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News from the Metropolitan Male Choir of South Australia

Welcome Autumn and Songs of Love

We are very excited about our concert program for 2017. You will see from our diary below that we will be busy entertaining audiences in Adelaide and into the South East of the state when we tour Naracoorte and Millicent in June. We look forward to seeing you at one of our concerts very soon!

Come to the Cabaret

The MMCSA Cabaret program is back by popular demand. The 2015 event was sold out and many people missed out on hearing the marvellous program. The 2017 Cabaret will be held on **Sunday 2 April at 2.00pm** again at the **Burnside Ballroom**. The program will be dedicated to **Songs Of Love** and will be similar to our last program but with several new and popular songs added to our repertoire for the occasion.

Supporting artists will include renowned Adelaide Bass **Pelham Andrews** as well as brilliant young Saxophonist **Ethan Hurn**. The MMCSA will also be accompanied by an ensemble including piano, string quartet, double bass and drums.

Tickets are only \$30.00 each and this includes delicious food platters. Drinks including wine, beer and soft drinks are available for purchase. **Bookings can be made on our website (www.mmcsa.org) or by calling 0438 565 021.** Be sure to book early to avoid missing out. The concert starts at 2.00pm sharp and doors will open at 1.00pm to allow audience members to be comfortably seated and organise drinks etc before the performance starts. We look forward to seeing you there!

Our 2017 Scholarship Winners!



Photograph courtesy of Andrew Dickman. For more, please visit <https://lordveritas.smugmug.com>

Our 2017 Scholarship winners were introduced at our Christmas Concert (photo).

The standard of candidates who auditioned for the scholarship was exceptionally high. First Prize was awarded to 12-year-old violinist **Jasmine Milton** (*right*). Jasmine impressed the judging panel with her technical wizardry and musical sensitivity. Jasmine will of course be a featured soloist at the 2017 MMCSA Variety PROMS Concerts in the Adelaide Town Hall in August as well as at other MMCSA events.

Second Prize went to 15-year-old **Joseph Yuan** (*middle*) who is a very fine pianist. Joseph will be seen at upcoming MMCSA events, especially at our 2017 Christmas Celebration in the renovated Elder Hall.

Diary for 2017

Sunday 2 April 2.00pm: Songs of Love Cabaret Burnside Ballroom

Sunday 30 April 2.30pm: Pleasant Sunday Afternoon Colonel Light Gardens Uniting Church, Daw Park

Sunday 21 May 2.00pm: Kernewek Lowender, Moonta Mines Uniting Church

Sunday 28 May 2.00pm Friends of the MMCSA Concert, St David's Church, Burnside

Saturday 17 June 7.30pm, MMCSA On Tour, Naracoorte Town Hall and **Sunday 18 June 2.00pm**, Millicent Civic Arts Centre

Sunday 30 July: Pleasant Sunday Afternoon 2.00pm St Martins Anglican, Campbelltown

Saturday 26 & Sunday 27 August 2.00pm: MMCSA Variety PROMS Concert, Adelaide Town Hall

Sunday 24 September 2.00pm: Pleasant Sunday Afternoon, St Andrews Uniting Church, Strathalbyn

Saturday 2 December 7.30pm: Celebration of Christmas, Elder Hall, University of Adelaide



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The June Genders Encouragement Prize was awarded to 16-year-old **Marco Callisto** (*left*) who also played piano. Marco is also an organ scholar and the choir is hoping there will an opportunity for audiences to hear him perform on both instruments at a future MMCSA concert.

Check out our all-new mmcsa.org website!

Please visit our new website to see an excellent **new video of the choir**, hear some choir recordings, as well as book tickets for upcoming events. The address is: www.mmcsa.org.

Care to join us on the MMCSA tour to Hong Kong and China in 2018?

We are pleased to announce our top 10 prize winners from the 2016 MMCSA lottery as drawn at the Celebration of Christmas concert on the 3rd of December 2016.

1. Gaynor Hawkins (Ticket number 875)
2. Eugene Chaplin (435)
3. Debra Boundy (233)
4. Rodney Probert (728)
5. Pamela Murfett (311)
6. Steve Irvine (538)
7. Michel Bakhos (223)
8. Melanie Dauchier (628)
9. Ron McKay-Smith (341)
10. Doris Clow (946)

Our first prize winner won two economy class return tickets to Hong Kong and China courtesy of Cathay Pacific Airlines. She can choose to fly during 2017 or travel with the choir in 2018 when we tour. Other winners received valuable prizes courtesy of Clipsal and complimentary tickets to the 2017 Variety PROMS Concert. Thank you to all friends who purchased a ticket and helped support our choir!

The lottery returns in 2017!

We are pleased to announce we will hold a new MMCSA Lottery in 2017 with the winning tickets to be drawn at the Elder Hall Christmas Concert. **First prize will again be two economy class return tickets to Hong Kong courtesy of Cathay Pacific Airlines.** The first prize winner can choose to travel at their chosen time or with the choir in 2018. In 2016 the limited number of tickets sold out and again there will only be 1000 tickets available in 2017. Tickets will go on sale at the Cabaret - Songs of Love program on 2 April and will then be available through choir members or at future MMCSA events until sold out.

The MMCSA gratefully acknowledges the support of our sponsors.

