

MINUTES OF SCUNA COMMITTEE MEETING, 20/9/06

Pajenka's, ANU

Present: Joy, Adrian, Alan, Lyndsey, Ramana, Hugh, Helene, Maria, Alex, Lachlan
Meeting open 6:20 pm

a) Publicity for concert

Poster and flier design

- Poster design is fine – make “Handel’s Messiah” and time/date larger, location and conductor smaller.
- Big publicity push – aim to have 4000 flyers and several hundred posters printed by next Monday.

Canberra Times

- Ad in Canberra Times 4 days before (Saturday, Thursday, Friday/Saturday)

Art Sound FM

- Will record entire Messiah for free
- Jonathan could be interviewed
- Check about running paid ads next week

Poster runs – timetable

- Maria will organize poster and flyer run timetables for next week.
- Get rest of choir involved next rehearsal – 4 poster runs next week.

Selling tickets

- Start next rehearsal – each member has a quota of 10 tickets (process as usual).

Preparing programs

- give anything relevant to Helene
- Joy will prepare a list of everyone singing in the concert.
- Alan will get photos of soloists.

b) Treasury update

Current bank balance

- \$16200 total after putting in spare cash and paying for camp.

Budget for concert

- Soloists 4 x \$500
- Orchestra players \$1500 (max) total
- Risers, truck, etc. ~ \$3000 total

Motion: Adrian moves to spend no more than \$10000 total, including publicity; Hugh 2nd, passed by all.

Piano

- Don't need to buy the piano; Alan can borrow one from School of Music for free (has a harpsichord function and speakers)

c) Concert Manager update

Venue bookings

- St. Christopher's is booked and (for now, weddings permitting) is free after 5 pm. (Concert starts at 7 pm.)
- Melville Hall – Alex booked for the 15th (9 am – 2 pm). Adrian needs to confirm the 18th (7 pm to 9:30 pm). ANU security should be notified but we'll call them anyway.

Pictures/screens

- Can hang one 3 x 3 m screen on either side of the risers – company will come and install them once they've been ordered.
- Projectors can go on the first pews.
- Soloists could be in a box in front of one screen and the images on that side turned off when they sing – good way to make them part of the story?

Motion: Adrian moves to spend \$3000 on screens, etc.; Hugh 2nd, passed by all.

Position of choir and orchestra

- Choir: can easily fit everyone using 4 risers (larger towards the back and shorter towards the front) and all the steps. Choir also agreed to sit on the steps/risers – 2 intervals could reduce sitting time.
- Orchestra: on the flat area in front of the steps.

Other issues

- Front of House – Hugh will get 5 people (who aren't singing) by next Wednesday to take care of interval tea/coffee, selling tickets at the door, etc.

d) Orchestra specific concert details

Actual players in orchestra

- Messiah needs 1 oboe (Rachel), 1 bassoon (Lyndsey), 2 D trumpets (1 solo, Matt can also get one), violins (2 from CSO and anyone else), violas (Ramana, Alex and others), cello (1 paid, others from SCUNA), harpsichord (Alan) and double bass (Michael John).
- The violinists from last semester are quite confident.
- Lyndsey will confirm who is playing and will make sure any gaps are filled.
- Need a rehearsal schedule on paper to hand out.

Solo D trumpet

- Definitely need one – Matt can also play D trumpet.

Woodwind ensemble for intervals

- There are 2 clarinets (duets?) as well as the flutes – should have enough players.
- Alex needs to email everyone who won't be needed on Thursday.

Percussion

- Thomas is willing to play timpani but will need to sort out how to obtain them with Steven tonight.

Version of *Messiah*

- playing Handel's version, not the orchestral one

e) Changing the constitution

- leave till next week (again)
- Joy will print off 5-6 copies of drafted amendments for the next meeting.

Meeting closed 7:00 pm