

Wednesday Lunchtime Concerts

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NZ 2020 Junior Piano Competition Winners (2018/2020)



Ashani Waidyatillake and Otis Prescott-Mason

Welcome

It is wonderful that you have come. Thank you.

We want your experience today to be the best that it can be and would appreciate you taking a moment to read the following before the concert commences.

Keep safe by locating the exit nearest to your seat.

In the event of an earthquake, our recommendation is to **Drop, Cover and Hold.**

Bon appetit! You are welcome to have your lunch during the performance. Switching your cell phone to **silent** is important to the performers and other members of the audience. Your support by way of a **donation** and telling others about the concerts would be fantastic and very much appreciated. It does make a difference.

If you wish to photograph or video today's concert, please ask for permission from the performer(s) before the concert begins. This is important.

We invite you now to sit back, relax and enjoy the concert.

Our Mission is to create a lively, open Christian faith community, to act for a just and peaceful world, and to be catalysts for discovery, compassion and celebration in the capital.

These lunchtime concerts are **advertised** through Radio New Zealand Concert's Live Diary at around 8.10 am on the day of the concert, they are also advertised on Eventfinda, Dominion Post Arts Pages and Arts Wellington online, and listed on St Andrew's website.

To be placed on the email **circulation list** for concert information, please email wednesday@standrews.org.nz. Also join our facebook group Friends of St Andrew's on The Terrace Lunchtime Concerts, https://www.facebook.com/groups/315497448862287/.

Check out the noticeboards in the foyer each time you come.

Programme information for Otis

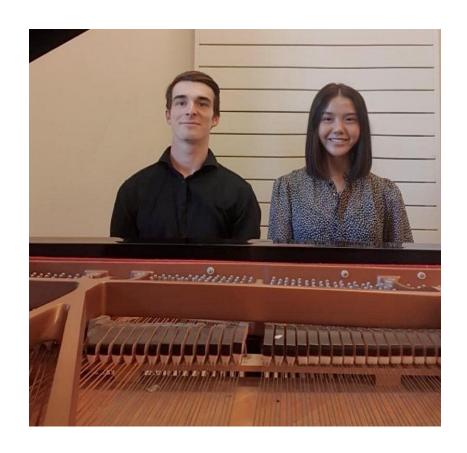
Haydn - Sonata in D major, Hob.XVI:42

Liszt - Sonetto 123 del Petrarca

Chopin - Ballade No.3 in A flat major, Op.47

Biography:

Otis is currently a first year student at Victoria University, studying classical performance pianounder Jian Liu. Otis has been studying under Jian since 2018 and also studied under Emma Sayers from 2018-2020. He has had success in many competitions including 1st prize at the 2019 and 2020 IRMT Recital Competition and 1st prize at the 2019 and 2020 IRMT Tertiary Sonata Competition. Otis enjoys chamber music and has played in many ensembles, one of which was a silver award winner at the 2020 NZCT Chamber Contest, and another of which was a bronze award winner at the 2019 NZCT Chamber Contest. Otis has also been a piano teacher since 2017.



Programme information for Ashani

Mozart - Sonata in A Minor K.310, 1st Movement

Chopin - Etude Op.25 No.12

Franck - Prelude, Chorale and Fugue

Biography:

Ashani Waidyatillake is 16 years old. In the past three years, her major accolades include: winning the New Zealand Youth Piano Competition, enabling her to play a duet with Lang Lang, first prize at the biennial Wallace National Junior Piano Competition 2018, semi-finalist in the Wallace National Piano Competition 2019, her debut concerto performance with Bach Musica, and participating in the Curtis Institute of Music Summerfest, as a full scholarship recipient. In 2019, Ashani was invited as a guest performer in the International Akaroa Music Festival, and in the same month, participated in the NZ International Young Artists Festival. In August 2019, Ashani attended the Semaine International de Piano et Music de Chambre Blonay Festival, in Switzerland, with a full scholarship. Ashani was accepted into the 2020 BUTI summer festival as well as the 2020 Interlochen summer festival, however they were subsequently cancelled due to the pandemic. She is the winner of the 2020 Christchurch Concerto Competition where she played Saint Saens's Concerto No.2.

Ashani has appeared in many newspaper and radio articles. As well as being a solo performer, she enjoys chamber music and was the pianist in, Trio Espoir, who won the 2018 Auckland District Round of the NZSSCC. At the subsequent finals, held in Christchurch, they were awarded the Joan Kerr Gold Award. This year, Ashani was the pianist in the quintet, Delamere, where they won the 2019 Auckland District Round, as well as the Northern Regional round, of the 2019 New Zealand Secondary Schools Chamber Contest. In addition to her piano studies, she is also an accomplished violinist.

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Coming Up

21st Orion String Quintet

Mozart's Quintet in G Minor, KV516 Anne Loeser, Rebecca Struthers, Sophia Acheson, Jane Young and Victoria Jaenecke

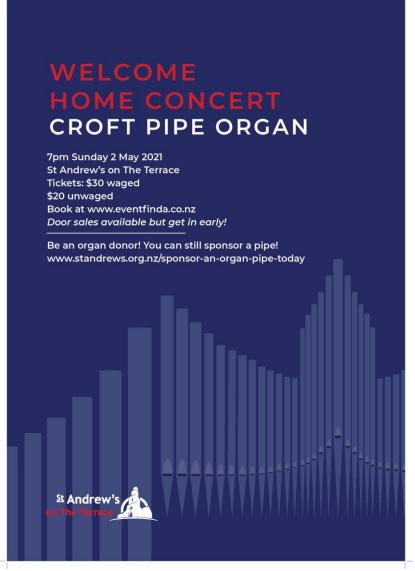
22nd (Thursday)

Duets for Two Sopranos: Georgia Jamieson Emms and Barbara Paterson



Sign-in. Stop the virus.

28th Douglas Mews: 'Going Dutch for Lunch' - Baroque organ



May 5th

Ingrid Prosser and Colin Decio

– music and poetry

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Use it to find out what's coming up in classical music performance through the website's Coming Events listings