



MEDIA RELEASE

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Tutti presents *Let It Shine*, a midwinter concert to warm the heart

Hot on the heels of Tutti's acclaimed Adelaide Fringe production of ***The Shouting Fence***, and an unforgettable blues and gospel concert at St Peters Cathedral in April, Tutti teams up with Anglicare SA to present the annual mid-winter concert ***Let It Shine*** at 2.30pm on 19 July at Christ Church, North Adelaide.

Come and be thrilled by the virtuosity of Adelaide's award winning Tutti Choir and friends Lil' Fi and Kelly Auty from Melbourne as they warm a cold winter afternoon with soul stirring songs, harmonies and rhythms inspired by the jazz, blues, and ragtime traditions of New Orleans.

Also joining Tutti for this once only concert will be well-known acappella quartet Heaven Knows, Under the Lamp Post, Harmony of Hearts and Minds Choir, and Tutti Kids from Brighton. Each will present a song and join with Tutti in a grand gospel driven finale conducted by Jonathan Bligh.

Let It Shine will also feature a group of Tutti singers including Blind Date stars Annika Hooper, Emma Taylor, Jason Crowhurst and Michele Thredgold, who will be attending master-classes with Lil' Fi and Kelly Auty during the week preceding the concert.

All proceeds from ***Let It Shine*** go towards supporting three young disabled artists – indigenous dancer Jacqui Saunders and actors Jane Hewett and Joel Hartgen from Tutti Arts to perform in the US production of ***Northern Lights, Southern Cross*** which opens at the Guthrie Theater on October 23rd for a three week season.

With music and lyrics by Tutti's Artistic Director Pat Rix and script by US writer Kevin Kling ***Northern Lights, Southern Cross*** won the Advertiser Oscars - BEST NEW MUSIC THEATRE Award for 2007 and was described by the panel of critics as 'A vibrant, engaging Australia and U.S. co-production which should travel the world.'

A world-first integrated choir for people with and without disabilities created In 1997 by Pat Rix, Tutti is now one of eleven Australia Council Key Producers and offers access to professional level training, performances, and exhibitions in multiple artistic disciplines to aspiring disabled artists and interested people from the wider community. Tutti has staged sell-out concerts and original musical theatre works both in Australia and overseas. Its performances have featured in the Adelaide Festival of Arts and the Adelaide Fringe Festival.

Available for interview: Pat Rix, Artistic Director; Jonathan Bligh, Conductor, and above mentioned artists

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Let It Shine

Christ Church, Jeffcott Street, North Adelaide

Sunday 19 July at 2.30pm

Tickets \$15/\$10 concession, children and carers free

Tickets: Call Dave on 0412 247 313 between 9-5, Mon-Fri

Afternoon tea included in ticket price