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THAT ENCORE WAS....

For those who wondered what the encore played by Lixin Zhang at the concert on Sunday 1 August was, it was The Lark – Glinka/Balakirev. (Originally it was a song by Glinka, later arranged for piano solo by his Russian colleague Balakirev.)

ARGYLE TRIO

SUNDAY 29 AUGUST at 2:30pm

WAIKANAE MEMORIAL HALL, PEHI KUPA ST, WAIKANAE



The Argyle Trio has a change of pianist for this concert. Laurence Matheson, the trio's pianist, is an Australian, and so unable to travel because of the pausing of the Trans-Tasman bubble. Wilma and Matthias are both New Zealanders, so could get into New Zealand. We are delighted that Michael Houstoun has stepped in as pianist – we couldn't have a greater substitute. As a result, there is a change in programme.

PROGRAMME:

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| Beethoven | Piano Trio Op. 1 No. 1 in Eb Major |
| Ravel | Piano Trio in A minor |
| Beethoven | Piano Trio in Bb major Op 97 "Archduke" |

THE PERFORMERS:

Wilma Smith, violin, is past Concertmaster of the New Zealand Symphony Orchestra and a much-loved chamber musician here and in Australia, where she now lives. She was Concertmaster of the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra from 2003-2013, and is now a teacher of violin and a champion of emerging talent. She and Michael Houstoun are longstanding musical partners, so his inclusion in this concert will be a 'coming home'.

Matthias Balzat, cello, is an outstanding young cellist who received a scholarship from the Waikanae Music Society Charitable Trust for Young Musicians in 2017. At age 14, he commenced his Bachelor of Music Performance degree at the University of Waikato. Since then, he has won every major instrumental competition in New Zealand, and was awarded the prestigious Patricia Pratt Scholarship to study in Germany, where he is currently studying for his Master of Music.

Michael Houstoun, piano, needs no introduction. He is a national treasure and has performed so often for our Society, we made him a Life Member last year at his then 'final' concert. We are so glad he has come out of retirement and *will* again grace our stage.

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: SECOND CALL FOR COMMITTEE MEMBERS

We still 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 will feature chamber music. To replay this programme, go to our website <https://www.waikanaemusic.org.nz> and click on the Concert Notes link on the front page. If you have music you would like to hear on Concert Notes, email concertmanager@waikanaemusic.org.nz

LAST CONCERT FOR THE YEAR: AROHA STRING QUARTET AND RACHEL VERNON (Clarinet), Sunday 26 September

These passionate performers will be playing clarinet quintets by Mozart, Piazzolla and Brahms.