



The Singers Notes

Hi Friends and fellow Singers!

What a crazy few months, with absences due to horrible illnesses this winter, people escaping the bad weather to warmer climates and various other distractions we have been quite the patchwork choir for the last few months!

However, those of you braving the cold Monday nights have done an amazing job and we are starting to have some 'wins' with our learning. I can't emphasize enough how helpful it is to listen to these songs from the playlists we provided—just a couple of times will help you understand and get the feel for the music, which ultimately will help you learn it! Otherwise we have a busy end of year with lots of fun times to be had!

Yours in singing, Joanne.

2017 Calendar Dates

Sun 5th November	Plateau School Gala
Sun 19th November	Major Minors 5th Anniversary Concert—Upper Hutt Baptist Church
Sun 26th November	'Christmas Through the Ages' - 3rd HVS Concert—St Pats Silverstream, Chapel
Sun 10th December	9 Lessons and Carols in Wainuiomata—St Patricks Catholic Church
Sun 17th December	Silverstream Carols in the Park—6pm onwards

2018 Dates—mostly as a guideline for now

Sat 24th February	Performance at Just So Festival, Kaitoke (time TBC)
Sun 20th May	1st HVS Concert Schubert Deutsche Messe and more! Expressions (Date/Venue TBC)
Sat/Sun 25/26 Aug	Joint concert with Wairarapa Singers and Orchestra
Late November	Joint concert with Major Minors Children's Choir—Animated Film (yup Disney!)

Do you know? Our Newsletters are posted on our website once they've been sent out—if you ever lose one, forget a date, what to wear or a vitally important piece of information—then you'll find a copy on our website:

www.huttvalleysingers.org.nz





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Major Minors Children's Choir Concerts

The Major Minors have two concerts coming up, along with this newsletter you will have received a special invite to the 2nd one which is on Sunday 19th November which is our big 5th Anniversary concert. The Hutt Valley Singers have a 'surprise' appearance in that concert as we've talked about. We also have one the weekend before at St James' Church in Lower Hutt with Arohanui Strings if you're interested (poster on this page). The choir programme will be an taster of the songs we are singing the week after, with a couple of joint pieces with the strings.

We'd love you to help spread the word and make these a huge success for the kids to celebrate 5 fun years!

Plateau School Gala

We've been invited to sing at the Plateau School Gala on Sunday 5th November, the time will be around lunch and confirmed shortly. There is a sign up sheet at the back of choir rehearsals if you're free!

Sing & Strings!

2.30pm
Saturday 11 November 2017

St James' Anglican Church
Lower Hutt

Major Minors Children's Choir
Musical Director: Joanne Roelofs

Arohanui Strings
Musical Director: Alison Eldredge

Koha Entry

5 Major Minors Children's Choir Anniversary
majorminors.insantencore.com

AROHANUI STRINGS
SISTEMA HUTT VALLEY
arohanuistrings.org

SMALL GROUPS

There are two small groups for this concert, if you have been placed in a small group we will need you to have a look at the music in your own time. 'Amid the Falling Snow' has been handed out, and 'Adam lay ybouden' group has been emailed. We are then proposing the following rehearsal times.

Monday 23rd October	6.00—6.30pm	Amid the Falling Snow
	6.30—7.00pm	Adam lay ybouden
Sunday 12th November	2.00—3.00pm	Adam lay ybouden
	3.00—4.00pm	Amid the Falling Snow

Silverstream Carol Service in the Park

We will have two rehearsals with friends from St Mary's Anglican Church joining us who want to sing in this event. Rehearsals will be Monday 4th and Monday 11th December—normal times. We will also try to incorporate our end of year party on one of these nights as well—busy times!



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Sing with Friends!

We are always thinking of new ways to attract people to the choir, if you have friends who may like to join do we have a little offer for you..... Invite a friend to choir, once they have stayed for three consecutive concerts then we'll give you both two free adult tickets to a future Hutt Valley Singers concert of your choice. Please let Paul know if you have bought a friend to choir!

BUT WAIT THERE'S MORE!!

For the remainder of 2017 if you have a friend/family member/acquaintance/colleague who would like to try out the choir then they can do so for FREE!

We are particularly short on Tenors for this next concert so would love to encourage a few more—but would never turn down any type of singer!

LET'S GET THE HUTT VALLEY SINGING!

Subs!

A reminder that subs are due for our 3rd concert term. If you have any queries regarding subs or require payment details please see Paul or drop him an email. He would be more than happy to help!

Life Members

This is a little section to acknowledge our current life members.

Gail Picard
Gillian Murgatroyd
Don McLeod
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Margaret Parker
Martin Haua
Ruth Mackinder
Lindy Brown

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