

Lyrica Update

Wednesday 7 August



Dear parents and whānau,

We are delighted that Lyrica has been invited to be a part of a Wellington performance of Carmina Burana on **Saturday 7th of September**. While this seems a short span of time to get ready, we know Lyrica can do it.

The concert is being held in the Michael Fowler Centre and features the 2018 Lexus Song Quest Winner Joel Amosa (bass-baritone), Amelia Berry (soprano), and Declan Cudd (tenor). This is alongside The Orpheus Choir of Wellington (160+ singers), 7 percussionists, and 2 grand pianos. Our patron, The Governor General of New Zealand Dame Patsy Reddy will also be attendance.

This is going to be a spectacular event.

We will be able to learn this in time but we will have to get our skates on. The children will have several rehearsals beforehand with the adult musicians- these will be good experiences for them too. I have attached the videos below to help the children learn their parts.

The first chorus featuring the children:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kel6fYtWazc>

The second chorus featuring the children:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6FqeX888P18>

Children's Chorus Schedule

Tuesday 3 September

Te Whaea National Dance and Drama Centre

6:30pm - 7:15pm - Ragazzi (children's chorus) ONLY

7:15pm - Break

7:30pm - Orpheus plus Ragazzi

8:00pm - Ragazzi may leave

Friday 6 September

Te Whaea National Dance and Drama Centre

7:00pm - Orpheus, Ragazzi, soloists, and percussionists

8:00pm - Ragazzi may leave

Saturday 7 September MORNING

Michael Fowler Centre

9:15am - Ragazzi arrive (room TBC)

9:30am - Ragazzi assemble in seating block

9:50am - Warm-up with Orpheus and Ragazzi

10:00am - Dress rehearsal of Carmina Burana

12:00pm - But we hope to finish rehearsing Carmina by 11:30am.

Saturday 7 September EVENING

Michael Fowler Centre

6:45pm - Ragazzi arrive (room TBC)

7:00pm - Ragazzi warm-up

7:15pm - Ragazzi to seating block

7:30pm - Ragazzi to view first half with percussion overture and Marimba Concerto featuring Yoshiko Tsuruta

8:10pm - INTERVAL

8:30pm - Carmina Burana

9:45pm - Finish

Please email me if you have any queries about all of this.

Kind regards,
Charles Bisley