

ADELAIDE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA



SEASON 2009

ADELAIDE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA SCORES COUP WITH JOSE CARRERAS

In a coup for the ASO, and part of the orchestra's 2009 Gala Series, **José Carreras** will perform in Adelaide for the first time since the Three Tenors burst onto the world stage.

This will be a rare opportunity to hear one of the most definitive voices of our time as José Carreras appears live at the Adelaide Entertainment Centre (intimate mode) with the **Adelaide Symphony Orchestra** on **Tuesday 3 February** at **8pm**

"In the past this kind of event would have been staged by major entrepreneurs, while today the Adelaide Symphony Orchestra is best placed to bring together these two great musical forces", said ASO Chief Executive Rainer Jozeps.

José Carreras is a hero of the music world. As one of the finest tenors of his generation, he is also an outstanding musician and has appeared with the world's greatest orchestras, as well as appearing in such venues as La Scala, Milan, the New York Met, the Royal Opera House, and the Vienna Staatsoper.

"Every time I step on stage, I feel great joy" - José Carreras

As a performer, he has created definitive interpretations of the great romantic roles of Verdi, Puccini and Donizetti, not to mention becoming a global household name as one of the Three Tenors, including Luciano Pavarotti and Placido Domingo, which saw all three find new audiences outside mainstream opera.

Renowned for his humanity both on and off the concert stage, Carreras presides over the José Carreras Leukaemia Foundation, raising funds to combat the devastating disease that nearly took his life. On stage he is known for his multiple encores and stage presence which have earned him a reputation as one of the most humble and generous performers of his generation.

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“Mr. Carreras will conjure a new world for every song as he sings great moments from opera, musical theatre hits, and his own selection of Spanish and Italian love songs to melt the heart. It will be a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to experience an artist who has dominated the stage for over four decades”, said Rainer Jozeps.

José Carreras and the ASO is a taste of things to come for the orchestra’s 2009 program.

Performance Details: Jose Carreras and the ASO

Venue: Adelaide Entertainment Centre (Intimate Mode)

Date: Tuesday 3 February, 8pm

Prices: \$98.90 - \$249.90 (premium)

(inclusive of GST and booking fees. Transaction fees apply)

Bookings: Ticketek www.ticketek.com.au 132 849

Exclusive 2008 subscriber pre-sale commences Thursday 28 August

General public tickets on sale 9.00am Monday 1 September

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