

The Big Sing 2026

Session 1: Friday 5 June, 9.00am – 10.45am

* to be considered for the te reo Māori performance award

1. Burnside High School

Creui Chori

Music Directors: Leanne O'Mahony and Kieran King

Instrumentalist: Dylan Guo (piano)

Canto del Agua – trad. Venezuelan folk song, arr. David Hill

Ebbtide – Robert Maxwell and Carl Sigman, arr. Freddie King

Alison's K6 Telephone Box – Cheryl Camm

2. Rangī Ruru Girls' School

Rangī Voices

Music Director: Helen Charlton

Instrumentalists: Donna Qiu (piano), Tiffany Li (drum), Chloe Wu (piano), Tiffany Zhang (flute) and Renee Jiang (piano)

The Beat of a Different Drum – Sarah Quartel

Doraji – trad. Korean folk song, arr. Audrey Snyder

The Mock Turtle's Song – Chris Artley

3. Villa Maria College

Prima Voce

Music Directors: Maia Jackson and Caileigh Bonghanoy

Instrumentalist: Hsing-Yin Lin (piano)

Mr. Moon – Darius Lim

Five Eyes – C. Armstrong Gibbs

4. Burnside High School

Magna Voce

Music Directors: Charlotte Ensor and Kate Ramsay (student conductor)

Instrumentalist: Edward Cheng (piano)

Ave Verum – W.A. Mozart, ed. William Llewellyn

Electricity from *Billy Elliot* – Elton John, arr. Mac Huff

Minoi Minoi – trad. Samoan folk song, arr. Christopher Marshall

5. Cashmere High School

Male Voices

Music Director: Helen Charlton

Instrumentalist: Grant Bartley

Yellow Bird – Norman Luboff, arr. Dan Davison

Grace – trad. Celtic melody, arr. Mark Hayes

Toyota – David Hamilton

6. Avonside Girls' High School

Rerehua

Music Director: Jasmine Webster

Instrumentalists: Julia Horsnell, Evelyn Routledge (recorder) and

Kalysta Brookland (drum)

Adiemus – Karl Jenkins

Fields of Gold – Sting, arr. Phillip Lawson

Siva Samoa – anon.

Break

Session 2: Friday 5 June, 11.00am – 1.00pm

7. Mairehau High School

Te Rōpū koaea o Mairehau

Music Director: Emma Summers

Instrumentalists: Hsing-Yin Lin (piano), Karim Tamihana (guitar),

Dasha Horska (flute) and Ben Macdonald (Music Kaiako, guitar)

Here comes the sun – George Harrison, arr. Matt and Adam Podd

Ili, Ili, Tulog Anay – trad. Visayan folk song, arr. Victor C. Johnson

*Ka Pīoioi - E hoki Mai Ra** – Kereopa Ratapu

8. John Paul II High School

The John Paul II Vocal Ensemble

Music Director: Heidi Newcombe (student conductor)

Instrumentalist: James Roberson (piano)

Sing to the Lord – James Roberson

You're the Voice – Keith Reid, Chris Thompson and Maggie Ryder,
arr. Kirby Shaw

Dúlamán – trad. Irish folk song, arr. Cristi Cary Miller

9. Rangi Ruru Girls' School

Resolutions

Music Director: Helen Charlton

Instrumentalists: Anya Fang (piano), Renee Jiang (violin 1), Tiffany Li (violin 2), Donna Qiu (viola) and Emma Xing (cello)

Where the Light Begins – Susan LaBarr, orch. Sharon Udoh

Ave Maria – Chris Archer

Ergen Deda – Peter Lyondev

10. Kaiapoi High School

Pitch Please

Music Directors: Jenny Morrison (conductor) and Dylan Cheyne (co-director)

Instrumentalists: Josh Metzger (piano), Tualagi Iona (guitar) and Sofi Kang (violin)

