

The Big Sing 2026

Session 1: Wednesday 10 June, 10.15am – 1.00pm

* to be considered for a te reo Māori performance award

^ to be considered for a Pasifika performance award

1. Wellington East Girls' College

Multi Choir

Music Directors: Hope Aperila Foliga and Hannah Hesketh

Instrumentalist: Maya Bastiampillai.

A Million Dreams – Benj Pasek and Justin Paul, arr. Roger Emerson

Baby Come Back – John C. Crowley and Peter Beckett,
arr. Romeo Toailoa Sabbath (Meo)

2. Aotea College

Aotea All-Comers Choir

Music Director: Fiona Bell

Instrumentalists: Tyler Hunter (guitar) and Lanie Niide (piano)

Little Blue – Jacob Collier, arr. F. Bell

E Lelei Le Ali'i^ – Philip P. Bliss and Horatio G. Spafford,
arr. David Harrington, adapt. F. Bell

*Karanga Karanga** – TAWAZ, arr. F. Bell

3. Scots College

Strathmore Singers

Music Director: Joanna Calvert

Instrumentalists: Nathan Hu (piano), Ridley Sheehan (guitar),

Dylan Contin (guitar), Abigail Zhao (bass) and Liam Struthers
(drums)

Whakameatea Mai – Marlon Williams

Gloria Patri from *Lauda Jerusalem* – Antonio Vivaldi

November Rain – Guns 'n Roses, arr. Joanna Calvert

4. Hutt Valley High School

Volante Vocal Ensemble

Music Director: Ruth Armishaw

Instrumentalists: Nicholas Kovacev (piano) and Wade Reeve
(bass and guitar)

*Tangaroa Whakamautai** – Maisey Rika, arr. Ruth Armishaw

Vuelie – Frode Fjellheim and Christophe Beck

I Sing Because I'm Happy – Charles H. Gabriel,
arr. Kenneth Padden and Rollo Dillworth

5. Sacred Heart College Lower Hutt

Heart's Chor

Music Director: Georgia Jamieson Emms

Instrumentalist: Marguerite Tait-Jamieson (piano)

Life – Cristi Cary Miller

*Tu Rangatira Ai** – David Hamilton

The Sound of Music – Rodgers and Hammerstein,
arr. G. Jamieson Emms

6. Onslow College

Ngā Manu Tioriori

Music Director: Olivia Fraser-Morris

Instrumentalist: Jocelyn Oldcorn (piano)

The Wellerman – NZ trad., arr. Chris McLeish

Tyger – Elaine Hagenburg

California Dreamin' – John and Michelle Phillips,
arr. Roger Emerson

7. Wellington East Girls' College

9/10 Choir

Music Director: Kathryn Hunt

Instrumentalists: Claire Leota (guitar), Bethany Angus (piano) and
Sienna Robertson (drums)

*He Putiputi Koe** – Sir Apirana Ngata

Danny Boy – trad. Irish folk tune, arr. Russell Robinson

When I Grow Up – Tim Minchin, arr. Roger Emerson

8. Solway College

Last Chorus

Music Director: Nissa Ward (student-led choir)

Instrumentalist: backing track

Slipping Through My Fingers – Benny Goran Bror Andersson and
Bjoern K. Ulvaeus, arr. Nissa Ward

9. Wellington Girls' College

Teal

Music Directors: Penelope Isaac, Amelia Boyes and
Samali Arachchige

Instrumentalists: April Wu and Brooke Suisala

*I Te Pō** – Rob Ruha

One Minute Madrigal – Donald Moore

For Good, from *Wicked* – Stephen Schwartz, arr. Penelope Isaac

10. Bishop Viard College

All Comers Choir

Music Director: Henry Tanuvasa

Instrumentalists: Sam Talamaivao (keyboard), Rayshanna Tautu
(keyboard), El Shaddai Petau (bass guitar), Tama Iakopo (drums)
and Ava Hreng Sa (guitar)

Pasifika Medley – Seumanu Simon Matāfai

Psalm 91 O lo'u malu^ – Fepulea'i Helen Tupai

Lomaloma – Junior Soqeta

11. Wellington College

Black & Gold Collective

Music Director: Johnson Ding (student-led choir)

Instrumentalist: William Ding (piano)

Gentle Annie – Stephen C. Foster, arr. Andrew Parr

Pusi Nofo^ – anon, arr. Christopher Marshall

The Storm is Passing Over – Charles A. Tindley,
arr. Matt and Adam Podd

Break

Session 2: Wednesday 10 June, 2.00pm – 5.00pm

12. Sacred Heart College Lower Hutt

Open Heart Symphony

Music Director: Georgia Jamieson Emms

Instrumentalists: Marguerite Tait-Jamieson (piano), Mike Isaacs
(drums) and Thom King (bass guitar)

