



Organisers of the Annual Sydney Presentation of Handel's *Messiah* since 1941

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Dear Chorister,

Handel's 'MESSIAH' 2017

We hope you are looking forward to our 77th annual performances in December. The following are the important details you need to know.

1. Weekly rehearsals begin Monday 9 October at St Stephen's Church Macquarie Street, 7:00 pm to 8:45 pm. Please arrive in good time. Church opens 6:30 pm.
2. Performances 3:00 pm at Sydney Town Hall on Saturday 16 and Sunday 17 December.
3. Tickets on sale from Monday 25 September from City Recital Hall (online, telephone or over counter). Prices unchanged from last year. Please see our website above for details.
4. \$5 per ticket chorister discount (code: RADIO)
5. Conductor Tim Chung; organist Peter Kneeshaw.
6. Our soloists will be Ashlee Woodgate (soprano), Barbara Jin (Alto), Brad Cooper (Tenor) and Tristan Entwistle (Bass).

REGISTRATION - IMPORTANT!!!!

We are continuing to improve our registration system. To achieve this, we require your cooperation. The new system will operate as follows:

1. You need to enter our website www.handelsmessiah.org.au, **and then click on the "Register Now" button** where you will be directed to the registration/payment page.
2. You will have the option of registering and paying by credit card via the secure eWay system (Visa or MasterCard) or registering and paying cash at a practice. If at all possible, please choose to pay online by credit card so that we do not have long queues at practices.

3. ***After successful registration***, you will receive by email your weekly attendance sheet (***please check your Inbox and/or spam folder***) which is to be stamped each week. This will show your name and payment status. Please fit it securely into the front of your *Messiah* score so that it can be easily read and stamped.
4. Choristers already on our email list may find that their personal details pop up immediately on the system when attempting to fill out the registration form. ***If this occurs, please click on the “Login” button. Given that this will be your first time logging into the new system, you will need to retrieve your password. Simply click on the “Forgot Password” option and complete the form. Once you have your password, you can login to check and update your details as necessary.***

MULTIPLE USERS OF SAME EMAIL ADDRESS

1. Families and others who all use the same e-mail account **MUST be registered as a group**. Each chorister will be sent a separate attendance sheet to that email address. The payment receipt will be in the name of the first person listed in the group.
2. If a name is to be added at a later date, it is possible to do so using the login facility and adding that person’s details.
3. The login facility can also be used to update your personal details (e.g. telephone number, address, *and* voice part, etc).
Please Note: If you are a member of a family group, you cannot update the Principal Family Member’s email address.

We would appreciate it if you registered early online and not leave it to the last minute, as we will also have to register manually a number of choristers who do not use the internet. Registration fees will then be collected at the third practice.

We look forward to seeing you again on 9 October.

Stephen Matthews
Donald Mayes
John Pollard