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## CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

### 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE TRUST

1994 sees the completion of 40 years' service by the Trust to the nation. Formed in 1954 to foster the arts in Australia by Australians for Australians, the Trust has played a spectacular role in transforming the cultural life of Australia over that period.

The Trust was launched under the inspired guidance of Mr H.C. (Nugget) Coombs and Sir Ian Potter. The then Prime Minister, Sir Robert Menzies, led the State Premiers in contributing government support. With the Queen's permission it took, and still bears, her name, the Australian *Elizabethan* Theatre Trust. Hopes were widely held that the young Queen's reign would see in Australia the flowering of a new 'Elizabethan' Age. The Queen's patronage was then seen as a great benefit to this nationwide endeavour, and the Trust remains the only Australian arts company to enjoy that honour.

Accompanying this *Trust News* is a brochure promoting our 40th Anniversary Concert. The 100 voice Philharmonia Choir, under its inspired Conductor, Antony Walker, will sing the grand anthems from the Queen's Coronation. We will all join in *Advance Australia Fair*, *God Save the Queen* and *Jerusalem* which will end the first half.

After interval, the Choir will be joined by stage and recording star, Peter Couzens, for a program of Australian favourites and some new musical settings of poems by Henry Lawson. The concert will end with Master Organist, David Drury playing, on the Town Hall's Grand Organ, *Pomp and Circumstance* and *Land of Hope and Glory* before we all sing *Waltzing Matilda*. The concert will be a grand celebration in music and song of both the Queen's patronage of the arts in Australia and the land of the kangaroo and wattle! We hope you will join us - and many will join the Trust - for this night and our next forty years. For your Trust concessions apply today.

Lloyd Waddy  
Chairman

## FORTHCOMING PRODUCTIONS

### GRAND CHORAL CONCERT

SYDNEY TOWN HALL

Saturday 17th September, 1994 at 8:00 pm

Featuring The Sydney Philharmonia Choir of 100 voices  
Grand Organist, Mr. David Drury

GUEST ARTIST: MR PETER COUZENS

*Come (and sing) and help Lift the Roof off the Town Hall!*

## PRIVILEGE BOOKING SERVICE

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TP Trust Price GP General Public Price

\$3.00 Handling Fee per ticket (Pensioner and Student tickets).

\$3.00 For all other tickets \$35.00 and under.

\$4.00 For all other tickets over \$35.00

\$1.00 Postage and Mailing (plus \$2.20 Ticketek fee if applicable).

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MORE GREAT SAVINGS  
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Show	Trust Member's Discount	Total Savings (2 tkts)
Chalwin Concert	\$15.00	\$30.00
Blood Brothers	\$8.20	\$16.40
The Bastard from the Bush	\$10.00	\$20.00
Oscar's Turn to Sing	\$ 8.00	\$16.00
Jesus Christ Superstar	\$7.20	\$14.40
The Gondoliers	\$15.00	\$30.00
La Traviata	\$29.00	\$58.00
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Hoyts	\$ 2.50	\$ 5.00
Village	\$ 2.50	\$ 5.00
Greater Union	\$ 2.50	\$ 5.00
		\$214.80

Why pay the full price for theatre and cinema tickets, when you can be a Trust member and be eligible for these huge potential savings?

No need to wait in queues, tickets are just a telephone call away.

Tell your friends to join today.

Just call Carol Martin on 231 0699.

See inside for Trust  
Members' Nights  
THE  
GONDOLIERS &  
LA TRAVIATA  
and  
Trust Supper Nights  
HOTSPUR  
and  
BLOOD  
BROTHERS



# **BLOOD BROTHERS** by Willy Russell Her Majesty's Theatre, Quay Street, Railway Square.

**Starring David Soul, Delia Hannah and Stefan Dennis.**

Winner of four "Best Musical" Awards. In its 7th Year in London and 2nd Year on Broadway.

Set in Liverpool, Willy Russell's multi-award winning musical tells the story of the Johnstone twins who were separated at birth, but eventually meet later in life unaware they are twins. When they fall in love with the same girl the searing dramatic tension that results puts this musical in a class by itself.

