Jan Sedivka Camerata - Benjamin Britten centenary tour

UTAS Tasmanian College of the Arts Conservatorium of Music academic, Jeremy Williams, will be directing the Jan Sedivka Camerata on a concert tour of Northern Tasmania.

The group’s tour is celebrating the centenary of composer Benjamin Britten (1913-1976) and will include St Helens, Stanley, Latrobe and Deloraine.

The program will include Britten’s own arrangement of Purcell’s Chacony for strings, Frank Bridge Serenade for Strings, Mozart Divertimento in F K138 and Britten’s Simple Symphony for strings.

As a conductor and pianist Britten was renowned for his interpretation of Mozart, making this program an all-round tribute to this great musician.

The same program was well received earlier in the year at both the Conservatorium of Music and by the Kettering Chamber Music Society.

Director of the Conservatorium, Dr Andrew Legg, said the Jan Sedivka Camerata was established by Jeremy Williams four years ago and since that time they have made a “magnificent contribution” to the Conservatorium, UTAS and the Tasmanian musical and cultural community.

“Whilst performing at the highest level, they have also maintained a wonderful connection with younger and developing musicians from right around Tasmania, providing inspiring leadership and mentorship for the next generation.

“Their generosity of spirit and pursuit of musical excellence is modelled and personified by their leader and founder, Jeremy Williams.

“We are all incredibly proud of all that they have achieved.”

About the Jan Sedivka Camerata:

The Jan Sedivka Camerata was formed in 2009, paying tribute to Jan Sedivka, one of Australia’s most innovative and influential violin teachers. The Camerata performs throughout the state under the experienced direction of Jeremy Williams. In 2011 the Camerata’s live streaming broadcast from St George’s Church, Battery Point, was watched by an audience in many countries around the world. They have also performed with the iconic jazz pianist Tony Gould, bassist Nick Hayward and saxophonist Alistair Dobson at the Hobart Town Hall.

Jeremy Williams brings his own wealth of experience to the Camerata, having been a member of the London Symphony Orchestra, Hong Kong Philharmonic, Nash Ensemble and Australian String Quartet. He has also performed with renowned
chamber orchestras including, the London Sinfonietta and Academy of St Martin in the Fields

The young musicians performing in the Camerata are students at the UTAS Conservatorium of Music in Hobart, part of Tasmanian College of the Arts.

Many of them also play regularly with the Tasmanian Discovery Orchestra. Concert master Victoria Bihun is regularly invited to play with the Tasmanian Symphony Orchestra.

**Concert details**

**Tasmanian Tour Dates:**  
Thursday 19 September Tidal Waters Resort St Helens, 7:30pm  
Friday 20 September Stanley Town Hall, 7pm  
Saturday 21 September Latrobe Performing Arts Centre, 2pm  
Saturday 21 September Deloraine Community Complex, 7:30pm

**Tickets available at:**

**Concert: Thursday 19 September, 7.30pm Tidal Waters Resort, St Helens**  
Tickets available from Tidal Waters Resort, St Helens phone (03) 6376 1999 and door sales.

**Concert: Friday 20 September, 7pm Stanley Town Hall**  
Tickets available from Lizzy's This "N" That, Smith Street, Smithton, and Sticks and Stones, Shells and Bones; Church Street, Stanley and door sales.

**Ticket prices:** $15 Adults / $10 Concession / $30 Family (two Adults, child/children).

**Concert: Saturday 21 September, 2pm Latrobe Performing Arts Centre**  
Tickets available from BJ Pharmacy Devonport, phone 0458 134 821 and door sales.  
Tickets available at: Concert Saturday September 21 September at 7:30pm Deloraine Community Complex. **Ticket Price:** $17 adults/$12 concession and Arts Deloraine Members. Tickets available by phoning 0458 818 178 and door sales.

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