Benedictus – Audrey Snyder

Bella Ciao – trad. Italian, arr. Jerry Estes

*Pepeha** – Mahuia Bridgman-Cooper, Marlon Gerbes, Timoti Kāretu, Jeremy Tātere MacLeod and Matiu Walters

11. Cashmere High School

Cashmere Voices

Music Director: Grant Bartley

Instrumentalist: Vincent Aydon

*I Runga Ngā Puke** – trad. Māori waiata, arr. Jeffrey Cobb

The Seal Lullaby – Eric Whitacre

Steppin' Out with My Baby – Irving Berlin, arr. Mark Hayes

12. Papanui High School

Kimi Ora Voices

Music Director: Joe Thomas

Instrumentalist: Andy Walker (piano, guitar)

Count on Me – Bruno Mars, Ari Levine and Philip Lawrence, arr. Janet Day

Ko Papanui – Te Haere Stirling (to *Wonderful Tonight* melody by Eric Clapton)

Pepeha – Mahuia Bridgman-Cooper, Marlon Gerbes, Timoti Kāretu, Jeremy Tātere MacLeod and Matiu Walters

13. Ashburton Christian School

Sol Deo

Music Directors: Lynn Wigram and Sei Fareti

Instrumentalist: Abegail Juntilla

*Te Iwi E** – trad. Māori waiata, arr. Sei Fareti

Don't Dream It's Over – Neil Finn, arr. Stan Walker

The Call – Regina Spektor, arr. Dianne Gryba

14. Villa Maria College

Vivace

Music Director: Rosa Elliott

Instrumentalist: Hsing-Yin Lin (piano)

*A Charm for Rain: He Tua I Te Rangi** – David Hamilton

Jubilate Deo – Peter Anglea

Orde-e – trad. Madukayan folk song,

arr. Maria Theresa Vizconde-Roldan

Break

Session 3: Friday 5 June, 1.30pm – 3.45pm

15. Rolleston College

Harmony Haemata

Music Director: Gavin Hurley

Instrumentalist: Cate van Leuven (piano)

Glow – Eric Whitacre, arr. Lisa Edwards

Seize the Day – Jack Feldman, arr. Roger Emerson

16. Papanui High School

Waiatahi

Music Director: Emma Summers

Instrumentalists: Minori Naoi (piano), Shotaro Yamamoto (violin),

Andy Walker (guitar), Joe Thomas (percussion) and

Bethia Hansen (violin)

The Water is wide / Bring me a little Water, Sylvie –

trad. folk songs, arr. Rollo Dilworth

J'entends le moulin – trad. Québécois, arr. Mark Sirett

*Kei Wareware i a tātou** – Charlton Te Wake-Matthews and

Makere Ngaropo Hati. Olive Williams-Partington and

Nukumovaha'i Limuloa (soloists)

17. Middleton Grange School
Middleton Grange Senior Choir
 Music Director: Sally Horner
 Instrumentalists: Nathaniel Alcorn (piano) and the Middleton Grange student band (drums, bass, guitar)
Song of Ruth – David Hamilton
The Greatest Show – Benj Pasek and Justin Paul, arr. Mark Brymer
18. St Thomas of Canterbury College
Blue and Gold
 Music Directors: Jenny Morrison and Ezra Neal (co-directors)
 Instrumentalists: Hsing-Yin Lin (piano), Leo Swainson (bass), Karlson Fernandez (drums) and Austin Brokenshire (vocal soloist)
Noqu Masu – trad. Fijian
Ubi Caritas – Emily Crocker
The Storm Is Passing Over – Charles Albert Lindley and Donald Vails, arr. Matt and Adam Podd
19. Burnside High School
Aurora Voices
 Music Director: Susan Densem
 Instrumentalist: Iris Liu (piano)
*Pokarekare Ana** – trad. Māori waiata, arr. Andrew Withington
Children's Songs (III. Farmyard Song, V. Good-night Song for Dobbin, IV. Fisherman's Song) – Edvard Grieg
Tyger – Elaine Hagenberg
20. Mt Hutt College
Mt Hutt College Choir
 Music Director: Kath Woodley
The Railway Train – Ruth Morris Gray
My Gifts to Keep – David Hamilton
Kusimama – Jim Papoulis
21. St Andrew's College
Ngā Oro o te Ngahere
 Music Director: Thomas Woodfield
 Instrumentalist: William Ernest
Go the Distance – Alan Menken, arr. Roger Emerson
Shelter from Stormy Weather – John Ritchie
Here Comes the Sun – George Harrison, arr. Matt and Adam Podd

