

North Queensland Recorder Society presents

Music for Celebration

A Weekend Recorder Workshop with Ruth Wilkinson

Townsville, Sat-Sun 27-28 July 2013

Introduction

The workshop program has timed to coincide with the Australian Festival of Chamber Music (AFCM, Fri 26 - Sat 3 August) so that visitors may attend both. Attendance at the Workshop coincides with daytime AFCM events on Saturday and Sunday 27-28 but permits attendance at the AFCM evening concerts on those days.

On the Saturday evening, the choice is between the AFCM Governor's Gala Concert and the informal Workshop Dinner at a local restaurant. On the Sunday, the choice is between a concert given by our lead tutor Ruth Wilkinson and Cynthia O'Brien and the AFCM Sunday Concert.

Workshop Leader: Ruth Wilkinson

We are delighted to have Ruth Wilkinson as our guest tutor. Ruth is well known in Australia and overseas as an expert recorder and viol player of early music from the 14th to 18th centuries. A skillful and dedicated teacher, she has earned the gratitude and respect of many students at Melbourne University and at recorder workshops throughout the country. This her third time as guest tutor at the annual NQRS Weekend Workshop and we welcome her return with great enthusiasm.

Supporting Tutors

Experienced local tutors Heather Coleman, Valerie Huston and Malcolm Tattersall will alternate with Ruth in leading the sessions of the two workshop streams (beginner-intermediate and intermediate -advanced, see below) so that Ruth will spend half of the time with each stream.



Schedule

Date, Time	Event
Saturday 27 July	
9:00am-10:00am	Registration and morning tea
10:00am-12:30pm	Combined session with break
12:30pm-1:30pm	Lunch and late registration
1:30pm-5:00pm	Workshop sessions with afternoon tea break
6:00pm-8:00pm	Optional dinner for those not attending AFCM Governors' Gala Concert
Sunday 28 July	
9:00am-12:30pm	Workshop sessions with morning tea break
12:30pm-1:30pm	Lunch
1:30pm-3:00pm	Combined session
3:30pm-4:30pm	Show and tell

The Saturday morning combined session will be informal in the sense that the workshop programme will start in earnest after lunch. This will mean that interstate visitors may fly in on the Saturday morning and register at lunchtime without significant disadvantage. (There is a 7:30am Virgin flight from Melbourne that connects with a 9:30am flight from Sydney arriving in Townsville at 12:15pm.)

Playing Standards

There will be two streams of workshop sessions depending on playing ability and experience in playing in ensembles: Beginner-Intermediate and Intermediate-Advance. Beginner-Intermediate players are expected to be able to play at least one type of recorder (C and/or F) and willing to attempt playing simple ensemble pieces. Intermediate-Advance are expected to be reasonably fluent with at least one type of recorder (C and/or F) and already have experience in playing in ensembles. You will have the option to change level after the first session if you are uncomfortable with your choice.

Registration

You may register either with a digital form or with a manually completed form and you may pay either by direct credit (preferred option) or by cheque or money order sent by post. If you wish to register digitally, download the Digital Registration Form :

http://nqrs.org.au/pdfs/registration_2013_digital.pdf

If you wish to complete the form manually, use the Manual Registration Form, fill it in and post or scan and email it to NQRS:

http://nqrs.org.au/pdfs/registration_2013_manual.pdf

You can obtain both the Digital and Manual Registration forms by download from the NQRS website, or by request by email, phone or post. Both the Digital and Manual Registration forms have options for payment by direct credit or cheque or money order.

Workshop Dinner

There will be an optional workshop dinner at the Reef Thai Restaurant on Saturday 27 July for those not attending the AFCM Governor's Gala Concert. The cost of this is not included in the Workshop fee.

Tea & Coffee Breaks

These are included in the Workshop fee. Local members of NQRS are encouraged to bring biscuits or cakes.

Lunches

These are not included in the Workshop fee, but participants may share a lunch platter for \$5, bring their own or buying lunch locally. The venue is close to take-away cafes on The Strand.

Accommodation

Participants are advised to book accommodation early as the Workshop coincides with the AFCM and there are two football matches in Townsville on Friday 26 July. The closest motel to the venue is the Yongala Motor Inn in Fryer Street and there is a variety of accommodation on the nearby Strand. Local members are encouraged to provide billeting for visitors, so please contact NQRS if you wish to be stay with one of us.

