

Diversity of the Dance Workshop and Concert with Austral Harmony

4 October 2025 - 11am to 3pm

Christ Church St Lucia (church and hall)
Cnr Central & Ninth Avenues, St Lucia

Cost: \$20. Bookings open mid year.

All welcome:

- musicians of all levels and experience
- players of all instruments, baroque or modern
- observers

Austral Harmony will host an immersive workshop on the art form of dance which permeates music of the Baroque era, focussing on the art of expressive performance. The individual character and expression of popular 18th century dances of different nationalities and styles will be explored, with guidance on how to treat melody, rhythm, movement and metre. Detailed attention will be given to phrasing, articulation and textual content.

This workshop will be presented by specialists on historical instruments:

Margaret Caley: Baroque violin and viola

Jane Downer: Baroque oboe Camilla Tafra: Baroque cello

The workshop will be followed by a concert by Austral Harmony from 2pm -3pm, featuring the dance types discussed in the workshop and highlighting the individual voices of baroque instruments.