

# The Big Sing 2026

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- \* to be considered for the Te Reo Māori Performance Award
- ^ to be considered for the Pasifika Award

## Session 1: Thursday 18 June, 10.00am – 12.30pm

### 1. Palmerston North Boys' High School

#### **Son of a Pitch**

Music Director: Graeme Young

Instrumentalists: Paul Dredge (piano), Jonte Cuppen (guitar) and  
Cameron McGrath (guitar)

*Invictus* – David Hamilton (text William Ernest Henley)

*Pure Imagination* from *Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory* –

Leslie Bricusse and Anthony Newley, arr. Jay Althouse

*Hei Konei Rā\** – Noah Mokalei, Manaia Matehaere and  
Josh Strickland

### 2. Freyberg High School

#### **All In**

Music Directors: Francei Del Rosario and Tibby Baird (students)

Instrumentalist: Kirsten Clark (piano)

*Tonight You Belong to Me* – David Lee and Billy Rose,  
arr. Kirsten Clark

*Love is an Open Door* – Kristen Anderson-Lopez and  
Robert Lopez, arr. Mac Huff

### 3. Longburn Adventist College

#### **LAC Choir**

Music Director: Keishan William (student)

Instrumentalists: Aldrin William (piano), Paul Senituli (drums),  
Tuvuya Tani (bass) and Leeroy Kokinai (guitar)

*Kororia Ki Aotearoa\** – Sandy van Wyk

*Purotu\** – Jackson Owens, Rory Noble, Chauncey Owens and  
Hana Mereraiha, arr. LAC students

*I Am\** – Stan Walker, Vince Harder, Michael Fatkin and  
Donny Te Kanapu Anasta, arr. LAC students

4. Cullinane College  
**Cullinane Voices**  
 Music Director: Jamie Henare  
 Instrumentalist: Jamie Henare (guitar and piano)  
*E koro e\** – Jamie Henare  
*Across the bar* – Jamie Henare  
*Bella Ciao* – Italian folk song
  
5. Palmerston North Girls' High School  
**Pasifika Gospel Choir**  
 Music Directors: Sontel Liuvaie and Agape Sulisis Tulemau (students)  
 Instrumentalists: Amazing Faatasi (guitar) and Selyndah Tonisitino (piano)  
*Kia Nava Atu Kia Koe^* – Aita Tonga and Carolina Malafu-Tonga, arr. Sontel Liuvaie  
*Fetalai Mai Le Alii^* – Metitilani Alo, arr. Agape Semisi-Tulemau  
*Gospel Medley* – Agape Semisi-Tulemau and Sontel Liuvaie
  
6. Rathkeale College  
**Boys' Choir**  
 Music Director: George Farman (student)  
 Instrumentalists: Adam Gordon (piano), Tysen Southey (guitar), Luke Downer (bass) and Hunter Farman (drums)  
*Shine Jesus Shine* – Graham Kendrick  
*Holding Out for a Hero* – Jim Steinman and Dean Pitchford
  
7. Feilding High School  
**Dolce Com**  
 Music Director: Kirsten Clark  
 Instrumentalists: Ryan Auger (guitar) and Shirley Xu, (piano)  
*Wairua Tapu\** – Ngāpō Wehi, arr. Kirsten Clark  
*At Last I See The Light* from *Tangled* – Menken/Slater, arr. Mac Huff
  
8. Palmerston North Girls' High School  
**Junior Choir**  
 Music Director: Alexia Clark  
 Instrumentalist: Annie Srichantra  
*At The Beginning* – Ahrens and Flaherty, arr. Kirsten Clark  
*A Whole New World* from *Alladin* – Menken and Rice, arr. Ed Lojeski

9. Horowhenua College

**Kotahitanga**

Music Director: Sjan Giles-Oza

Instrumentalists: Buxton Sone (piano), Riko Ranguia (acoustic guitar), Buxton Masoe (drums), Ezra Masoe (bass) and Waeariki Talia (electric guitar)

