

harmony AOTEAROA convention bulletin

welcome to convention 2021

It feels like a long time since we have all been together and been able to share our love of song. This convention is unlike any others we have experienced. We have a live webcast, we have three Emcees, our judges are on a different continent from us and not even in the same place together. So much is different, but some things stay the same, not least our love of harmony and the joy of singing together. Our focus over the next few days is on celebrating the ability to be able to sing together in front of a real audience, something the rest of the world is unable to do right now. That's why we have introduced the Performance category, so that choruses and quartets who just want to sing, can do so. We have eleven quartets appearing on Friday and on Saturday it is the choruses' turn, when eleven will take to the stage in Open, National and Performance categories. Our Afterglow on Saturday night continues the theme as we enjoy "Celebrating Aotearoa". Then on Sunday we learn from some homegrown talent in the Education classes. Have a wonderful time and enjoy our convention with a difference, Harmony Aotearoa!

jacqui binnie | Harmony Aotearoa Convention Coordinator

convention programme

THURSDAY 29 APRIL	1.00pm	Registration Opens	Isaac Theatre Royal Foyer
	2.00pm	Sound Check Chorus (directed by David Brooks)	Isaac Theatre Royal Auditorium
	4.30pm	Directors, TCs & Quartets Briefing & Walk Through	Isaac Theatre Royal Auditorium
	6.00pm	RAMM – Regional Annual Members' Meeting	Isaac Theatre Royal Gloucester Lounge
	6.00-7.00pm	Quartet Stage Time	Isaac Theatre Royal Auditorium
	7.45pm	He Tangata Chorus Rehearsal	Isaac Theatre Royal Auditorium
	8.30pm	STAR Chorus Rehearsal	Isaac Theatre Royal Auditorium
	FRIDAY 30 APRIL	9.30am	Registration Open
10.15am		Curtain Call (Officials only)	Isaac Theatre Royal Auditorium
10.30am		Music in the Morning	Isaac Theatre Royal Auditorium
12noon		Quartet Contest	Isaac Theatre Royal Auditorium
1.30pm		YWIH Collection & YSIH Performance (Promenade Quartet)	Isaac Theatre Royal Auditorium
2.00pm		Quartet Competition resumes	Isaac Theatre Royal Auditorium
3.15pm		Introduction of Haere Mai	Isaac Theatre Royal Auditorium
4.00pm		Massed Sing	Victoria Square (If wet Isaac Theatre Auditorium)
6.30pm		STAR Chorus Rehearsal	Isaac Theatre Royal Auditorium
8.00pm		He Tangata Chorus Rehearsal	Isaac Theatre Royal Auditorium
SATURDAY 1 MAY	9.30am	Registration Open	Isaac Theatre Royal Foyer
	10.20am	Curtain Call (Officials only)	Isaac Theatre Royal Auditorium
	11.00am	He Tangata Performance	Isaac Theatre Royal Auditorium
	11.15am	Chorus Contest	Isaac Theatre Royal Auditorium
	3.04pm	STAR Chorus Performance	Isaac Theatre Royal Auditorium
	3.25pm	Regional Awards (Longevity, Merit, Spirit & YWIH)	Isaac Theatre Royal Auditorium
	3.45pm	Contest Winners announcement and Winners' Circle	Isaac Theatre Royal Auditorium
	4.00pm	Close Haere Mai (directed by Patti Cooke) and How We Sang Today (directed by Sarah Rae)	Isaac Theatre Royal Auditorium
	7.30pm	Afterglow - Celebrate Aotearoa	Isaac Theatre Royal Auditorium
SUNDAY 2 MAY	10.15am-	Education Classes	Tūranga (Central Library)
	12.45pm	(see separate programme in this Bulletin)	Novotel Isaac Theatre Royal Level 2

quartet order of appearance - friday 30 april

#	APROX TIME	QUARTET	CHORUS	CATEGORY
MIC TESTER	12.15pm	Euphoria	Christchurch City	
2	12.27pm	Intersection Clare Pascoe TENOR, Marian Weaver LEAD, Jill Rubython BARI, Lisa Johnson BASS	Dunedin Harmony	NATIONAL
3	12.39pm	Voilà Juliana Osman TENOR, Amelia Davis LEAD, Rachel Pirie BARI, Sandra Lawrence BASS	Christchurch City, Chapter at Large	NATIONAL
5	12.51pm	Symptomatic Abbie Knight TENOR, Janice Munar LEAD, Toni Stephens BARI, Hazel Hay BASS	Christchurch City	NATIONAL
6	1.03pm	Come What May Jenny Robertson TENOR, Robyn Monastra LEAD, Veronika Duthie-Jung BARI, Jacqui Binnie BASS	Faultline Chorus	EVALUATION
7	1.15pm	Euphoria Nicky McCaughan TENOR, Emma Hoadley LEAD, Raewyn Tidey BARI, Judith Cheyne BASS	Christchurch City	PERFORMANCE
Break		45 mins inc. Young Women in Harmony collection & Young Singers in Harmony performance from Promenade Quartet		
8	2.07pm	Renew! Christine Hommel TENOR, Melina Perry LEAD, Leanne Wheeler BARI, Carol Egan BASS	Waikato Rivertones	NATIONAL
9	2.19pm	Joyful Notes Sophie Weir TENOR, Kirsty McKergow LEAD, Sandra Adams BARI, Kara Whaley BASS	Dunedin Harmony	PERFORMANCE
10	2.34pm	The Low-Down Alex Charlton TENOR, Jody Camp LEAD, Suzanne Berresford BARI, Cindia Chiu BASS	Nelson Bays, Greater Auckland, CAL	NATIONAL
11	2.46pm	Measured 4 Sound Michelle Kemp TENOR, Gill Holmes LEAD, Fy Tait BARI, Helen Belchamber BASS	Taranaki Harmony	NATIONAL
12	2.58pm	Focus Robyn Abernethy TENOR, Eleanor Sutton LEAD, Sue Davis BARI, Virginia Humphrey-Taylor BASS	Dunedin Harmony, Christchurch City	NATIONAL
13	3.10pm	Alfresco Ruth Carson TENOR, Edna Byron LEAD, Vivien Daley BARI, Mary Black BASS	Christchurch City	NATIONAL

