

Schubert Sand Animation World Premiere



A world premiere visual presentation of The Erlking by Schubert will be performed by Concertante String Quartet at Mosman Art Gallery on November 16 at 2.30pm.

American animator Benny Zelkowicz's sand animation project depicts the German folklore story of the King of the Fairies (Der Erlkonig), which Schubert set to music many years ago. The stop-motion, clay and sand animation film will be screened with the live performance and has been screened at The Sundance, Annecy and New York Film Festivals. Zelkowicz's work has appeared in The Simpsons, Moral Orel and the LEGO movie.

The story of The Erlking involves four characters: a narrator, father, son and the Erlking, so is very challenging for a single vocalist to perform. The little boy is scared as his father carries him home on horseback at night...he hears rustling in the leaves and sees wisps of fog and thinks he's being attacked by a supernatural being (see image top right).

Schubert drew inspiration from the great themes of nature and poems by Goethe. His much-loved Serenade will also be featured alongside some of Schubert's most famous works, including the Rosamunde string quartet, and the beautifully melodic Shepherd on the Rock, with clarinettist Diane Gardiner and soprano Michaele Archer.

Archer described Schubert as "fresh, light and full of the hope and buoyancy of Spring. It's fitting we're performing this program at this time of year."

Pianist Krzysztof Malek described Schubert's songs as being like "an opera in a few minutes." Malek has performed extensively in Europe, including as soloist with the Vienna Symphony.

The Concertante String Quartet players are Karina Hollands-Moss (pictured below) Ziva Altmann, Peter Garrity and Danny Morris.

Please credit pic of Karina Hollands-Moss to photographer Will Hall.

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