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Is Birdsong Music?

For something different to enhance your teaching don't miss this extraordinary session that will summon you to the sound world of another species. Avian choristers have long inspired listeners and composers. It seems fair to ask if birdsong is simply a hard-wired, functional, primitive sound – or, could we call it "music?"

Conference presenter and author of many articles and the new publication *Is Birdsong Music*? [reviewed in *The Studio*], presenter **Dr Hollis Taylo**r is a violinist/composer, zoömusicologist, and ornithologist. She is a Research Fellow in the Faculty of Arts, Macquarie University, Department of Media, Music, Communication and Cultural Studies. Dr Taylor has an abiding interest in animal aesthetics, and her work confronts and revises the study of birdsong, adding the novel reference point of a musician's trained ear. She performs her (re)compositions of pied butcherbird songs on violin along with various outback field recordings, and her practice also takes in sound and radiophonic arts. Dr Hollis is kindly donating her services for this session.

Sunday 25th February 2018 from 2.00pm to 4.00pm at

Theme and Variations Piano Services, 451 Willoughby Rd, Willoughby

FEES: \$40 MTA & UMTA MEMBERS and \$55 NON-MEMBERS

NB: There will be short breaks but afternoon tea cannot be provided due to the nature of the venue. Registrations close 14th February, 2018.

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