

Lah-Lah

meets



THE PETER SEYMOUR ORCHESTRA

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Sydney Youth Orchestras acknowledge the Gadigal people of the Eora Nation, the traditional custodians of the unceded land on which we perform today, and their connections to land, water and community.

We pay our respect to Elders past and present, the original storytellers of these lands where we learn and create music today. We extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and honour their continuation of the oldest music practice in the world.

Always Was, Always Will Be.

THE PETER SEYMOUR ORCHESTRA



The Peter Seymour Orchestra is one of the many different orchestras and ensembles of Sydney Youth Orchestras (SYO)

Named after the founder of the Sydney Youth Orchestra Association, The Peter Seymour Orchestra is where many of our musicians will get their first chance to tackle major orchestral repertoire. With a focus on classical and early romantic repertoire, The Peter Seymour Orchestra is an ideal training ground for aspiring orchestral musicians to strengthen their ensemble skills, instrumental technique and understanding of style and symphonic form.

At SYO we're creating a transformative musical landscape where young musicians become the architects of orchestral music's future. Through our comprehensive music education program and youth leadership initiatives, we cultivate artists who transcend traditional boundaries while preserving our rich orchestral heritage.

JAMES PENSINI
Conductor



SYO MUSICIANS

Violin

Abigail Bush
Alyssa Zhang
Angela Bai
Annalise Yau
Annika Jacobson
Anthony Mackun
Caitlin Ong
Catherine Whitehouse
Chloe Chai
Demeil Anokin David
Gabrielle Thai
Giorgia Murray
Iris Cho
Isaac Ren Wei Yeow
Jaden Kiang
Kate Yau
Mira Nguyen
Raymond Luo
Ruo Yu (Laurent) Yan
Samantha Zhang
Sophie Kiang
Varvara Moldavska
Zoe Lee

Viola

Elliot Bastian
Ingrid Stephenson
Kineth Ekanayake
Rupert Savage
Sam Lonergan
Tomas Mimmocchi

Cello

Caitlyn Kang
Gabriel Chan
Imogen Duns
James Vu
Junhee Heo
Linda Chi
Maia Luo
Mason Fok
Natasha Tiet
Scarlett Briger
Serena Li

Double Bass

Charisse A Rianto
Emma Faulkes
Noah Taylor

Flute

Elana Sydenham
Mindy Mulders
Ryan Cai

Oboe

Arthur Munoz
Dana Lee

Clarinet

Anika Sinha
Omri Weininger
Alice Betteridge

Bassoon

Arlette Ancell
Lucinda Paterson

French Horn

Alex Yin
Dru Whitfield
Jinghao Zhao
Kita Munesane

Trumpet

Cindy Hu
Maksim Stevanovski

Tenor Trombone

Gabriel Inokai
Jeremy Kim

Bass Trombone

Sebastian Kameron

Tuba

Kirrily Jee

Percussion

Ollen Djonov
Hayden Markham Bell
Matthew Newling

Lah-Lah

Welcome to the Stripy Sock Club!

We're so happy you're here. 'Lah-Lah meets Sydney Youth Orchestras' is a joyful celebration of music, instruments, and imagination.

This concert brings together the beloved characters from Lah-Lah's Big Live Band and the incredible young musicians of The Peter Seymour Orchestra for a magical musical experience.

It's not every day that little ones get to sit up close and personal with a full symphony orchestra and that's what makes this performance so special. Together, we'll explore the instrument families (strings, woodwinds, brass and percussion), sing, dance, and even help Lola the Double Bass shake off the blues and rediscover the joy of playing music with friends.



ABOUT LAH-LAH

Lah-Lah is a real live band for little people and their grown-ups too! Created by musicians and educators Tina and Mark Harris, Lah-Lah's Big Live Band introduces kids to the wonderful world of music and real instruments through catchy original songs, movement, and lots of laughs.

You might know them from ABC KIDS, where their TV shows 'Lah-Lah's Adventures' and 'The Stripy Sock Club' have become family favourites across Australia.

What makes Lah-Lah special is that it's not just fun, it's musical education wrapped in a stripy sock!



Every show is filled with playful ways to explore rhythm, pitch, tempo and teamwork. From dancing with Lola the Double Bass to clapping along with Tom Tom on drums, kids don't just watch, they join the band. It's music made by real musicians, and it's designed to get your little one singing, moving, and learning all at once.

MEET THE BAND



Lah-Lah

Tina Harris



Buzz the Bandleader

Mark Harris



Squeezy Sneezy

Gary Daley



Mister Saxophone

Ross Harrington



Tom Tom

Nic Cecire

PROGRAM

SWAN LAKE THEME
TCHAIKOVSKY

LAH-LAH'S BIG LIVE BAND

BRUSH YOUR TEETH

JUST WHISTLE

WHY WHY WHY

DAYS OF THE WEEK

STRIPY SOCK CLUB

DANCING DOLL

THERE ARE MANY STARS /
TWINKLE TWINKLE LITTLE STAR

TINKERING

DANCE OF THE LITTLE SWANS
TCHAIKOVSKY

SHAKE IT LIKE THIS

LAH-LAH'S BIG LIVE BAND

SYO - OUR PEOPLE

The success and vibrancy of SYO would not be possible without our team of talented, passionate and hardworking staff. We thank you all for your continued dedication and commitment to the development of young musicians and for your part in building a thriving, musical community.

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AFTER THE SHOW

After the concert, the whole band and orchestra will join the audience with their instruments for a short meet and greet. This is the perfect opportunity for kids to come up, say hello, and get up close with real instruments.

And don't forget to visit the Lah-Lah merchandise stand for Dolls, t-shirts, DVDs, CDs and more! (Some items are only available after the show - they can be a bit noisy!) The stand is open 30 minutes before the show and after the performance ends.



LAH-LAH AT HOME & IN THE CLASSROOM

The fun doesn't stop after the show! You can keep the music going with Lah-Lah every day at home, in the car, or in the classroom, through our YouTube videos and music streaming playlists.

With over 1.4 million subscribers and more than 1 billion views, Lah-Lah's Big Live Band on YouTube is packed with musical adventures, sing-along songs, and fun ways for children to explore instruments and sound.

And wherever you stream music - Spotify, Apple Music, Amazon Music, or YouTube Music - you'll find all your favourite Lah-Lah songs ready to play and sing along with.

Listen here: www.lah-lah.com/listen

Watch here: youtube.com/@lahlahsbigliveband

Lah-Lah makes real music, real fun, and real learning, anytime, anywhere.



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