



Films offer roller coaster thrill ride

LUNA Park will be the place to go for movie lovers this spring when its Rooftop Cinema returns with a selection of fresh blockbusters and all-time classics.

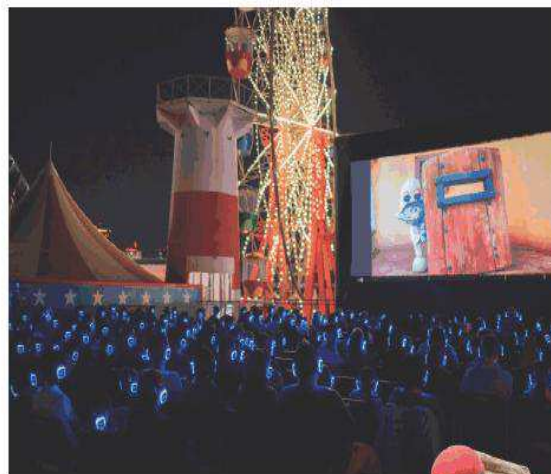
Kicking off on September 7 with the superhero adventure *Spiderman: Homecoming*, the program continues nightly throughout the first month of spring, offering selections the whole family will enjoy.

New releases include *Dunkirk*, *Wonder Woman* and *Beauty and the Beast*, while old favourites like *The Shining*,

Labyrinth and *Jumanji* are also on the screening schedule.

Besides being able to enjoy one of the most spectacular views in Sydney, the movie-going experience will be enhanced by the cinema's crystal clear noise-cancelling wireless headphones, meaning viewers can concentrate on the film, not the potential spoiler alert.

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continue the night at the theme park with a discounted Unlimited Rides Pass. Go to lunaparksydney.com for times and tickets.



Jack Nicholson (far left), Wonder Woman and Spiderman are all on their way to Luna Park.

Virtuosos star at radio awards

THE Fine Music studios were fizzing with talent at the weekend.

The St Leonards based radio station hosted the Young Virtuoso Awards and welcomed six young musicians to perform.

It was the first time the competition was broadcast live and the finalists included two pianists, two sopranos a clarinetist and a trombonist.

Pianist Jennifer Hou was chosen as the winner by the panel and she was followed by soprano Jessica Harper in second place.

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Ms Hou, who started playing piano when she was just seven years old, progresses to the national YVA finals. She is currently studying law and music, and is also a music teacher.

"On the day she was the best performer," Fine Music chair Janine Burrus said.

The station wanted to give the performers an opportunity to play live to a radio audience and they went live on Sunday evening with Camille Mercep as host. All the young musicians walk away with a studio recording of their performances and all received cash prizes.

About 60 family and friends gathered upstairs in the Fine Music Centre to support the young artists and they were treated to a live video feed of the competition as it progressed.

Ms Burrus described it as a "wonderful day".

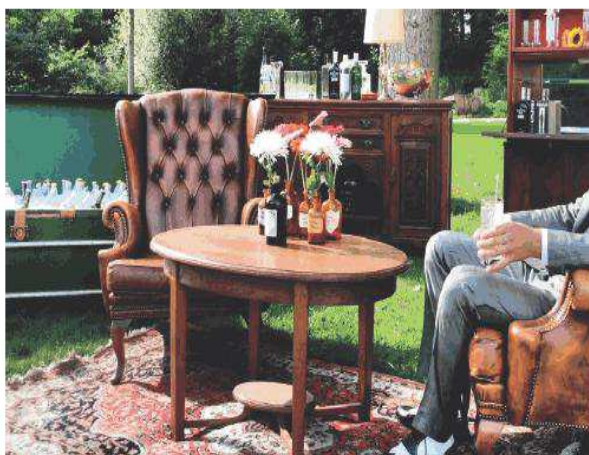
"A lot of our listeners want to hear emerging artists," she said.

On the day the station announced Toby Thatcher as the new patron of emerging artists of the station. The 28-year-old is the assistant conductor of the Sydney Symphony Orchestra.

Fine Music has more than 300 volunteers and just four staff members.



Soprano Jessica Harper took out second place.



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