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THE RUSSIANS ARE HEADING DOWN UNDER

Triple World Unlimited Aerobatic Champion, Nikolay Timofeev, is set to take a spin down under to perform for the first time at this month's Australian International Airshow at Avalon.

The Russian is famous the world over for his brilliant skill and artistry in the air. He is also credited as one of the engineers who helped change the image and limits of modern aerobatics.

Nikolay Timofeev worked on the development of the Sukhoi 26, considered by many to be the world's best aerobatic plane, and still works as a test pilot for the Sukhoi factory on modifications on the aircraft.

Timofeev is now bringing his single seat Sukhoi SU 26 to Australia to thrill aviation fans for the very first time.

The Russian entered his first National Aerobatics Championship in his home country in 1980, and went on to become a member of the Russian national aerobatics team at the age of 25.

He's since performed at major Airshows around the world, winning a legion of fans, and the respect of the world's aerobatic judges.

Timofeev's performance is a spectacular combination of precision manoeuvres, excitement and complexity. His 'Overture for Airplane and Orchestra' is a unique aerobatic ballet to the haunting music of Tchaikovsky's 'Swan Lake'.

Now based in the United States, Timofeev is classed as 'one of the world's best'.

Nikolay Timofeev will perform at the Australian International Airshow at Avalon Airport from March 13th to March 15th.

The Airshow is presented with major support from its principal partners – the Australian Department of Defence, the Government of Victoria, and the City of Greater Geelong.

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