

News Release

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SELBY AND FRIENDS CONCLUDE 10TH ANNIVERSARY SEASON WITH *SHEER NYLON* NATIONAL TOUR IN NOVEMBER 2016

Daniel Dodds – Violin | Julian Smiles – Cello | Kathryn Selby – Piano

- **Gerard Brophy** *Sheer Nylon Dances (2001)*
- **Franz Schubert** *Sonata in B flat D 28*
- **Franz Liszt** *Tristia La Vallée d'Obermann, S. 723 (version for piano trio)*
- **Johannes Brahms** *Piano Trio No. 1 in B major, Op. 8*

2016 has been an incredible year for renowned pianist Kathryn Selby's chamber music series [Selby & Friends](#), having celebrated their tenth anniversary with four vivacious, critically acclaimed national tours throughout the year. Commencing on November 5, Selby & Friends will embark upon their fifth and final tour for the year, entitled *Sheer Nylon*.

The *Sheer Nylon* performances will feature a spectacular array of beloved piano trio compositions from across the globe, showcasing the tremendous musical diversity that truly encapsulates Selby & Friends. The tour will blend classical with contemporary, highlighting Australian composer Gerard Brophy, from whose work this tour takes its name, alongside canonical composers Schubert, Liszt and Brahms.

For her final tour for the year, Selby has invited guests cellist Julian Smiles, in what will be his second Selby & Friends tour for 2016, having recently performed during this year's fourth tour *Basically Beethoven*, and Australian-Swiss violinist and Artistic Director of the Festival Strings Lucerne, Daniel Dodds.

The virtuosic trio will be reuniting for the first time in more than two years; their last Selby & Friends collaboration took place in July 2014, during which they delivered breathtaking performances of Beethoven, Tchaikovsky and Fauré to sensational reviews. The Sydney Morning Herald praised the "crack team" on their "consistently enthralling" performance, and their upcoming tour is equally anticipated.

Daniel Dodds' prodigious talents have taken the Australian-born violinist around the globe since the young age of seventeen. Dodds travelled to Switzerland, the Netherlands and beyond, originally to study, and later as an award-winning performer, chamber musician and soloist, and Artistic Director of the Festival Strings Lucerne.

One of Australia's most sought after cellists, Julian Smiles has enjoyed a fruitful career within chamber music, solo and orchestral performances throughout Australia and beyond. Formerly principal cellist with the Australian Chamber Orchestra and guest principal with the Sydney Symphony Orchestra, Julian is a co-founder of the internationally renowned Goldner String Quartet, and currently calls the Australia Ensemble home. A frequent collaborator with musicians across Australia and beyond, he has performed with Selby & Friends each year since 2012.

Kathryn Selby AM, Australia's pre-eminent chamber music pianist, boasts a string of international and Australian performance awards, appraising her 'formidable talent', as the Artistic Director of Selby & Friends that is marking ten years of successfully creating artistically acclaimed musical collaborations. She has announced her 2017 season with another brilliant ensemble cast and absorbing programs which are already selling out in some venues.

"I am very excited to be working with both Dan and Julian again" says Selby. "They met as teenagers and are wonderful colleagues, dynamic and strong personalities. This will be a wonderful and diverse selection of works with which to collaborate with them both as we head to the end of the year!"

Selby & Friends has consistently flourished and expanded throughout the past ten years, and 2016 has been an incredible celebration of the brilliant and diverse performances that have been delivered in that time. To conclude 2016 on a showcase of music with such varied sound, era and origin, is the perfect ending to an exceptional year and decade.

***Sheer Nylon* will take the audience on a diverse and captivating musical journey through past and present, in the final performance of their lauded tenth anniversary year.**

Tickets are now on sale through the [website](#), by calling 1300 511 099 or at the door.
Selby & Friends, *Sheer Nylon* tour dates:

Nov 5 – 5:00pm, St Jude's Church, Bendooley Street, Bowral

Nov 6 – 2:30pm, Uniting Church, Turramurra, Sydney

Nov 7 – 7:30pm, James O. Fairfax Theatre, National Gallery of Australia, Canberra

Nov 8 – 7:30pm, Deakin Edge, Federation Square, Melbourne

Nov 10 – 7:00pm, City Recital Hall, Sydney

Nov 13 – 2:30 pm, Elder Hall, University of Adelaide

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