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Welcome



2025 is the 47th year of the National Youth Jazz Competition – another milestone year with still more entries than ever before plus our new initiative the auditioned NYJC Big Band 2025. We just keep on growing, reflecting the high interest in jazz across secondary schools in Aotearoa. Keep it coming!

Our grateful thanks to our naming sponsor the Wright Family Foundation for their support. The Tauranga Jazz Society is pleased to partner with them in promoting youth and music education.

Last year was a difficult year for the jazz community as we lost Rodger Fox. He has been a huge part of the National Jazz Festival Tauranga and the National Youth Jazz Competition. He championed youth jazz education tirelessly and we miss him. However we have been supported by some outstanding Music Directors to take the Competition to new heights.

We are very privileged to have two esteemed judging panels, one for Big Bands and one for Combos comprised of some of our finest international jazz players all of whom are teachers on major jazz degree programmes in Aotearoa.

We are grateful to them, to our sponsors and to all the Music Directors, teachers and parents who support their young proteges. Thank you.

The Competition is committed to excellence in performance, and we love giving out our treasured Tauranga Jazz Society trophies to our winners. But above all we hope students will enjoy the experience, make some great musical memories and forge some lifelong friendships.

Go for Gold! See you on the Gig!

Liam Ryan
MANAGER NATIONAL YOUTH JAZZ COMPETITION

National Youth Jazz Competition Prizes and Trophies

BIG BAND TROPHIES

NEW ORLEANS TROPHY

for the Most Outstanding Big Band

The winner receives \$500 from Tauranga Jazz Society

GEORGE RAWIRI TROPHY

for the Most Outstanding Big Band Musician

The winner receives a \$200 gift certificate from Music Planet

SOUNZ TROPHY

Best performance of a NZ composition

RODGER FOX TROPHY

Best Big Band Trombonist

DAVE FEEHAN TROPHY

Best Big Band Vocalist

EDWINA THORNE TROPHY

Best Big Band Trumpet or Flugel Player

P & L NORMAN TROPHY

Best Big Band Lead Trumpet

MAYERS MUSIC CENTRE TROPHY

Best Big Band Guitarist

P&S PENMAN TROPHY

Best Big Band Bassist

BILL HOFFMEISTER TROPHY

Best Big Band Pianist

YANAGISAWA TROPHY

Best Big Band Saxophonist

BAKER/ALLEN TROPHY

Best Big Band Arrangement

DENNIS HUGGARD TROPHY

Best First Year Performance Band

LAUREN ELLIS TROPHY

Best Big Band Drummer

JEFF BAKER TROPHY

Best Big Band Rhythm Section

COMBO TROPHIES

NORMAN FAMILY TROPHY

for the Best Jazz Combo

The winner receives \$250 from Tauranga Jazz Society

TAURANGA JAZZ SOCIETY TROPHY

for the Most Outstanding Combo Musician

The winner receives \$200 from Tauranga Jazz Society

MASON TROPHY MUSICIANSHIP Award

Combo displaying strong band concept

RYAN TROPHY

Best Combo Vocalist

TOM BAYLISS TROPHY

Best Combo Clarinetist

BRIAN GEOGHAN TROPHY

Best Combo Trumpet or Flugel

MURPHY TRUST AKA DR TOOT TROPHY

Best Combo Saxophonist

DAVID PROUD TROPHY

Best Combo Trombonist

BAY CITY MUSIC TROPHY

Best Combo Keyboard Player

ERROL CHRISTIANSEN TROPHY

Best Combo Flautist

DEREK JACOMBS TROPHY

Award for Innovation

HILL/WILCOCK TROPHY

Best Combo Drummer

TOI OHOMAI TROPHY

Best Combo Bassist

TREVOR BRAUNIAS TROPHY

Best Combo Guitarist

KEN MITCHELL TROPHY

Best Original Composition

A full list of winners will be published on National Youth Jazz Competition facebook and website PLUS Gold, Silver, Bronze, and Emerging Awards nationallyouthjazz.org.nz

Our Judges



Lana Law
BIG BAND JUDGE

Saxophonist and teacher Lana Law holds a BMus in Jazz Performance and has toured the world as a professional musician. Lana lives in Christchurch teaching music privately and leading bands in schools. She is the Music Director of the All Girl Big Band, former MD of the Garden City Big Band and the Music Director of the Christchurch Youth Jazz Orchestra.



