

Sounds Of Singchronicity - August 09

Marching to the beat of a different drum....

Northey Street

Six months ago, Kerrie and I bought djembe drums and started looking around for where we could play with others to learn the art. I read about a drumming circle that was supposed to be running at the Northey Street Organic Markets. We went along to join in, only to find that there was nothing happening. Nobody knew anything about it. After trying a few singing sessions, I was asked to try and get a drum circle running, as it was felt that it would be good for the market. Kerrie and I took up the challenge, bought a few smaller instruments to share with market visitors and held a regular presence on the first & 3rd Sundays of the month. People joined in, we gained more confidence and started to get the word out. We were blessed with some talented people jamming along with us. Although numbers have been few, the vibe was nice and people were starting to come back to join in. However, last week we were asked to shift to a different area (effective immediately) across the road from the main market area. It was felt that the drumming vibe was no longer appropriate for the communal area out the back of the Chai Cafe. There was no time for me to notify anyone beforehand that we had move, so I sincerely apologise to those of you who came and could not find us. The area we were allocated for

future is a nice area, but is separate to the market so we would not enjoy the communal vibe that the market offers. If we had a larger group of regular drummers, this new area (the Healing Circle) might be suitable to use, but it is not conducive to building a following. Therefore, Kerrie and I have decided not to continue trying to build a drumming circle at Northey Street Organic Markets. However, we really enjoy our drumming and have found an existing drum circle to join in to elsewhere.

Centenary Drum Circle

This drum Circle meets **most Saturdays** from 12 noon until about 3PM at Rocks Riverside Park at Seventeen Mile Rocks. It is a beautiful parkland setting, only minutes off the Centenary Hwy nestled against the Brisbane River. You can find it at <http://www.whereis.com/qld/seventeen-mile-rocks/counihan-rd?id=8F831790B093FC> You can read more about them at www.myspace.com/centenarydrumcircle or email centenarydrumcircle@hotmail.com for more info. This Saturday they are at Corinda State School fete at Cliveden Ave instead, so you can go along & check them out. Kerrie and I joined them on Sunday at the Centenary Rocks Festival, where they had a nice area set up. We had djembes,

bongos, congas, tablas and some big home made drums to play with. There were quite a few drums and shakers available for sharing. We were most impressed with the warm welcome they gave us and how generously they shared their toys! **We will be back!** We were also privileged to drum for a group of belly dancers as well, so it was a great day. We drummed for about five hours! So, the moral of the story is..... "As one door closes, another one opens" so we again get reminded to trust in the flow of life without expectation. My favourite reminder of this is Mother Theresa's words "More tears have been shed over answered prayers than unanswered ones!"



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Coming Events



John Will Be Appearing At The Following Events

Sing Thru Your Bones For Joy – Rhonda Ohlson & John Rodriquez

Saturday 15 August @ 1.15 PM to 5.15 PM

Relaxation Centre – 15 South Pine Rd Alderley

This is proving to be a popular workshop and is becoming a regular feature at the Relaxation Centre. Each time we do this, we cover different material, based on a different themes, so you will get a new experience each time.

John and Rhonda complement each other in the way they work with sound, Feldenkrais, Harmonic Whirlies, Toning and Singing. You get an uplifting experience that helps you release blockages, shift energies and soar in an safe and nurturing environment where you can enjoy the ride!

Join us for yet another inspirational and liberating session. John & Rhonda continue to bring you a very special workshop “Sing Thru Your Bones for Joy!” Invest four hours of your precious time and you will reap precious rewards.

Rhonda is a leading Feldenkrais practitioner who will show you how to align your bones to tune up your body/voice. You will be surprised and delighted with the power and pleasure you feel when you sing through your bones. www.smartmovesbiz.com

John will help you discover your true inner voice in safe, caring and fun environment.

www.singchronicity.net

If you love to sing, or if you dearly want to be able to sing, then this is a special event to book in for. No experience is necessary and people who believe they can't sing are especially encouraged to come along and enjoy the fun. Your investment is \$45 for this wonderful event.

Ph 3856 3733 to book in.

