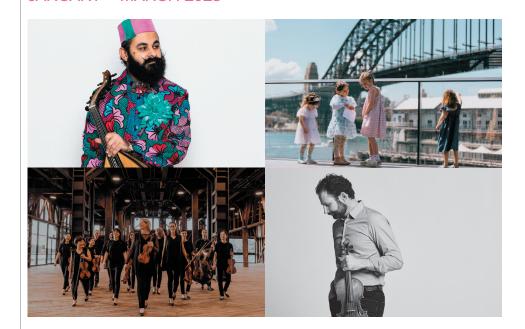
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ACO PIER 2/3 AN INVITING SEASON FOR MUSIC-LOVERS OF ALL AGES



The Australian Chamber Orchestra has revealed the exciting line-up of concerts and events that it will present in early 2023 at its award-winning harbourside home at Pier 2/3 in the Walsh Bay Arts Precinct.

From an exhilarating recital by violin virtuoso **Ilya Gringolts** and a concert from the world-renowned **Tawadros Brothers** to an ACO Family Day featuring special guest **James Crabb**, the ACO's Pier 2/3 Season will feature exciting events for music lovers of all ages across its spectacular performance spaces, including Sydney's newest custom-designed concert hall, **The Neilson**.

Violin sensation **Ilya Gringolts**, one of the world's great virtuosos, will open the ACO Pier 2/3 Season on Valentine's Day, **Tuesday 14 February**, with a solo recital of stunning Baroque music.

On **Sunday 5 March** the ACO will join forces with the young guns of the **Australian National Academy of Music** (ANAM) to showcase the trail-blazing new-generation composers from New York to Helsinki, including Nico Muhly, Missy Mazzoli and Ólafur Arnalds.

Egyptian-Australian brothers James and Joseph Tawadros make their muchanticipated return to Sydney on **Friday 24 March** with a stunning showcase on the oud and riq, demonstrating the astonishing dexterity and artistry that have made the pair in demand across the globe.



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Photos, clockwise from top left: Joseph Tawadros by Anthony Lycett, families at Pier 2/3 by Maria Boyadgis, Ilya Gringolts by Kaupo Kikkas and ACO Collective by Maria Boyadgis.



Classical accordionist **James Crabb**, a favourite with Australian audiences, will perform a thrilling program of chamber music with ACO Collective and ACO Principal Violin **Helena Rathbone** on **Saturday 25 March**, while on **Sunday 26 March** the ACO will throw open the doors of its harbourside home for a Family Day for music lovers of all ages. Tickets include a 25-minute performance from James Crabb and the ACO, followed by hands-on music activities for young children. Tea, coffee and refreshments will be available for parents and caregivers, who are invited to relax and enjoy the spectacular views of the Sydney Harbour Bridge.

Creativity, outreach and collaboration lies at the heart of the ACO Pier 2/3. In addition to being performed at Pier 2/3, the ACO will present some of these concerts at venues in Melbourne throughout the year.

The ACO will announce the full 2023 ACO Pier 2/3 Season, including an exclusive concert featuring musicians of the renowned **Leipzig Gewandhaus Orchestra**, and ACO Families Season in early 2023.

ACO PIER 2/3 JANUARY - MARCH 2023

ACO Up Close: Ilya Gringolts 14 February 2023

The Russian virtuoso performs a solo recital of stunning Baroque music, including a selection of iconic music by Bach.

ACO & ANAM Up Close: From New York to Northern Lights

5 March 2023

Musicians from the ACO and the Australian National Academy of Music (ANAM) showcase the brightest new-generation composers, including Nico Muhly, Missy Mazzoli and Ólafur Arnalds.

ACO Up Close: Tawadros Brothers 24 March 2023

Joseph and James Tawadros are a musical phenomenon. They step away from a major tour with the ACO for one night only to present an intimate duo concert on oud and percussion.

ACO Collective with James Crabb

25 March 2023

ACO Emerging Artists join the ACO Collective and classical accordion virtuoso James Crabb for a thrilling program of chamber music.

ACO Family Day

26 March 2023

A day of music and creative discovery for all.

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