NBS NELSON CITY BRASS PRESENTS





SUNDAY 9 MAY, 2021 PROGRAMME

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Death or Glory Poet and Peasant Pie Jesu R. B. Hall Suppé Lloyd Webber

Nelson Male Voice Choir

Aberystwyth Away from the Roll of the Sea Fascinating Rhythm Ubi Caritas Joseph Parry
A. MacGillivray
Gershwin
Paul Halley

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Somewhere Over the Rainbow The Celt of Glencoe arr. G. Richards arr. G. Richards

INTERVAL

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76 Trombones
Aspects of Lloyd Webber
Somewhere

Meredith Wilson arr. Peter Graham Bernstein

Nelson Male Voice Choir

March of the Peers Homeward Bound Seize the Day Gilbert & Sullivan Marta Keen Sevenfold

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Perfect Patricia Hallelujah Ed Sheeran Pérez Prado Leonard Cohen

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Nelson City Brass is one of the oldest brass bands in New Zealand. Known by various names throughout the years it was established in 1857 as part of the military and with roots going back to 1841, it is in fact considered by many to be the country's first brass band.

The band has a wide age range and has a flourishing youth development programme.

Alongside NBS, the band is proud of the support they receive from the Nelson City Council and are the only community group able to use the city's crest as their official emblem.

NBS Nelson City Brass regularly undertake concerts in the community featuring a mix of traditional and contemporary programmes. Since 2016 the Musical Director has been Nigel E. Weeks QSM.

Nelson City Brass were the winners of the C Grade National Championships in both 2016 and 2017. In 2018, Nelson City Brass were promoted to B Grade, placing second in 2018 and winning the championship in 2019. Subsequently NBS Nelson City Brass will perform for the first time in the A Grade Championship later this year.

NELSON MALE VOICE CHOIR

The Nelson Male Voice Choir was founded in 1932 by a group of keen amateur singers in Nelson, a city of 46,000 people, nestling in the sun at the top of New Zealand's South Island. It gave its first concert at the Nelson School of Music on April 26th, 1933, and most of the Choir's concerts will take place in this beautiful hall, with it's outstanding acoustics.

The Choir has played a strong role in the city's musical history ever since, stopping only for a few years during World War II, which claimed the lives of five of its members.

In 2000 the Nelson Male Voice Choir made a tour of Wales, but to do so had to cast its net throughout New Zealand for extra singers, thus giving birth to the New Zealand Male Choir.

Today the Choir is in a great heart with over thirty singing members and gives concerts for its loyal supporters several times every year. It also leads the singing at civic occasions such as Anzac Day and has given much young, local talent the opportunity to perform in front of a large audience. It is proud of its long tradition.

NMVC can call on a vast repertoire of traditional songs, light classics, show tunes and contemporary favourites. The concerts always include a variety of Nelson's best talent as guest artistes, to delight our audiences.

NIGEL E. WEEKS QSM, MUSICAL DIRECTOR

Nigel originates from Wales. Appointed as Musical Director of the Continental Airlines Auckland Brass (now City of Sails) in 1994, he began a very successful partnership in both the concert and contest arena. The band, under his direction, won five New Zealand and three Australian titles. Nigel is an experienced music educator and has worked as Director of Music at Manurewa High School, Kings College and Macleans College Auckland, where under Nigels guidance the music department became one of the most successful in New Zealand.

Nigel moved to Nelson at the start of 2016 to take up the Head of Music position at Nayland College and as Musical Director of Nelson City Brass Band. Nigel was the Musical Director of the 2014 and 2017 National Band of New Zealand, who were runners up at the World Championships. In 2019 Nigel was awarded a Queens Service Medal for his services to music and education.