Night of Light – Healing Event

Friday August 7 @ 7 PM

Logan Community Centre, Cnr Jacaranda Ave & Wembley Rd

<http://www.nightoflight.com.au/SouthBrisbaneChapter.htm>

Date Claimer – Full day Workshop

Sunday 8 November

Separate flyer coming soon. This will be a small group workshop in an intimate setting at the Sanctuary Chapel in Advancetown, Gold Coast.

Other Events And News For You

Freedom Train Community Choir – Calling new members!

Do you love to sing? Live in the Brisbane–Gold Coast region?

Join “Freedom Train” – Our New Community Choir

Mondays, 6–8 PM @ Woodlands, Waterford – halfway between Brisbane & the Gold Coast

NO AUDITIONS REQUIRED

* Develop your voice * Open to all levels of vocal ability *

* Fun, relaxed group environment * Wide variety of material *

* Future performance opportunities *

* Ability to read music not necessary *

* Great for mind, body & soul *

* Enjoy the gentle & inspiring guidance of experienced vocalists and musicians

Choir membership runs in 6-session blocks. Total for 6-session membership: \$72

For more info please contact either Cath Mundy & Jay Turner: Ph 0424 127 580

email: cathjay@mundy-turner.com www.mundy-turner.com www.myspace.com/mundyturner

As I said before....this is a great choir to play with!

Singing In Brisbane – Saturday Sessions

Saturdays @ 2PM Join Andrea & Don in choruses & make up your own harmonies at Burke's Hotel, Cnr Annerley & Stephens Rds Highgate Hill/Dutton Park (up the road from the Mater). Free entry.

Robert Stevenson Satsangs

Saturday 1 August 7 PM

@ Shashara, 17 Waterloo Street, Cleveland

Sunday 2nd August 9 AM

@ College of Mind, Body Spirit, Cnr. Forest Lake Bld & Esplanade, Forest Lake

Cost \$10 Donation

Terry Oldfield & Soraya

A Lie Down Concert

Saturday, August 1 @6.30 PM – 8.30 PM

Yoga on Parker, 23 Parker Street, Newmarket

Terry together with wife Soraya give a rich experience of healing sound that will leave you in a place of deep peace. From the Silver Flutes to the Pan Pipes, Terry's soaring flutes together with Soraya's sweet voice, gongs, bells and crystal bowls form an unforgettable journey of the soul. Terry Oldfield has worked as a composer of Relaxation, Meditation, Inspirational and World music for the past 30 years with over 3 million album sales worldwide. There will also be chair options **Please phone to book: 5445 9769 mob: 0400 520624 or Cheryl from Yoga on Parker 3352 6155**

Cost \$20.00

Sacred Earth In Concert

Saturday 1 August @ 7.30 – 10 PM Doors open 7 PM

Warrandyte Mechanics Institute Hall, Cnr. Yarra & Mitchell St. Warrandyte. Vic.

Friday 21 August @ 7.30 – 10 PM Doors open 7 PM

Yarralumla Clubhouse, commonwealth Ave. Yarralumla. A.C.T.

Cost \$25.00 For details see www.chrishooper.com.au

Sacred Earth are also appearing at "Sacred Journey Within Retreat"

Thursday 6 August – Sunday 9 August

in Arcadia N.S.W. See www.sacredjourneywithin.com for details.

Schedule for Chris James in N.S.W. and Qld

Chris James has events scheduled in N.S.W. and Qld. For information see full schedule at www.chrisjames.net I have listed a brief summary of these below.

Saturday 1 August Joy-Full Voice Bardon, Qld

Sunday 2 August Joy-Full Voice Bardon, Qld

Saturday 6 August An Evening of Song Sound and Healing Lismore, N.S.W.

Sunday 9 August Joy-Full Voice Macleans Ridges, N.S.W.

Chris has more events schedule in Finland, Norway and Holland. Check above link.

Tony Backhouse – The Desert Choir – Central Australia

Saturday 1 August – Saturday 8 August

Feel your voice rise with the choir as the sun sets over the ancient landscape of Central Australia; explore the primal connection between song and country; enjoy the company of the Desert Choir as voices are raised together in celebration of being and walking in a profound place.

