

Monday Mail, 8.12.25

Good morning, all,

Thank you to everyone who took part in or supported yesterday's successful Yuletide Jazz concert! Congratulations to all involved, and of course, special thanks to Debra and to John, our rehearsal accompanist.

THIS YEAR'S FINAL REHEARSAL:

- **Tomorrow, Tuesday December 9, 6.30pm @ QAH**
- For carol singers, but everyone else is very welcome for our traditional break-up! Bring nibbles

CHRISTMAS CAROLS:

- **Mon Dec 15 – Fri Dec 19, 11.30am-1.30pm – Carols at 111 Eagle Street**
- Please check your emails and make sure you know where you should be on which date!
- Hard copies of music available at rehearsal; cf. also digital link [here](#).
- *NB Thanks to those who sang last week on December 2 at Central Plaza!*

2026 PROGRAMME: almost finalised. Please note the following dates:

- **Tuesday January 27, 6.30pm: first rehearsal back!**
- **Sunday February 8, 1.30-5pm: Authentically South African Workshop (more below)**
- **Saturday March 7, 3pm, St Thomas Aquinas church, St Lucia: wedding (not whole choir)**
- *****Saturday May 23 (CHANGE OF DATE)***, St John's Cathedral: Lux by Dan Forrest**
- **July ??: Choir 30th anniversary celebration**
- **Sunday September 13: Music of the Spheres, with Tamara Davis**
- **Sunday December 6: Christmas Concert**

AUTHENTICALLY SOUTH AFRICAN WORKSHOP, LED BY MICHAEL BARRETT

- **Sunday February 8, 1.30-5pm**, Advanced Engineering Building, GHD Auditorium, UQ St Lucia.
- Please spread the word. This promises to be a fabulous event in a gorgeous setting.
 - Ticket sales: <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1487745>
 - Link to our website info [here](#); Promo chat from Michael Barrett [here](#) .
- **A message from our treasurer Jan:** Standard adult tickets range from \$40 to \$65
 - ***But for choir members there is a REDUCED RATE of only \$10 each!***
 - NB Debra expects us all to be there
 - Please deposit **\$10** into the choir account (details below) using the description '**First initial, Last name, Workshop**'
 - ChoirWorks Inc.; BSB: 034-086; Account 272941
 - This may seem a long way away, but we'd like to register members as soon as possible.

AND FINALLY Christmas is really on the way now, which means I'll be listening to one of my favourite ever choruses on repeat: *Jauchzet, frohlocket, auf, preiset die Tage* (Rejoice, exult, arise, praise the days), the opening movement of Bach's *Christmas Oratorio*. Here's a version to get you in the mood!
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sYVC8uK_qVA

A very happy festive season to you all!

Janet