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## Symphony Under the Stars to take audience Around the World

Queensland Symphony Orchestra's Symphony Under the Stars returns to Gladstone next month, marking the ninth consecutive year this popular musical showcase has come to town.

The Marina Parklands will host Symphony Under the Stars once again with the free event taking place from 7pm on Friday 27 August.

Based around the theme of *Around the World*, attendees will be taken on a journey to the icy beauty of Finland as Sibelius' *Finlandia* is performed, step into a bustling Bohemian village and enjoy Dvořák's *Slavonic Dances* and feel the magic of Totoro, one's of Japan's most-loved animated characters.

Gladstone Region Mayor Matt Burnett said respected conductor Guy Noble will return to front the Queensland Symphony Orchestra.

"Previous Symphony Under the Stars attendees will be familiar with Guy's achievements," Councillor Burnett said.

"Guy has an extensive resume including stints with the Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide, Western Australian, Tasmanian, Queensland and Canberra symphony orchestras, as well as the Auckland Philharmonia Orchestra and the Hong Kong Symphony and Malaysian Philharmonic orchestras.

"Guy has worked with a wide variety of international performers including Harry Connick Jr, Ben Folds, The Beach Boys, Glenn Frey, Randy Newman, Olivia Newton John and many others."

The 2021 Symphony Under the Stars program includes:
- ROSSINI *William Tell Overture* and *Galop*
- TCHAIKOVSKY *March* and *Danse russe trepak* from The Nutcracker
- SCULTHORPE *Small Town*
- DVOŘÁK *Slavonic Dances Op. 72, No.7*
- COPLAND *Fanfare for the Common Man*
- GRIEG *In the Hall of the Mountain King* from Peer Gynt
- BRUCH *Romance in F major*, for Viola & Orchestra
- HANDEL *Royal Fireworks Music, HWV 351*
- HISAISHI *My Neighbor Totoro*
- BORODIN *In the Steppes of Central Asia*
- SHARPE *Blades of Toledo*
- SIBELIUS *Finlandia, Op.26*.

Visit www.gladstoneentertainment.com for more information about Symphony Under the Stars.

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