

Mezzo-soprano to mesmerise audiences

June 5, 2019

Regional audiences are in for a treat with internationally renowned mezzo-soprano Sally-Anne Russell performing in Albury as part of the 2019 Albury Chamber Music Festival Concert Series.

Ms Russell will be supported by associate artist Helena Kernaghan and the Lux Alba Chamber Choir on Sunday, June 23, from 2pm at St Matthew's Church, Albury.

Concert Series manager Claire Higgins said Sally-Anne would perform a program of arias from operas by Rossini, Bizet and others, along with sacred music and some lieder song.

Sally-Anne has performed in more than 20 countries in over 70 operatic roles.

She has 40 CD and DVD recordings with ABC Classics, CHANDOS, NAXOS and DECCA labels.

A winner of an ARIA people's choice award, Sally-Anne's international highlights include Oper der Stadt Koln, Washington Opera (DC), 10 seasons at the Carmel Bach Festival (California), Spoleto Festival (Italy) and in Canada, Japan and Austria.

She has performed with the greats - Luciano Pavarotti, Vladimir Ashkenazy, Sir Bryn Terfel, Sir Andrew Davis, Simone Young, Richard Bonygne and most recently, Sumi Jo.

This year, Sally-Anne will perform with the Melbourne and Auckland Symphony Orchestras, at the Vivaldi in the Vines event in Adelaide, concerts in Sydney, Melbourne, Hobart and Devonport, plus the Bach Weihnachts Oratorium and a series of concerts in Austria and Germany.

Associate artist Helena Kernaghan is the Albury Chamber Music Festival artistic director and is an accomplished pianist.

She is a member of the local chamber music ensemble Orpheus Trio.

Rounding out the program will be the Lux Alba Chamber Choir which regularly performs at St Matthew's Church.

The concert will be followed by the third and final concert in the series featuring Marshall McGuire on Sunday, September 8 at 2pm.

Marshall has performed as a harpist with the Australian Chamber Orchestra, English String Orchestra, Les Talens Lyriques, Australian Brandenburg Orchestra, Melbourne Symphony Orchestra and Australia Ensemble.

He has appeared at international festivals including Aldeburgh, Melbourne, Milan, Geneva, Brighton, Moscow, Vienna, Huddersfield, Huntington and Adelaide.

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Tickets can be purchased in person or over the phone from the Albury Entertainment Centre box office on 02 6043 5610.

Tickets will be available for purchase at the door, with \$10 entry for students/Under 18s (with identification).

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