

MEDIA RELEASE

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Heads of Australia’s major symphony orchestras acknowledge Margaret Throsby’s outstanding contribution to Australian music

The Chairmen of the Adelaide, Melbourne, Queensland, Sydney, Tasmanian and West Australian Symphony Orchestras today acknowledged the outstanding and sustained contribution that veteran ABC Classic FM broadcaster Margaret Throsby has made to the orchestras and to the Australian musical ecology.

ABC Director Radio, Michael Mason, announced that Throsby will move from broadcasting her daily Midday Show to a single weekend show in 2017.

The orchestral leaders noted that for over 22 years Margaret Throsby has significantly supported the ABC in fulfilling its charter to encourage and promote music in Australia and build our musical cultural heritage.

The Chairmen also added that the wide audience for classical music in Australia and around the world is richer for her contribution and wished her the very best for the future.

They also said that they were disappointed that ABC Classic FM’s Midday program, which featured guests sharing their life stories and favourite music, will not return next year.

Colin Dunsford AM, Adelaide Symphony Orchestra
Michael Ullmer, Melbourne Symphony Orchestra
Greg Wanchap, Queensland Symphony Orchestra
Terrey Arcus AM, Sydney Symphony Orchestra
David Rich, Tasmanian Symphony Orchestra
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