

# GuitarWA

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## *Coming Events, 2011*

Details of the Guitar Society's 2011 concert programme and other events are regularly updated on our website: [www.guitarwa.com.au](http://www.guitarwa.com.au)

### *WA International Classical Guitar Ensemble Festival 2011*

27-28 August 2011

### *Festival Concert The Melbourne Guitar Quartet*

Friday 26 August 7.30 pm  
Music Auditorium  
WA Academy of Performing  
Arts  
2 Bradford Street Mt Lawley

**2011/12  
MEMBERSHIPS  
NOW DUE!**

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## *Memberships Now due*

*If you see a red dot in the box below,  
your membership is now due.*

*See page 4 for a membership form.  
Your support enables us to continue  
providing a vibrant programme of  
activities for performers, composers  
and lovers of classical guitar music.*

*Thank you!!*



## *President's Message*



Dear Society Members

### **FESTIVAL!**

It is my great pleasure to announce that Antony Field will be year's Festival adjudicator and the Melbourne Guitar Quartet (which includes Anthony) will be our guest artists. It is a great privilege for us to host artists of this calibre and reputation.

Currently Head of Guitar at The Victorian College of Arts, Antony graduated from the Canberra School of Music with 1st Class Honours as 'Most Outstanding Graduate' for the Class of 1995. Antony achieved various accolades while studying

including several first prizes in chamber music competitions and winning 2nd prize twice at the Darwin International Guitar Competition in 1993 and 1995. In 1996 Antony was awarded a 'Big Brother' scholarship to study in the UK where he received tuition from Royal Northern College of Music's Head of Guitar Gordon Crosskey and Manhattan School of Music Chairman of Guitar David Starobin.



Returning to Australia at age 22 Antony's debut CD 'Sunburst' was recorded and nominated for an ARIA and was released internationally through Tower Records. He has since performed in various ensembles on the electric and classical guitars premiering new works. Antony has toured Australia, Germany and Slovakia and in 2002 Anthony became a founding member of the well known guitar group 'Saffire' which has toured Australia extensively and also won an ARIA in 2003. In 2007 Antony received a highly competitive Australian Postgraduate Award to undertake the Masters in Performance course at the Victorian College of the Arts and has been a member of the Melbourne Guitar Quartet since 2007.

This year's festival includes two master classes, a concert and of course the ensemble festival. I hope you can join us for an exciting weekend of guitar music. Please turn to page 4 for a guide to the festival at a glance.

## **GUITAR ORCHESTRA**

The CGSWA Guitar Orchestra is having its most vibrant year ever, with over 20 members and a busy concert diary. They have performed three concerts already this year, including their winter concert, an afternoon at the Maylands Yacht Club (which is now becoming an annual event) and most recently at Ocean Gardens retirement village in city beach. They rehearse every Friday night with conductors Renee Cappetta and Nick Kostourkov. If you would like to play in the orchestra, now is the time to join as they are preparing new repertoire for the second half of the year.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

It's that time of the year again and I would like to encourage you to renew your membership with the Guitar Society using the form on the back page of this newsletter. Your support allows us to continue the programme of activities that makes WA the most active and vibrant community of guitar players in the country.

Jonathan Paget

President

Classical Guitar Society of WA, Inc.

## Festival Guests 2011

### The Melbourne Guitar Quartet

The Melbourne will be the guest artists at this year's International Guitar Festival in August.

The Melbourne Guitar Quartet is a young and energetic guitar ensemble formed in 2005. Displaying expert musicianship at an international performance standard, MGQ have a strong reputation for playing with a vibrant energy and maturity.

Having contributed many new arrangements to the guitar repertoire, MGQ have a strong supportive role amongst the broader Australian community and toward young emerging artists.

MGQ will present a concert at the WA Academy of performing arts as part of the Guitar Festival. See below for details.



*The Melbourne Guitar Quartet: (l-r) Antony Field, Ben Dix, Jeremy Tottenham, Peter Karutz.*



The Melbourne Guitar Quarter in concert

### ***The Guitar Family***

***“MGQ are a brilliant addition to Australia’s musical landscape.” – Slava Grigoryan***

The leading ensemble of its kind in Australia, the Melbourne Guitar Quartet has taken the musical world by storm with their passion, experience and dedication. MGQ presents an eclectic blend of new compositions and transcriptions, including works from their highly acclaimed CD recordings, *Four Elements* (2008) and *Toccata* (2010) as well as as newly arranged works by Granados and Debussy.

Friday 26 August, 7.30 pm

Music Auditorium

WA Academy of Performing Arts

2 Bradford Street, Mount Lawley

Bookings: 9370 6895

9:30am - 12:30pm or 1:00- 3:00pm -

Monday - Friday

Web: [www.waapa.ecu.edu.au/boxoffice](http://www.waapa.ecu.edu.au/boxoffice)

Admission: \$30/25 Conc.

## THE FESTIVAL AT A GLANCE

### A Special Workshop with MGQ at WAAPA

MGQ will work with talented WAAPA students, presenting works for quartet and trio

6.30-8.30pm, 24th August

Music Auditorium, WA Academy of Performing Arts (2 Bradford St Mt Lawley)

Observers welcome, free entry

### Concert

The Melbourne Guitar Quartet: The Guitar Family - Australian Tour 2011

Date & Time: Friday 26th Aug 2011 7:30pm

Music Auditorium, WA Academy of Performing Arts (2 Bradford St Mt Lawley)

Tickets \$30 Full, \$25 Concession/Friends ,

Box Office: (08) 9370 6636 (open Mon to Fri 9.30–12.30pm, 1.00–3.30pm)

### Solo Guitar Masterclass with Melbourne Guitar Quartet

Saturday 27th August: 10.00am to 12.00pm

Gymnasium, Carine Senior High School

\$75 per players, enquiries to Jonathan Paget (j.paget@ecu.edu.au)

Observers: \$10 adults, \$5 concession, free to CGSWA members

### WA International Classical Guitar Ensemble Festival

Saturday 27th August, Sunday 28th August, Carine Senior High School Performing Arts Centre

Adjudicated by the Melbourne Guitar Quartet

Session 1 - Saturday, 27 August, 10.30am-12.10pm

Session 2 - Saturday, 27 August, 1.00pm-5.20pm

Session 3 - Sunday, 28 August, 9.15am-12.20pm

Session 4 - Sunday, 28 August, 1.00pm-5.35pm

Audience welcome (with small daily door entry fee)

More info: <http://www.sim.iinet.net.au/guitfest.html>

### Membership Form 011/12

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Do you wish to receive correspondence by  Australia Post  Email

Membership  Full \$35  Family \$45  Student (or under 18 years) \$20

Please enclose a cheque or money order. Do not send cash in the mail.

Please Make cheques payable to The Classical Guitar Society of WA Inc.

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