

Sydney Symphony hits the road to bring stunning music to the Blue Mountains

Springwood Civic Centre, 106 – 108 Macquarie Road, Springwood

Saturday 8 March, 8pm

Sydney, 8 February 2008 –The Sydney Symphony will begin its 2008 regional touring of New South Wales with an ensemble of Australia's finest orchestral musicians and internationally renowned pianist Jasminka Stancul in a concert at the Springwood Civic Centre on Saturday 8 March.

Sydney Symphony Managing Director Libby Christie said: "For the Sydney Symphony's musicians and staff, regional touring is one of the most enjoyable and rewarding parts of the program, especially meeting regional audiences and supporters outside the metropolitan area."

The Blue Mountains was one of the Sydney Symphony's first touring destinations 70 years ago, when the Orchestra performed in a Katoomba cinema to celebrate the 150th anniversary of New South Wales. In 1938 there was a Mozart symphony on the program; on this visit the program will include one of Mozart's brilliant piano concertos. This tour is probably the Orchestra's first visit to the Blue Mountains since the 1930s, making the concert even more special for the musicians and for residents of the area.

Eric de Regt, president of the Blue Mountains Concert Society says: "The visit of the Sydney Symphony will be an extraordinary event in the music calendar of the Blue Mountains this year. The style of music making will be dynamic and exhilarating and the professionalism of the performers second to none."

The Sydney Symphony's annual regional tour is made possible by the Federal Government through the Australia Council for the Arts, the NSW Government through Arts NSW and the NSW Departments of Primary Industries and Water and Energy, BHP Billiton, Regional Express Airlines, Xstrata Coal, Cadia Valley Operations, Telstra, Allco, Snowy Hydro and St.George.

Program

GRIEG From Holberg's Time (Holberg Suite)
BRIDGE Suite for string orchestra

INTERVAL

BEETHOVEN Sonata No.21 in C, Op.53 (Waldstein)
MOZART Piano Concerto No.13 in C, K415

Ticket prices

Full price: \$40
Concession (up to 26 years): \$15
(Telephone booking charge of \$3)

Tickets are available by calling 4754 1742.

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