David Soul (star of the TV series Starsky & Hutch and with over a million record sales to his credit) has received rave reviews in the role of the narrator, along with Delia Hannah (Aspects of Love and Les Misérables) and Stefan Dennis, this should prove to be an unmissable and unbeatable evening.

Playing from Thursday September 8th for a limited season.

Tues to Sat Eves - 7.30 pm. Matinees: Wed - 1 pm; Sat - 2 pm; Sun - 3 pm.

**TP \$36.90 (Wed & Thurs Eves and Sat & Sun Mats).**

**\$35.90 (Tues Eves).**

**\$30.90 (Wed Mats).**

**\$51.40 (Fri & Sat Eves).**

**GP \$45.10 (Wed & Thurs Eves and Sat & Sun Mats).**

**\$37.10 (Tues Eves).**

**\$32.10 (Wed Mats).**

**\$51.40 (Fri & Sat Eves).**

## **CHAMPAGNE SUPPER NIGHT FOR TRUST MEMBERS AND THEIR FRIENDS**

### **BLOOD BROTHERS**

Wednesday September 7th at 7.30 pm  
Her Majesty's Theatre

Join us to see the musical of the decade  
with supper afterwards at the

Country Comfort Sydney Central Hotel Broadwalk  
Brasserie (next door to Her Majesty's Theatre).

Champagne, Wine, Orange Juice & Mineral Water  
with Canapes, Cheeses and Fruits.

Cost per person \$48.00 including show and supper.  
Please book early as tickets are limited

# **THE BASTARD FROM THE BUSH** by

**Robin Ramsay & Rodney Fisher.**

**Seymour Centre (York Theatre).**

**Starring Robin Ramsay.**

This beguiling, challenging, evocative, confrontingly funny and fascinating one-man play is drawn entirely from Henry Lawson's desperately colourful life - his letters, jokes, doggerel, poems, philosophy, chat and the occasional commercial! Woven through it are the tough, endearing outback warriors that he knew and loved. Giraffe and Gentleman Once, Barcoo, One-Eyed Bogan and central to it all like some wonderfully eccentric genie, is Lawson himself.

Playing from Monday September 5th to Saturday September 17th.

Mon to Sat - 8 pm. Mats: Wed - 11 am and Sat - 5 pm.

**TP \$22.90 (All performances).**

**GP \$29.90 (Mon to Fri Eves).**

**\$32.90 (Sat Eves).**

## **CARAVAN** by Donald Macdonald.

**Sydney Opera House (Playhouse Theatre).**

Caravan takes a light-hearted look at friendship, age and holidays you should never have. Five best friends nudging forty and hating it, take their first holiday together. One of them brings his new and all too young girlfriend along, which threatens the holiday from the start. In the cramped space of a caravan tension rises and the laughs begin.

Playing to Saturday September 17th.

Mon to Sat Eves - 8 pm.

Mats: Wed - 1 pm; Sat - 2 pm.

**TP \$30.50 (All performances).**

**GP \$38.50 (All performances).**

## **THE CREDITORS** by Strindberg.

(Translated by May-Britt Ackerholt.)

**The Lookout Theatre (above Woollahra Hotel, 116A Queen Street, Woollahra).**

**Starring Craig Ashley, Alan Docker and Susan Neil.**

This is an examination of the power of suggestion as a tool of manipulation --- the seductiveness of gossip and innuendo --- as powerful today as it was in 1888.

Playing to Sunday August 28th.

Tues to Sat Eves - 8 pm; Sun - 5 pm.

**TP \$12.**

**GP \$20.**

## **JOIN US FOR TWO TRUST NIGHTS OF THE AUSTRALIAN OPERA'S PRODUCTIONS:**

### **THE GONDOLIERS**

(sung in English)

For members who missed our Trust night earlier this year, here is another opportunity to take advantage of good seating for this lively production, of spirited music, and non-stop dancing and merriment, upholding the classic tradition of Gilbert and Sullivan good fun.