*The Rose* – Amanda McBroom, arr. Kate Airey

*Tanumia\** – Maimoa Music

*Mirrors* – Justin Timberlake, Timothy “Timbaland” Mosley, Jerome “J-Roc” Harmon and James Fauntleroy

10. Totara College

**Totara College Choir**

Music Director: Renee Timmins

*The Coventry Carol* – trad. English, arr. Renee Timmins

*Total Praise* – Richard Smallwood, arr. Renee Timmins

*Aue Te Toto\** – Wayne Huirua, arr. Jo Pegler and Renee Goodrick

11. St Peter’s College

**SPC Choir**

Music Director: Renee Strawbridge

Instrumentalists: Jais Joseph (cajon) and Lydie Capper (guitar)

*So Easy* – Olivia Dean, arr. Renee Strawbridge

*Waewae o tō Mokopuna\** – Renee Strawbridge

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**Session 2:** Thursday 18 June, 2.00pm – 3.30pm

12. Freyberg High School

**Bella and the Fellas**

Music Director: Kirsten Clark

Instrumentalists: Zac Millar (guitar), Louis Barnes (floor tom) and Shaila-Rose Mannerings (snare drum)

*Tōku reo tōku ohoo\** – Okeroa Huriwaka and Te Tāwhiro Maxwell, arr. Kirsten Clark

*One Short Day* – Stephen Schwartz, arr. Roger Emerson

*Fire* – Katerina Gimon

13. Palmerston North Girls' High School

**Cantatrices**

Music Director: Alexia Clark

Instrumentalist: Yuvín Cho

*Johnny Said No* – Vijay Singh

*Atapo\** – Josie Burden

*Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy* – Don Raye/Hughie Prince

14. Rathkeale College and St Matthews Collegiate School

**Ngātahi**

Music Director: Victoria Gammie

Instrumentalist: Louis Martin (guitar)

*Hareruia\** – Rev. Te Hira Paenga

*Tausangi Mai Manu e^* – Muliaga Mamaia

15. St Matthews Collegiate

**Year 11 Fun Choir**

Music Director: Lucy Hepburn

Instrumentalists: Zoe Crout (piano), Tess McKenzie (bass guitar and acoustic guitar), Jolie Tang (acoustic guitar and ukulele), Abbey Upshon (drums) and Rosie Heaton (bass guitar)

*Uptown Girl* – Billy Joel, arr. Lola McKinnel, Isobella Shearing and Madeleine Lock

*Riptide* – Vance Joy, arr. Lola McKinnel, Isobella Shearing and Madeleine Lock

16. Palmerston North Boys' High School

**MANifesto**

Music Director: Graeme Young

Instrumentalist: Paul Dredge: (piano)

*The Song of the Blacksmith* – Hampshire folk song,  
arr. Gustav Holst

*Mauga O Le Atuolo^* – trad. Samoan, arr. Benjamin Viljoen

*We Rise Again* – Leon Dubinsky, arr. Stephen Smith

17. Nga Tawa Diocesan School

**Singquisition**

Music Director: Robert Tucker

Instrumentalist: David Tipi

*Old Abram Brown* – Benjamin Britten

*Pure Imagination* from *Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory* –

Leslie Bricusse and Anthony Newley,

arr. Matthew D. Nielson

*Pusi Nofo*<sup>^</sup> – Samoan folk song, arr. Christopher Marshall

## Acknowledgements

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NZCF Events Manager: Emma Billings

Specialist Adjudicators: Jamie Taylor (Te Reo Māori Award) and Salome Faaiuasō (Massey University Pasifika Award)

Compères: Amy Hunt, Cameron Bhashkar, Kane Parsons and Leona Revell

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Nigel Tongs, Roy Tankersley, Greg Ennor, Kathy Love, Myra Smith, Karen Hall and Kane Parsons

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Stage Crew and Student Hosts: Students of Palmerston North Girls' High School

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