



## POSTPRODUCTION MEDIA RELEASE

### **Bendigo Ulumbarra Theatre Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2017**

The WE ARE THE World! Bring a bell! Concert presented a world repertoire of music and dance, a magnificent blend of traditional styles, ending with Federation and audience bells, 150 performers and the audience celebrated unity: the whole world is here - we are the world!

This unique showcase of a multiplicity of expressions of classical and authentic traditional music and dance, live in concert, included popular Scottish tunes played on a small pipe, Indian Drumming Ceremony, Italian, Russian, sacred hymns and chants in Pali, Persian, Hebrew and Ladino languages, Gospel, Chinese and Filipino choir folk music, Polish and Italian classical and folk music and dance, Turkish Sufi meditative music and dance, rare song lines in authentic Dja Dja Wurrung and Wemba Wemba languages, Greek and Karen folk music and dances, all dances presented in authentic traditional colourful and intricate costumes.

These diverse musical styles were masterfully blending into one musical unit, under the professional supervision of the internationally renowned Musical Director, Andrew Wailes.

Organiser: WE ARE THE WORLD! Board of Professionals:

- Patron and Main Musical Advisor: Andrew Wailes
- Musical Directors: Andrew Wailes, Shobha Sekhar, Arman Habibi , Rabbi Dovid Rubinfeld, Elena Varshavskaya
- Artistic Advisor Lilia Dutova
- Performance Standards Advisors: Rabbi Shamir Caplan, Sheikh Abdi Nur Weli
- Cultural Co-ordinators: Deborah Webster, Ayesha Bux
- Cosmic Harmony Foundation Inc.

The event design is applicable for purposes of promoting harmony and inclusiveness and is especially useful in regions with low diversity of ethnic and faith communities, where cultural and interfaith networking cannot organically develop yet. The event design is under a trade mark application, aiming to secure that the selection criteria for participating communities and for item inclusion are adhered to, the unity format with a unity ending applied, as well as the performance standards of orthodox faith traditions in regards to use of instruments, dress code and behaviour on stage. The unique event design makes it possible all communities to enjoy together the concert, not seeing it as blasphemy. The WE ARE THE WORLD! Bring a bell! Concert Event Syllabus is applicable worldwide, both as an entertainment event and as an educational tool for harmony and inclusiveness. See the program on: <http://www.livetraditions.net/>

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