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EVENT OVERVIEW

STRICTLY EMBARGOED 6PM TUESDAY 30 MAY, 2017

Queensland Music Festival: *The Sound of Art*

Australian composer Elena Kats-Chernin will perform 10 world premiere musical sketches created in response to the paintings of two iconic Australian painters: Margaret Olley and William Robinson.

This intimate concert at Old Government House on Sunday 16 July will also feature performances by the Orava Quartet with Katie Noonan. An exhibition of selected paintings by Margaret Olley and William Robinson will be on display at the venue, with images of the works that inspired Kats-Chernin's improvisations projected throughout the performance.

Queensland Music Festival Artistic Director Katie Noonan said *The Sound of Art* is a rare opportunity to get up close and personal with internationally celebrated composer Elena Kats-Chernin and to experience the works of Margaret Olley and William Robinson in a completely new way.

"In the week leading up to the concert, Elena will sketch and compose her improvisations as composer-in-residence at the art-inspired hotel The Johnson. Elena will also lead two masterclasses, providing a unique opportunity for composition students to watch her creative process," Ms Noonan said.

"This will be a truly unique and beautiful collision of Australian music and art."

The Sound of Art is presented by Queensland Music Festival and Brisbane City Council, and supported by the Margaret Olley Art Trust, Philip Bacon Galleries, Art Series Hotel Group, Kawai Australia, QUT Art Museum and William Robinson Gallery.

For more information and to book visit qmf.org.au.

EVENT DETAILS

EVENT: *The Sound of Art*

DATE: Sunday 16 July 2017

TIME: 2pm

VENUE: The William Robinson Gallery, Old Government House, QUT

TICKETS: \$79, includes a glass of champagne upon arrival

*Please visit qmf.org.au for details of the masterclasses

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