

MIRABILIS COLLECTIVE



# ASPIRE TOGETHER: ARTIST & DONOR ALLIANCE



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# Get to Know Mirabilis Collective



## About Us

Mirabilis Collective is a West Australian chamber music ensemble that focuses on elevating women in music. Our performances blend classical and contemporary styles through diverse instruments and vocals, showcasing women musicians, composers and songwriters from multiple generations.

## Our Purpose

Our goal is to celebrate female artistry, foster growth, and unite diverse audiences through women-led musical innovation. Join us in making a tangible impact on the arts landscape.

## Aspire Together: Artist & Donor Alliance

Aspire Together is a key initiative by Mirabilis Collective, dedicated to supporting the artistic aspirations of women musicians and composers in Western Australia. This program connects donors with talented female artists, significantly contributing to the success of both our Illuminate 2024 concert series and our 2025 concert series. Through donations, we cover artist fees, fund new compositions, and support artistic endeavours, enabling donors to play an integral role in nurturing artistic diversity and innovation.

Music enriches cultural and community life. Aspire Together embodies an innovative approach to nurturing the next generation of female musical talent. By aligning aspiring musicians with supportive donors, this initiative helps cultivate a dynamic and diverse musical environment in Western Australia.

# Aspire Together: Program Overview

Aspire Together introduces a donation model that seamlessly integrates emerging female artists into Mirabilis Collective's concerts and education workshops. This includes:

- Funding for young artists' rehearsal and performance fees.
- Commissioning new works by Australian female composers, dedicating pieces to their donors.
- Financing arrangements of compositions by female artists, prominently featured in both concert series.



## Objectives

1. Offer substantial financial and professional support to female artists.
2. Enrich our concerts and education workshops with unique and diverse compositions.
3. Provide donors with a meaningful avenue to advance the arts.

## The Donation Model

### Flexible Donor Options

Various engagement opportunities, from foundational support to significant partnerships.

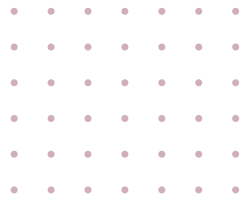
### Direct Artist Support

Ensuring donors' contributions directly benefit artists' careers.

### Recognition

Acknowledging donors in concert materials and promotions.

# How You Can Impact The Arts



## Impacts and Benefits

### For Young Artists

Offers crucial financial backing, creative opportunities, and exposure through two high-profile concert series.

### For Donors

Provides a direct avenue to support arts development and gain public acknowledgment.

### For the Community

Delivers a richer and more varied musical experience featuring music written specifically for our ensemble.



## Implementation Plan

### Artist Engagement:

We'll start selecting artists and composers, focusing on diverse choices that represent a range of experiences.

### Creative Process:

Selected artists will collaborate with our team on commissioned pieces, ensuring each work aligns with our concert series' themes.

### Communication:

Donors will receive regular updates, giving insights into the progression from rehearsals to the final performances.

### Assessing Impact and Nurturing Growth:

Post-concert, we conduct a detailed evaluation of our impact, showcasing the effectiveness of your support. This includes gathering feedback for continuous improvement, ensuring contributions cultivate growth and evolution.



# Case Study: The Matildas' Success

## The Game Changer: Investing in Women's Soccer

Let's take a look at the Matildas, Australia's pride in women's soccer. Their ascent to global recognition didn't happen by chance. It was a masterclass in the art of investment.

Over the years, strategic funding and support flowed into every aspect of the sport – from player development to coaching and facilities.

The result? A powerhouse team that commands respect on the international stage.

The lesson? Invest wisely and consistently, and the results will speak for themselves.



## Why Focused Investment Wins

Here's the bottom line: targeted investment is a game-changer.

For the Matildas, it meant scaling new heights in soccer. For Mirabilis Collective, it's about building a platform where women musicians can be heard.

Both stories are about laying the groundwork for sustained success, building an ecosystem that thrives in the long term.

## Echoing the Matildas' Success with Mirabilis Collective

The story of the Matildas is more than a sports triumph; it's a blueprint for breaking barriers.

We're embarking on an exciting journey with our Aspire Together initiative. Our game plan mirrors the strategic approach of the Matildas, but in the realm of the arts.

Our aim? To spotlight and elevate emerging female musicians and composers, placing them firmly on the cultural map.

*Our vision with Aspire Together is focused on long-term achievements, aiming to revolutionise the landscape for women in music. It's forging partnerships to create a lasting legacy. It's a commitment to a future where excellence and diversity aren't just ideals, but realities.*

# Your Support, Your Way



Become a vital part of our musical community. Our Aspire Together program lets you choose the level of involvement that aligns with your passion for the arts. Your tax-deductible contribution makes a direct impact on our mission to champion women in music

## Harmony (Up to \$499)

- Contribute to the professional development and performance opportunities for emerging female musicians.
- Regular updates and insights into the impact of your support.
- Public thanks in concert programs and on the Mirabilis Collective website.

## Inspiration (\$500 - \$1,999)

- Directly support the commissioning of new works from female composers, enriching our repertoire with fresh, innovative compositions.
- Invitations to witness the creative journey, from rehearsals to discussions with the artists and composers.
- Special recognition in communications and at major events.

## Legacy (\$2,000 and above)

- Fund substantial projects such as larger-scale productions and collaborations, offering a significant platform for female artists to showcase their talent.
- In-depth engagement, allowing you to delve into the creative process and understand the impact of your contributions on our artistic vision.
- Highlighted acknowledgement in key publications and events.

# Mirabilis Collective Musicians

## Musicians

Tresna Stampalia ~ flute  
Stephanie Nicholls ~ oboe and piano

## Guest Musicians

Madeleine Antoine ~ violin  
Bourby Webster ~ viola  
Sophie Curtis ~ cello  
Irina Buevska-Cowell ~ piano  
Caroline Badnall ~ piano  
Angela Currie ~ pipe organ



## Composers and Arrangers

Candice Susnjar  
2024 Composer in Residence  
Emily Gelineau  
2023 IWD Commissioned Composer  
R. E. Smith  
2024 Commissioned Composer  
Julia Nicholls  
2024 Commissioned Composer  
Resident Arranger  
Stephanie Nicholls  
Resident Arranger

## Associate Artists

Lucinda Nicholls ~ soprano  
Julia Nicholls ~ violin and voice  
Elouise Watson ~ violin  
Jessica Casey ~ viola  
Anya Butcher ~ cello  
Anneke van der Laan ~ cello  
Elena Wittkuhn ~ cello  
Lisa Huang ~ piano  
Bridget Hutchinson ~ piano  
Shirley Ng ~ piano  
Abbey Felton ~ classical guitar

*Intergenerational women performing genre-defying music*



## Aspire Together with Mirabilis Collective: Make a Difference Today!

We are delighted that our mission resonates with you and we warmly invite you to join our community.

To embark on your journey of supporting talented and diverse women musicians, simply get in touch with us. We will assist you through the donation process via the [Australian Cultural Fund](#), which is a fundraising platform for Australian artists. It is operated by Creative Australia and was established by the Australian Government in 2003 to encourage donations to the arts.

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