Dr Dave Wilson
BIG BAND JUDGE

Saxophonist, composer and ethnomusicologist, Senior Lecturer in Music and Jazz Performance Programme Director at Te Kōkī /New Zealand School of Music. He has held positions as Lecturer at UCLA (USA) and as Visiting Professor of Jazz Studies at 'Goce Delčev' University in Macedonia.



Lance Philip
BIG BAND JUDGE

Drummer Lance Philips experience spans big bands (Rodger Fox, RNZAF Big Band, NZYJO), classical performance (NZSO, Orchestra Wellington), musical theatre and TV shows, and contemporary fusion. A lecturer at Te Kōkī/ NZSM's jazz programme since 1993, head of drums and percussion, Lance has taught many of New Zealand's most prominent drummers.



Ben Wilcock
COMBO JUDGE

Jazz pianist Ben Wilcock tours nationally and internationally with his group The Jelly Rolls and as a sideman for many international jazz and blues musicians, including appearing at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival. Ben holds a BMus in Jazz Performance and is currently a Senior Academic Staff member on the Creative Media programme at Toi Ohomai.



Eilish Wilson
COMBO JUDGE

Saxophonist and educator Eilish Wilson holds an Honours degree in Jazz Performance and a Master of Fine Arts in Jazz from California Institute of the Arts. Eilish performs with the Rodger Fox Big Band, as well as many Wellington bands including Trinty Roots performing both in Aotearoa and overseas, she is currently a member of the Royal NZ Air Force band.

Let the Competition begin!

Programme

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	7.30pm-8.30pm	Workshop Improvisation/Jam	p7
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Thank you to our sponsors

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COMBOS – Monday 7 April | X Space

TIME	SCHOOL	COMBO	PERFORMERS
8.30am	Tauranga Boys' College	The Dream Combo	Marcus Louie, Micah Jennings, Joe Goodjohn, Spencer Leary, Joshua Innes, Kris Mangus
9.00am	Tauranga Boys' College	Lennux Deluxe	Ollie Larsen, Daniel Barback, Lenny Hoskin, Harry Das, Zavier Churchouse
9.30am	Scots College	New & Unimproved	Alfa Wang, Aran Quaggin-Molloy, George Barton, Victor Monnet-Bonnifait, Jarvis Hayward
10.00am	Otumoetai College	Otumoetai College Combo	Caleb Friar, Osman Keenan, Zen Miyunami, Oliver Wilson
10.30am	ACG Strathallan	Trio of Four	Daniel Lister, Mu-Chien Lee, Isaish Tauu, Louis Bessette, Eitia Taylor
11.00am	Sancta Maria College	Big Kahuna Burger	Daniel Butcher, Joshua Orange, Audrey Basilio, Arianna Peters, Gabe Huerella
11.30am	ACG Strathallan	All(most) Girls Jazz Combo	Amina Ebrahim, Claire Pearce, Ella Zhang, Jaime Ruiterman, Ivy Du, Sonny Shaylen, Eitia Taylor
12pm	LUNCH		
12.30pm	Sancta Maria College	Mom's Spaghetti	Maia Tay-Morrison, Madi Isaia, Paolo Lecias, Aaron Santoso, Rocky Liu
1.00pm	Sancta Maria College	Royale with Cheese	Ariane Cordeiro, Max Tay-Morrison, Rocky Liu, Amelia Brzozowzki, Cedric Ybanez, Angel Pallawate
1.30pm	Sancta Maria College	Pan Galactic Gargle Blaster	Jessa Calacsan, Amelia Brzozowzki, Max Tay-Morrison, Olivia Yang, Reynelle Ramos, Ryan Massey, Cedric Ibanez, Liam Wu, Tristan Grey, Christina Chiatchara
2.00pm	Orewa College	Wombo Combo	If'ya Allen, Eve Auld, Pêrola Oliveira Bond, Cayden Young, Biel Valoria, Maria Walker Kinnell, Abby Birks, Bruno Mcleod
2.30pm	John Paul College	A Minor Inconvenience	Nyla Fulo, Josh Graham, Allan Huang, Harper Kelly, Vanessa Liang, Juliet McDonald, Flossy Smith, Lucy Tokelove, Erika Yoshida
3.00pm	Kristin School	Blue in Green	Bowen Zheng, Dania Al Hakeem, Arran Miles, Richard Yang, Dani Scanlan-Dyas, Chanice Yan, Jemima Bliss
3.30pm	ACG Strathallan	Double Cheeseburger Combo	Emma Hii, Sonny Shaylen, Daniel Lister, Mu-Chien Lee, Dylan Cooper, Ritchie Bamola
4.00pm	TEA Break		
4.30pm	Tauranga Boys' College/ Wellington College	Horn's Kin	Ollie Larsen, Lenny Hoskin, Harry Das, Max Horn
5.00pm	Wellington HS	FUZZ	Francis Long, Nathaniel Elliott, Sean Carroll, Izy Iversen
5.30pm	Tauranga Boys' College	The Magnificent Seven	Carlos Santamaria, Zach Norwood, Sam Baldwin, Jin Whitehead, Keane Esterhuizen, Tasman Struthers, Zach Webster, Alvin Lee
6.00pm	Mt Maunganui College	MMC Jazz Combo	Flynn Augustine, Isaac De Oliveira Ferreira, Tyler Ormsby, Lane Ririnui, Leila Taylor
6.30pm	Hutt International Boys/ Scots/WC	Fearful Flyers	Max Horn, Ridley Sheehan, Liam Struthers, Bodie Mortiboy, Isaac Bott, Oliver Livingstone

