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a brandenburg 21st anniversary special event
ABC CLASSICS CD RELEASE 5 March
SYDNEY CONCERT 17 March
MELBOURNE CONCERTS 23 & 24 March



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"What happens when you take 17th century music into a smoky dance hall?" says Paul Dyer artistic director of the Australian Brandenburg Orchestra. "You get something a little daring, sexy, and delicious. You get **Tapas!**"

"It's our 21st, so we thought we'd take the Baroque out for a spin. We took baroque dance beats and love songs, and then we improvised till we found a new sound to stir up new emotions.

"Its old music on old instruments, made new. It's all those gorgeous Brandenburg flavours in a spicy mix – dueling violins, a haunting lirone, spanish guitar, a divine soprano, bells, castanets, harpsichord, there's even an old school wind machine. It's ecstatic and highly intoxicating!"

ABC Classics releases the **Tapas** CD on 5 March and special **Tapas** performances will take place in Sydney and Melbourne later that month in a rare live concert performance of a Brandenburg recording.

"People always ask us if we are going to release our concerts on CD? When you go and hear a band, you can buy the music they're playing, at the gig. Why not at the Brandenburg? **Tapas** is our 21st Birthday party, so we're doing both." adds Paul.

"Our last disc won our 4th **ARIA Award** and has received rave reviews internationally, including an **Editor's Choice** in the prestigious **Gramophone** magazine. But **Tapas** is going to take audiences on a whole new journey."

"**Tapas** is also a tribute to the music-making of my parents – Mum, a pianist with a gift for improvisation, and Dad, who played the drums. Their influences of classical, swing, jazz and pop have led us to the rhythms of **Tapas**."

"We've taken 21 years of historically informed performance practice and thrown it into the 21st century. Ladies and Gentlemen, Tapas is served!"

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Arpeggiata improvisation Kapsberger

Falconieri Ciaccona Kapsberger Avrilla mia Kapsberger Bergamasca Kapsberger Canario Cazzati Passacaglio Monteverdi Chiome d'oro **Improv** Spagnoletto

Si dolce è il tormento Monteverdi

Falconieri Folias (à 3) echa para mi Señora

INTERVAL

Improv Passacaglia andaluz Amanti, io vi sò dire Ferrari Introduzione dodicesmia Laruenti

Merula Ciaconna **Improv** La Carpinese Kapsberger Toccata

Hidalgo Esperar, sentir, morir

Paul Dyer artistic director / harpsichord Mina Kanaridis soprano Ben Dollman, Matt Bruce, Aaron Brown baroque violins Jamie Hey baroque cello Laura Vaughan lirone / viola da gamba

Tommie Andresson, Samantha Cohen theorbo / guitar Jess Ciampa, Brian Nixon percussion Linda Kent harpsichord II / organ



SYDNEY City Recital Hall, Angel Place

Wednesday 17 March @ 7pm

Tickets range from \$45 (under 30) to \$110. Booking fees apply. **BOOKINGS:**

City Recital Hall Box Office (02) 8256 2222 or www.cityrecitalhall.com.au Brandenburg Box Office (02) 9328 7581 or www.brandenburg.com.au

MELBOURNE Melbourne Recital Centre

Tuesday 23 & Wednesday 24 March @ 7.30pm Tickets range from \$45 (under 30) to \$120. Booking fees apply. **BOOKINGS:**

Melbourne Recital Centre (03) 9699 3333 or melbournerecital.com.au Brandenburg Box Office 1300 782 856 or www.brandenburg.com.au



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