



Her Excellency the Honourable Barbara Baker AC,
Governor of Tasmania, and Emeritus Professor Don Chalmers AO
request the pleasure of your company

at

'An Evening with Louisa'

a Fundraising Reception for
The Royal Society of Tasmania Art Collection

on Thursday 28 September 2023
6:00 pm to 7.30 pm

at Government House
7 Lower Domain Road, Hobart

Dress: Smart Day Wear (with an optional touch of yesteryear)

The evening will commence with guests seated to enjoy the story of the life of artist and author Louisa Anne Meredith. Entertainment will feature some of Tasmania's finest music and theatre artists, followed by refreshments in the Drawing Room.

Hospitality is provided courtesy of the Office of the Governor

Tickets are \$85 per person

RSVPs will close at 5.00 pm on 14 September, 2023

Parking is available in the grounds of Government House. Drive through the gates and a Security Officer will advise where to park. If wheelchair access is required, please advise at the time of RSVP.

Please register for this event by filling out the attached form, and emailing or posting it to the Royal Society of Tasmania. **The ticket price is a direct contribution to the Royal Society of Tasmania Art Fund.**

THIS INVITATION CANNOT BE PRESENTED AT THE DOOR.
FOR ENTRY ON THE EVENING – You must present your TryBooking ticket



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TASMANIA

ABN 65 889 598 100

Registration Form
'An Evening with Louisa'
Fundraising Reception at Government House
28 September 2023 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm

To register, please complete this form and make the required payment as specified.

Number of people registering: _____ @ \$85 each Total \$ _____

Names:

1. _____

2. _____

Postal address: _____

Postcode: _____

Contact email: _____

Contact phone number: _____

Payment method for the fundraising reception and optional donation to the Art Fund:

NB your ticket purchase is not tax-deductible.

Donations to the Art Fund are tax-deductible. Donations of any size are warmly welcomed.

Tickets purchased \$ _____ + optional tax-deductible donation \$ _____ = **TOTAL \$** _____

Direct deposit to The Royal Society of Tasmania Account BSB 067 000 A/c 00800763

Please include your name and 'RST Reception' as the lodgement reference

OR Please debit my: Mastercard/VISA:

Card number: _____ Expiry ____ / ____ CVV* _____

*the last three digits on the back of your card

Name on card: _____ Signature: _____ (if sending by post)

- Please email this form to admin@rst.org.au or post to GPO Box 1166, HOBART, TAS 7001 to reach us by **14 September**.
- The form can be downloaded and filled on a computer before being emailed or printed. It is also available electronically at rst.org.au
- Early RSVPs are very much appreciated.

Your Government House TryBooking Entry Ticket will be emailed/posted to you and must be presented at the door to gain entry on the night.



'An Evening with Louisa'

Information for Guests

Who was Louisa Anne Meredith?

Louisa Anne, also known as Mrs Charles Meredith (1812-1895), was a very talented artist, naturalist, author and conservationist. Her work was highly valued by the Royal Society of Tasmania and over a period of 40 years she donated many sketches and beautiful watercolour paintings to the RST. The RST also purchased many of her works, and the RST Art Collection includes a very important collection of her art.

What will the entertainment on the evening involve?

- A costumed professional actor and a narrator with student dancers will transport you back to the 1860s, to a time when Louisa Anne Meredith performed in similar entertainments called 'masques' in our very own Government House, Hobart.
- You will be delighted by musical entertainment including outstanding musicians Thomas Rimes and Ji Won Kim, Associate Concert Master with the Tasmanian Symphony Orchestra.
- You will be able to view some of the artworks by Louisa Anne Meredith from the Royal Society of Tasmania's Art Collection, displayed in the elegant reception rooms of Government House.
- The evening will conclude with the auction of a beautiful original painting of Tasmanian waratah by noted botanical artist and RST member, Lynne Uptin.

I understand my ticket price is a direct contribution to the RST Art Fund and is not tax-deductible, and my optional donation is tax-deductible. What will the money be used for?

All funds raised and donations received will be used to conserve, restore and then exhibit the wonderful artworks in the unique RST Art Collection. The RST collected these artworks over a long period with the aim of preserving culturally important Tasmanian works. Many key artists donated their work to the RST.

What is the dress code?

- The dress code is 'Smart day wear with an optional touch of yesteryear'.
- You could choose to wear grandmother's brooch, your father's fob watch ... you get the idea!

Is the event only for Royal Society of Tasmania members?

- This event is for all interested community members. You are most welcome to invite friends, family and colleagues to join you.
- Numbers are limited, so an early RSVP is advised.

When will I receive my ticket?

- After we receive your completed registration form and payment, one of our volunteers will issue a TryBooking ticket for you to bring along on the night.
- Please allow at least a week for this to be sent to you.
- It would be a big help if you can RSVP early.

Government House arrival time:

- Government House events start promptly, and late guests may be required to wait outside the event venue until formalities are concluded.
- **To avoid disappointment, you are encouraged to arrive at least ten minutes prior to the commencement time as notified on your ticket.** If you are unavoidably late, please call 62342611 to facilitate entry.

Any other questions?

Please email us at admin@rst.org.au, giving your name and contact details.