music in the morning

Grab a coffee with your friends and then rock on up to the Isaac Theatre Royal for a great start to the convention weekend with Music in the Morning 10.30am on Friday 30 April. Warm up your bodies and voices (with Kate Sinclair, Master Director Waikato Rivertones), and then rehearse our new regional songs Haere Mai (with Patti Cooke and Bella A Cappella Chorus) and A Million Dreams (with Richard Marrett, Christchurch City Coach and Musical Director Showtime Canterbury).

audience choice

This year we can all have a role in choosing our winning performances! Voting papers will be provided each day, and you can vote in any category you are not performing in. For the Quartet and Chorus National contests use your experience and knowledge of barbershop craft to select the group that you believe gave the best overall performance. For the Chorus Open contest, also consider which performance you found the most entertaining. Please select one group per contest category only.

massed sing

Join us for the Massed Sing at 4.00pm Friday 30 April in Victoria Square following the quartet session (If wet it will be held in the Isaac Theatre Auditorium).

How We Sang Today	Bb	Lana Morgan (Sounds of Hawkes Bay)
When I Fall in Love	D	Liz Watts (Manawatu Overtones)
Tuxedo Junction	Eb	Gill Holmes (Taranaki Harmony)
Stadium Medley	F	Fiona Boorer (Whangarei Harmony)
Mood Indigo	Eb	Cheryl Weijermars (SouthCity Soundz)
That's What Friends Are For	Eb	Sarah Rae (Foveaux Harmony)
San Francisco Bay Blues	Eb	Kathy Jamieson (Nelson Bays Harmony)
Po Atarau	Eb	Sheryl Willis (SouthCity Soundz)
Harmonize the World	F	Sylvia Fountain (Manawatu Overtones)

support young women in harmony



DONATE NOW

We're doing our annual collection in support of the Young Women in Harmony New Zealand Prue Blythe Memorial Trust on Friday 30 April in the Quartet contest break. If you aren't carrying cash on the day, it's quick and easy to donate online via Paypal using this link, or scanning the QR code on your phone. Thank you for your support!

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chorus order of appearance - saturday 1 may

#	APROX TIME	CHORUS	FROM	DIRECTOR	CATEGORY
MIC TESTER	11.00am	He Tangata Chorus	New Zealand	Virginia Humphrey-Taylor	MIC TESTERS
1	11.18am	Bella A Cappella	Bay of Islands	Patti Cooke	PERFORMANCE
2	11.38am	Dunedin Harmony Chorus	Dunedin	Robyn Abernethy	NATIONAL
3	11.55am	Waikato Rivertones	Waikato	Kate Sinclair	NATIONAL
4	12.09pm	Manawatu Overtones	Manawatu	Liz Watts & Sylvia Fountain	NATIONAL
5	12.23pm	Taranaki Harmony Chorus	Taranaki	Gill Holmes	NATIONAL
6	12.37pm	Whangarei Harmony Chorus	Whangarei	Fiona Boorer, Kim Cairns and Jan Hart	PERFORMANCE
Break		45 mins			
7	1.30pm	Nelson Bays Harmony Chorus	Nelson	Kathy Jamieson	OPEN
8	1.37pm	Sounds of the Shore	Auckland	Richard Harker	OPEN
9	2.04pm	Foveaux Harmony Chorus	Invercargill	Sarah Rae	OPEN
Break		15 mins			
10	2.30pm	Faultline Chorus	Wellington	Carolyn Currington	OPEN
11	2.47pm	Christchurch City Chorus	Christchurch	Virginia Humphrey-Taylor	PERFORMANCE
	3.04pm	STAR CHORUS	New Zealand	Kate Sinclair	

live webcast



DONATE NOW

We are excited to be live streaming our event for the first time ever so that our friends and family around NZ and beyond can join the audience! The webcast can be viewed here: www.live-stream.co.nz/harmony-aotearoa
The webcast is free, but donations in support of the webcast via Paypal will be greatly appreciated:
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education classes

Wrap up the weekend with some inspiring education from our talented local faculty on Sunday morning.

