

Victorian College of the Arts
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VCA Music presents:

Sound Out

Friday 17 August, 7.30pm

Sound Out is a musical smorgasbord, featuring innovative new works by VCA Music composers and performed by the VCA Symphony Orchestra. The performance will be conducted by **Dr David Kram**, VCA Music, and masters' student **Daniel Phillips** and will feature a special introduction from **Mark Clement Pollard**, eminent Australian composer and Head of Composition VCA Music.

The performance will include four short and unique compositions by VCA composers and an **Electric Guitar Concerto** by Mark Clement Pollard featuring renowned guitarist Antony Field, giving music lovers the chance to sample the newest sounds out. Following the performance, audience members will have the opportunity to meet with the composers.

Program includes:

- Scott Benjamin Lewis, "wr2"
- Alexander Garsden, *Light breaks where no sun shines*
- Misha Doumnov, *Sky Thirst*
- James Rushford, *diffraction limit*
- Mark Clement Pollard, *Colouring in the sky Electric Guitar Concerto*,
Antony Field on solo electric guitar

Background on *Colouring in the sky Electric Guitar Concerto*

This new work by Mark Pollard recently premiered to critical and popular acclaim at the Seventh Darwin International Guitar Festival, its performance at Sound Out will be its Victorian premier. The work is inspired by the art making process of Utopia region aboriginal artist Emily Kame Kngwarreye. Kngwarreye's art involves the creation of an image that is then painted over with an explosion of dots. This process of 'colouring in', which gradually masks what lay beneath to create another overlaid story, is an essential element of this concerto. The resonant and melodic qualities of the electric guitar gradually unfold an underlying theme which is masked to create a 'sound snapshot' of the 'colouring in' of the night sky.

Date/time: Friday 17 August, 7.30pm

Venue: Iwaki Auditorium, ABC Southbank Centre, Southbank Boulevard, Southbank

Admission: \$10

Bookings: 03 9685 9423

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Mark Pollard is available for interview

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