Townsville) Featuring: Chelsea Pettigrew, Teya Moseley and Ivy Paxton





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Astor Piazzolla arr. Jim Palmer

Manuel de Falla

Maurice Ravel

Astor Piazzolla arr. Jose Bragato

Alexander Borodin

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Bill Whelan arr. Deirdre Foyster