Saturday August 27th 1994 at 7.30 pm

**TP \$55 (A Reserve)**

**GP \$70 (A Reserve)**

### **LA TRAVIATA**

(sung in Italian with surtitles)

One of Verdi's most popular operas, La Traviata features some of the most beautiful and melodic music in all Italian Opera. Set in Paris in the 1880's this is the story of Violetta Valery, a fallen woman "the lady of the camellias".

Monday September 5th 1994 at 7.30 pm.

**TP \$78 (A Reserve).**

**GP \$107 (A Reserve).**

Book early as tickets are limited.

## **ADVANCE NOTICE**

### **MISS SAIGON**

Opens at the Capitol Theatre, Sydney in July 1995. Be one of the first to see the show that is already a legend.

Tickets will be put aside for Trust members for various dates. Please ring Carol Martin on 231 0699 if you would like to put your name on a waiting list for tickets that will go on sale later this year.

## **CHAMPAGNE SUPPER NIGHT FOR TRUST MEMBERS AND THEIR FRIENDS HOTSPUR**

Thursday December 1st at 8 pm.

Sydney Opera House (Drama Theatre).

Supper will be held in the theatre foyer after the performance.

Cost per person \$52, including show and supper.

**HURRY - TICKETS SELLING FAST!!**

**PLEASE BOOK EARLY TO OBTAIN PRIME SEATING.**

## **AUSTRALIAN OPERA**

Sydney Opera House/Opera Theatre.

**The Gondoliers** August - 11th, 12th, 16th, 20th, 24th, 27th, 30th.

September - 2nd, 7th, 9th, 10th (Mat), 13th, 20th.

October - 3rd (Mat), 8th, 10th, 14th, 20th, 24th.

**The Pearl Fishers** September - 16th, 23rd, 26th, 29th.

October - 5th, 8th (Mat), 13th, 17th, 22nd, 27th, 29th (Mat).

**Così Fan Tutte** September - 1st, 3rd, 6th, 10th, 14th, 17th (Mat), 19th, 24th (Mat).

**The Siege of Troy**

(Part 1) August - 13th (Mat), 18th.

**The Trojans at Carthage**

(Part 2) August - 13th, 20th (Mat), 25th.

**La Traviata** August - 19th, 22nd, 26th, 29th, 31st.

September - 3rd (Mat), 5th, 8th, 12th, 15th, 17th, 24th, 27th, 30th.

October - 4th, 7th, 11th, 15th, 19th, 22nd (Mat), 25th, 28th.

**I Masnadieri** October - 1st, 6th, 12th, 15th (Mat), 18th, 21st, 26th, 29th.

Please ring the Trust for price details on 231 0699

## **CINEMA**

Film vouchers for Greater Union, Village and Hoyts cinemas may be purchased from the Trust office for only \$9 (a \$2.50 discount on the general public ticket price).

Vouchers are open dated and are exchanged for tickets at the cinema box office. No handling fee is charged, nor is there any limit to the number of tickets members can buy, so they also make perfect birthday gifts.

Discounts are also offered at the Valhalla (Glebe), Bondi Plaza, United Cinemas, Roseville Family Cinema, Manly Twin, the Mandolin Cinema and the Dendy at Martin Place, on presentation of the membership card at the box office.



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### A CHORUS LINE

Her Majesty's Theatre, Quay Street, Railway Square.

Starring David Whitney and Jaqui Green.

Winner of nine Tony Awards and a Pulitzer Prize for Drama, this production is full of dazzling dancing and Marvin Hamlisch classics, staged like an audition for a forthcoming Broadway musical. In the course of it we meet the dancers, all desperate to get the job, and with their egos and insecurities out there on show.

Playing to Saturday August 27th.

Mon to Sat Eves - 8 pm.

Mats: Wed - 1 pm; Sat - 2 pm.

TP \$41.00 (Mon to Thurs Eves & Mats).

\$51.70 (Fri and Sat Eves).

GP \$49.50 (Mon to Thurs Eves & Mats).

\$51.70 (Fri and Sat Eves).