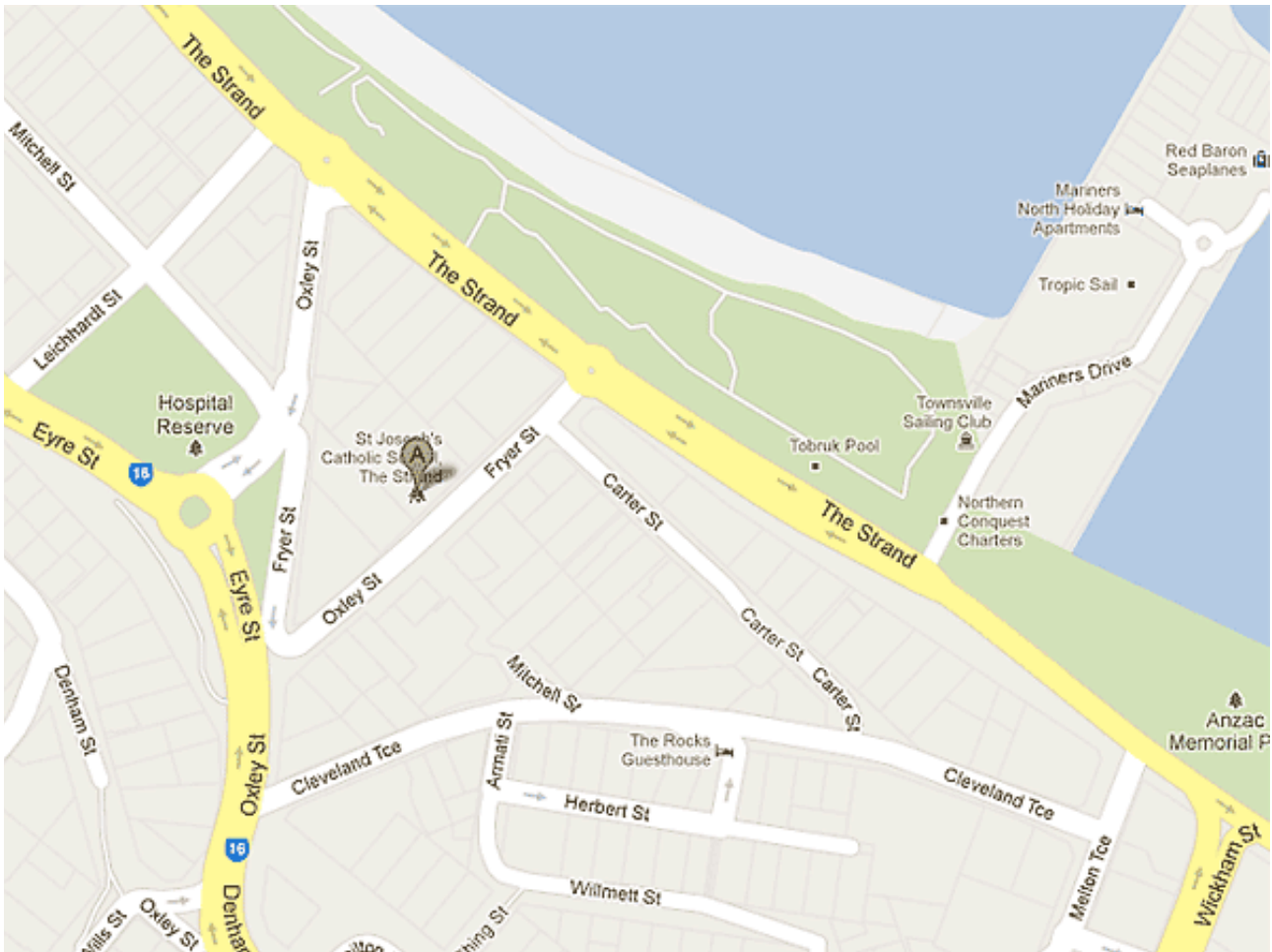
Flights

Owing to the AFCM and two football matches in Townsville on Friday 26 July, flights will be in demand, so book early to get a good choice of flights and fares. If you are planning to fly to Townsville just before the Workshop, the timing of the football matches may make it difficult to get good fares on Friday 26th July.

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Location

The Workshop will be held at St Joseph's School on the Strand, actually located in Fryer Street (this is a different venue from St Joseph's School, Mundingburra where workshops have been held in the past). See map below.



Workshop Fees

Adult member \$100; Adult non-member \$120 includes membership; Under 18 (members and non-members) \$50. Early bird discount \$5 per participant if paid before 30 June, i.e. member \$95, non-member \$115, under 18 \$45. Note that this year there is no option to register for individual days or session: past experience shows that partial attendance seriously disrupts the flow of the workshop sessions.

Concert

Ruth Wilkinson and Cynthia O'Brien will give their Concert a Deux on the evening of Sunday 28 July. Arrangements for this, including venue and ticket prices are currently being finalised. This is a separate event from the Weekend Workshop, but participants are encouraged to attend and will qualify for discount prices. More details will be available soon.

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