10.15 - 11.15am	From Barbershop to Broadway Virginia Humphrey-Taylor & Richard Marratt	Tūranga (Central Library) 60 Cathedral Square
	The Power of Positive Coaching ROXY! Quartet	Novotel 52 Cathedral Square
10.30am - 12.30pm	My Visual Toolkit Shelley Bascand, Cecilia Lockley, Nicky McCaughan and Sarah Rae	Isaac Theatre Royal Level 2
11.45am - 12.45pm	The Rhyme and Reason of Rhythm Carolyn Currington	Tūranga (Central Library) 60 Cathedral Square

regional awards

Longevity Awards

Congratulations to the following members on these membership milestones

25 years

Kate Langham - Greater Auckland Chorus
Jan Davies - Dunedin Harmony Chorus
Judy Wilton - Faultline Chorus
Gill Barnett - Faultline Chorus
Leigh Whitelaw - Faultline Chorus
Margaret Fordyce - Faultline Chorus
Sharon Connor - Wellington City
Dee Parks - Sounds of the Shore
Margot Skinner - Sounds of the Shore

30 years

Judith Anne Moore - Christchurch City & Sounds of the Shore
Janette Smith - Christchurch City
Toni Griffin - Bella A Cappella (2019)

Spirit of Sweet Adelines Award

Congratulations to the 2021 award nominees. The recipient will be announced on Saturday.

Adrienne Windsor - Waikato Rivertones
Eileen Smith - Nelson Bays Harmony
Gill Holmes - Taranaki Harmony Chorus
TeeJay Bannister - Faultline Chorus

Services to Young Women in Harmony

This award is presented in recognition of dedication to supporting young women in barbershop in New Zealand. The recipient will be announced on Saturday.

our panel

We are extremely lucky to be the only region in the world able to have an in-person convention this year. The four Sweet Adelines International judge specialists - Beth Smith (Sound), Jana Gutenson (Music), Vickie Maybury (Expression) and Becki Hine (Showmanship) will be viewing the performances from the United States and providing feedback and level assessment to competitors on their performances. The awards presented at Harmony Aotearoa will be determined by Audience voting.

vickie maybury | **PANEL CHAIR EXPRESSION JUDGE**

Panel Chair Vickie Maybury is a Certified Expression Judge and serves as the Expression Category Judge Specialist. A Master 700 Director, Vickie has been the Denver-based Skyline Chorus's musical director since 1984. Inspired by her exceptional leadership, Skyline has ranked in the top 5 Sweet Adelines International choruses since 2004. She also serves on the Sweet Adelines International Board of Directors is a Certified International Faculty member and a highly sought-after coach known for helping singers "find their voices" through a highly engaging teaching style. Vickie's greatest joy is celebrating the successes of those she is privileged to work with.

becki hine | **SHOWMANSHIP JUDGE**

Becki Hine is the Master 700 Director of Song of Atlanta Chorus in the state of Georgia, USA, where she has been the director for 28 years. She has been the Showmanship Category Specialist for 5 years, and was recently on a task force that created the new Visual Communication Category which will replace the Showmanship Category in October 2021. She is a 2-time regional quartet champion as a baritone, after having competed several years singing bass then singing lead. Becki is married to Clay Hine, the baritone of 1999 International Quartet Champion, FRED, and now baritone of Category 4 Quartet. Clay is also the director of Atlanta Vocal Project chorus. You can also call her "Melody's Mom," as their daughter is the baritone of 2018 Rising Star Quartet Champions and current Harmony Inc. Queens, Hot Pursuit.

jana gutenson | **MUSIC JUDGE**

Jana is a "Barbershop Brat" having been around Sweet Adelines her entire life, she joined SAI officially in 1984. She is Associate Director of the 6-time International Champion Scottsdale Chorus. Jana is a long time Music Education and was Region 21 Education Coordinator from 2008-2014 and was awarded Nafme/ Sweet Adelines International Educator of the Year 2016. Jana was a member of the International Regional Leadership Committee from 2014-2016 and Co-chair of the International Education Symposium 2017. Jana received the Region 21 Hall of Fame Award in 2010. A certified Music Category Judge, Jana is the 2021-2022 Judge Specialist, Music Category. And most importantly, Jana is a born Baritone.

beth smith | **SOUND JUDGE**

Beth is a Sweet Adelines Certified Sound Judge and a member of the Pacific Sound Chorus. She sings tenor with SoundFX Quartet, in Region 13. She is an accomplished coach, specialising in vocal production and body mechanics for the vocal athlete. Beth enjoys helping individuals, quartets and choruses reach their maximum vocal potential.

notices

Lanyards or tickets MUST be presented to enter contest sessions and education classes

PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEOGRAPHY

No unofficial photography or videography is allowed in the auditorium.

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Cindy Naresh and Leigh Whitelaw - Timekeepers Quartet

Cindia Chiu and Susanna La Rue - Timekeepers Chorus

Leanne Wheeler - YWIH Coordinator

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Plus a big thank you to all our wonderful registration desk, backstage volunteers and other helpers.

regional management team

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