### HOTSPUR by Geoffrey Atherden.

Sydney Theatre Company.

Sydney Opera House (Drama Theatre).

Starring Ruth Cracknell and Garry McDonald.

Fiona MacPherson is very much to her manor born - in this case Hotspur, the family home in inner suburban Melbourne. The last of her line, Fiona has managed to defend Hotspur against encroaching property development and dwindling finances. But to do this, she has been forced to take in lodgers.... and that's where the mystery and fun begin.

Playing from Wednesday October 19th to

Saturday December 10th.

Mon to Sat - 8 pm. Mats: Wed - 1 pm; Sat - 2 pm.

TP \$33 (Mon to Thurs Eves).

\$36 (Fri & Sat Eves).

GP \$36 (Mon to Sat Eves).

TP & GP \$27 (Wed Mats); \$30 (Sat Mats).

### THE PHANTOM OF THE OPERA.

Music by Andrew Lloyd Webber, Lyrics by Charles Hart.

Theatre Royal, King Street, Sydney (season continues).

Andrew Lloyd Webber's megahit is still going strong. Tender and beautiful; this legendary story comes alive in this glorious \$10 million production.

Mon to Sat Eves - 8 pm.

Mats: Wed - 1 pm; Sat - 2 pm.

TP \$72 August 1994 to January 1995.

(Mon to Thurs Eves and Mats).

Tickets have been put aside for members for various dates to January 1995.

### JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR by Andrew Lloyd Webber and Tim Rice.

State Theatre, Market Street, Sydney.

Starring Jon Stevens, Deni Hines, Darryl Lovegrove, George Henare, Frankie Stevens and Noel Ferrier.

They are calling it the entertainment miracle of the decade. The greatest story ever told, with magical stars, a full chorus of singers and our finest musicians, thrilling staging, lighting and costumes in this brand new production of Superstar.

Playing from Thursday September 8th to early November.

Mon to Thurs Eves - 8 pm;

Fri Eves - 6 pm & 8.30 pm; Sat - 2 pm & 8 pm.

TP \$49 (Mon to Thurs - 8 pm);

\$49 (Fri - 6 pm & Sat - 2 pm).

\$56.20 (Fri - 8.30 pm & Sat - 8 pm).

GP \$56.20 (All performances).

### THE VERDICT by Agatha Christie.

Kent Street Theatre/Genesian Theatre Company

Come along to Sydney's unique little theatre and see another murder mystery, which are always Kent Street Theatre's biggest drawcard.

Playing from Saturday August 13th to Saturday September 24th.

Thurs to Sat - 8 pm. Sun - 4.30 pm.

TP \$13.

GP \$16.

### THE THREEPENNY OPERA by Bertolt Brecht. Music by Kurt Weill.

Sydney Opera Company.

Sydney Opera House (Drama Theatre).

Starring Peter Carroll, Judi Connelli, Helen Buday, William Zappa, D J Foster and George Washingmachine.

Mr Peacham is shocked to find that his beloved daughter, Polly, has married the dangerous and declassé Macheath. This infamous culprit with murders, robberies, burglaries and forgery already under his belt, eludes Peacham's plan to apprehend him by leaving Polly in charge of his gang, and embarking on a journey even more terrible than any of his previous adventures.

Playing from Thursday September 1st to Saturday October 8th.

Mon to Sat Eves - 8 pm. Mats: Wed - 1 pm; Sat - 2 pm.

TP \$33 (Mon to Thurs Eves).

\$36 (Fri & Sat Eves).

GP \$36 (Mon to Sat Eves).

TP & GP \$27 (Wed Mats); \$30 (Sat Mats).



**ONE SMALL STEP by Heather Nimmo.**

Glen Street Theatre, Glen Street, Frenchs Forest.  
Starring Peta Toppano.

Regina is a modern Australian Cinderella. Raising two children and slaving every day at the shoe factory, she dreams of a better life. In the tradition of Shirley Valentine, this inspirational one woman play is a heartwarming and very funny story of personal liberation.