Judges: Ben Wilcock and Eilish Wilson

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Combo set piece *Softly as in a Morning Sunrise* by Sigmund Romberg. Lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein II

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BIG BANDS – Monday 7 April | Addison Theatre

TIME	SCHOOL BAND	BAND LEADER	PERFORMERS
9.15am	MMC Big Band - Mt Maunganui College	Mark Dennison	Daniel Anderson, Flynn Augustine, Coco Bakker, Yuri Chung, Trelise Cotter, Lyla Courtney, Isaac De Oliveira Ferreira, Zeijah Lawrence, Lachlan Livingstone, Bryn Lloyd, Lennox Lloyd, Josh Minchington, Kingston Mortell, Tyler Ormsby, Kaea Paki, Hunter Payne, Ezekiel Phillips, Lane Ririnui, Harper Shallard, Leila Taylor
10.00am	Wellington High School Big Band	John Rae	Heather Ward, Alice Williams, Manaia Hauraki, Evie Patterson, Lenni Aschenberger, Felix McDougall, Stella Fitzpatrick, Aiden McElrea, Leo Pannett, Hanna Bungert, Nathaniel Elliott, Oli Hills, Holly Patterson, Sean Carroll, Sanni Mishra, Theo Moyes-Stewart, Micah Clark, Charlie Holland, Ambrose Tiso, Izy Iversen, Perry Jo
10.45am	St Paul's Big Band	Greg Taylor	Adi Manda, Andrew Wang, Ariv Goel, Ashton Russell, Daniel Stokes, Douglas Coyne, Ethan Edge, Jonathan Jiang, Judah Downing, Leo Plimmer, Liam Edge, Liam Stiles, Martina Zhang, Rina Zhao, Sanjoon Lee, Shannon Yu, Talia Davidson, Trivahn Walker-Riggins, Troy Poole, Vivian Ho, Zane Merson, Julia Zhou
11.30am	Sancta Maria College Stage Band	Maia Tay-Morrison/ Minky Kim	Jessa Calacsan, Amelia Brzozowski, Ryan Massey, Kiaran Makaore, Olivia Yang, Daniel Butcher, Raynell Ramos, Bernice Siu, Adam Diaz, Matthew Ye, Andrew Ibbetson, Gianna Cordeiro, Lucas Siu, Audrey Basilio, Chloe Ting, Cedric Ybanez, Angel Pallewate, Jakob Yang
12.15pm	LUNCH		
12.45pm	ACG Strathallan Jazz Band (Jazzcito)	Ritchie Bamola	Sam Carter, Ryan Wu, Timothy Yang, Ruby Carter, Shaylen Sonny, Eric Xu, Star Montgomery, Harry Kim, Daria Eltham, Lachie Speedy, Jaime Ruiterman, Isaac Lin, Tom Plimmer, Charlie Lucas, Anureet Kaur Sidhu, Isaiah Tauu, Rachel Lister, Karyn Kuang, Catherine Zhao, Abigail Lucas, Kate Bamola, Ryan Qiao, Claire Pearce, Daniel Lister