Enjoy singing with aboriginal people and each other along the magnificent Larapinta Trail of Central Australia. <http://www.intotheblue.com.au/tours/tour.asp?ID=57>

Sacred Space Concert

Saturday 22 August @ 7 PM

Doors open 6.30 PM with a movie "Yoga in Daily Life in India"

Yoga in Daily Life Yoga Cente, Studio 6, 80 Sixth Avenue, Maroochydoore.

Come and share an evening of sacred Mantra, Crystal vocals and warm Bansuri Flute in a tranquil setting. Cost \$20.00 50% of proceeds donated to charity in India

Details Yamuna 5479 4833 or Nilong 0401434474

email sacredspacemusic@hotmail.com website www.sacredspace.com.au

Talkin' the Drum courses with Elliott Orr

INTERMEDIATE/ADVANCED DRUMMING COURSE

Thursday 6 August 8.15 PM – 9.45 PM

26 Horan Street, West End. Open to those who have obtained good technique. Cost 20.00

6 WEEK DRUMMING TECHNIQUE COURSE

Friday 7 August – Friday 18 September 6.30 PM – 8.00 PM

Kurilpa Hall, 147 Boundary Street, West End.

If you have just entered the land of the drum, **welcome to the circle!** This is the course for you!!! You'll learn the A.B.C. of the djembe in a fun, relaxed and friendly environment. Cost \$105.00

6 WEEK BEGINNERS DRUMMING

Friday 7 August – Friday 18 September 8.15 PM – 9.45 PM

Kurilpa Hall, 147 Boundary Street, West End.

This course is pitched at people who have already learnt basic technique on the djembe and are keen to get their teeth stuck into some traditional and contemporary rhythms. Cost \$105.00

5 WEEK INTERMEDIATE/ ADVANCED DRUMMING

Thursday 13 February – Thursday 17 September 8.30 PM– 10.00 PM

26 Horan Street, West End.

Open to drummers with experience in African drumming. Ability to play a clear tone & slap is a must. Cost \$85.00

You can hire drum or bring your own.

info@talkinthedrum.com.au

The Idea of North

Saturday 5 September (but BOOK EARLY or you will miss out!)

They're back again in September, this time to celebrate their 15th anniversary! Come and help celebrate fifteen successful years of singing, recording and performing all around the world. They will be singing some favourites from each of their six albums so far and also performing a bunch of brand new, unrecorded material. It will be a journey through the last decade and a half of their take on the a cappella style, with a small peek into the future of The Idea of North. We recommend you book soon as tickets are selling fast. The evening show is already more than 50% sold... Info and bookings through Brisbane Powerhouse website: www.brisbanepowerhouse.org or Ph. 3358 8600

Queensland turns 150 choirs concert

Saturday 5 September @ 7.30 PM

Brisbane City Hall Main Auditorium

Queensland celebrates 150 years of independence from New South Wales on 10 December 2009. A grant has been received from the Queensland Government, which will assist in producing a concert, as part of the celebrations. Taking part will be the choirs [Chordiality](#), [Celtic Connection](#) & Southern Cross Voices & [Kelvin Grove Wind Orchestra](#). The concert will culminate in a massed choir & orchestral piece, "Queensland Portrait", especially commissioned for this event from Australian composer, Sean O'Boyle www.seanoboyle.com.au The concert will be held in the, Tickets \$25 Adults \$20 Concession. Tickets available by emailing southerncrossvoices@gmail.com or contacting any of the participating choirs or the orchestra. Check out the [Government Q150](#) site.

Camp Creative

Saturday, 11 January – 15 January in Bellingen

It is a summer camp for families and individuals – a fun learning event where you mix with people of widely differing interests and ages in a relaxing and creative atmosphere. The accent is on imagination, innovation and enjoyment. The tutors are all leaders in their field who generously give their time for modest fees and who believe in the concept of Camp Creative, which is to give everyone the opportunity to find creative expression within themselves. Camp Creative will open your eyes to new ways of looking at things and looking at your self as well.

www.campcreative.com.au

