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Symphony Under the Stars

Sydney Symphony Orchestra, Australia



Photo: Prudence Upton

It wouldn't be summer in Sydney without *Symphony Under the Stars* featuring the **Sydney Symphony Orchestra**. In 2017, Sydney Festival present the much-anticipated performance in the Domain as well as an additional concert in The Crescent, Parramatta Park.

The **Sydney Symphony Orchestra** has performed at almost every Sydney Festival since 1977. The first *Symphony Under the Stars* occurred in 1984 in The Domain, when **David Measham** conducted the orchestra with guitar virtuoso **John Williams** as guest soloist.

The orchestra, under the baton of **Nick Carter (The Domain)** and **Jessica Cottis (Parramatta)**, will perform a free concert of rousing classics; old and new. The concert opens with **John Adams'** exhilarating *Short Ride in a Fast Machine* before showcasing the orchestra's concertmaster **Andrew Haverson** and principal violist **Tobias Breider** in **Mozart's** gorgeous *Sinfonia Concertante*. The concert continues with **Elgar's** stirring masterpiece *Enigma Variations* before finishing with a bang in **Tchaikovsky's** iconic *1812 Overture* – complete with cannons!

The Sydney Symphony Orchestra returns for their eleventh consecutive concert at The Crescent, Parramatta Park. This will be the first time they perform at the venue under Sydney Festival. Bring a hamper, a blanket and your friends and settle in for an evening of delightful music.

Where The Domain & The Crescent, Parramatta Park

When The Domain
14 January at 8pm

The Crescent, Parramatta Park
28 January at 8pm

Tickets Free

Symphony Under the Stars (The Domain) is supported by the NSW Government's tourism and major events agency, Destination NSW. Sydney Festival and Destination NSW have a strategic partnership that will see three world premieres and four Australian exclusive events presented at Sydney Festival 2017.

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Further information:

Be sure to arrive early in order to secure the best position in the venues. This event will go ahead if rain is forecast. Umbrellas are allowed until the performances begins. At this point, if you would like to use an umbrella, you will need to be at the back of the crowd so that nobody's view is obstructed.

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