

2006 Maestros & Apprentices The Garden of Eden

Innocence, temptation, consumption... expulsion

The 11th annual Maestros & Apprentices Black Tie Dinner presented by the Helpmann Academy will be held at 7pm, Friday 2 June 2006 at the Adelaide Convention Centre.

At this year's Garden of Eden themed event, innocent apple maidens will tempt guests into a night of consumption of splendid fare and fine wines from the Eden Valley, South Australia.

Talented performing arts students and graduates from Helpmann Academy partner schools will entertain guests, including a performance by Adelaide cabaret identities Hans and Karmin.

Guests will have the opportunity to bid in a main and a silent auction for fine artworks and jewellery created by students and graduates from the Helpmann Academy's visual arts partner schools. The Main Auction will also include works by renowned local artists, Tom Gleghorn, Deborah Paauwe and Bruce Nuske.

"Adelaide Centre for the ARTS graduate Wendy Todd is coordinating over 100 students from our six partner schools who are currently working on the creation of a spectacular show," says Libby Raupach, Executive Director, Helpmann Academy. "With the Garden of Eden theme, this year's fundraising event will live up to expectations of an outstanding night of entertainment and art."

This annual black tie fund-raising dinner raises money for emerging artists from the Helpmann Academy partner schools. Proceeds from Maestros & Apprentices provide significant benefits to students and recent graduates by assisting with funding for projects, facilitating visiting artists, student exchanges, and creating performance and exhibition opportunities.

The dinner is well established on the Adelaide social calendar and was once again a sell out eight weeks before the event.

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