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Symphonic

Workshop

11-13 September 2026

Hutt Valley High School

Rossini/Respighi - La Boutique Fantasque
Tchaikovsky - Symphony no 5, Finale

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Symphonic workshop with tutors from the NZSO
Conducted by Mark Carter

Friday 11th September – Sunday 13st September 2026
Hutt Valley High School, 84 - 114 Woburn Road, Lower Hutt

About the workshop

The annual HVO Symphony Workshops offer wonderful opportunities to play music that is rarely performed by community orchestras in New Zealand. Recent workshops have included Tchaikovsky's 1812 and Copland's Rodeo, Mussorgsky's Pictures at an Exhibition with Rimsky-Korsakov's Russian Easter Festival Overture and Vaughan Williams' Symphony No 2 with Brahms' Academic Festival Overture.

The workshop this year will be conducted by our musical director Mark Carter. Mark was born in Dorset, UK. He studied Trumpet at the Royal Academy of Music in London. Whilst at the Academy Mark studied conducting and participated in master classes with George Hurst, Sir Colin Davis and Sir Simon Rattle. Mark has been sub-principal trumpet of the NZSO since 1996. During his time in New Zealand, he has conducted the Nelson Symphony Orchestra, Manawatu Symphony Orchestra, Wellington Youth Orchestra and Stroma Contemporary Music ensemble. He is also an artist teacher at the New Zealand School of Music Victoria University. Mark is a very keen mountain biker and enjoys exploring New Zealand's great outdoors.

We will be joined by players from the New Zealand Symphony Orchestra and Orchestra Wellington who will tutor the individual sections of the orchestra. Tuition will be tailored to help players of all abilities. Year after year we receive very positive feedback saying how enjoyable and engaging the tutors were.

From Mark Carter:

“This year's workshop will feature the opportunity to workshop movements from La Boutique Fantasque (Rossini/Respighi) and the rousing finale from Tchaikovsky's 5th Symphony. Both works will be a rewardable challenge for all sections of the orchestra. We will rehearse over two days, including a half day of intense sectional rehearsals taken by members of NZSO and Orchestra Wellington. Not only a musically rewarding weekend but also a chance to meet musicians from all over New Zealand.”

Don't miss experiencing these exciting works.

FEEDBACK FROM PREVIOUS YEARS



"The workshop was fabulous!"

"Mark does a stellar job with all levels of ability and that is a rarity. His conducting is excellent!"

"It's truly amazing being able to play these wonderful orchestral pieces with help from expert tutors and be conducted by a brilliant conductor like Mark!"

"It was my first time at the workshop, and I loved it. It was really well organised. Everyone made me feel welcome. I'll be back!"

"The two things I enjoy most are the tutors and the more challenging repertoire."

"There was an awesome feeling of success. I will encourage other players I have contact with to attend."

TIMETABLE

Friday 11th September 2026

- 19:00 – 19:30 Collect name tags, introductions, cup of tea etc
 19:30 – 21:30 Orchestra Tutti (FULL orchestra together)

Saturday 12th September 2026

- 8:45 – 9:00 Warmup
 9:00 – 10:15 Orchestra Tutti
 10:15 – 10:35 **MORNING TEA** (meet tutors)
 10:35 – 12:00 Sectionals – with tutors
 12:00 – 13:00 **LUNCH TIME**
 13:00 – 14:30 Sectionals – with tutors
 14:30 – 15:15 Sectionals – with tutors (possible combined sectionals)
 15:15 – 15:45 **AFTERNOON TEA** (*everyone back to the main hall*)
 15:45 – 17:15 Orchestra Tutti – *with tutors*
 17:15 Nibbles and Drinks
 18:00 Optional dinner at a local restaurant

Sunday 13th September 2026

- 9:45 – 10:15 Morning tea/Warmup
 10:15 – 11:45 Orchestra Tutti
 11:45 – 12:45 **LUNCH TIME**
 12:45 – 13:45 Orchestra Tutti
 13:45 – 14:00 Greet friends and family
- 14:00 INFORMAL PERFORMANCE**

MUSIC

Parts can be viewed or downloaded from IMSLP (scroll to “Sheet Music”, choose the tab “Parts”, and click on your part to proceed to the download):

Tchaikovsky – Symphony No 5, Finale: <https://tinyurl.com/Tchaikovsky-Symph-5>
(please choose the Breitkopf und Härtel edition)

Rossini/Respighi - La Boutique Fantasque: music is being hired and will be sent out to you closer to the date

INSTRUMENTATION

STRINGS	WOODWIND	BRASS	PERCUSSION
VIOLIN 1	3-6 FLUTES <i>two parts plus Piccolo</i>	4-8 HORNS IN F <i>four parts</i>	TIMPANI <i>one player</i>
VIOLIN 2	3-6 OBOES <i>two parts plus English Horn in La Boutique Fantasque</i>	3-8 TRUMPETS <i>three parts</i>	PERCUSSION <i>up to five players in La Boutique Fantasque Timpani, Bass Drum, Snare Drum, Cymbals, Triangle, Tambourine, Xylophone Bells</i>
VIOLA	2-6 CLARINETS <i>two parts</i>	2-4 TENOR TROMBONES <i>two parts</i>	
CELLO		1-2 BASS TROMBONES <i>one part</i>	
DOUBLE BASS	2-4 BASSOONS <i>two parts</i>	1-3 TUBAS <i>one part</i>	HARP and CELESTA <i>only in La Boutique Fantasque</i>

REGISTRATION

Limited places – we endeavour to place everyone in the instrument or position requested. This said, we are aiming for a balance of instruments operating on a “first come, first served” basis. Go to <https://tinyurl.com/2026-Instrument-Availability> to see places available.

Please register ONLINE at

<https://tinyurl.com/2026-HVO-Workshop-Registration>

PAYMENT

ADULTS	ADULTS EARLY BIRD*	PART TIME STUDENTS	FULL TIME STUDENTS
\$120	\$100	\$50	FREE!!!!!!

*Early Bird only applies to ‘Adult’ applications received prior to 26th July 2026

Please wait until you've received confirmation of a place, before sending any payment.