

**Once again, Roman is coming to Sandstone to play for us. Last time he was very well received and we look forward to his visit on 25th June in the Town Hall.**

**6pm start, Free entry, please bring a plate for supper afterwards**



Roman Rudnytsky is an American concert pianist of Ukrainian background whose performances take him all over the world. A graduate of the famous Juilliard School in New York, he has as of 2017 played in about 100 countries.

Born in New York into a family of professional musicians, Roman Rudnytsky started the study of piano at age four and gave his first recital at age seven. He is prize-winner of ten national and international piano competitions, including 2nd Prize in the International Leventritt Competition in New York- at that time, the most prestigious international competition for piano and violin in the USA. He has been soloist with many orchestras around the world, playing with them over 45 different works for piano and orchestra. He has also played many concerts in over 35 countries since 1984 through the auspices of US Embassies and has also played recitals on about 70 cruises of P&O and Cunard ships to and from the UK.

His most recent performances (in 2018) were on the islands of Guam and Saipan, in Chile (ninth tour), in the UK, and on four cruises of P&O and Cunard ships (including the *Queen Mary 2*). 2019 concerts so far have included performances in the state of Ohio in the USA (January), Guam and Saipan (February), and his tenth tour in Chile (April). In May, he played two recitals in the Boston area. Later in 2019, he will be playing recitals on three cruises of P&O and Cunard ships and seven recitals in the UK in-between.

Roman Rudnytsky has come to Australia for concert tours every two years since 1979 and has played about 600 concerts there in that time - more than in any other country he has travelled to. These have ranged from the Sydney Opera House to many small country and Outback towns in every State and in the NT - for many local arts councils, at many regional performing arts centres, at universities, and as soloist with several orchestras. Mr. Rudnytsky gave the Australian premiere performance in 1993 of the then-recently-discovered Liszt *Concerto No.3 in E Flat for piano and orchestra* as soloist with the SBS Youth Orchestra in the Sydney Town Hall. The SBS broadcast this concert through its TV network as part of its documentary on this concerto, called "Discovering Liszt". He also served twice as Artist-in-Residence at the Univ. of Melbourne Faculty of Music and once at the Univ. of Wollongong School of Creative Arts.

Roman Rudnytsky is also currently "Professor Emeritus" of the Dana School of Music of Youngstown (Ohio) State University, where he served on the piano and music faculty for 39 years.

His 2019 Australian is his 21st there and will go from mid-June to mid-September, with 22 concerts to play. This recital in Sandstone is his second one there.

