

NEWSLETTER 6 -- JULY 2021

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LIXIN ZHANG, PIANO

SUNDAY 1 AUGUST at 2:30pm WAIKANAE MEMORIAL HALL, PEHI KUPA ST, WAIKANAE



Lixin Zhang is one of New Zealand's most promising young pianists, as evidenced by his recent silver medal win in the Young Musicians category of the prestigious 2021 Gina Bachauer Piano Competition, Salt Lake City, USA. For this, he played the programme we are going to hear in our concert.

PROGRAMME:

Chopin	Ballade No 1
Chopin	Sonata No 3
Mozart	Sonata in C, K330
Chopin	Nocturne in C minor, Op 48, No 1
Liszt	Valée d'Obermann

THE PERFORMER:

At 19, pianist Lixin Zhang has gained an impressive array of achievements. Along with his 2021 Gina Bachauer second prize, he has won top prizes at each of New Zealand's major national piano competitions - the National Young Performer Award, Wallace National Piano Competition and the National Concerto Competition (twice!). Lixin has also played concertos with the Christchurch Symphony Orchestra and Bach Musica Orchestra and has given performances in Asia and Europe. Rattle Records released Lixin's first CD in 2018, which promptly reached first place in Radio NZ's Classical Charts. **Copies of this CD will be on sale at the concert.**

Lixin is currently studying at the Colburn Conservatory in California. His past teachers in New Zealand include Michael Endres, Neville Baird and Richard Mapp.

TICKETS

You can buy **tickets for this concert** in advance from New World Waikanae and Moby Dickens Paraparaumu Beach, or by internet banking (account number BNZ Waikanae 02 0591 0018930 00 – Waikanae Music Society. Put your name in the Particulars, and phone no. in the Reference fields). If you wish to pay for subscriptions or tickets by credit card, ring Treasurer Paul Dunmore on (021) 251 7030. You can also buy your tickets at the concert (cash or Eftpos). **Note that we do not open the doors before 1.45 pm.**

Members: \$30

Non-Members: \$40

Students under 25: \$5

IMPORTANT: CALL FOR COMMITTEE MEMBERS

We need more committee members. The Society cannot run without a committee. We are currently at least one member short and two people are standing down at the end of this year. We are looking for people who are reliable, energetic and committed to the Society. We are grateful for the number of people who help at concerts, but we also need people who are able to work on the planning of concerts and the running of the Society.

If you are interested in supporting the Society in this way and want to find out more, or if you know someone who might be interested, please talk to me or to any of the current committee members at the next concert, or contact me by phone 021 155 9011, or by email president@waikanaemusic.org.nz

CONCERT NOTES: OUR OWN MUSIC PROGRAMME on COAST ACCESS RADIO 104.7FM

Concert Notes this month, at on Tuesday July 20 at 6:00pm and on July 22 at 11:30am will feature piano music and samples of Lixin's playing. To replay this programme, go to our website <u>https://www.waikanaemusic.org.nz</u> and click on the Concert Notes link on the front page. If you have music you would like to hear on Concert Notes, email <u>concertmanager@waikanaemusic.org.nz</u>

FOLLOWING CONCERT: ARGYLE TRIO, Sunday 29 August

We are looking forward to hearing this trio formed by our beloved Wilma Smith. The cellist is a past WMS Young Musicians Scholarship winner, so we are particularly looking forward to hearing him. They will perform Debussy, Saint-Saens and the mighty Brahms Piano Trio No 1.