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## CV for WAAPA Website

### Tim White

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Tim White is the Co-ordinator of Classical Music at WAAPA, where he has led the percussion programme since 1994, co-ordinates all of WAAPA's classical ensembles, and directs the award-winning 'Defying Gravity' percussion ensemble.

Tim has played more than 3,000 concerts with the West Australian Symphony Orchestra - where he was Principal Percussionist for 28 years – and has performed with all ten of Australia's professional symphony and theatre orchestras. He's also been Principal Percussionist of the Tasmanian Symphony Orchestra, and spent a year guesting with the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra. As a concerto soloist, Tim performed the Australian and German premieres of Per Norgard's 'Percussion Concerto' as well as the WA premieres of percussion concertos by Richard Mills, Paul Creston and Darius Milhaud. He's also performed as a soloist for the Perth International Arts Festival.

Tim was born in Canberra and grew up on Christmas Island. As a teenager he fell in love with The Beatles, got hooked on classical music and took up percussion, studying in Sydney, Denmark, Germany and the USA. He holds two Masters degrees in music performance, won a Churchill Fellowship in 1999, directed the 'Rhythms of Life' percussion festival for the Australian National Academy of Music in 2003, and was Musical Director of the Australian Youth Orchestra's 2010 National Music Camp. In 2014 Tim won ECU's 'Vice-Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching', and in 2015 the federal Education Minister presented him with the 'Australian Award for Teaching Excellence'.

Tim has performed with Ray Charles, Luciano Pavarotti, Placido Domingo, Jose Carreras, Dame Joan Sutherland, Dame Kiri Te Kanawa, Vladimir Ashkenazy, Charles Dutoit, James Galway, Sumi Jo, Midori, Bryn Terfel, Joshua Bell, Nigel Kennedy, John Williams, Dame Evelyn Glennie, Ben Folds, Tim Minchin, Jon Lord, Glen Campbell, Dionne Warwick, John Farnham, Gary Burton and Chick Corea.

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