The Longest Time – Billy Joel, arr. Kay Bromert

The Parting Glass – Scottish folk song, arr. The Wailin' Jennys

Tukua (Tagi e)^ – Vaniah Toloa and Jewel Toloa,
arr. G. Jamieson Emms

13. Porirua College

Te Reo Maioha

Music Director: Lou Dawson

Instrumentalists: Le Tu'una Oe - Joe Tanielu (bass), Mauga Suialua (piano), Corban Faraimo-Tinilau (guitar) and Motown Parata (guitar)

*Ngawaihonoitepo** – Whitiaua Black

Bring me Little Water Silvy – Huddie Ledbetter, arr. Moira Smiley

Le Tu'una oe^ – Josh Tatofi

14. Wellington High School

Wellington High School Choir

Music Director: Katherine Hodge

Instrumentalists: Ferris Vautier (piano) and Sean Carroll (guitar)

Dies Irae – Mozart

*Ka Waiaata** – Richard Puanaki

One Day More from *Les Misérables* – Claude Michel Schönberg,
arr. Mark Brymer

15. St Oran's College

Saint Oran's Choir

Music Director: Ruth Armishaw

Instrumentalist: Tom Chatterton

Ave Maria – David Hamilton

California Dreamin' – John and Michelle Phillips,
arr. Roger Emerson

16. Bishop Viard College

NIU

Music Directors: Laulalatoa Sammy Seau and Matt Barris

Instrumentalist: Sam Talamaivao (piano) and

Laulalatoa Sammy Seau (percussion and piano)

*Te Aroha** – Te Puoho Katene

Na Bua – Adi Vitalina Manulevu

Tokelau Medley^ – Iasona, Isopo, Foa'i Productions,
arr. Laulalatoa Sammy Seau

17. Wellington Girls' College

Te Kāhui Reo

Music Director: Penelope Isaac

Instrumentalists: Grace Aperila Foliga and Isaac Stone

*Hei Aha Kei Taku Uma** – from the Aotearoa Songbook

Ifo Maia^ – Elijah Jared Tavai, arr. Penelope Isaac

Rise Up – Andra Day, arr. Penelope Isaac

18. Kapiti College

Te Hā O Te Raukura

Music Director: Louise Clarke

Instrumentalist: Gioia Brunoro (piano)

Baba Yetu (from *Civilization IV*) – Christopher Tin,

arr. Roger Emerson

Found / Tonight – Lin-Manuel Miranda, Justin Paul and Benj Pasek,

arr. Jacob Narverud

*Tihore Mai** – Hirini Melbourne, adapt. Louise Clarke

19. Solway College

Solway College Choir

Music Director: Pam Robinson

Instrumentalists: Ruth Eckford (piano), Lily McMullin (guitar),

Amelia Sutherland (guitar), Natalia Whatarau and

Samantha Buchanan (percussion)

*Māreikura** – Modern Māori Quartet, arr. Penelope Isaac

In My Life – John Lennon and Paul McCartney, arr. Karen Ivana

Dance! – Robert T. Gibson

20. Scots College

Kairangi Chorale

Music Director: Philip Oliver

Instrumentalist: Olivia Liu (piano)

*Te Aroha** – Te Puoho Katene

Good Night, Dear Heart – Dan Forrest

The Lion Sleeps Tonight – Solomon Linda, arr. Kirby Shaw

21. Wellington High School

Wellington High School Chamber Choir

Music Director: Katherine Hodge

Ack Ack – trad. Swedish folk song, arr. Johan Hogenas and
Susanna Lindmark

Ubi Caritas – Ola Gjeilo

*Mareikura** – Modern Māori Quartet, adapt. WHS Chamber Choir

22. Wellington East Girls' College

Rāwhiti

Music Director: Kathryn Hunt

Instrumentalists: Bethany Angus (piano),

Hinetekawa Thomson-Laulu (guitar) and Jacqueline Nordon
(bass guitar)

Don't You Worry 'Bout a Thing – Stevie Wonder, arr. Roger Emerson

The Lord Bless You and Keep You – John Rutter

*E Hoki Ana** – Hinetekawa Thomson-Laulu

23. Wellington College and Wellington Girls' College

Ngā Korimako

Music Director: Michael Fletcher

Instrumentalist: Nicola Sutherland

Two Word Poem – Anthony Ritchie

Ubi Caritas – Ola Gjeilo

Kızıcıklar – trad. folk song, arr. Hakan Önsöz

Gala Concert: Wednesday 10 June, 7.00pm

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| 1 Multi Choir | 12 Volante Vocal Ensemble |
| 2 9/10 Choir | 13 Open Heart Symphony |
| 3 Rāwhiti | 14 Heart's Chor |
| 4 Wellington High School Choir | 15 All Comers Choir |
| 5 Wellington High Chamber Choir | 16 Niu |
| 6 Solway College Choir | 17 Ngā Manu Tioriori |
| 7 Last Chorus | 18 Te Kāhui Reo |
| 8 Strathmore Singers | 19 Teal |
| 9 Kairangi Chorale | 20 Ngā Korimako |
| 10 Aotea All-Comers Choir | 21 Black and Gold Collective |
| 11 St Oran's Choir | |

