

# Digging deep for rare music gems

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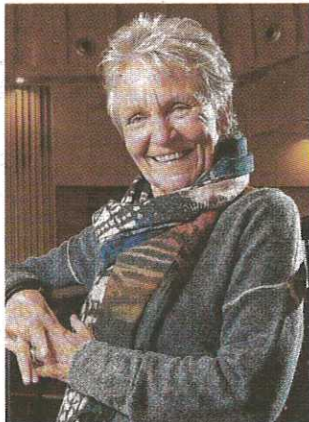
SCEPTICS warned she couldn't do it, but determined music lover Ulrike Klein has managed to raise more than six million dollars in eight years for a unique set of rare quartet instruments — and South Australians have made the biggest contribution.

The Adelaide philanthropist is only \$70,000 short of her \$6,183,188 target to fund two violins, a cello and a viola made by the 18th century master craftsman Giovanni Battista Guadagnini. It is the only set of its kind in the world.

South Australians have given the most, with donations totalling \$5,071,406, including \$3 million from Klein herself, and a major donation from the James and Diana Ramsay Foundation.

Victoria has contributed \$1,000,017, including a substantial gift from Melbourne philanthropists Allan and Maria Myers. New South Wales has raised \$41,765.

Klein, who co-founded skincare giant Jurlique, said she hoped South Australians would join the final push.



**MUSIC LOVER: Ulrike Klein**

"I would love to find new music lovers who perhaps haven't given, but appreciate the significance of the project to Australian culture," Klein said.

"This is difficult because while I'm happy giving, asking for money is very hard for me.

"But now we're so close, I've set the end of 2017 to finish the legacy, and I would love the SA community to help."

One of the most ambitious cultural philanthropic projects ever attempted in Australia, Klein said she had never doubted her ability to raise the money.

"Some people thought I was a little bit crazy, but they agreed to help," she said.

"They said Ulrike are you really sure? I said yes, we'll make it. I'm so grateful because some people didn't think we would. This is a South Australian and an Australian story.

"These instruments will be played and listened to by audiences long after I'm on this planet."

Three instruments are already fully funded and have been transferred into UKARIA, a not for profit cultural organisation, where they will be held for Australia's musicians in perpetuity. The final instrument, the second violin, crafted in Piacenza, Italy, c1748-49, will be transferred when the last \$70,000 is raised, by the end of the year, Klein hopes.

The instruments are currently on loan to Adelaide's Australian String Quartet; Francesca Hiew plays the second violin.

Klein said the instruments had risen in value 10 per cent since purchase and were worth more as a set.

"It's a great story, especially for SA, where there's a real sense of ownership," she said.



**RARE: ASQ violinist Francesca Hiew with her Guadagnini.**

## Nurses' threat over staffing

NURSES are threatening industrial action at four major rural hospitals from next week which would prevent some patients being admitted.

The threatened action at Whyalla, Port August, Port Pirie and Mt Gambier hospitals follows union claims of staff shortages which compromise patient care and force nurses to work beyond contracted hours.

The Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation says unless Country Health SA is prepared to offer an acceptable solution, members at the sites will launch action next week.

## Dreaming of a brawl to come

EVER been mad at your partner for something they did in a dream you had? You're not alone.

Researchers have found a third of British couples admit they have fallen out with their partners over how they have behaved in a dream.

The researchers also found that 47 per cent are so influenced by dreams they affect moods the following day.

In a poll of 2000 people, nearly 60 per cent said their dreams have helped them to solve a problem and 70 per cent wake up more tired if they were dreaming.