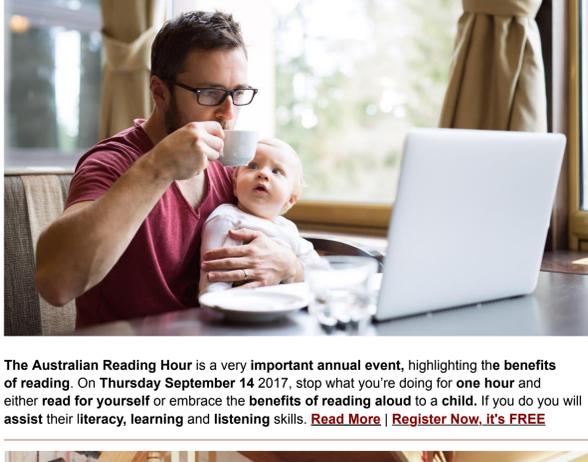




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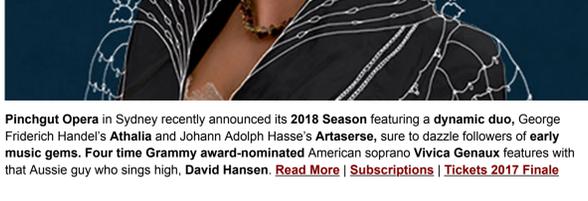
One Hour, One day – Make A Date - Australian Reading Hour



The Australian Reading Hour is a very important annual event, highlighting the benefits of reading. On Thursday September 14 2017, stop what you're doing for one hour and either read for yourself or embrace the benefits of reading aloud to a child. If you do you will assist their literacy, learning and listening skills. [Read More](#) | [Register Now, it's FREE](#)



Celebrating 50 years of his life in art, British born Australian raised USA based painter David Rankin, working out of his studio on Shelter Island, nearby New York has two exhibitions running concurrently in Melbourne. Contemporary works at Mossgreen, Armadale from today and Historic works from 60's and 70's, starts tomorrow at Charles Nodrum Gallery, Richmond. [Read More: David Rankin Showcased](#) | [Read: Life at the Studio](#) | [Read Historic Works](#) | [Read Contemporary Works](#)



Pinchgut Opera in Sydney recently announced its 2018 Season featuring a dynamic duo, George Friderich Handel's *Athalia* and Johann Adolph Hasse's *Artaserse*, sure to dazzle followers of early music gems. Four time Grammy award-nominated American soprano *Vivica Genaux* features with that Aussie guy who sings high, *David Hansen*. [Read More](#) | [Subscriptions](#) | [Tickets 2017 Finale](#)



War and Pieced: The Annette Gero Collection of Quilts from Military Fabrics is an exhibition on show at the American Folk Art Museum in New York from September 6, showcasing very rare Quilts. The majority made by men at war have been collected by Australian international quilt historian and author Dr Annette Gero - additional examples drawn from public and private collections. [Read More](#)



A Kapellmeister named Haydn and freelance composer called Mozart have captivated the music world over the centuries. Belgian period horn player, *Bart Aerbeydt*, Australia's leading Baroque cellist, *Jamie Hey* and the Australian Brandenburg musicians, pay tribute to the dynamic duo and their classics with the concert *Haydn, Mozart and Friends* this Spring. [Read More](#) | [Buy Tickets](#)



The House of Dior at Paris is marking seventy years of haute couture in 2017 with a considerable celebration of style. *The House of Dior: Seventy Years of Haute Couture*, showcasing 140 garments 1947-2017 will be on display August 27 - November 7, 2017 at the National Gallery of Victoria offering viewers an experience from the ateliers to the salons. [Read More](#) | [Buy Tickets](#)



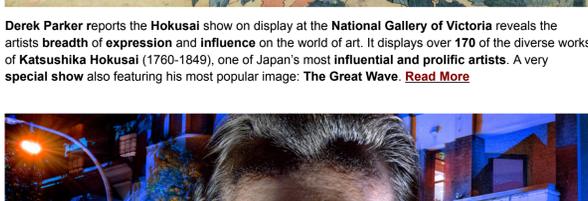
Charismatic Russian violinist, countertenor and guest director *Dmitry Sinkovsky* supported brilliantly by Australian Brandenburg Orchestra musicians dazzled recently with energy, vitality and sensitivity. A dynamic duo, their concert in the acoustically wonderful *Elizabeth Murdoch Recital Hall* Melbourne on August 5, 2017. It was truly an experience of the sublime. [Read Review](#)



Derek Parker reports the *Hokusai* show on display at the National Gallery of Victoria reveals the artists breadth of expression and influence on the world of art. It displays over 170 of the diverse works of *Katsushika Hokusai* (1760-1849), one of Japan's most influential and prolific artists. A very special show also featuring his most popular image: *The Great Wave*. [Read More](#)



This Much is True, a play by *Louis Nowra* at *The Old Fitz* theatre in Sydney with a sold out season reported *Rose Niland*, is punctuated with hilarious dialogue and uproarious episodes. The warmth and frivolity is contagious and the audience was awash with laughter as *Nowra* exquisitely explored the relationship between tragedy and comedy. [Read More](#)



René Magritte: 'The Revealing Image' an exhibition showcasing never before seen photos and films by surrealist *René Magritte* is at *Latrobe Regional Gallery*, Victoria August 19 - November 19, 2017 in collaboration with the *Magritte Foundation*, Belgium. The artist became a master of the Surrealist genre as it evolved, with its precisely rendered geometrical abstraction. [Read More](#) | [Buy Tickets](#)



Actors *Josh O'Connor* and *Alec Secareanu* feature in a true to life unsentimental love story - *emotionally gripping* with an intelligent script it is filmed with great artistry and care by cinematographer *Joshua James Richards*. Directed sensitively by *Francis Lee*, its two leads deliver fine performances. [Read Review](#) | [Enter Our Giveaway - Win 1 x 10 Double Passes](#)



Poldark, Series 3 Episode 8 was indeed lustfully charged! *Josh Agnew* was kept busy directing his talented cast quoting poetry, singing pretty songs, peering through peep holes, flashing a shapely ankle and a boob or two, while yet others indulged in a great deal of wishful thinking. How did we ever survive before this grand and wonderfully acted and directed soapie arrived! [Read More](#)



Poldark, Series 3, in the Finale of our weekly favourite written by *Debbie Horsfield*, inspired by the novels of English author *Winston Graham*, our hero *Ross Poldark* (*Aidan Turner*) at *Nampara Farm* is lying alone musing on 'belief is a beautiful thing' when his fiery wife *Demelza* arrives home. I thought you might not return he says. I thought so too - yet here I am! Roll on Series 4. [Read More](#)



Mirusia: "Music is my life and I wouldn't trade it in for the world. It is what I do and who I am. I count my lucky stars everyday, that I am able to share my joy and love for music with so many people around the world". One of a generation of trained operatic singers making their way in the world embracing a classical-crossover genre, one, which "... suits my voice and all those who love to hear a variety of styles", her interview with our editor garnered many compliments. In case you missed it. [Read Now](#)