1.30pm	TBC Big Band One - Tauranga Boys' College	John Page	Marcus Louie, Tom Crisp, Micah Jennings, Daniel Willis, Carlos Santamaria Puga, Daniel Barback, Joseph Goodjohn, Gabe Whitlock, Ollie Larsen, Hugo Broad, Malachi Robertson, Johann Funer, Zavier Churchouse, Zack Norwood, Joris Arit, Travis Lammas, Korban Tuck, Spencer Laery, Joshua Innes, Lenny Hoskin Peter Chang, Harry Das, Leo Gray, Kris Mangnus
2.15pm	ACG Strathallan Stocktakers	Josh Mckay	Emma Hii, Amina Ebrahim, Junxuan Mai, Abigail Lucas, Harry Reid, Ivy Du, Shaylen Sonny, Louis Bessette, Isaiah Tauu, Daniel Lister, Mu-Chien Lee, Dylan Cooper, Ryan Qiao, Katherine Keene, Claire Pearce, Ruby Carter, Ryan Wu, Timothy Yang, Madeline Bamola, Connor O'Brien, Ritchie Bamola, Charlie Lucas, Connor Byrne, Jeremy Louw, Eitia Taylor
3.00pm	Sancta Maria College Big Band	Lukas Fritsch	Audrey Basilio, Daniel Butcher, Olivia Yang, Ariana Cordeiro, Raynelle Ramos, Joshua Orange, Maia Tay-Morrison, Max Tay-Morrison, Aaron Santoso, Jake Price, Minky Kim, Aaron Chan, Patrick Maldon, Matthew Ye, Mada Isaia, Paolo Lecias, Gabriel Heruela, Rocky Liu
3.45pm	TGC Big Band -Tauranga Girls' College	Mal Brady	Shanna Addinall, Gabby Addison, Nikita Alderton, Heidi Askin, Heather Billinghurst, Lucy Buchanan, Yanni Corsame, Amelia Grayson, Neisha Hitchcock, Yunchae Kim, Ayla Lithwaite, Sierra McDaniel, Kaja Metzler, Storm Perkins, Skylar Sargisson, Pearl Vahey Bourne
4.30pm	Scots College Jazz Band	Jake Baxendale	Dylan Contin, Chevy Halstead, Haoyuan Gu, George Barton, Ethan Dong, Victor Monnet-Bonnifait, Abigail Zhao, Jarvis Hayward, Jaeci Yee, Kristian Fukac, Hannah Mischo, Ridley Sheehan, Marty Connelly, Liam Struthers, Carina Gunchenko, Jan Schumann, Jiayi Sun, Alfa Wang

Judges: Lana Law, Dave Wilson, Lance Philip

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Big Band set piece *Cheesecake* by Dexter Gordon Arranger Rick Stitzel

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COMBOS – Tuesday 8 April | X Space

