

An Overview of.....



Norfolk Island
February 20th - 24th 2012

ARTISTS

Soprano - Jennifer Parish

Tenor – Benjamin Fifita Makisi

Baritone – Stewart Cameron

Mezzo – TBA

Pianist - Max Olding

Pianist - Pamela Page

Accompanist – John Woods

Further Artist/s - TBA

In 2012, we are delighted to welcome back popular Tongan-Samoan tenor, Benjamin Fifita Makisi. Brilliant concert pianists and delightful husband and wife team, Max Olding and Pamela Page will also return to thrill with piano duets, duets for two pianos and solos. Esteemed accompanist John Woods, who has enjoyed an impressive career throughout Europe and the UK, will once again support a fine line-up of singers. Concerts filled with best-loved melodies and lesser known gems await you!

CONCERTS

Opera to Die For ! – Monday 20th at 7.30pm

Our cast of singers presents a veritable feast of best-loved operatic arias and ensembles to launch our festival week. Lighter fare will finish the evening.

Just We Two! – Tuesday 21st at 11am

Max and Pamela present a brilliant showcase of solos, four-hand and two piano duets. The chemistry of this remarkable on and offstage couple is ever evident in the sparkle and synergy of their duet playing.

Song of Songs – Tuesday 21st at 2pm

Our Festival singers join forces to share wonderful songs of all sorts, each vying for the prize of 'best song'. In contrast to the high drama of opera, this is a chance to hear the voices in more intimate mode.

Masters of Song – Wednesday 22nd at 2pm

Soprano Jennifer performs the famous Four Last Songs by Richard Strauss and baritone Stewart follows with a selection of favourite songs by the great Paolo Tosti.

Sundowners with the Artists – Wednesday 22nd at 5pm

Join the artists, Festival sponsors and your fellow Festival attendees for a relaxed and memorable social gathering as the sun sets. Drinks and finger foods will be served.

Pictures at an Exhibition – Thursday 23rd at 11am

Known as a fine pianist, Pamela Page has another talent. As she plays the famous 'Pictures' she shares her series of paintings based on Mussorgsky's masterpiece. Max will then take the stage with gems of his own.

Festival Finale! – Thursday 23rd at 7.30pm

How better to finish the week of marvellous music than with a Pot Pourri of great Opera, Operetta, Song and Piano masterpieces. This final program features all of our 2012 artists.

TESTIMONIALS – (A few of the many... from past attendees.)

- * Thank you for a memorable week of concerts of the highest standard with plenty of variety. I appreciated the artists mixing with us too. We hope to return next year! - **Helen H. Killawarra NSW**
- * Thoroughly enjoyed the variety and the high standard of performance. - **Doreen K. St Kilda VIC**
- * It was all superb and lots of fun! All the variety was much appreciated. - **Mary C. NSW**
- * An experience of a lifetime - **Isobel R. Biloela QLD**
- * Excellent programs, presentation and compering. Norfolk Is. is the perfect setting! - **Helen C. Taihape NZ**
- * Beyond our expectations! We've been coming since 2006 and enjoy every aspect - **Linda L. Chinchilla Q**
- * I think you've got something great here! - **C. Eider Auckland NZ**
- * Perth is a long haul from Norfolk Is. but we were rewarded with an excellent program and we enjoyed it immensely. Artists and organisation of the highest standard. - **Kevin J. Freemantle WA**