



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

**Sydney, Monday 12 March, 2007.** The story of jazz can be told through the life of the legendary Chick Corea, who visits Australia this May. A performer, band-leader, composer and pioneer, Corea has performed with the greats of jazz from Sarah Vaughan to Miles Davis, to his great friend and kindred spirit, Gary Burton. In celebration of the 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary of their seminal album release "Crystal Silence", the two bring their special talents, friendship and the spirit of jazz to Australia for a special combined tour that will take them across the country.

Melbourne Jazz Festival, the West Australian Symphony Orchestra and the Sydney Symphony are excited to present **Chick Corea**, one of the world's most influential jazz musicians. Corea promised himself that he would keep himself interested in and challenged by music – exploring and growing throughout his 40-year, award-winning career. It helps that he's chosen to collaborate with some of the jazz world's greats, including Sarah Vaughan, Stan Getz and Miles Davis. Corea is a key figure in contemporary jazz, fusing jazz with styles from rock to world to classical. Chick Corea and vibraphone genius, **Gary Burton**, will celebrate the 35th anniversary of their album *Crystal Silence*, translating Corea's playful, lyrical and expansive style to the orchestra. To celebrate their enduring and fruitful partnership, Corea and Burton also present Corea's brand-new composition for piano, vibes and orchestra which will be performed with WASO and Sydney Symphony.

## **PERTH**

### ***An Evening with Chick Corea & Gary Burton***

West Australian Symphony Orchestra: Ernst & Young Contempo series

8pm, Friday 27 & Saturday 28 April

Tickets from \$46.00 - \$71.00. Bookings through WASO on 9326 0000 or [www.waso.com.au](http://www.waso.com.au)

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## **MELBOURNE**

Melbourne Jazz Festival

1) ***An evening with Chick Corea and Gary Burton.***

Hamer Hall Friday 4 May

2) ***Chick Corea Trio with special guest Frank Gambale***

Hamer Hall, Saturday 5 May

Tickets from \$95 - \$105. Bookings through Ticketmaster on 1300 136 166 or online [www.melbournejazz.com](http://www.melbournejazz.com)

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## **SYDNEY**

### ***Chick Corea & Gary Burton: Jazz and Orchestra***

Sydney Symphony: Kaleidoscope series

8pm, Thurs May 10 and Sat May 12

Sydney Opera House | Concert Hall

Tickets from \$57 - \$100. Bookings through Sydney Symphony on (02) 8215 4600

9am-5pm, Mon-Fri or visit [www.sydney-symphony.com](http://www.sydney-symphony.com)

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