

Brief résumé of musical experience:

26th
**AUCKLAND
STRING QUARTET
SUMMER SCHOOL**

7–14 January 2012
St Cuthbert's College

Any Royal Schools / Trinity Exams passed:

Grade: _____

APPLICATIONS CLOSE NOVEMBER 28, 2011

I enclose \$20.00 deposit and understand that this is non-refundable after 28 November.

Cheques payable to: "ASQ Summer School"

Post to: **ASQ Summer School**
20 Waterview Road
Devonport
AUCKLAND 0624



The School

The Auckland String Quartet Summer School was launched in 1984 by the Auckland String Quartet. In recent years, we have had a series of wonderful guest tutors.

This year we welcome the Tutors' Quartet – Dianna Cochrane, Caroline Von Bismark, Benjamin Geller and Eliah Sakakushev.

The emphasis, as always, is on chamber music; string quartets in particular. During morning sessions, participants will work in groups with direction from individual tutors. Early afternoons are not formally structured, however at 4pm there is the opportunity to join the string orchestra which meets once a day. The small number of participants accepted (about forty-four) guarantees the intimate atmosphere for which this summer school is well-known. There is plenty of time for practice, formation of groups for further ensemble playing, or simply relaxing. Some traditions, such as the midnight swims and late evening music making, have endured from year to year. The last night revues are now legendary. Evening concerts presented by the tutors and guest artists provide inspiring conclusions to memorable days.

Application

Please send the completed application form with \$20.00 deposit to the Director before the closing date, November 28, 2011. Late applications may be accepted at the discretion of the Director.

Age: Participants are required to be aged sixteen years or over.

General: An information sheet will be sent to each person upon enrolment.

Enquiries: Any enrolment enquiries prior to the School should be addressed to the Director, **Brecon Carter** at:

ASQ Summer School

20 Waterview Road

Devonport

AUCKLAND 0624

Tel: 09 445 1053 or 027 293 8854

Fax: 09 445 1253

Email: bjcarter@clear.net.nz

Dates

Registration will be during the afternoon of Saturday, January 7, 2012 with the school officially opening at 5:00pm, followed by dinner at 6:15pm. The school closes after the "Revue" concert on Friday, January 13, but live-in and tent participants may depart the next morning after breakfast.

Accommodation

Participants have a choice of the following:

- In boarding-house, double or single rooms, all meals included. (Those who wish to share a room with a friend or spouse should mention this on their application)
- Tent or camper van, all meals included. (No cooking is allowed). A maximum limit of 10 tents.
- Live out. Lunch, morning and afternoon tea included.

The Venue

I am pleased to tell you that we are again able to hold ASQSS at **St Cuthbert's College** in Epsom, Auckland. This is a great campus for us with a designated music block with practice and rehearsal rooms, a recital hall, a swimming pool (no sharks or tides) and tennis courts that actually work. The bedrooms and bathrooms are of a good standard normally used by school boarders. The classy shopping centre of Newmarket is also nearby.

Scholarships Available

Four junior scholarships are available for participants aged between 16 and 25 years at 50% reduction on fees.

Please tick if you are applying for a scholarship

BRECON CARTER MNZM (Director) Concertmaster Emeritus of the Auckland Philharmonia, and Director of the ASQ Summer School since 1985.

DIANNA COCHRANE (Violin) completed her B.Mus (perf.) degree at Auckland University, and then continued her post-graduate studies at the University of Southern California in Los Angeles. In 1992 she moved to Hamburg where she formed her own string quartet, the Kandinsky Quartet which performed successfully throughout Europe. She was a member of Philharmonisches Staatsorchester in Hamburg before returning to NZ and playing with NZSO and NZ Chamber Orchestra. In 1999 Dianna moved to Spain for five years before returning to NZ and now works in Auckland as leader of Auckland Chamber Orchestra and as Principal 2nd Violin in the APO.

CAROLINE VON BISMARCK (Violin) is originally from Berlin where she studied at the Julius Stern Institute. Later her studies took her to Mannheim, Detmold and then to Bern where she received her 1st class honours degree in performance. Caroline is well known in Europe as a chamber musician appearing in festivals in Finland, Germany, Italy, Denmark and Switzerland. Her orchestral activity has included several German orchestras, Bern Symphony, Malaga Phiharmonic and ORC Madrid. Besides her chamber music and orchestral activity Caroline is very active as a violin teacher. This year she moved to NZ where she is playing in the APO.

BENJAMIN GELLER (Viola) is from Rockford USA and began violin lessons at age three and a half in the Suzuki tradition. Continuing his musical studies at Butler University in violin, trumpet and piano he graduated with a BA in Music with a Jazz Minor! Ben later turned to viola and completed his Masters in Viola Performance at Juilliard in 2009 studying with Toby Appel. He was awarded a fellowship to the New World Symphony under Michael Tilson Thomas where he worked until coming to NZ and the APO in 2011.

Dd

ELIAH SAKAKUSHEV (Cello) born in Bulgaria but left to study in Vienna at 16. His teachers have included Angelica May, Michael Flacksman and Rostropovitch amongst many others. Elish has appeared in concerts throughout Europe, Israel, USA, Russia, Japan, South America and NZ as orchestral and chamber musician. As a soloist he has won many international prizes including 1st prize at the National Competition for German Music. He has produced three CDs, with more planned, and at present is the recently appointed Principal Cellist of the APO.

APPLICATION FORM

Please print clearly:

Mr Miss Mrs Ms (tick)

First Name _____ Surname _____

Address _____

City _____

Phone _____ Fax _____

Updated Email _____

I wish to:

\$700.00 live in

\$613.00 tent or camper van

\$469.00 live out

I would like to share a room with _____

My age is _____ years (to assist with room allocation)

I play the:

Violin Viola Cello

State experience/ previous schools attended overleaf