



Scholarships

We offer two scholarships per year. These are established to encourage musicians to become regular members of either orchestra of the Society.

Two awards may be made annually, to the value of \$500 each.

Applications are considered throughout the year.

Check our website for details.

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The Sinfonia welcomes new players!

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TUNEIN

Combined Youth Orchestra Festival



Young musicians from the Manawatu Youth Orchestra, Kapiti Youth Orchestra, Hawke's Bay Orchestral and Wellington Youth Sinfonietta will gather together this long weekend to play alongside each other. Following an intensive weekend of both rehearsing and socialising the combined orchestra will perform in a free concert on Labour Day. The weekend festival is supported by the New Zealand Cultural Centre and the programme will include Chinese orchestral repertoire.

The concert is at 11am on Monday 23rd October at the Salvation Army Citadel on the corner of Princess and Church Streets. Entry by koha.



Photo: Paul Stein



What do viola players get up to in their spare time....?
They go and see other viola players performing of course!

Helen Thomson, Felix Brookie and Marise McNeill attending the Gala Concert of the International Viola Congress held in Wellington early in September.



Congratulations to MYO players on their recent exam results:

ATCL Recital

Jacqueline McPherson (flute)

Advanced Certificate

Ainslee Smithers (flute) Marian Sun (flute)

Grade VIII

Sai Natarajan (violin)
Distinction
Sibel Ataly (violin)
Distinction
Ayoung Cho (cello)
Distinction



Grade VI

Torrence Cheung (violin) Distinction

Grade V

Nicole Cheng (viola) Distinction Taylah Hodgetts (violin) Distinction

Grade IV

Emma Wang (cello)

And a special congratulations to Jim and Shirley Chesswass on achieving their 60th Wedding Anniversary recently. In spite of living in Whanganui they have been long term members of the Manawatu Sinfonia.

www.manawatuorchestra.org.nz

Upcoming Concerts:

MANAWATU SINFONIA 19 NOVEMBER 2017

Sunday November 19th at 2.30pm.

Speirs Centre, PN Boys High School, Featherston Street (opposite Mega Mitre 10).

Conductor: Donald Armstrong.

Soloists: Melanie and Nathan Pinkney.

Programme

Mozart, Overture to Don Giovanni

Mozart, Sinfonia concertante for violin, viola, and orchestra in E flat major, K. 364

Gareth Farr, Waipoua for solo clarinet and strings

Beethoven, Symphony no 1

Fifteen-year-old Melanie Pinkney began violin at the age of four and is currently under the tutelage of Donald Armstrong. She participated in the Akaroa Music Festival in 2014 and 2015, won the instrumental YPS Musica Viva Scholarship (2014), competed in the National Finals of the CMNZ chamber music competition (2016), and also recently gained her LTCL performance diploma with distinction. On piano, she achieved high distinction in Grade 7 NZMEB in 2015 and is preparing to sit her ATCL in October 2017. Balancing her musical interests, she enjoys swimming & squash, and an enduring love of horses.

Nathan Pinkney began learning violin at age 8 in Ashhurst his hometown. Through his developing years, he was a proud member of the Manawatu Youth Orchestra and later the Manawatu Sinfonia. He has since played in various orchestras including the NZSO, NYO, Hawke's Bay Orchestra, and Wellington Youth Orchestra. Significant achievements include reaching the national finals of the NZCT Chamber Music competition as well as the semifinals of the PACANZ Instrumental solo competition. He is currently pursuing violin at the University of Auckland with Stephen Larsen. His former teachers include Vincent Aspey Jr, Kim Jin, and Donald Armstrong. In his free time, he enjoys playing with Trio Bella as well as playing squash and experiencing as much of the New Zealand outdoors as possible. Learning viola in later years, he has found the opportunities in chamber music and more recently, playing with his sister Melanie to be his musical highlights.