22. St Margaret's College

St Margaret's College Chamber Choir

Music Director: Rachel Wilford

Instrumentalist: Hsing-Yin Lin

Miserere – Eva Ugalde

*Rehua ki te whenua** – Patrick Shepherd and Te Hurinui Clarke,
arr. Patrick Shepherd

The Bird – Ayrrian Norman

23. Christ's College

Schola Cantorum

Music Director: Peter de Blois

Instrumentalists: Cole Moffat (guitar), Casper Talbot (guitar),

Alfie McLean (guitar) and Shelley Spang (piano)

*E te Atua tapu** – Te Huaki Puanaki

And can it be? – Dan Forrest

Ain't misbehavin' – Fats Waller, arr. John D. Drummond

Break

Session 4: Friday 5 June, 4.00pm – 5.45pm

24. Burnside High School

Bel Canto

Music Director: Susan Densem

Instrumentalists: Kate Ramsay (piano), Alex Gibson (tenor sax),

Wonie Park (double bass), Yichen Li (violin 1), Olina Zeng
(violin 2), Lily Adams (viola) and Harriet Panckhurst (cello)

You and I – Glyn MacDonald

Egyedem Begyedem – Zoltán Kodály

Flight – Craig Carnelia, arr. Ryan Murphy

25. St Andrew's College

Ngā Manu Tīoriori

Music Director: Jared Corbett

Instrumentalists: Hsing-Yin Lin (piano, percussion) and

Duncan Ferguson (double bass)

The House of the Rising Sun – trad. American, arr. Bob Chilcott

Lammaa Badaa Yatathannaa – trad. mūwashshah,
arr. Shireen Abu-Khader

Martha Goose Suite: III. Mary, V. There's no earthly way of knowing
– Andrew Baldwin

26. St Bede's College

Bedean Choir

Music Directors: Helen Charlton and Simon Curnow (co-Director)

Instrumentalist: Cullen Brown (piano)

Sanctus – Richard Oswin

My Heart's in the Highlands – Victor C. Johnson

Tantsulaul – Veljo Tormis

27. Christchurch Girls' High School | Te Kura o Hine Waiora

Cantrices

Music Director: Courtney Hickmott

Instrumentalist: Thomas Carney (piano)

*A Charm for Rain: He Tua I te Rangi** – David Hamilton

Au joly jeu – Clément Janequin, arr. Courtney Hickmott

They May Tell You – Andrea Ramsey and Isabella Cook

28. Christ's College

Christ's College Chapel Choir

Music Director: Peter de Blois

Instrumentalists: Samantha Poh (organ) and Shelley Spang (piano)

O how amiable – Anthony Jennings

Rejoice in the Lamb (movements 1 & 2) – Benjamin Britten

Londonderry Air – trad., arr. Bob Chilcott

29. Marian College

Messa di Voce

Music Director: Zara Doig

Instrumentalists: Sarah Kang (piano) and Emily Farrell (bass)

*A Charm for Rain: He Tua I Te Rangi** – David Hamilton

In Virtute Tua – Greg Gilpin

Bring Me A Little Water, Sylvie – Huddie Ledbetter,
arr. Robert Jones

30. St Andrew's College

Te Kōkī o Hato Ānaru

Music Directors: Jared Corbett and Thomas Woodfield

Instrumentalist: Hsing-Yin Lin

Te Aroha – Morvin Te Anatipa Simon

Homeward Bound – Marta Keen, arr. Jay Althouse