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# Team of Pianists at Glenfern

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**NATIONAL TRUST**  
*Every moment an amazing story*

Artists-in-Residence

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## **PIANO MARATHON AT RIPPON LEA Thursday January 26 (Australia Day holiday), 2017**

Dear .....

On Thursday January 26, the Australia Day holiday, the Team of Pianists is arranging our annual PIANO MARATHON in the lovely surroundings of RIPPON LEA, in Elsternwick. We are inviting up to 100 pianists to perform a three or five minute segment each, depending on piano grade standard. The proceedings will commence at 10.00am and finish at 5.00pm. This will be a fund raising event for the National Trust.

Each pianist who applies to perform may bring friends and family members. Performers will not pay an entry fee to Rippon Lea, and their families and friends will be charged a specially reduced admission price on the day. Normal admission prices are: Adult \$15, Concession \$12, Child \$9, family \$35, however for family and friends of Piano Marathon performers, the admission prices will be: Adult \$10, Children \$4, Family \$20.

Families of participants will be encouraged to picnic in the delightful grounds of Rippon Lea. Tea and coffee will be available for purchase at the site.

The music will be performed in the Ballroom, but audience members will also be welcome to sit or wander in the gardens at Rippon Lea or view the house between 1-2pm (included in the admission fee). The piano will be able to be heard outside the house, on the pool terrace and the near lawns, to enable families to relax in an outdoor atmosphere.

We are inviting you to play one or two pieces for a maximum of five minutes if you are over Fifth Grade piano standard, or for a maximum of three minutes for those up to Fourth Grade piano standard. When we have developed a timetable we will let you know at what time you will be playing. As you can imagine, we must ask you to keep exactly to your allotted time to enable the day to work successfully. This will be an outstanding opportunity to perform before a wide audience on a fine piano in wonderful surroundings. You will play not just to friends and family, but also to National Trust members and other visitors to the property. We hope you will join us on the 26th January.

**Please respond no later than Friday 13th January 2017** to this invitation, indicating the number of family and friends attending. I look forward to hearing from you.

**Professor Max Cooke OAM**  
**Founder & Partner - Team of Pianists.**  
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**If you are accepting our invitation to perform at Rippon Lea on Thursday January 26, 2017, please fill in this reply form and send it to us before Friday January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017.**

**Send to: Team of Pianists  
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NAME.....

AGE.....

ADDRESS.....

.....Postcode.....

Telephone.....

Email.....

PIANO GRADE/EXAMINATION LEVEL.....

PIECE OR PIECES YOU WISH TO PLAY:

1. COMPOSER.....

TITLE..... EXACT TIMING.....mins.

2. COMPOSER.....

TITLE.....EXACT TIMING.....mins.

(One or two pieces may be played totalling 5 minutes if you are over 5<sup>th</sup> Grade piano standard, or totalling 3 minutes if you are 4<sup>th</sup> Grade piano standard or below)

NUMBER OF FAMILY OR FRIENDS ATTENDING.....

DO YOU HAVE A PREFERRED TIME OF DAY?.....

(We will try to consider this)