

conducted by Ken Leech
with Collaborative Pianist Lee Martelli

PRESENT

# Se houstine!

Programme

August 2025



### **Ken Leech: Musical Director**

Ken is a choral singer, conductor, and composer who sang for many years with the Auckland Dorian Choir under Karen Grylls and more recently with Harbour Voices under both Jenny Firth and Nicholas Forbes. He currently sings with "Castorways", a 10 voice vocal ensemble. This is Ken's third year as Kowhai Singers' Music Director.

### Collaborative Pianist: Lee Martelli

Lee is a professional piano accompanist, and 2-time winner of Accompanist of the Year from the NZ Brass Bands Association. Lee enjoys supporting choirs in the community, and especially loves music theatre. Lee has worked for the Auckland Philharmonia Orchestra, Creative New Zealand and helped Choirs Aotearoa establish the national training choir of 90. Lee presented her first solo recital concert series recently to celebrate the 25th anniversary of NZ Music Month.



# **PROGRAMME**

Another Op'nin' Another show Kiss Me, Kate Cole Porter

I Dreamed a Dream Les Miserables Schonberg/Kretzmer

Soloist: Faith Tamaseu Arr. Ed Lojeski

Bring Him Home Les Miserables Schonberg/Kretzmer

Arr. Mark A Brymer

*Arr*. Ed Lojeski

Fascinating Rhythm Lady, Be Good! Gershwin/Gershwin

*Arr*. Ed Lojeski

Memory Cats Lloyd Webber/Nunn

From: TS Eliot's Cats

Arr. Mac Huff

Oliver! Medley Oliver! Lionel Bart

Arr. Norman Leyden

- \* Consider Yourself at Home
- \* Where is Love
- \* Oom-Pah-Pah
- \* As Long As He Needs Me Soloist: Anna Pendred
- \* I'd Do Anything
- \* Who Will Buy Soloist: Elke Metzler
- \* Consider Yourself at Home

### Interval

There's No Business Like Show Business Annie Get Your Gun Irving Berlin

Arr. Emerson/Murtha

I Could Have Danced All Night My Fair Lady Lerner/Loewe

Mack the Knife The Threepenny Opera Brecht/Weill

Arr. Kirby Shaw

Love Changes Everything Aspects of Love L-Webber/Black/Hart

Arr. Ed Lojeski

Over the Rainbow The Wizard of Oz Harburg/Arlen

Arr. Molly Ijames

Rodgers and Hammerstein On Broadway Arr. Mac Huff

\* The Sound of Music The Sound of Music Soloist: Faith Tamaseu

\* Rodgers and Hammerstein A Brief History *Monologue: Richard Knill* 

\* The Surrey with the Fringe on top Oklahoma

Soloist Violinist: Alex Cho.

\* I'm Gonna Wash That Man South Pacific Soloist: Anna Pendred

\* June is Bustin' Out All Over Carousel

\* Oklahoma Oklahoma

\* I Whistle a Happy Tune
 \* Do Re Mi
 \* It Might as well be Spring
 The King and I
 \* Soloist: Richard Knill
 \* Soloist: Marion Jones
 \* It Might as well be Spring
 State Fair
 Soloist: Bronwyn Lane

\* There is Nothin' Like a Dame South Pacific
 \* Shall We Dance The King and I

\* You'll Never Walk Alone Carousel Soloist: Anna Pendred

# The Kowhai Singers would love you to join them for their next concert

Our November concert presents music that brings hope and light to a world that often seems full of darkness and hopelessness. It will feature Elaine Hagenberg's stunning "Illuminare", Morten Laurdedsen's beautiful "Sure on this Shining Night", "You'll Never Walk Alone" and a captivating piece by Norwegian composer Ola Gjeillo. And we will be accompanied by an 11-piece chamber orchestra! This will be the concert of the year and we would love you to join us.

## The Choir

### **Sopranos**

Jocelyn Brough
Marion Howie
Bronwyn Lane
Margi Leech
Janette Raven
Liz Reid
Michele Revell
Lorraine Sutherland
Faith Tamaseu

### **Altos**

Jo Allan Mary Downie Jane Elliott Marion Jones Anna Pendred Kate Shevland

### **Tenors**

Allan Catley Andrew Fawcett Richard Knill Elke Metzler

### **Basses**

Jonathan Bennett Neville Johnson Simon Revell Bruce Russell Geoff Ward

Rehearsal Pianist - Kowhai Singers is grateful for the work of Susan Elliott as our rehearsal pianist and acknowledges her commitment to the choir.

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### SING WITH KOWHAI SINGERS IN OUR NEXT CONCERT

We are a non-auditioned community choir and we would love you to join us.

Our rehearsals are on Monday evenings at the

Warkworth Methodist Hall from 7.15pm to 9.15pm.

Follow us on Facebook or visit the website: kowhaisingers.org.nz

For more information phone Ken on 021 241 1522 or Marion on 021 217 6834.



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