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Symphony Under the Stars

Alice Springs locals and visitors are in for a musical treat as the Darwin Symphony Orchestra performs *Symphony Under the Stars* at the Alice Springs Desert Park this Tuesday, 13 September 2011.

Alice Springs Desert Park Director Gary Fry said the evening will feature a night of classic variety and is one of the highlight events of the Alice Desert Festival.

“Darwin Symphony Orchestra will perform a stirring combination of great classics, classic rock and beautiful new compositions,” Mr Fry said.

“Darwin Symphony Orchestra will also share the stage with Larapinta Primary School choir and singer-songwriter Stephanie Harrison for a rendition of her Territory anthem, *Stand as One*.

“Administrator of the Northern Territory, His Honour Mr Tom Pauling, AO QC will narrate Shakespearean sonnets to accompany a new composition written by NT composer and Darwin Symphony Orchestra cellist Cathy Applegate.

“*Fourteen Lines: Shakespeare on Love, Time and Poetry* is a set of original pieces composed by Ms Applegate that will be accompanied by His Honour Mr Pauling, who will recite each sonnet to add a dramatic layer to the atmospheric pieces.

“With the MacDonnell Ranges as a spectacular backdrop, I encourage locals and visitors to capitalise on what will undoubtedly be a remarkable event as part of the Alice Desert Festival program.”

Symphony Under the Stars will be held at the Alice Springs Desert Park on Tuesday, 13 September 2011 at 6.30pm.

Entry is by gold coin and a variety of snacks, dinner options and beverages from the bar will be available to purchase during the evening. As the Desert Park is a licensed venue, visitors are asked not to bring their food and beverages.

For further information on upcoming events at the Alice Springs Desert Park, visit www.alicespringsdesertpark.com.au

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Images – Darwin Symphony Orchestra performing

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