VICTORIA INTERNATIONAL ARTS FESTIVAL 2015

10 June – 13 July

18th edition

Wednesday 10 June

Inaugural Orchestral Concert | Pierre Louis Attard (violin)/Britt Arend (harp)/Miriam Cauchi (soprano)/Malta Philharmonic Orchestra (leader: Marcelline Agius)/Joseph Vella (conductor) – Malta/Belgium (St George’s Basilica)

Thursday 11 June

Pianoforte Recital | Gabriele Vianello – Italy (Aula Mgr G. Farrugia)

Friday 12 June

“Music Videos - for Classical Music! (Who said only pop and country music can have fun?)” | Jennifer Margaret Barker (composer)/John Anthony Palmer (cameraman/editor) – England/Scotland/USA (Aula Mgr G. Farrugia)*


Saturday 13 June

Flute and Pianoforte Recital | Luba Benediktovitch (flute)/Daniel Blumenthal (pianoforte) – Serbia/Germany (Aula Mgr G. Farrugia)

Monday 15 June

Novo Trio | Jane Beckworth (violin)/Tom Birtwistle (violoncello)/Andrew Palmer (pianoforte) – England (Aula Mgr G. Farrugia)

Tuesday 16 June

Pianoforte Recital | Young-Choon Park – South Korea (Aula Mgr G. Farrugia)

Wednesday 17 June

Austrian Ambassador’s Concert | (Aula Mgr G. Farrugia)

Thursday 18 June

Oboe and Pianoforte Recital | Marika Lombardi (oboe)/Nathalie Dang (pianoforte) – Italy/France (Aula Mgr G. Farrugia)

Friday 19 June

Royal Conservatoire Brass | John Logan (conductor) – Scotland (Il-Ħaġar Heart of Gozo – Roof-Top)

Saturday 20 June

Organ Recital | Benedict Lewis-Smith – England (St George’s Basilica)

Sunday 21 June

Pianoforte Duet | Gisèle Grima/Erïca Gialanze – Malta (Aula Mgr G. Farrugia)
Four Days of Baroque Music

Monday 22 June  
Trio barocco | Giovanni Barone, Gianpiero Cristaldi (trumpet)/Gianluca Libertucci (organ) – Italy (St George’s Basilica)

Tuesday 23 June  
Musica Poetica London | Claudia Norz (violin)/Kate Conway (viola da gamba)/Oliver John Ruthven (harpischord) – England (St George’s Basilica)

Wednesday 24 June  
Musica Poetica London | Chris Webb (bass)/Claudia Norz (violin)/Kate Conway (viola da gamba)/Oliver John Ruthven (harpischord) – England (Aula Mgr G. Farrugia)

Thursday 25 June  
Trio Avium | Ros Bandt (recorder)/Ruth Wilkinson (recorder/viola da gamba)/Cynthia O’Brien (violin) – Australia (St Francis Church)

Friday 26 June  
The Composer Speaks | Ruben Zahra – Malta (Aula Mgr G. Farrugia)

Debutants’ Concert | Anna Rapa/Stephanie Curmi (pianoforte)/Katryn Mizzi (violin) – Malta (Aula Mgr G. Farrugia)

Saturday 27 June  
Martinů Quartet | Lubomir Havlak, Libor Kanka (violin)/Zbynek Padourek (viola)/Jitka Vlasanková (violoncello) – Czech Republic (St George’s Basilica)

Sunday 28 June  
Saxophone and Pianoforte Recital | Philip Attard (saxophone)/Christine Zerafa (pianoforte) – Malta (Aula Mgr G. Farrugia)

Monday 29 June  
Pianoforte Recital | David Campignon – France (Aula Mgr G. Farrugia)

Tuesday 30 June  
Aldante Duo and Hélène Dautry | Pierre Henri Xuereb (viola)/Vincent Beer-Demander (mandolin)/Hélène Dautry (violoncello) – France (Bishop’s Curia)

Wednesday 1 July  
Vocal Recital | Marvic Monreal (mezzo soprano)/Christine Zerafa (pianoforte) – Malta (Aula Mgr G. Farrugia)

Thursday 2 July  
Guitar Recital | Tormund Blikra Vea – Norway (St James Church)

Friday 3 July  
Violoncello and Pianoforte Recital | Daniel Veis (violoncello)/Helena Veisová – Czech Republic (Aula Mgr G. Farrugia)
Saturday 4 July  |  *Sheffield Music Academy Chamber Ensemble*  | Roberto Meoni (tutor: clarinet)/Martin Cropper (tutor: violin) – England/Italy (St Augustine Church)

Sunday 5 July  |  *Trombonet Quartet*  | Trond Sagbakken/Malene Fosli Flataker (trumpet)/Pernille Alsos/Marie Noekleby Hansen (trombone) – Norway (St Augustine)

Monday 6 July  |  *Trio Ostade*  | Magdalena Kraus (violin/viola)/Alexander Falzberger (clarinet)/Elias Gillesberger (pianoforte) – Upper Austria (Aula Mgr G. Farrugia)

Tuesday 7 July  |  *Classic Trio*  | Geoffrey Haydock (clarinet)/Alexander Volpov (violin/cello)/Penelope Smith (pianoforte) – Scotland/Russia (Aula Mgr G. Farrugia)

Wednesday 8 July  |  *Status Piano Quartet*  | Jaso Sasaki (violin)/Barbora Hilpo (viola)/Saara Iida-Vilhelmi Laine (violin/cello)/Marko Hilpo (pianoforte) – Finland/Czech Republic/Japan (Aula Mgr G. Farrugia)

Thursday 9 July  |  *Oden Ensemble*  | Olivier Rousset (oboe)/Christophe Vella (percussion) – France (Aula Mgr G. Farrugia)

Saturday 11 July  |  *Siglo de Oro and Sam Corkin*  | Hannah Ely, Ruth Marie Kelly McElvanney (soprano)/ Rebekah Emma Jones (alto)/ Christopher Michael Barry Fitzgerald-Lombard (tenor)/ Joshua Timothy Edwards, Benjamin Alexander McKee (bass)/ Samuel Frederick Corkin (saxophone)/Patrick Edgar Franklin Allies (conductor) – England (St George’s Basilica)

Sunday 12 July  |  *Schola Polifonica Romana*  | Roberto Colavalle (director) – Italy (Exhibition Hall, Ministry for Gozo)

Monday 13 July  |  *Closing Choral and Orchestral Concert*  | Andrea Gajic (violin)/Laudate Pueri Choir (director: George Joseph Frendo)/Malta Philharmonic Orchestra (leader: Marcelline Agius)/Joseph Vella (conductor) – Serbia/Malta (St George’s Basilica)

**Artistic Director: Joseph Vella**

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All concerts and events are free of charge. Unless otherwise indicated, they start at 2000hrs.

*The concert on Friday 12th June starts at 1930hrs

**The Art exhibition by Mark Sagona will be inaugurated at 2030hrs. It will run daily at Il-Ħaġar, Heart of Gozo Museum, between Saturday 13 June till Sunday 19 July at Il-Ħaġar, Heart of Gozo Museum, from 0900hrs to 1700hrs.