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SOUTHERN CROSS SOLOISTS WELCOME NEW GENERAL MANAGER

The Board of the Southern Cross Soloists has appointed **Ms Yvonne Henry** to the role of **General Manager** from 10 September 2018. This appointment reflects the company's growth from a Brisbane-based foundation ensemble into Australia's foremost chamber music entity.



Ms Henry brings over 25 years' of corporate strategy experience to the role with management positions at Queensland Theatre, Opera Queensland, State Library of Queensland, Carlton Group of Hotels, alongside a number of public sector roles at all levels of government.

Board of Directors' Chair Mr Greg Thompson said Ms Henry's appointment heralds a busy time ahead as the company heads into its 24th year as an ensemble and its 10th year as company-in-residence at QPAC.

"Under the artistic direction of acclaimed oboist and leading chamber music artist Tania Frazer since 2011, the company has offered audiences world-class chamber music performances in intimate locations," Mr Thompson said.

"With sell-out concerts at QPAC and Bangalow Music Festival this year, the organisation is planning innovative programming in 2019 at both those locations and further afield in other capital cities, and in the Asia-Pacific region."

"Ms Henry working alongside our Artistic Director, the Board, our experienced administration team and with the loyal support from our Patron Dame Quentin Bryce AD CVO, will be well placed to ensure our ongoing contribution and commitment to being worthy ambassadors of chamber music in all its forms."

Ms Henry, who had long held a passion for the Arts, with particular focus on brand realignment and audience development, said she was looking forward to joining the company and building on their success.

"I have been fortunate to have worked alongside some of the most talented artists in the country and the Southern Cross Soloists is no exception. I'm excited to be joining the company at this time, with the QPAC Series finale, *The Virtuosos*, coming up next month, as well as the launch of Season 2019," she said.

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