

Why Alan and Lorraine Manifold love Rosanna

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Rosanna residents Alan and Lorraine Manifold were the organisers of the first Australian [Bahá'í Choral Festival](#), held at the Bahá'í House of Worship on Sydney's northern shore. The Bahá'í Faith is a monotheistic religion which emphasises the spiritual unity of mankind. Lorraine is a professional choir conductor and singing teacher and Alan is an experienced choral singer.

Where do you go for a great cup of coffee?

[Jam and Cream](#) for coffee and outstanding scones, including gluten free.

The perfect gift?

Most people have far too many things, so we are more likely to give a gift of organic produce delivered from [CERES](#) Environment Park's Fair Food.

A night out?

We'd usually prefer to stay in on our rare free evenings.

For a nice dinner?

Just about any Indian restaurant, most recently [Vindaloo Palace](#) in Macleod.

Some couple time?

We love going for walks in nature and especially counting kangaroos at Gresswell Reserve, and we take visitors there as well.

For some spirituality?

We have monthly interfaith gatherings at our home in Rosanna, where all are welcome. We call them DDDD: Devotions, Ditties, Dessert and Dialogue. Alan always creates a special dessert and we have elevated conversations about a different topic each month. For September, we talked about Passion. Also, weekly rehearsals of our Perfect Chord choir, which Lorraine directs, keep our spirits buzzing for the entire week.

For some pampering?

Eating freshly popped popcorn on Sunday evenings and watching our favourite shows.

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