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Thursday 5 September

**Ensemble East**

**Youth Orchestra**

Tonight sees the inaugural performance of an exciting new initiative led by Ensemble East, a group of musicians that supports the education of young musicians. They meet every Saturday morning to rehearse and learn about ensemble technique and the joy of playing stringed instruments. Music by Telemann, Vivaldi and Handel.

**Extra!** Saturday 14 September  
**Auckland Youth Orchestra**

As an extra to our series we are delighted to welcome back the **Auckland Youth Orchestra**. Pianist Kent Isomura, who has featured in our series before, is the soloist in Rachmaninov's 2<sup>nd</sup> Piano Concerto, and the programme also includes Strauss's exuberant tone poem *Don Juan*. Note this is a full evening concert starting at 7.30pm.

You can always check concerts on our website [www.wattsandwatts.co.nz](http://www.wattsandwatts.co.nz) and follow the link to Thursdays @ Seven or Events Diary.

Or you can "like" us on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/thursdaysatseven/> and see regular updates about our concerts.



Welcome to our Winter series of Thursdays @ Seven concerts! We have now been gathering for Thursday concerts at All Saints for 19 years, hoping that everyone finds a welcome here, plus the chance to enjoy a wide variety of amazing performances.

Over the 19 years, we have organised our choice of concerts and artists carefully, to keep finances manageable. This year, we are delighted to announce that a new era dawns for our concerts, thanks to the immense generosity of the Anderson family. Their gift to us is in memory of Helen Anderson, who was an extremely regular attender with a great love for music.

The Andersons' gift will enable us to plan ahead for the next four years with an entirely new confidence, knowing we can continue to engage artists of the quality you have come to expect. We offer the Andersons our most sincere thanks.

Brilliant Australian cartoon artist Leunig wrote, "Every incoming idea is welcomed... embrace a brimming universe." Thanks to all of you, we are!

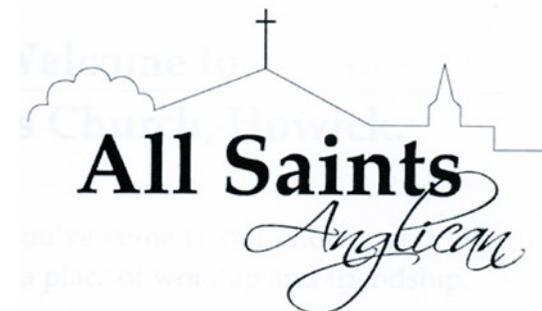
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*Thursdays @ Seven*

**WINTER CONCERT SERIES 2019**



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



Series commences  
Thursday 25 July

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Your generous support enables us to engage artists of high quality

Benefactor  
**Helen Margaret Anderson**  
1931 - 2019

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*Thursday 25 July*  
**Manukau Concert Band**  
*directed by Tom Chester*



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*Thursday 15 August*  
**Levansa Piano Trio**

The Levansa Piano Trio is a first-time collaboration between two of NZ's leading musicians - APO Concertmaster Andrew Beer, and former NZTrio pianist Sarah Watkins - with visiting award-winning Russian cellist Lev Sivkov (current Principal Cellist of the Zurich Opera Orchestra). These three world-class musicians will be sure to inspire, with their dynamic interpretation of trios by



Schubert, Dvorak, and NZ composer David Hamilton.

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*Thursday 1 August*  
**Solaris Quartet -**  
**Clarinet, Violin,**  
**Viola and Cello**

Donald Nicholls has been a regular performer in our series. This time he brings string players to make up a quartet and some exquisite repertoire from the 18<sup>th</sup> and early 19<sup>th</sup> centuries by Mozart, Crusell, Lefevre and Telemann.

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*Thursday 22 August*  
**Catherine Kwak (cello),**  
**Phoebe (Modi) Deng (piano)**



Catherine is well known to Howick audiences through the annual charity concerts she organises. She is an outstandingly talented cellist who is a l s o studying for a

Bachelor of Medicine. Catherine is joined by Phoebe Deng in a programme of music by Schumann, Shostakovich and Chopin.

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*Thursday 8 August*  
**Jazz Trio;**  
**Roger Manins (sax),**  
**Cameron Macarthur (bass),**  
**Ron Samson (drums)**

It's many years since we had a jazz concert in our series and this will be a very special evening with three of NZ's leading jazz musicians playing up a storm with a mix of original and familiar material.

**Extra!**

*Monday 26 August*  
**Lazarus Quartet**

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*Thursday 29 August*  
**Ya-Ting Liou (piano)**

Critics have noted Ya-Ting's "secure and impressive technique" and her "ability for expressive and moving playing". She brings a fascinating, wide-ranging programme, with music from Couperin, through Beethoven and Rachmaninoff, to Stravinsky and NZ composer Gareth Farr.

