‘LET US SIT IN WAIT NO LONGER’

Future directions in

PERCY GRAINGER

scholarship, performance and interpretation

SATURDAY 16 OCTOBER 2010

10 A.M. for 10.30 A.M., until 1 P.M.

followed by lunch and Museum tour

TALLIS WING, CONSERVATORIUM BUILDING

University of Melbourne Parkville Campus

This symposium is part of the celebrations associated with the long-awaited re-opening of the Grainger Museum, following extensive building conservation works and facilities upgrade.

The title is drawn from Grainger’s 1919 essay: ‘Let us sit in wait no longer for the advent of great American composers—They are with us already’. Its energy and impatience sit well with a symposium focussing on a revitalised and multi-faceted future for Grainger.

PROFESSOR GARY MCPHERSON, Ormond Professor of Music and Director of the Melbourne Conservatorium of Music, will chair the symposium.

Grainger scholar and Vice-Chancellor of London Metropolitan University, PROFESSOR MALCOLM GILLIES, will open proceedings with ‘Grainger fifty years on’ exploring Grainger’s current place in both the world of music and in Australian studies more broadly.

The rest of the morning will comprise short presentations, followed by time for discussion, from a group of people engaged in activities that contribute, in diverse ways, to a continuing presence for Grainger in scholarship and the creative arts. These include:

★ Dr David Pear and Dr Belinda Nemec, editors of the new Grainger Studies: An interdisciplinary journal
★ Barry Ould, publisher, Bardic Music (UK)
★ Vincent Plush, National Film and Sound Archive, Canberra
★ Jessica L. Wilkinson, poet, and composer
★ Simon Charles performing a ‘Suite for Percy Grainger’
★ Dr Suzanne Robinson, University of Melbourne
★ Dr Peter Tregear, Monash University
★ Brian Allison and Astrid Krautschneider, Curators, Grainger Museum

The Symposium will be followed by lunch in the Museum at 1pm, and a tour with the curators of the exciting new suite of exhibitions that explore Percy Grainger’s life, work and times.

For more information on the Grainger Museum, see www.grainger.unimelb.edu.au

The event is free but places are limited. R.S.V.P. essential

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