

**MEDIA RELEASE**

## **Sydney Symphony to visit Canberra in June**

**Thursday 25 June, 8pm**

**Llewellyn Hall, Canberra School of Music  
William Herbert Place**

For the first time since 2000, the Sydney Symphony is set to visit Canberra on Thursday 25 June giving a one-off special performance at Llewellyn Hall in the Canberra School of Music at 8pm.

The performance, which is part of the Orchestra's 2009 touring program, will see over 60 Sydney Symphony musicians and Australian conductor Matthew Coorey arrive in Canberra accompanied by two tonnes of instruments, ranging from double basses and trombones, through to flutes and oboes.

According to Sydney Symphony Managing Director, Rory Jeffes, the Canberra performance will be a highlight of the Orchestra's 2009 touring program.

"Each year, the Sydney Symphony performs in hospitals, schools, concert halls and theatres throughout New South Wales," Mr Jeffes said.

"Touring is an important aspect of our work and I know the musicians thoroughly enjoy their time on the road getting to know our supporters and audiences away from our home at the Sydney Opera House.

"It has been nine years the Sydney Symphony last performed in Canberra so we are delighted to be back once again," Mr Jeffes said.

The program for the Sydney Symphony's Canberra performance includes some much-loved works by composers such as Mendelssohn, Mozart and Dvořák and features four of the Orchestra's leading musicians as soloists – Shefali Pryor, oboe; Lawrence Dobell, clarinet; Matthew Wilkie, bassoon; Ben Jacks, horn.

The Sydney Symphony's 2009 touring schedule also includes a performance in Albury (Fri 27 June) and two drought relief benefit concerts in Wagga Wagga (Sat 28 & Sun 29 June).

The 2009 Sydney Symphony annual regional touring program is made possible by the Federal Government through the Australia Council for the Arts; the NSW Government through the NSW Department of Primary Industries, the NSW Department of Water & Energy and NSW Ministry for the Arts; BHP Billiton; Regional Express Airlines; Xstrata Coal; Snowy Hydro Ltd; Cadia Valley Operations; Telstra; St. George Bank; the Royal Agricultural Society; Livestock, Health and Pest Authorities; Sunrice and The Land.

## **CONCERT DETAILS**

### **SYDNEY SYMPHONY CANBERRA PERFORMANCE**

**Thursday 25 June, 8pm**

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**William Herbert Place**

**MENDELSSOHN** The Hebrides (Fingal's Cave)

**MOZART** Sinfonia Concertante in E flat

### **INTERVAL**

**DVOŘÁK** Symphony No.8 in G major

**Matthew Coorey** conductor

**Shefali Pryor** oboe

**Lawrence Dobell** clarinet

**Matthew Wilkie** bassoon

**Ben Jacks** horn

### **TICKETS**

Tickets from \$68 (concession from \$61)

Under 30: \$35

ANU staff/faculty: \$55

**To book tickets call Ticketek on: 1300 795 012 or visit [www.ticketek.com](http://www.ticketek.com)**

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