



September 2019 Newsletter

Bravo!

Well done YVM for your wonderful performances in Bendigo. We had the Ullumbarra Theatre audience on its feet at the evening Gala Concert! Thanks as always to our generous volunteers who assisted in Bendigo and also recently at the Kodaly Junior Choral Festival. Your help is much appreciated!

Kodaly Choral Festival - Thursday 29th August

The Kodaly Choral Festivals are concerts where good school and community choirs come together to enjoy each other's music and the joy of singing together. Our Training Choirs participated in the Junior Festival on 2nd August and Choir and YVMen are participating at the Senior Festival on 29th August. Details are on the calendar.

YVMen workshop with Paul Holley - Saturday 7th September

YVMen have the opportunity to work with the excellent Paul Holley from Brisbane, well known for his work with the Birralee Blokes, as part of a choral day organised by Kodaly Australia. Details on the calendar.

Training Choirs Concert - Sunday 8th September

Our annual Training Choirs concert is very soon. This is where our youngest singers take centre stage and share some of what they have been doing in rehearsals. They have all been working hard learning their music. Please make sure your child is there and ready to rehearse at 2pm. Allow plenty of time if you haven't been to St Johns before, and coming on the train or tram - it's the easiest way. The Concert starts at 3pm and lasts for about an hour. (Details are on the calendar.)

Uniform Guide

So that our singers can look their best we have prepared a Uniform Guide, which is attached to the email that delivered this newsletter. Please check that you have the right shoes, socks etc for your child!

Farewell Emma and Welcome Ciara

Our wonderful Monday tutor Emma Casey will be leaving us soon to undertake a Master's Degree in Barcelona. We wish her all the best with her adventure. Her place will be taken by Ciara McCoppin, a long time member of YVM and Exaudi.

30th Anniversary Europe Tour 2020 - full steam ahead!

We have received deposits from 43 singers who will undertake the trip of a lifetime, performing with YVM in Italy and England. We are very excited to be able to provide this opportunity for our young singers. We are in the process of choosing our tour supervisors and those who have expressed interest will hear from us soon. A reminder of the details:

Duration: Saturday 27th June - Sunday 12th July.

Cost: \$4,300 per person all inclusive (except travel insurance) \$300 (non-refundable) paid.

\$1,000 payable 1st December 2019 and \$3,000 due 1st April 2020.

Recommended concerts coming soon to the Melbourne Recital Centre

Friday 6th September: Pioneering a cappella group The Swingle Singers (Code CHOIR for \$50 tickets)

Friday 13th September: Spinifex Gum with Marliya and Felix Riebl. (check it out at spinifexgum.com)

September 2019 Calendar

CHOIR = main choir members
 SMALL GROUP = small group of
 main choir members (to be advised)



BTC = Beginning Training Choir
 JTC = Junior Training Choir
 STC = Senior Training Choir

PLEASE NOTE: All choir members are expected to attend all choir concerts. However, if it is impossible for you to attend please make a written apology, at least one month prior to the concert. This is essential for our concert planning, as missing persons may necessitate us changing the repertoire for concerts, arranging replacement singers etc.

Thursday 29th August	Kodaly Choral Festival 6.30 - 9.30pm Ian Roach Hall, Scotch College, Morrison St, Hawthorn. Arrival 6.30pm and concert 7.30 - 9.30pm. Wear: Long sleeved black performance uniform CONCERT SOLD OUT	CHOIR/YVMen
Saturday 7th September	YVMen workshop with Paul Holley for Kodaly Australia. YVMen St John's Southgate, City Rd Southgate Best accessed by public transport. St John's is behind the Southgate shops. Arrival 1.00pm Finished 2.30pm Wear: Long sleeved performance uniform. Parents welcome to observe.	
Sunday 8th September	Training Choirs Concert Arrival: 2.00pm (Concert starts 3pm and finishes at 4.00pm) Wear: Performance Uniform: red yvm shirts, black yvm pants, black socks, black shoes (not runners or boots) and red hair ribbons for girls. See Uniform Guide for details. Where: St John's Southgate. 20 City Road. Best accessed by public transport. St John's is behind the Southgate shops. Tickets \$15 adults and \$5 children, available at the door.	BTC, JTC, STC
Saturday 14th September	Exaudi's annual concert - Gathering Voices, with special guests The Vocal Concert. Join us for a fun and enjoyable concert. Tickets \$25, \$15 and \$10 and YVM members wearing a choir shirt free! https://www.trybooking.com/BESSH	
Friday 20th September	End term 3	
Monday 7th October	Start term 4	
Monday 4th November	Cup Day weekend - no rehearsals	
Tuesday 5th November	Cup Day - no small group rehearsals	
Sunday 1st December	Christmas Concert: YVM and Exaudi 7.30pm South Melbourne Town Hall	CHOIR/YVMen & EXAUDI
Sunday 8th December	Christmas Concert: YVM and Training Choirs 5.00 - 6.30pm Ian Roach Hall, Scotch College	EVERYONE
Saturday 14th December	Idea of North and Friends Christmas Concert 7pm St Michael's Uniting Church, 120 Collins St, Melbourne Tickets \$46, \$36 and \$25 https://www.stickytickets.com.au/91011/the_idea_of_north_presents.aspx	CHOIR/YVMen

NOTE: Exaudi dates listed separately on the Exaudi Newsletter

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