Session 3: Thursday 11 June, 10.00am – 1.00pm

24. Tawa College

Dawn Chorus

Music Directors: Murray Cameron and Isaac Stone

Instrumentalists: Isaac Stone (piano), Myilee Butcher (bass),
Ben Casbolt (drums), Joshua Wolff (clarinet), Emmaus Dennison
(trumpet) and Cooper Dellow (trombone)

I'm Still Standing – Elton John, arr. Pete Schmutte

Ain't Misbehavin' – Fats Waller, arr. Larry Shackley

*Tangaroa Whakamautai** – Maisey Rika, arr. Isaac Stone

25. Naenae College

Te Whānau Tahī Choir

Music Director: Megan McCarthy

Instrumentalist: Jinjoo Lee

Go Down Moses – trad., arr. Mark Hayes

Fa'afetai l le Atua^ – Igelese Ete, arr. Megan McCarthy

The Blessing – Katie Moran Bart

26. St Catherine's College

La Chorale De Sainte-Catherine

Music Directors: Sharon Yearsley and Rowena Yates

Instrumentalists: Lias Morris (piano) and Eloi Apolo (pate drum)

Ubi Caritas – Victor C. Johnson

*Haramai Roimata** – Marley Sola, Jhaymean Terekia,

Gracie Kopua, Bella Kalolo, Taneia Pokoati and Tuirina Wehi

Pese O Le Mu^ – trad. Samoan, arr. Jadrach Tupai

27. Queen Margaret College

Jubilate

Music Director: Mark Stamper

Instrumentalists: Heather Easting (piano) and Tejas Menon (guitar)

Festival Sanctus – John Leavitt

*Ngā Mātāpono** – Lara Wharerau and Mark Stamper

Great Gettin' Up Mornin' – American Spiritual, arr. Ken Berg

28. St Patrick's College Silverstream

Stream Gospel Choir

Music Director: Patrick Shanahan

Instrumentalists: Student band (drum kit, bass, piano, keyboard, electric guitar, acoustic guitar and pate)

Gospel at Stream Medley – Down by the riverside - trad.; *In Jesus Name* - Aaron Michael Hardy and Hannah Henderson; *The Lord is my light* - Feagaigafou (Nainz) Tupa'i, Logovii (Viiz) Tupa'i and Dominique Pitone Leauga; *Majesty* - Jack Hayford;
arr. Patrick Shanahan

It Is Well With My Soul – Philip Bliss and Horatio Spafford, arr. David Harrington

*Ko Koe Io** – Luke Kaa-Morgan and Dale Garrat,
arr. Patrick Shanahan

29. Samuel Marsden Collegiate School

Ad Summa

Music Directors: Lilja Leppanen, Jessica Caldwell,
Jennifer Chisholm and Devon Farrelly (student-led choir)

Instrumentalists: Lilja Leppanen (piano and guitar) and
Madeleine Trass (percussion)

A Million Dreams – Benj Pasek and Justin Paul, arr. Lilja Leppanen

*Purea Nei** – Hirini Melbourne, arr. Lilja Leppanen

I'm a Believer – Neil Diamond, arr. Lilja Leppanen

30. Tawa College

Year 9 Choir Class

Music Director: Charlotte Murray

Instrumentalist: Isaac Stone (piano)

*Mā te Kahukura** – Hōhepa Tamehana

Time After Time – Cyndi Lauper and Rob Hyman,
arr. Audrey Snyder

How Far I'll Go from *Moana* – Lin-Manuel Miranda,
arr. Audrey Snyder

31. Wairarapa College

Cantate

Music Director: Andrea Thomson
Instrumentalist: Ruth Eckford (piano)

Sanctus – Chris Artley
Greensleeves – trad., arr. Greg Gilpin
Babethandaza – trad., arr. Victor C. Johnson

32. Rongotai College

Southern Voices

Music Director: Bridget O'Shanassy

Lota Nu'u – trad. Samoan
Isa Lei[^] – trad., arr. Siliva Gauatao
Ten Guitars – Gordon Mills, arr. B. OShanassy

33. Chilton Saint James School

Seraphim

Music Director: Rowan Johnston
Instrumentalist: Samuel Berkahn (piano)

Laudate Dominum – Egil Hovland
Holy Night – David Hamilton
Swifter Than Flame – Elaine Hagenberg

