



EXAUDI

NEWSLETTER AUGUST 2020

A quiet year, but it will pass!

This is certainly not the busy 30th anniversary year we had anticipated. Choirs world wide have had to pause most of their activities while we wait until the pandemic passes. While this is of course very frustrating for all of us, and we are all very aware of the limits of getting together online, I have been most heartened by the willingness of the Exaudi and YVM community to keep singing, keep connected and keep committed to choir. Thankyou to everyone for this support, which will enable us to get back to full strength quickly once the pandemic passes. Although it seems at the moment like this has been going on forever, it will pass, and there will be singing adventures aplenty to look forward to. In the mean time, we just need to be patient ...

Reminder: Semester Two Fees Due 8th August

Recognising that we are unable to provide the full Exaudi experience at the moment, and the future is still uncertain, we will be offering a 40% discount to fees this semester. Unfortunately our expenses have not reduced by anything like 40% and we have lost income from events and performance fees. Our biggest expense in running our six choirs is our staff, and we are committed to keep paying our team as long as possible, so the only way we can offer this discount and survive is to draw on our fundraising reserves (normally used for subsidising tours and creating special opportunities for our singers.) So that we can keep Exaudi and YVM viable in the long term, and so that we don't deplete our valuable reserves too much we are asking those who are in a position to, to consider paying the normal semester two fees. At the same time, we do not want to lose any singers for financial reasons at the moment, so if your income has been affected by the pandemic and you are unable to pay the fees, please be in touch and we will work something out.

Exaudi Choirs fees for Semester 2: \$115 (or normal fee \$195)
Semester Two starts Monday 20th July.

Please pay either the full or discounted amount to our bank account and make sure your name is included in the payment advice. (Banking details on the calendar page below.)

VOCES 8: Live From London

You might be interested in this series of concerts starting this weekend:

Broadcast in HD from the intimate setting of the VOCES8 Centre, this new online festival includes some of the world's finest vocal ensembles. The line-up includes VOCES8, I Fagiolini, Stile Antico, The Swingles, The Sixteen (from Kings Place), The Gesualdo Six, Apollo5, Chanticleer (from San Francisco), and a special guest appearance by The Academy of Ancient Music.

Details at <https://voces8.foundation/livefromlondon>

Not returning to Exaudi in Semester Two?

Please let us know so that we can plan accordingly. Knowing exact numbers is super important as we work to manage our revised budget, and will be important as we start to get back to face to face rehearsals.

**Keep well, keep in touch
and keep singing!**

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Exaudi Calendar

August 2020

PLEASE NOTE: For Exaudi to be the best choir it can be it is essential to let Mark know as soon as you read this if you are unable to attend any Exaudi performance. This is essential for our concert planning, as missing persons may necessitate us changing the repertoire for concerts, arranging replacement singers etc. A choir cannot make good music without good communication amongst its members. Text Mark on 0418 327426 or email mark@yvm.com.au.

Account for payment of Exaudi things
Young Voices of Melbourne Inc
BSB: 013 355
Account: 3080 27832

Semester Two

Monday 20th July

Term 3 Starts

Saturday 19th September

Exaudi: Gathering Voices Concert CANCELLED
Magdalen North Laundry
Abbotsford Convent (evening)

Saturday 26th September - 4th October

Exaudi Tour - CANCELLED

Sunday 6th December

YVM 30th Anniversary Singing Festival ... our last chance for a sing?!?
at Abbotsford Convent (afternoon)
Short concerts for all YVM choirs
in 4 venues and lots of fun!

Concert and Rehearsal Apologies

A reminder that concert and rehearsal apologies are essential! Late concert apologies are unfair and unacceptable. Check your calendar when each newsletter comes out and that is the time to make

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