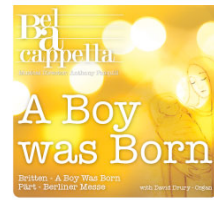




**Challenge, contrast
and choral excellence
with Bel a cappella**



Bel a cappella's final concert for 2010 includes two iconic choral works performed in the splendid acoustics of **St Scholastica's Chapel, Glebe** at **3pm** on **Sunday 14th November**.

Benjamin Britten's *A Boy Was Born* is regarded as one of the most intricate pieces of the choral repertoire. Written before Britten turned 20, it comprises six highly elaborate variations celebrating the birth of Christ based on Britten's own hauntingly beautiful carol of the same name.

Musical Director **Anthony Pasquill**, who recorded this work as a chorister at Lichfield Cathedral with Paul Spicer and the Finzi Singers, adds "*A Boy Was Born* has many excellent memories for me, and I'm really looking forward to presenting my interpretation of this brilliant, challenging work with Bel to our Sydney audience".

In complete contrast, to celebrate the 75th birthday of leading Estonian composer **Arvo Pärt**, Bel a cappella will perform his ***Berliner Messe***, composed in 1990. This highly spiritual work explores choral tonality in an innovative way, creating a truly ethereal experience.

For this performance, Bel a cappella will be joined by renowned organist **David Drury**. David has given recitals in Westminster Abbey (London) and Notre Dame (Paris), and has been a soloist with many of Australia's leading orchestras including recent performances of Saint Saens Symphony No. 3 (the *Organ Symphony*) with the Sydney Symphony Orchestra.

Founded in 1995, ***Bel a cappella*** is a chamber choir dedicated to the performance of diverse, high quality choral music in fine venues around Sydney. This is the final concert in Bel a cappella's 2010 series of concerts, and will be performed in conjunction with the 21st Annual Glebe Music Festival.

Tickets for this concert are \$30, Senior/Pensioner \$25 and Student \$20, and can be purchased online at www.belacappella.org.au or by phone on 02 8210 5141.

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