



SINGERS WANTED

Bach Musica NZ is looking for experienced choral singers to join our semi-professional chorus for our 2020 season. The choir performs with the Bach Musica NZ orchestra, under the direction of internationally-acclaimed conductor Rita Paczian, in four well-attended concerts every year in the Auckland Town Hall.

ABOUT BACH MUSICA NZ

As one of New Zealand's leading classical performance groups, our motto is making 'music that touches the soul'. Our ensemble consists of an auditioned 45-voice choir and a professional orchestra. We are well-known for NZ premieres of beautiful music from all over the world, and for providing performance opportunities for both emerging and recognised vocal and instrumental soloists. Our choristers come from a wide variety of musical backgrounds and skill levels, and all share a passion for being involved in creating exciting music.

The programme in 2020 includes Bach's *St Matthew Passion* and Monteverdi's *Vespers 1610*, as well as two NZ premieres: Schumann's *Requiem* and Rachmaninov's *The Bells*.

RITA PACZIAN

Music and Artistic Director Rita Paczian is a professional freelance musician and conductor performing in New Zealand and abroad. Her high quality performances are well known to NZ audiences.

When Paczian directed herself to her group of singers, they gave every last drop of music. The beauty of this group is that each singer performs as if they are soloists yet can blend like one sound.
2019, *Mass in B Minor*, Clare Martin, Radio 13

And so we were privileged to listen to a choir, whose tonal projection and rhythmic interpretation, whose clarity, diction and sensitive dynamics were second to none and easily on par with the great Baroque-Choirs of Europe.
2018, *Christmas Surprise*, Rainer W. Buhmann, Freelance Critic