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New Zealand Chamber Soloists return to Tauranga

Drama and passion combine in the New Zealand Chamber Soloists' concert in Tauranga on Sunday 28 August featuring a romantic programme of works by Schubert, Brahms and NZ composer Eve de Castro-Robinson.

The New Zealand Chamber Soloists were formed in 2006 from a number of artists with connections to the University of Waikato, all of whom have national and international careers as performers. They are passionate about revitalizing classical music as a spontaneous and vitally alive and expressive experience which can uplift and transform audiences. At the heart of the New Zealand Chamber Soloists is the piano trio comprising pianist Katherine Austin, violinist Lara Hall and cellist James Tennant.

The New Zealand Chamber Soloists last toured NZ for Chamber Music New Zealand in 2010 and 2008 and have performed in Tauranga on a number of occasions.

In 2008, they performed a triple concerto written for them by composer Michael Williams and recorded a CD which was released in July 2009. At the beginning of 2009 they toured Europe, the United States and South America giving concerts in Paris, London, Cambridge, Dublin, Killorglin, Michigan and Colombia. They were subsequently invited to perform in summer festivals in Italy in 2010 along with return invitations to perform and give master classes in France, United Kingdom, United States and Colombia.

"I could not have imagined such a fresh, original and so uniquely powerful performance".
Dr David Dolan, Guildhall School of Music and Drama, London.

The two romantic works in this programme were written at opposite ends of the composers' lives – while Brahms' youthful trio was the first chamber work he had published, Schubert's trio was conceived near the end of his career. Eve de Castro-Robinson's meditative piece about the forces of water includes whistling, whispering and chanting.

Programme

Schubert	Piano Trio No 2 in E flat major D929
Eve de Castro-Robinson	At Water's Birth
Brahms	Piano Trio No 1 in B Opus 8

The New Zealand Chamber Soloists perform at Mills Reef in Tauranga on Sunday 28 August at 7.00pm. Tickets are available from Baycourt / Ticket Direct, www.ticketdirect.co.nz. Adults \$32 Students (under 19) \$10, school children free if accompanied by a ticketholder. Door Sales on the night.

Concert presented by Tauranga Musica in association with Chamber Music New Zealand.

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