



## NEWSLETTER 8 – SEPTEMBER 2021

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We are working hard to continue to still present the ARGYLE TRIO to you. **If we are at LEVEL 1, this concert will occur on SUNDAY 26 SEPTEMBER at 2:30pm at the WAIKANAE MEMORIAL HALL, PEHI KUPA ST, WAIKANAE.** Our Trio members are all in New Zealand and raring to go. We are very grateful to Aroha String Quartet for surrendering their date to make this possible (more on their concert date below).

We are also exploring whether or not we can arrange a recording of the Trio playing the programme below if we are at a higher Covid level on 26 September. We would then screen the recording for you at a later time.



The Argyle Trio for this concert is Wilma Smith, Matthias Balzat and Michael Houstoun as substitute pianist.

### PROGRAMME:

Beethoven	Piano Trio Op. 1 No. 1 in Bb Major
Ravel	Piano Trio in A minor
Beethoven	Piano Trio in Eb major Op 97 “Archduke”

### THE PERFORMERS:

Wilma Smith, violin, is past Concertmaster of the New Zealand Symphony Orchestra and a much-loved chamber musician here and in Australia, where she now lives. She was Concertmaster of the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra from 2003-2013, and is now a teacher of violin and a champion of emerging talent. She and Michael Houstoun are longstanding musical partners, so his inclusion in this concert will be a ‘coming home’.

Matthias Balzat, cello, is an outstanding young cellist who received a scholarship from the Waikanae Music Society Charitable Trust for Young Musicians in 2017. At age 14, he commenced his Bachelor of Music Performance degree at the University of Waikato. Since then, he has won every major

instrumental competition in New Zealand, and was awarded the prestigious Patricia Pratt Scholarship to study in Germany, where he is currently studying for his Master of Music.

Michael Houstoun, piano, needs no introduction. He is a national treasure and has performed so often for our Society, we made him a Life Member last year at his then 'final' concert. We are so glad he has come out of retirement, and again grace our stage.

### **TICKETS**

You can buy **tickets for this concert** in advance from New World Waikanae and Moby Dickens Paraparaumu Beach, or by internet banking (account number BNZ Waikanae 02 0591 0018930 00 – Waikanae Music Society. Put your name in the Particulars, and phone no. in the Reference fields). If you wish to pay for subscriptions or tickets by credit card, ring Treasurer Paul Dunmore on (021) 251 7030. You can also buy your tickets at the concert (cash or Eftpos). **Note that we do not open the doors before 1.45 pm.**

Members: \$30

Non-Members: \$40

Students under 25: \$5

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### **DIARY THE NEW DATE of SUNDAY 17 OCTOBER FOR AROHA STRING QUARTET AND RACHEL VERNON (Clarinet)**

This concert will occur subject to Covid Level 1 and will be at a different venue (to be advised), as the Memorial Hall is not available. They will be playing clarinet quintets by Mozart, Jack Body and Brahms. Thanks again to the performers for generously agreeing to shift their concert date.

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### **IMPORTANT: THIRD CALL FOR COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

**Our need for committee member is serious and urgent.** The Society cannot run without a committee. We are currently at least one member short and two people are standing down at the end of this year. We are looking for people who are reliable, energetic and committed to the Society. We are grateful for the number of people who help at concerts, but we also need people who are able to work on the planning of concerts and the running of the Society.

If you are interested in supporting the Society in this way and want to find out more, or if you know someone who might be interested, please talk to me or to any of the current committee members at the next concert, or contact me by phone 021 155 9011, or by email [president@waikanaemusic.org.nz](mailto:president@waikanaemusic.org.nz)

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### **CONCERT NOTES: OUR OWN MUSIC PROGRAMME on COAST ACCESS RADIO 104.7FM**

Concert Notes this month will feature full chamber music works with wind instruments. To replay this programme, go to our website <https://www.waikanaemusic.org.nz> and click on the Concert Notes link on the front page. If you have music you would like to hear on Concert Notes, email [concertmanager@waikanaemusic.org.nz](mailto:concertmanager@waikanaemusic.org.nz)

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