34. Taita College

Taita Kolisi

Music Director: Syahida Ahmad

Mānawa maiea Matariki^{*} – Tawaroa Kawana (TAWAZ) and
Matthew Ian Sadgrove
Ilonga ha taha – Tongan hymn
Kaimoana[^] – Tokelau melody

35. St Patrick's College, Kilbirnie

Con Anima

Music Director: Mark Bobb
Instrumentalist: Abilio Fernandez (piano)

Grab und Mond – Franz Schubert
A Shelter in the Time of Storm – Ira D. Sankey and J. Charlesworth,
arr. Walt Harrah
Ko Hoku Malu'anga ia[^] – Helen Tupai, transl. Lea'aesola Vuna

Break

Session 4: Thursday 11 June, 2.00pm – 4.45pm

36. Whitby Collegiate

Decanta Laudem

Music Directors: Leo Gore and Chloe Shi

Instrumentalists: Zayn O'Shaughnessy (guitar and drums),

Nicole Ting (piano) and Gabriel Chionh (piano)

*Karanga Karanga** – TAWAZ

From Now On – Justin Paul and Benj Pasek, arr. Roger Emerson

Cantate Domino in Bb – Ko Matsushita

37. Tawa College

Early Birds

Music Director: Rachel Malcolm-Swindells

Instrumentalist: Justin Dien (piano)

Herbstlied – Schumann

A Song of Willow – Isaac Stone

Beyond the Sea – Albert Lasry and Charles Trenet,

arr. Audrey Snyder

38. Newlands College

Newlands College Choir

Music Director: Emma Salzano

Instrumentalists: Jehvei Kiriona (guitar) and Catherine Wu (piano)

*Ka Waiaata** – Richard Puanaki, arr. Benjamin Lau

Oculi Omnium – Charles Wood

Africa – David Paich and Jeff Porcaro, arr. Audrey Snyder

39. Samuel Marsden Collegiate School

Altissime

Music Director: Shawn Michael Condon

Instrumentalists: Jenny Gould (bongos), Lucas Baker (violin),

Miru Shimaoka (violin) and Marian Campbell (piano)

Iubilare Deo – Levente Gyöngyösi

*Mihi** – David Hamilton

Ergen Deda – Peter Lyondev

40. Paraparaumu College

Amicanta

Music Director: Liselle Hutchinson

Instrumentalist: Mark Robinson

*Purea Nei** – Hirini Melbourne, arr. Liselle Hutchinson

Many Waters – Clara Satherley

Dance – Robert T. Gibson

41. Heretaunga College

Phoenix Chorale

Music Director: Megan Brownlie

Instrumentalists: Payton O'Connor (guitar) and Cath Haley (piano)

*Waerea** – Mahanga Pihama and Pere Wihongi

Once Upon A December – Lynn Ahrens and Stephen Flaherty,

arr. Audrey Snyder

Icarus – Payton O'Connor

42. Queen Margaret College

Voces Luce

Music Director: Mark Stamper

Instrumentalist: Heather Easting

Rise Up – Jake Runestad

La petite fille sage from *Petites Voix* – Francis Poulenc

Dies Irae – Z. Randall Stroope

43. Upper Hutt College

Upper Hutt College Choir

Music Director: Bridget O'Shanassy

Lota Nu'u – trad. Samoan Anthem, arr. David Wright

You are the sunshine of my life – Stevie Wonder, arr. Clay Hine

44. St Mary's College

Cordia

Music Director: Sharon Yearsley

The Moon – Andy Beck

You Will Be Found – Benj Pasek and Justin Paul, arr. Audrey Snyder

Weather With You – Tim and Neil Finn

45. Wā Ora Montessori School

Wā Ora Montessori School Choir

Music Director: Michael Stebbings

Instrumentalists: Shawn Condon (piano) and Kalen James (guitar)

Carry The Light – Andy Beck

*Wā Ora Aroha** – Louane Ngataki and Michael Stebbings

Benedicite – Paul David Thomas

46. Tawa College

Blue Notes

Music Director: Isaac Stone

Instrumentalist: Rachel Malcolm Swindells (piano)

It Was A Lover And His Lass – Matthew Harris

Salmo 150 – Ernani Aguiar

Lo'u Fesoasaoni^ – Fepulea'i Helen Tupai

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| 2 Early Birds | 12 Seraphim |
| 3 Blue Notes | 13 Southern Voices |
| 4 Phoenix Chorale | 14 Decanta Laudem |
| 5 Cordia | 15 Wā Ora Montessori School Choir |
| 6 Amicanta | 16 Jubilate |
| 7 Newlands College Choir | 17 Voces Luce |
| 8 Ad Summa | 18 Upper Hutt College Choir |
| 9 Altissime | 19 La Chorale de St Catherine |
| 10 Taita Kolisi | 20 Te Whānau Tahī Choir |

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