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JAMES MORRISON
WITH SPECIAL GUESTS
MEGAN WASHINGTON
& MARIAN PETRESCU
BRISBANE



THREE MUSICAL GENIUSES UNITE TO PERFORM JAZZ AT ITS BEST

On Friday 31 July, trumpet maestro James Morrison will join forces with ARIA Award-winning songstress, Megan Washington, and the fleet-fingered genius of jazz piano, Marian Petrescu, for one monumental performance at QPAC's Concert Hall for this year's Queensland Music Festival (QMF).

QMF Artistic Director James Morrison said he couldn't resist bringing these two artists together for the first time at this year's festival.

"We all know and love Megan's music and her unique approach to engaging with a song, and this is a rare chance to hear her go back to her jazz roots," Mr. Morrison said.

"Those who have experienced Marian playing live know that it's an experience you never forget. To bring Megan and Marian together in a classic jazz setting is going to be stunning. This is one concert you don't want to miss."

Morrison is, by anybody's standard, a virtuoso in the true sense of the word – a multi-instrumentalist extraordinaire who has performed with the legends of jazz around the world.

Washington, known for her unique, bold style of indie-pop, will bring that musical sensibility into a jazz setting to create something her fans may never have heard before.

The peerless Petrescu, with his dazzling technique and dynamic interpretation, is eclectic and adventurous, rounding out this trio to near perfection.

"Bringing Megan and Marian together is a unique and special opportunity, so to say I'm excited about sharing the stage with these two artists would be an understatement," Mr Morrison said.

"Marian performed as part of QMF in 2013 to standing ovations and I couldn't resist bringing him back for this year's festival. He is in a class of his own and one of my favourite artists with whom to perform."

Morrison and Petrescu recently recorded a new album, *A Fine Romance*, in Sydney, which will be released on 31 July.

The QMF Brisbane concert kicks off a national tour, which will also visit Adelaide, Melbourne, and Sydney.

James Morrison with special guests Megan Washington & Marian Petrescu is presented by QMF and Queensland Performing Arts Centre in association with Brisbane City Council.

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*James Morrison with special guests
Megan Washington & Marian Petrescu*

Brisbane

Fri 31 Jul 8pm
Concert Hall QPAC

Tickets \$65 – \$99

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