

AUSTRALIAN BRANDENBURG ORCHESTRA MEDIA RELEASE

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HIRO KUROSAKI in Vivaldi Violin Velocity

Baroque violin virtuosity is the key to **Vivaldi Violin Velocity**, featuring the music of **Vivaldi & Handel**, & Australian premieres of music by **Zavateri** and **Pisendel**. These virtuosic rarities are both considered by Paul Dyer as amongst the greatest violin concerti of the baroque period, requiring guest director and soloist Hiro to play his 17th century violin at thrilling speeds!

Our fifteen year wait for dynamic Hiro is over

“Powerhouse Hiro Kurosaki is worth waiting fifteen years for,” say Paul Dyer, Brandenburg Artistic Director.

“Hiro is the best of Japan, Austria, Spain and France all wrapped up into one impressive and explosive package,” says Paul of the Brandenburg’s guest director and soloist for the Orchestra’s national tour in September.

Hiro was born in Japan, was raised in Vienna, and now lives in Valencia, Spain. He works in Paris, but also performs all over Europe as a soloist and concertmaster of legendary ensembles such as **Les Arts Florissants** of Paris and Vienna’s **Clemencic Consort**.

“A spellbinding performance he gave with Les Arts Florissants at the Theatre Champs Elysees in 1992 impressed me so much that I introduced myself afterwards,” says Paul. “This was the beginning of my quest to team Hiro with the Brandenburg for a national tour.”

“His performances are athletic and he has a wicked sense of fun. I related to him immediately and knew he would connect with our audiences. We can expect pyrotechnic violin playing, outstanding musicality and the best night of fun you could ever have in the concert hall.”

“He is in such demand that it has taken me fifteen years to book him to play with the Brandenburg,” says Paul.

The Brandenburg players have already experienced the vitality and generous spirit of Hiro – but not on stage: “After the opening night of our European Tour with Andreas Scholl in 2001, Hiro invited the WHOLE orchestra to wine, dine and celebrate in the restaurant bar he owns in Vienna.”

Hiro Kurosaki plays a violin made by Giovanni Battista Rogeri, Brescia (Italy), 1670

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VIVALDI VIOLIN VELOCITY

Guest Director **Hiro Kurosaki**

AUSTRALIAN TOUR PROGRAM

Vivaldi Concerto in F RV569
Handel Concerto grosso Op.6 No.10 in D minor
Zavateri Concerto a *Tempesta di mare* Op.1 No.12
interval

Soloist: **Hiro Kurosaki** baroque violin
Directed by **Paul Dyer**
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Vivaldi Concerto in D RV 564
Heinichen Concerto for Oboe in G minor S.237
Pisendel Violin Concerto in D major

Soloists: **Hiro Kurosaki & Lucinda Moon** baroque violin
Soloist: **Kirsten Barry** baroque oboe
Soloist: **Hiro Kurosaki** baroque violin

SYDNEY

City Recital Hall, Angel Place

(note: Sydney dates have been changed due to APEC)

Date/Times

EVENING - Fri 31 August, Sat 1, Tues 4 & Wed 5 September at 7pm
MATINEE - Sat 1 September at 2pm
TWILIGHT - Sun 2 September at 5pm

Tickets

From \$103 to \$29 Plus booking fee. Group bookings, Under 30 and Student Rush available.
City Recital Hall Box Office 02 8256 2222 or www.cityrecitalhall.com.au

BRISBANE

QPAC Concert Hall

Date/Time

Monday 10 Sept at 8pm

Tickets

From \$66 to \$29 Plus booking fee. Group bookings, Under 30 and Student Rush available.
QTIX 136 246

DARWIN

Entertainment Centre

Date/Time

Tuesday 11 Sept at 7pm

Tickets

\$49 to \$29 Plus booking fee. DEC Members and Under 30 price available.
DEC Ticketing (08) 8980 3333

PERTH

Concert Hall

Date/Time

Friday 14 Sept at 8pm

Tickets

From \$69 to \$29 Plus booking fee. Group bookings, Under 30 and Student Rush available.
BOCS Ticketing (08) 9484 1133

ADELAIDE

Town Hall

Date/Time

Sunday 16 Sept at 2pm

Tickets

From \$69 to \$29 Plus booking fee. BASS Ticketing 131 246

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