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STUDENTS FROM THREE SOUTH BURNETT STATE SCHOOLS WILL PERFORM IN WONDAL WITH ARIA-NOMINATED TOPOLOGY DURING THEIR COLLECTIVE HEALING 'WE WILL RISE RECOVERY TOUR'

Aria-nominated and internationally regarded virtuoso indie quintet Topology, operating successfully out of Brisbane for over two decades, announced today, that students from three South Burnett State Schools will perform their own compositions with Topology as the opening act at the Wondai Memorial Hall on 6:00pm, Friday November 13.

Topology, off the back of their 16th album release, **WE WILL RISE**, have created a live performance **WE WILL RISE RECOVERY TOUR** to nine regional Queensland towns including Burnett towns Wondai, Mount Perry and Bundaberg. Tickets are limited due to COVID-19 restrictions and are on sale now and can be purchased from <https://www.topologymusic.com/live-shows/>.

TOP UP, the award-winning education arm of Topology, have conducted composition and music workshops throughout the year at Moffatdale, Cloyna and Winderera State Schools. The students of these TOP UP workshops will perform two new composition pieces accompanied by vocals and ukulele's as the opening act to the **WE WILL RISE RECOVERY TOUR** performance in Wondai. **WE WILL RISE** music has been specifically selected from 23 years of Topology music to heal, recover and rebuild. Part performance, part conversation, join the principal artists of Topology for an evening of music designed to inspire community conversation, collective reflection and renewed strength.

WE WILL RISE, is a live performance of Topology music curated from back catalogue signature compositions and a new composition *Drought Stories Texas* and reflects Topology artists' contemporary concerns. **WE WILL RISE** has thematic links to the existential threat of climate disruption and the need for strength, hope, fortitude and resilience required in order for recovery and collective healing to commence on the back of traumatic natural events and a global viral pandemic. **We Will Rise** highlights the strength and resilience of humankind, and through this popular artform, demonstrates music's intrinsic power to inspire and heal.

Co-Artistic Director and Topology composer and virtuoso soloist John Babbage (saxophone) said, "We are excited to be touring again, working with schools and communities in regional Queensland. It's been fun selecting the repertoire for our latest EP, looking back through 23 years of music. The hardest choice has been what not to play. Topology will be showcasing a diverse range of compositions from 1999 to a brand-new work written this year."

Topology is Australia's foremost innovator of contemporary music with an unmatched style, unique approach to collaborations, cross genre creative projects and mentorship of young composers and artists. Led cooperatively by principal artists, Co-Artistic Directors John Babbage and Dr Robert

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Davidson, Topology has worked with over 23 Australian arts companies, dozens of emerging Australian composers and premiered over 600 original works.

The quintet have, for over two decades, used their signature compositions as artistic and social commentary, reflecting and highlighting important socio-political beats, both micro and macro, that require further thought, discussion, investigation or rigour. Armed with a deep belief that music plays an important role to inspire and nurture during difficult times, Topology have utilised famous political speeches, micro-doc interviews and multi-media works to discuss a wide range of topics including love, drought, climate disruption, homelessness, misogyny and much more.

Established leaders and ambassadors for musical creativity in Australia, Topology continues to excel in creating original music, connecting artists through collaboration and enriching communities and audiences through shared creative and educational adventures.

WE WILL RISE RECOVERY TOUR SOUTH AND NORTH BURNETT SHOW DATES

Ticketing and Information: <https://www.topologymusic.com/live-shows/>

Wondai

6:00pm, Friday November 13, Wondai Memorial Hall.

Mount Perry

7:00pm, Wednesday 18 November, Mount Perry Community Hall.

Bundaberg

7:30pm, Thursday 19 November, Moncrieff Entertainment Centre. Percussionist Grant Collins is special guest for this performance. Tickets can be purchased online at

<https://www.artsbundaberg.com.au/>.

TOPOLOGY | John Babbage (Co-Artistic Director, Composer/Saxophone), Dr Robert Davidson (Co-Artistic Director, Composer/Bass), Christa Powell (Creative Director, Violin), Bernard Hoey (Viola), Therese Milanovic (Piano).

BUY ALBUM + BUY SHEET MUSIC | WE WILL RISE EP will be available to purchase at all venues and is available on all digital platforms including: <https://ffm.to/wewillrise>. Sheet music can also be purchased at the Topology store (www.topologymusic.com).

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY | TOPOLOGY respectfully acknowledges the Traditional Owners of this land and pays respect to their ancestors and to Elders past, present and emerging.

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