TIME	SCHOOL	COMBO	PERFORMERS
8.30am	Wellington HS	The Carmel Quartet	Carmel Fernandes, Louis Mackie, Micah Clarke, Evie Patterson
9.00am	Rongotai College	RC Combo	Junwei Chen, Henry Dickson, Nico Halasz, Billy Smith, Finn Spicer, Leo Stein, Edward Hoben, Elijah McKeown, Sioli Me'afu'ou, Sione Me'afu'ou, Fionn Page
9.30am	Auckland Grammar School	AGS Jazz Combo	Henry Wong, Matthew Marziano, Joshua Benson, Phillip Chignell, Fernando Montesinos Garcia
10.00am	St Cuthbert's College	Milestones	Georgia McGregor-MacDonald, Bonnie Wang, Sasha Whitlock, Yiwen Pan, Emma Zheng, Anna Fukushima, Lauren Ogier, Abby Grant, Chelsea Wu
10.30am	Cambridge HS	Cam High Jazz Squad	Leon Davidson, Isla Read, Isla Sinclair, Ethan Montgomery, Belle Pascual, Vicente Torres, Elijah Catley, Zoe Clarke, Georgia Bertrand, Luca Cartwright, Sahara Stanton
11.00am	Rangitoto College	Sea to the North	Rory Mulcahy, Joshua Curham, Yui Jang, Maddison Phillips, Daniel Mulcahy
11.30am	Pukekohe HS	Pukekohe HS Jazz Combo	Angus McCarthy, Andre O'Callaghan, Danica Newby, Alex Howes, Lucas Huang, Kyra Sheldon
12pm	LUNCH		
12.30pm	Kristin School	Kind of Teal	Andrew Guan, Sam Qing, Guy Winstone, Samuel Coombe, Jocelyn Ho, Mariella van Houts, Caleb Pitout, Akaal Singh
1.00pm	Marcellin College	Marcellin College Jazz Combo	Ezekiel Lozano, Mele Pope, Felicity Pomee, Semu Faalavaau, Alex Siale, Ethan Cadampog
1.30pm	Cambridge HS	CHS Jazz Band	Hunter Davis, Cameron Diprose, Reuben Stevens, Finnian Thomas-Fleming, Camron Thornton, Leah Nixon, Grace Vivian
2.00pm	Avondale College	Swing 46	Rose Elias, Alex Hutchinson-Jones, Andrew Pedrezuela, Max McCulloch, Felix Wong
2.30pm	Marcellin College	Marcellin College Jazz Saints	Viliani Tu'ima, Faapaia Fomai, Hudson Tuitupou, Sione Falemaka, Janine Evile, Minerva Finefeuiaki, Zion Seniwaitui, Trixie Denise Lozano
3.00pm	Avondale College	Five Spot	Lora Praveen Gattu, James Johnson, Avika Singh, Jed O'Brien, Eli Carter
3.30pm	Saint Kentigern College	Yoshi's	Luca Evans, Nathan Dick, Lara Diporse, James Moyes, Arden Matheson, Oscar Gu
4.00pm	TEA Break		
4.30pm	Saint Kentigern College	Village Vanguard	Jaden Lee, Oliver Shaw, Antoni Dick, Halen Jurisich, Josh Eaton
5.00pm	King's College	King's 10ers	Bryan Feng, Zac Ogg, Cole Thorburn, Henry Wang, Victor Wu
5.30pm	St Mary's College	St Marys College Junior Jazz Combo	Samantha Jensen, Zara Peterson, Georgia Alexander, Wendilyn Basanez, Katherine Bagley, Lozen Nicholls, Eden Iona
6.00pm	Westlake Boys HS	The Red Stripes	Luke Manley, Peter Raistrick, Nate Johnson, Max Bailey, Zander Gill
6.30pm	Wellington HS	Warehouse Stationery	Perry Joe, Chrisan Noble, Evie Patterson, Theo Moyes-Stewart
7.00pm	Westlake Boys HS	The Black Swans	Matt Donaldson, Aryan Thakkar, Matthew McLaggan, Billy Fullarton-Johnson, Aaron Ko, Luke Ding

