

## MEDIA RELEASE

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### AUSTRALIAN DOCTORS ORCHESTRA - DARWIN HOSTS ITS BIGGEST ORCHESTRA

The largest orchestra the NT has ever seen, made up of over 100 medical professionals from around Australia, is preparing to share two days of final rehearsals in Darwin before taking to the stage on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> of June to perform *Music from Moscow*. The medical professionals, who are also classically trained musicians, make up the Australian Doctors Orchestra (ADO). The ADO will perform for the first time ever in Darwin on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> of June at the Darwin Convention Centre, with ALL ticket proceeds going to Anglicare NT's Pandanus Childbirth Education and Perinatal Support Program.

*Music from Moscow* will be performed under the baton of maestro Matthew Wood and will feature the acclaimed violinist Veronique Serret performing Tchaikovsky's Violin Concerto. Veronique has established herself as a versatile musician whose repertoire ranges from baroque to contemporary classical, folk, rock and improvisation.

The audience will also be treated to the world premiere of *Dysdiadochokinesis*, a musical score composed especially for this concert by local Darwin ADO Concert Convenor Dr Cathy Applegate. Dr Applegate has worked in Darwin as a General Practitioner since 1982, while at the same time developing her skills in composition and musical performance. *Dysdiadochokinesis* takes its name and inspiration from a medical term that refers to difficulty performing rapidly alternating movements.

"I am honoured to have my new work opening the program. I've had fun challenging the players with passages of rapidly repeated notes," said Dr Cathy Applegate.

"The ADO is very excited to be playing in Darwin for the first time and supporting local charity Anglicare NT. The orchestra is the largest to ever play in Darwin and the music chosen is some of the most beautiful and powerful in the repertoire," said Dr Cathy Applegate.

"Anglicare NT is honoured to collaborate with the Australian Doctors Orchestra to present *Music from Moscow* at the Darwin Convention Centre. Members of the Australian Doctors Orchestra are donating their time and musical talent to benefit Anglicare NT's Pandanus Program. The Pandanus Childbirth Education and Perinatal Support Program offers free birth education and parenting support to young people aged 25 years and under," said Anglicare NT CEO Dave Pugh.

### MUSIC FROM MOSCOW TICKETS

Music from Moscow tickets are on sale at [www.ticketebo.com.au/ado-darwin](http://www.ticketebo.com.au/ado-darwin)

### FOR COMMENTS OR INTERVIEWS

To arrange interviews with Anglicare NT CEO Dave Pugh or ADO Darwin Concert Convenor Dr Cathy Applegate regarding Music from Moscow please contact Anglicare NT Communications on 8985 0000 or [communications@anglicare-nt.org.au](mailto:communications@anglicare-nt.org.au)

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