

Four informal one-hour concerts
on Thursday evenings 7 - 8pm
at All Saints Church, Howick

Thursdays @ Seven



Winter Concert Series 2025

Commencing Thursday 31 July

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Thursday 31 July

Duo Flautano - Rosene Spence (flute)

and Rosa Scaffidi (piano)

Based in New Plymouth, Taranaki, Rosa, who is originally from Melbourne, and Rosene, who has returned to New Plymouth from Auckland, began playing together in 2024. The duo's performances bring together the beauty and liveliness of the flute with the power and expressive range of the piano. The duo is passionate about sharing the varied and engaging repertoire for flute and piano with audiences. Their programme includes music by Copland and Schumann, and Tangos by Piazzola.



Thursday 7 August

David Li

David graduated with a Bachelor of Music in Classical Piano Performance in 2024 from the University of Auckland where he studied under Stephen De Pledge and Rae de Lisle. He has received many awards and scholarships and had considerable success in recitals and competitions. David is a passionate chamber musician, and in 2023 his piano-percussion quartet won first prize at the University of Auckland Chamber Competition. His programme includes Mozart's Piano Sonata in A minor K310 and Tchaikovsky's The Seasons, 12 short character pieces describing the months of the year as seen from Tchaikovsky's perspective.



Thursday 14 August

Manukau Concert Band

The Manukau Concert Band is a community band with a membership of 40 to 45 musicians who come from all over Auckland. They are very involved in the Manukau community, performing regular formal concerts throughout the year. Their music director is Alex Eichelbaum and assistant director is Tavite Taonga

The band's repertoire ranges from popular marches and movie themes to light classical pieces and music composed for concert bands, both traditional and contemporary. They regularly present New Zealand premieres of exciting and challenging new compositions for wind band. The band has just had great success winning their grade in the Australian National Championships in Melbourne.



Thursday 21 August

Ensemble East

We are delighted to welcome Ensemble East to our winter series. They are regular contributors to our programmes and always thrill with their musical ability and sensitive musicianship. Led by violinist, Yid-Ee Goh, they present the Finnish composer, Jean Sibelius' String Trio in G minor and Dvorak's Piano Quartet in E flat, composed in a few short weeks during the summer of 1889 and combining memorable themes and interesting harmonic turns.





Saturday 30 August 7.30pm

Auckland Youth Orchestra

We are pleased to welcome the Auckland Youth Orchestra back to All Saints. Under their inspiring director Antun Poljanich, they never fail to impress, with their fine musicianship and youthful zest. The programme will include Beethoven's 4th Symphony, and music by Khachaturian and Dukas. Another great night of orchestral music is assured.

Winter Series

Welcome to our Winter Series of Thursdays @ Seven!

This year we are trialling a shorter Winter Series with just four concerts, but we hope there will be plenty of enriching music to lift your winter spirits. We are delighted to welcome some new and some familiar performers, all of whom are exceptional artists. All Saints is such a rewarding and appealing venue in which to listen to music. In these turbulent times music is a powerful source of refreshment and calm and we hope you will join us and encourage others to attend as well.

Katharine & Peter Watts

Concert Coordinators

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