



MEDIA RELEASE

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PERTH IS ALIVE WITH THE SOUND OF MUSIC

Producers Andrew Lloyd Webber, David Ian, John Frost and the Really Useful Group today announced that the world's favourite musical, *The Sound of Music*, will come to Perth later this year, completing a highly successful national tour. The lavish London Palladium production will play at the **Crown Theatre, Perth** from **14 September** for a strictly limited season. Following sell out seasons at Sydney's Capitol Theatre and Brisbane's Lyric Theatre, *The Sound of Music* will open at Melbourne's Regent Theatre on 13 May and play at the Festival Theatre in Adelaide from 9 August, before it heads to Perth.

Tickets for the Perth season will go on sale to the general public on **Monday 16 May**. People can waitlist for priority bookings at www.soundofmusic.com.au

This new Australian tour of *The Sound of Music* is led by **Amy Lehpamer** (*Once, Dirty Rotten Scoundrels*) as Maria Rainer and **Cameron Daddo** (*Legally Blonde, Big River*) as Captain Georg von Trapp, starring alongside **Marina Prior** (*Mary Poppins, The Secret Garden*) as Baroness Schraeder, **Lorraine Bayly** (*Calendar Girls, The Sullivans*) as Frau Schmidt and **David James** (*Playschool, Avenue Q*) as Max Detweiler.

The Sound of Music has been playing to rapturous full houses and receiving an overwhelming critical response since it opened. The Daily Telegraph said, "*The music is glorious. There's a good reason it's an iconic show*", while Theatre People said the show is "*a beautifully crafted production for all ages*".

On behalf of his co-producers, John Frost said, "Australia has taken *The Sound of Music* to its heart, with thunderous applause and standing ovations at every performance in Sydney and Brisbane. Rarely do we see such an acclaimed production of a much-loved classic. I'm so thrilled to bring *The Sound of Music* to Perth to round off our national tour. Make sure you buy a ticket soon as it's sure to become one of your favourite things."

Inspired by the lives of the actual von Trapp family, *The Sound of Music* tells the uplifting story of Maria, a fun-loving governess who changes the lives of the widowed Captain von Trapp and his seven children by re-introducing them to music, culminating in the family's escape from the Nazis across the mountains from Austria. It features an unforgettable score that includes some of the most famous songs ever performed on stage, including My Favorite Things, Edelweiss, Do-Re-Mi, Sixteen Going On Seventeen, The Lonely Goatherd, Climb Ev'ry Mountain and the title song, The Sound of Music.

This acclaimed production of the legendary Rodgers and Hammerstein musical premiered in 2006 at the home of West End musical theatre, the London Palladium, where it celebrated a record-breaking 954 performances seen by well over 2 million people, before going on to enjoy sell-out seasons internationally.

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PERTH

Venue	Crown Theatre, Perth
Season	From 14 September 2016
Performance Times	Wed–Sat 7.30pm, Wed 1.00pm, Sat 2.00pm, Sun 1pm and 6pm
Price	Tickets from \$79.90*
Bookings	soundofmusictour.com.au or 136 100 Groups 12+ 1300 889 278

TICKETS ON SALE 16 MAY

* An additional transaction fee and/or a credit/debit payment processing fee may apply
Performance times and prices are subject to change

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