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9.15am	TBC Big Band Two - Tauranga Boys' College	Paul Hoskin	Daniel Willis, Carlos Santamaria Puga, Daniel Barback, Johann Funer, Dominik Polomka, Julian Polomka, Miles Bell, Gabe Whitlock, Zack Norwood, Korban Tuck, Joris Arlt, Keane Esterhuizen, Tasman Struthers, Harry Das, Lenny Hoskin, Sam Baldwin, Semisi Veikoso
10.00am	Kristin Big Band	Sam Swindells	Caleb Pitout, Chanice Yan, Kevin Cao, Mariella van Houts, Richard Yang, Jocelyn Ho, Siwoo Kim, Andrew Guan, Sam Wilde, Guy Winstone, Jenny Wang, Nathan Lim, Liam McLisky, Bowen Zhang, Mack Sutherland, Harry Atkinson, Zoe De Boer, Archie Frankham, Steven Di
10.45am	AGS Big Band - Auckland Grammar School	James Ioelu	Henry Wong, Ryan Wang, Joshua Benson, Alex Huddart, Liam Freudsperger, Hanrui Liu, Tim Walker, Zhiyi Shan, Kejun Cheng, Matthew Marziano, Ryland Te Tamaki, Brian Zou, Phillip Chignell, Jeremy Strang, Caleb Oliveira Santos, Fernando Montesinos Garcia, Isaac Yim, Blake Lewis
11.30am	WC & WGC Big Band	Liam Boyle	Joshua Kerr, Alexander McElrea, Yan-Kit Thompson, Logan Sparks, Richie Usher, Loki Sparksman, Hugo Carter, Sam Gallagher, Louie Rogers, Arlo Pryor, Clara Kennedy, Ben Cookson, Duncan Blennerhassett, Nicholas Kennedy, Oliver Mackie, Linus Ericson, Max Horn, Oliver Livingston, Reilly Blennerhassett, Johnson Ding, Patrick Jones, Greer Castle
12.15pm	LUNCH		
12.45pm	Liston College Jazz Band	Chad Davenport	Henry Valette, Arin Ganga, Tukaha Devery, Max Robb-Markham, Ram Gealon, Daniel Matson, Marko Nola, Chad van Dolleweerd, Riley Wang, Jack Norrie, Shann Gomes, Harry Donald, William Winter, Ben McIntyre, Alex Turner, Elan van Dolleweerd, Jaden Book, Ryan Naidu, Enki Victoriano, Kathy Chen, Vivien Yang, Lexie Idio, Jason Chang, Tembani Mbangwa
1.30pm	St Mary's College Jazz Band	Tim Atkinson	Mizuki Kato, Erin Joyce, Zubiri Xandra, Athena Zhang, Arielle Uy, Chriesy Calvelo, Jaiden Roca, Freya Deng, Indie Hedgepeth, Florence Twose, Zara Peterson, Abigail Karnadi, Gia Perera, Jessica Garland, Nathan Nathan-Edmonds, Samantha Jensen, Kasandra Bas, Zoe Masih, Alexandra Wagg, Lily Elsmore, Ruby Setiawan, Addison Morgan, Maia Moore, Bella Steedman, Abigail Hobson, Malaika Pereira, Camille Rupp, Eden Robertson, Lina Leo, Eden Iona, Caoilinn Bhreatnach
2.15pm	Rongotai College Big Band	Greg Crayford	Joel Baker, Harry Barton, Junwei Chen, Henry Dickson, Isaac Franklin, Jackson Garland, Nico Halasz, Felix Hermann, Edward Holben, David London, Elijah McKeown, Sioli Me'afu'ou, Sione Me'afu'ou, Fionn Page, Leo Powdrell, Thierry Quast, Harvey Revell, Billy Smith, Finn Spicer, Leo Stein, Gagan Yadav, Marcus Young
3.00pm	Pukekohe High School Stage Band	Steven Granshaw	Jaide Boulton, Oliver McKay, Sean Devaney, Matthew Hermitte, Alexander Howes, Grace Huang, Angus McCarthy, Oliver Mckay, Andre O'Callaghan, Emily Stacy-Baxter, Oliver Telfer, Rory Thorpe, Logan Topp, Lokky van Dijk, Kyra Sheldon, William Nemme, Patrick Nota, Jamie van de Westerlo, Eva Reynolds
3.45pm	Westlake Girls' Jazz Band	Jono Howan	Limin Khaw, Antonija Georgieva, Chloe Liang, Rhea Bourhill, Rosa Morris, Eden Peoples, Nanae Sato-Nates, Frieda Lueddecke, Megan Leslie, Sylvie Waddingham, Hannah Wilmot, Joy Yang, Natalie Teasdale, Piper Donaldson, Valarie Sin, Emilie Adlam, Charlotte Smith, Jimin Ban, Alyssa Song, Winnie Meng
4.30pm	St Cuthbert's College Stage Band	David Edmundson	Anarita Chadhuri, Ella Zhang, Georgie McGregor-McDonald, Meher Randhawa, Bonnie Wang, Yahan Duan, Audrey Huang, Emmie Speedy, Sasha Whitlock, Evangeline Speedy, Yiwen Pan, Emma Zheng, Anna Fukushima, Lauren Ogier, Abby Grant, Felicia Zou, Chelsea Wu, Justina Maka

