

Upcoming Concerts:

Manawatu Sinfonia
 Date: Sunday 3rd May 2015
 Time: 2.30 pm
 Venue: Cathedral of the Holy Spirit
 Conductor: Mark Carter

Manawatu Youth Orchestra
 Date: Saturday 23 May, 2015
 Time: 7.30 pm
 Venue: The Auditorium, Centennial Drive



Our Symphonic Music
 Manawatu Youth Orchestra
 Manawatu Sinfonia

New players welcome!
 Go to our website for more information
www.manawatuorchestra.org.nz

String Scholarship

The Scholarship is established to encourage string players from outside the MYO catchment area to become regular members of either orchestra of the Society. One Award may be made annually, to the value of \$500. Applicants must be under the age of 25 years, and enrolled at a tertiary education institution in Palmerston North during the year the Award is offered. Applications considered throughout the year. Check our website for details.

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Lilburn 100



2015 is the centenary of Douglas Lilburn's birth. Born in Wanganui, he initially studied at Canterbury University College and then the Royal College of Music in London. Lilburn is described as "the elder statesman of New Zealand music" and this year the Manawatu Sinfonia will perform one of his works at each of our concerts.

We begin with Lilburn's Song of Islands. Douglas Lilburn was inspired by the Rita Angus painting "Central Otago" (1940) to write Song of Islands (1946), an evocation of New Zealand landscape and national identity. It was one of the first pieces to be performed by the newly-founded New Zealand National Orchestra.

The programme also includes works by Vaughan Williams (who was a tutor of Lilburn's), Elgar, Sibelius and Farquhar. We are extremely lucky to have Mark Carter of the NZSO conducting and Maaike Christie-Beekman (pictured) as soloist. Maaike studied classical singing at the Amsterdam



Conservatorium and the orchestra have very much enjoyed working with her. The concert will be held at the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, Broadway Avenue at 2.30pm on Sunday 3rd May.

The next MYO concert will be on 23rd May at 7.30pm in The Auditorium, Centennial Drive (formers Teachers College Auditorium). The programme includes Bizet's Symphony in C "Youth", Rossini's "L'Italiana in Algeri Overture" and Tchaikovsky's 'Excerpts from Te Snow Maiden'. The orchestra will again be conducted by Isaac Henderson. Isaac enjoys working with youth orchestras because of the immense musical energy that can be harnessed, as the Manawatu Youth Orchestra exemplifies.

News and Announcements

Check out our new website:

manawatuorchestra.org.nz

The new look website has details of all upcoming concerts, details of rehearsals and how to join as well as latest news.

The society's AGM was held on 12 April at 1.30pm at Square Edge. Financial Statements are still available to look at on the website.

Look out for other Lilburn 100 events around the country. See the SOUNZ website for details: sounz.org.nz

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Catching up on a few exam results - congratulations to the following:

Trinity College London - September session

Grade 8

Fiona Sandbrook - cello with merit

Grade 7

Nathan Lau - violin

Grade 6

Marian Sun - flute with Distinction

Te Hinemoa Tuiono - flute with Merit

Grade 5

Sibel Atalay - violin

Grade 4

Jason Lau - violin with Distinction

Daniel Hodgetts - violin with Merit



NZMEB - August session

Grade 7

Sarah Hunt - violin, A-

Enshean Lin - violin, A-

Sylvia Neild - viola, B+

New Zealand Secondary Schools orchestral concert was held in Christchurch recently:

Congratulations to our current MYO members: - Leader Sylvia Neild (on viola), Joanna Dann (cello), Steffan Fuller, (cello) - who were selected to participate.