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It is Australia's largest and busiest performing arts organisation, with **over 700 performances and playing to more than half a million people each year**, including two main stage opera seasons in Sydney and Melbourne and a range of other activities including opera concerts and free outdoor performances in Sydney's Domain and Melbourne's Myer Music Bowl.

Opera Australia's repertoire ranges from **baroque to bel canto to high romantic opera to operetta and musicals to new commissions**. Beyond the theatre, Opera Australia, in collaboration with national broadcaster the ABC, broadcasts live and recorded opera performances on radio and TV and, from 2010, in cinemas. Opera Australia has a **touring company, Oz Opera, and a schools company**. Oz Opera performs in regional centres and capital cities, while the schools company performs in primary schools across NSW, Victoria and South Australia.

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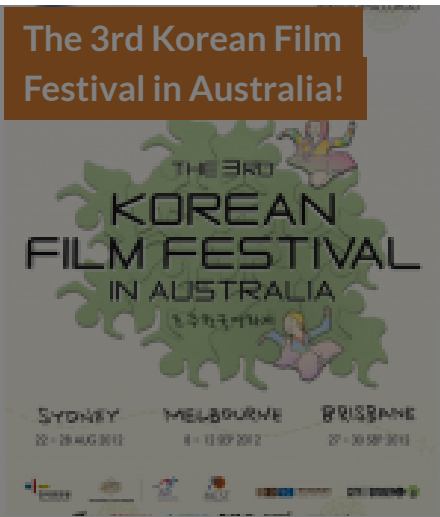
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