

## 2017 Flute Fair Guest Artist – Peter Sheridan

Mark your calendar! Flute Fair 2017 will be held on April 1, 2017. Our Guest Artist will be 'low flute specialist,' Peter Sheridan! Peter will perform a recital on March 31, 2017 at The Old Church in downtown Portland.

Peter Sheridan is an active performer, educator and passionate supporter of new music. A native of New York City, he currently lives in Melbourne Australia, and is a Teaching Associate for the Monash University Sir Zelman Cowen School of Music, where he directs the University Flute Ensemble. He is also on the faculties of Donvale Christian College and Mazenod College, as a Woodwind instructor and Band director. As a recording artist he has appeared on Hollywood soundtracks as well as various independent chamber music recordings, and has completed several landmark albums featuring the unique tones of the low flutes with the independent Australian record label MOVE Records and a most recent album with the Wirripang label. These CD's have received acclaimed International reviews and have been aired on several radio stations in Australia.

A passionate 'low flutes' specialist, Sheridan has enthusiastically commissioned, promoted and collaborated on over eighty projects featuring these large flutes. With compositions for Alto, Bass, Albisiphone, Contrabass, Sub-Contrabass and Hyperbass flutes he has inspired a thriving new repertoire for these instruments and has ignited a growing interest in their exciting sounds and flexible abilities both as ensemble members and center stage soloist. He commissioned the design and construction of the Hyperbass flute (chromatic), which plays lower than the concert piano (C-0), and has visions for a Subhyperbass flute which will play down to C-1 (64' length).