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8.30am	Avondale College	Blue Note	Gaon Park, Louis De Biasio, Alfred Jian, Tiahuia Wara, Ava Phipps, Nathan O'Neill
9.00am	Avondale College	Birdland	Beau Buchanan, Cole Utumapu, Liam Presling, Eliza Tate, Ollie Carson, Eliza Gleeson
9.30am	St Mary's College	St Mary's College Senior Jazz Combo	Francesca Watt, Alison Lee-Joe, Hannah Thompson, Phoebe Segers, Victoria Tang
10.00am	Wellington College & Wellington Girls' College	1867 Combo	Joshua Kerr, Reilly Blennerhassett, Johnson Ding, Patrick Jones, Greer Castle
10.30am	Lynfield College	Whēkau Combo	Amelia Williams-Misiagi, Jonathan Mar, Matilda Wells, Mira Davy, Hola Afasa, Arlia Potauaine, Ella Hill
11.00am	New Plymouth Boys HS	The Maunddawgs	James Peng, Harris Brayshaw, Mason Bailey, Xavier Kilgour, Ashton Green, Marley Norman, Isaac Thornfield
11.30am	Lynfield College	Pouākai Combo	Tristan Dear, Minh Phan, James Gallagher, Theo Jackson, Rukiya Halligan, Joshua Fleming, Enoch Satrio
12pm	LUNCH		
12.30pm	Hamilton Boys' HS	HBHS Jazz Combo	Aiden Jobe, Matthew Colvin, Alex Lord, Dylan Connolly, John Huang, Jethro Croucher, Charlie Ruffel, Mason Johnstone
1.00pm	Lynfield College	Moa Combo	Wayne Wang, William Day, Simone Hidalgo, Caleb McLeod, Ashton Silveira, Noah Pin
1.30pm	Sacred Heart Lower Hutt	Route 65	Isabella Andrews, Daisy Robinson, Emily Molenaar, Kelaiah Rahui-Lawton, Angelina Stanley, Joelle Bucal
2.00pm	Lynfield College	Huia Combo	Priya Mailal, Caitlin Hsiao, Meghna Malik, Madeline Fleming, Diyon Pushparaja, Toby Pin, Anika Wong, Taylor Griffin, Katie Jenkins, Jasmine Wilkings
2.30pm	King's College	All the King's Horses	Ted Coop, Kai Li, Ben Moutter, Harry Power
3.00pm	Lynfield College	Kaoriki Combo	August Smith, Chahak Uppadhyay, Chelsea Silveira, Kiran Treanor, William Gibbs, Ellice Hii, Meghna Malik, Frank Ave
3.30pm	King's College	Ionian Combo	George Chu-Ling, Luca Henderson, Noah McLaughlin, Toby Wigglesworth, Rex Zhao
4pm	Marcellin College	Marcellin College Jazz Unit	Noah Ah Sam, Rachel Uy, Jeremy Lozana, Ayva Collins, Elijah Sanonu, Cecilia Koenig, Vincent Leiataua, Matthew Meija, Franchesca Laurenciana

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7pm-7.30pm Honours Combo 2025 performance - X Space



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BIG BANDS – Wednesday 9 April | Addison Theatre

