



# arts in the valley 6-8 May 2011

a 3 day festival combining classical  
and fine contemporary music  
with dance and sculpture,  
in the heart of Australia's  
most beautiful valley



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KANGAROO VALLEY

## “up close and personal”

We invite you to Arts in the Valley 2011, to share a delightful series of concerts given by some of the best musicians Australia has to offer. This year's festival is a smaller event than in past years – a reflection both of the financial times in which we find ourselves and the need to create a sustainable festival for the tiny community of Kangaroo Valley which supplies our volunteers. The advantage for you is that there is a simpler program, and you will have time to explore the area and discover the delights of our rural village life.

Each concert in this festival is a gem – a rare event you won't find elsewhere in the Australian musical calendar. The concerts range across solo recitals, vocal ensemble, percussion and dance with collaborations between artists. Each program has been created especially for the festival.

We are again hosting our exhibition of garden sculpture, this time in the award-winning “Crystal Creek Meadows”, which has a beautiful garden of rambling walks and unexpected delights. Come and enjoy this chance to view the work of sculptors from across the region and beyond. Entry to this exhibition is free for all package-holders.

*Belinda Webster*

Belinda Webster OAM

Artistic Director

## Come to Kangaroo Valley and experience...

Australia's best musicians in intimate settings

Music that talks about the natural world around us

Australia's most beautiful valley

Intimate recitals in superb acoustics

Our flagship garden sculpture exhibition



*....Also, give  
your Mother a special  
gift for Mother's Day*



**11am to 4pm - Garden Sculpture Exhibition**

Venue: "Crystal Creek Meadows"

1540 Moss Vale Road Kangaroo Valley  
(entrance in Kangaroo Valley Road)

If you are in the valley during the day, you can have a preview of, and an opportunity to purchase, the sculptures in advance of the official opening of the exhibition on Saturday morning.

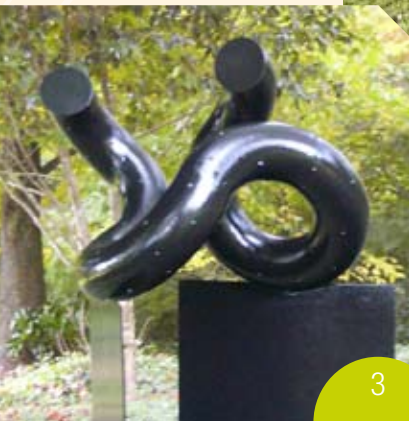
Talk by **Michael Bligh BLA AAILA** On The Art of Garden Design at 12 noon each day. Michael is well known as one of the most experienced and qualified garden designers in Australia. During the last 30 years he has been personally involved with the design of over 3,000 gardens located throughout rural and metropolitan Australia.



Played Like a Harp  
by Elyssa Sykes-Smith



2009 People's Choice: Trio  
by Dora Rögnvaldsdottir



2009 winner: Nero on Edge  
by Malcolm Utley

**8pm - John Harding in Recital**

Venue: Kangaroo Valley Hall

**John Harding** – violin

**Ian Munro** – piano

A very rare event opens the 2011 Festival: a recital by **John Harding**, who has held the position of Concert Master of the **Sydney Symphony**, **The Australian Chamber Orchestra** and the **London Symphony Orchestra**. He is currently with the **Hong Kong Symphony Orchestra**, and has performed throughout Europe for many years leading the **Orlando Quartet**. He rarely gives recitals so this is a very special occasion. He will perform with the Australia Ensemble's pianist **Ian Munro**. The program will include the ravishing Ravel Violin Sonata.



Ian Munro



John Harding

## 10am to 4pm - Garden Sculpture Exhibition

10am - Official opening and announcement of first prize

Venue: *Crystal Creek Meadows*

We welcome you to one of our signature festival events. Our garden this year is part of a property that has won two Australian Tourism Awards and the local owners are leaders in pursuing sustainable energy use. The garden offers a rambling walk on level ground through a design that creates many different "rooms" in which to display sculptural works. Most of the sculptures will be for sale and you will be able to meet the sculptors at the official opening. You will be able to contribute your say in the People's Choice Award (to be announced on Sunday afternoon).



*Yuin Ghudjargah and TaikOz Quartet*

## 2.30pm - Dance and Drum

Venue: *Kangaroo Valley Hall*

### Yuin Ghudjargah and TaikOz Quartet

Yuin Ghudjargah is the Shoalhaven-based Aboriginal dance troupe which has been performing throughout

Australia for nearly 20 years (formerly known as the Doonoch Dancers) and took part in the 2000 Sydney Olympics. This is their first performance in Kangaroo Valley. A Welcome to Country will be performed by elder **Paul McLeod** before a program of song and dance. The second half of this event will feature TaikOz Quartet, a Sydney-based percussion group playing Japanese Taiko drums. Bubbling with energy, TaikOz music gives Asian sounds a distinctive Australian flavour.

## 7.30pm - Harmony in Nature

Venue: *Kangaroo Valley Hall*

### The Song Company

The ever-popular Song Company (directed by **Roland Peelman**) will sing a special program of music from the past and the present, all of which deals with our relationship to the natural world. Included will be a bracket of superb songs by **Claudio Monteverdi**, as well as songs by our local composer **Martin Wesley-Smith**. In our last festival we celebrated the 80th birthday of Australia's best-known composer **Peter Sculthorpe** and in this concert the Song Company will sing three of his rarely-heard works.

*The Song Company*



## 10am to 4pm - Garden Sculpture Exhibition

Venue: *Crystal Creek Meadows*

## Hausmusik

*In this series of concerts you will be taken into three houses in Kangaroo Valley that have excellent acoustics for listening to music. Because these rooms are private lounge rooms the sense of intimacy with the performer is paramount.*



*Genevieve Lacey*

## 10.30 am - Concert A1

Venue: *Barrengarry House*

Genevieve Lacey will play a solo recital on her recorders in Kangaroo Valley's landmark house. She will play music from the baroque and some land-

mark works written for the instrument in the 20th century. Included will be Queensland violinist/composer John Rodger's wonderful music about birds.

## 10.30am - Concert A2

Venue: *Villa Music*

Ian Munro will play a solo recital of piano works by Mozart, including Sonata no 11 in A major, K331 (with the famous Turkish Rondo) in the purpose-built room which is the venue for an occasional series of concerts.

## 10.30am - Concert A3

Venue: *Cedar Grove*

Cellist David Pereira will perform with painter Micky Allan in the spacious Cedar Grove lounge room with its picture-perfect valley views. Together they will improvise new works for cello and artist.

This event was scheduled for the 2007 festival but David fell ill.

It's been a long wait. This is your chance to witness the birth of a new piece!



*David Pereira*



Micky Allan

## 2.30pm - Concert B1

Venue: *Barrengarry House*

Genevieve Lacey will play a solo recital on her recorders. She will play music from the baroque and some landmark works written for the instrument in the 20th century. Included will be John Rodger's wonderful music about birds.

*(Repeat performance)*

## 2.30pm - Concert B2

Venue: *Villa Musica*

Ian Munro will play a solo recital of piano works by Mozart, including Sonata no 11 in A major, K331 (with the famous Turkish Rondo).

*(Repeat performance)*



Ian Munro



Alice Giles

## 2.30pm - Concert B3

Venue: *Cedar Grove*

Alice Giles will play a solo recital showing off the harp in all its glory, including music by CPE Bach, Lustig, Berio, Britten and the great harp virtuoso Carlos Salzedo



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