*Playing from Thursday October 13th to*

*Saturday October 22nd.*

*Tues to Sat - 8 pm.*

*Mats: Wed - 1 pm; Sat - 2 pm; Sun - 5 pm.*

**TP \$28 (Tues to Fri Eves & Mats);**

**\$32 (Sat Eves).**

**GP \$32 (Tues to Sat Eves & Mats).**

**TURANDOT by Giacomo Puccini.**

Sydney Football Stadium.

Starring an International Cast.

Set in Peking in legendary times. It has been decreed that the beautiful Princess "Turandot" daughter of Emperor Altoum shall marry the first man of royal blood who solves three riddles set by her. Prince Calof arrives at the court in disguise and is so smitten by Turandot's beauty he determines to win her hand at all cost. A rich theatrical tapestry fusing diverse elements including lighting, orchestra, chorus and crowds. Turandot will be spectacular.

*Playing November 2nd, 4th & 5th at 8 pm.*

**TP \$250 - \$125 - \$70 - \$50.**

**GP \$250 - \$150 - \$90 - \$65.**

**WAITING ROOMS by Michael Costello.**

Ensemble Theatre, Milsons Point.

Starring Teo Gebert and Chris Taylor.

A feisty old woman and her dog, a country boy fresh to the "Big Smoke" and a retarded man are some of the residents you'll meet at Mrs Matthew's Bondi boarding house. You will laugh and be moved by these three separate, yet interconnecting stories, of the excitement, sadness, hope and loneliness that come from living in a big city.

*Playing from Thursday September 8th to*

*Saturday October 8th.*

*Tues to Sat Eves - 8.15 pm. Mats: Sat & Sun - 5 pm.*

**TP \$25 (Tues to Thurs Eves & Mats).**

**\$28 (Fri Eves); \$30 (Sat Eves).**

**GP \$28 (Tues to Thurs Eves & Mats).**

**\$31 (Fri Eves); \$33 (Sat Eves).**

**THE SISTERS ROSENSWEIG by Wendy Wasserstein.**

Sydney Theatre Company (Wharf Theatre).

Starring Jacki Weaver.

The three sisters Rosensweig grew up in Brooklyn and now come together in London to celebrate the eldest sister's 54th birthday. One is an executive in a London office, another is about to launch "The Dr Gorgeous Show" on cable TV in Massachusetts, and the third sister is a travel writer and journalist. Then ensues a wildly entertaining exploration of the quest for love, self-definition and fulfilment.

*Playing from Wednesday August 17th to*

*Saturday October 15th.*

*Mon to Sat - 8 pm. Mats: Wed - 1 pm; Sat - 2 pm.*

**TP \$33 (Mon to Thurs Eves).**

**\$36 (Fri and Sat Eves).**

**GP \$36 (Mon to Sat Eves).**

**TP & GP \$27 (Wed Mats); \$30 (Sat Mats).**

**OSCAR'S TURN TO SING.**

Sydney Opera House (Playhouse Theatre).

Starring "The Starr Sisters".

A song and dance musical fantasy featuring the 60 Oscar Winning Songs. A night of musical bliss.

*Playing from Thursday October 13th to*

*Saturday December 24th.*

*Tues to Sat - 8 pm.*

*Mats: Wed - 1 pm; Sat - 2 pm.*

**TP \$30.50 (All performances).**

**GP \$38.50 (All performances).**

**SYDNEY SHOWBOAT DINNER****CRUISE**

Departs Campbells Cove (The Rocks) 7.30 pm daily.

Enjoy a wonderful cruise on the harbour with dinner followed by a spectacular cabaret show with Australian and International performers.

**TP \$72 (daily).**

**GP \$90 (daily).**

**SYDNEY SHOWBOAT "DIXIE" JAZZ LUNCHEON CRUISE.**

Departs Campbells Cove (The Rocks) 12.30 pm.

While listening to the Harbour City Jazz Band, enjoy a deluxe buffet lunch.

**TP \$32 (daily).**

**GP \$39.50 (daily).**

*Bookings for the above to be made only through  
CAROL MARTIN at the Trust.*