TIME	SCHOOL BAND	BAND LEADER	PERFORMERS
8.30am	King's College Little Big Band	Chris Artley	Evan Bu, Ian Chen, Ollie Coleman, Ted Coop, Sammi Edgar, Bryan Feng, Aiden Guo, Luca Henderson, Mel Hou, Eleora Lau, Meagan Luo, Miller Lyons, Mason Ma, Ben Moutter, Thomas Nand, Harry Power, Ben Qi, Kheilas Reti-Pereira, Jasper Xie, Len Zheng, Min Zhou
9.15am	Bethlehem College Big Band	Duncan Taylor	Max Balmer, Max Burmister, Jack Chai, Lucy Coyle, Jack Fraser, Clayton Iversen, Asher Lambert, Judah Matautia, Aedan Miller, Keonhu Park, Sebin Park, Harry Renner, Heejun Shin, Tristan Sparks, Arthur Thompson, Enoch Tie, Emily Todd
10.00am	Saint Kentigern Jazz Orchestra	Albert Lee/ Nate Collings	Tom Aitken, Mihir Samant, Joleen Lee, Wilson Li, Samuel Zhang, Jimmy Zhang, William Xu, Joshua Davies, Reuben Kennerley, Jimmy Ward, Leo Yu, Khiem Tran, Antoni Dick, Sarah Shanks, Kayden Wang, Sachin Matheson, Olivia Shi
10.45am	HBHS Big Band	Paul Norman	Mason Johnstone, Dylan Connolly, Charlie Ruffell, John Huang, Aidan Jobe, Matthew Colvin, Nikash Lanka, Alex Lord, Jethro Croucher, Joel Singleton, Micah Ennion, Orion Huang, Oscar Lawrence, Mateo Miller-Ble, Cameron O'Connor, Thomas Priest, Sam Taylor, Connor McCracken, Renesh Paranawidana, Dylan Lawrence, Leni Reid
11.30am	Western Heights High School Jazz Band	Mark Dennison	Khushi Patel, Kalani Pinga, Mikayla Billett, Lachlan Krutz, Cass Giles, Simon Gillies, Logan Gaskill, Ben Gillies, Maddi Coxhead, Lauren Sollitt, Kai Jun-Ishida, Charlotte Rich, Vanessa Liang, Callahn Rauwhero, Finn Siringoringo, Alyah Warmington-O'Neil
12.15pm	LUNCH		
12.45pm	Saint Kentigern Big Band	Albert Lee/ Nate Collings	Jaden Lee, Luca Evans, Andrew Yang, Lawrence Liu, Samuel Sun, James Wang, Terrence Liu, Preston Tee, Kara Scouler, Jimmy Zhang, Matthew Stubbs, Joshua Davies, Reuben Kennerley, Seamus Wong, James Moyes, Lara Diprose, Arden Matheson, Oscar Gu, Eason Liu, Nathan Dick
1.30pm	PNBHS Stage Band - Palmerston North Boys' HS	Neville Lauridsen	Zi Yang Fan, Stanley Pettengill, Louis Crawford, Yusha Rasheed, Oliver Lu, Lee Jun Kim, Armani Whitehead-Wilson, Austin Shearman, Gus Wescott, Ben Irwin, Felix Holdaway, Oliver Song, Noah Belton, Blake Johnston, Ben Viljoen, Hamish White, Casey Fleming
2.15pm	St Mary's College Big Band	Tim Atkinson	Francesca Watt, Sophia Boyle, Samantha Lees, Georgia Alexander, Jacinta Lawrence, Anthea Lynch, Alison Lee-Joe, Samantha Jensen, Isla Hudson, Kassandra Bas, Maris Lithgow, Delphine Sparshott, Matilda Gulliver, Chloe Wong, Brooke Shennan, Hannah Thompson, Phoebe Segers, Victoria Tang, Segi Lelaulu
3.00pm	Westlake Big Band	Eddie Hare	Limin Khaw, Josh Wilson, Min-Seo Bang, Pheonix Naera, Luke Manley, Greg Leslie, Matt Donaldson, Edward Scholes, Seonyu Choi, Hannah Wilmot, Vaughan Malcolm, James Hendra, William Dillner, Frieda Lueddecke, Megan Leslie, Matthew Mclaggan, Joseph Lee, Billy Fullarton-Johnson, Aryan Thakkar, Aaron Ko, Shan Liu
3.45pm	Avondale College Big Band	Mike Robinson	Cole Utumapu, Eli Hini-Neilson, Rose Elias, Victoria Hu, Anika Raymond, Jed O'Brien, Monica Dean, Joseph Morris, Ethan Haver, Jakub McEntee, Tess Robinson, Angelo Tavelia, Max McCulloch, Felix Wong, Alex Hutchinson-Jones, Andrew Pedrezuela, Lora Praveen Gattu

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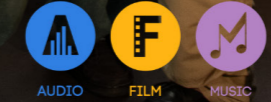
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