

Coonamble Streets Ahead Committee

PO Box 248, Coonamble NSW 2829

Chairperson:
Don Schieb

Vice Chairperson :
Liz Markey

Treasurer:
Carmen Hiscock

Secretary:
Rowena Macrae



Media Release- Opera by the Castlereagh 2010

Coonamble Streets Ahead can now confirm that Co-opera will be returning to perform in 2010. They will perform Puccini's classic La Boheme by the Castlereagh River at the Coonamble Showground on the 31st March 2010.

The story is set in Paris and essentially focuses on the love between the seamstress called Mimi and the poet Rodolfo. Co-Opera was formed 20 years ago with the aim of performing operas with regional/remote Australian communities as its main target audience.

Don Schieb, President of the Coonamble Streets Ahead committee says " we believe that Coonamble will support quality opera. Coonamble audiences have shown their hunger for a variety of dramatic performances over the years – it's time to bring opera back to the stage..... Presenting Co-Opera in an informal setting outside on the edge of the Castlereagh is the perfect recipe for introducing young people to the theatre – relaxing back on a rug with some takeaway at sunset as the music hits the atmosphere – it is a wonderful experience for any opera goers especially those seeing it for the first time!"

The performers from Co-opera will be supported by a chamber orchestra on a stage located on the grassed area on the North western corner of the Coonamble Showground.

Ticketing prices will \$40 for Adults, \$30 for seniors and \$10 for High School Students. Children under 12 are free. Streets Ahead can confirm that the performance will be outdoors and whilst there will be a variety of food stalls open for business people will be able to bring along their own dinner hampers and refreshments and settle in for opera under the stars.

Tickets will go on sale at Al's Global Village, Castlereagh Street from 1st December and also be available at a street stall during the Christmas Carnivale on 17th December. For the first time in Coonamble tickets will also be available for purchase online from 1st December.

Contact Steve on 0437 271 936 for further information.