

The aim of From Us with Aroha - Benefit Organ Concert Tour, produced through this not-for-profit initiative, is to reach as many aged and palliative care homes as possible, across New Zealand starting in June (or when alert levels permit). It is a free, uniquely designed solo concert, contactless, yet able to connect directly. Two men, two islands, two bespoke self-contained trucks - and a whole lot of tunes!

This is a massive task, but one with important messages; to bring thanks, joy and love to thousands of care workers and residents. The tour will start in Tasman and Nelson, and the more funds we raise, the more it will travel. Help bring it to your town!

We want to send three important messages across Aotearoa:

Throughout the Covid-19 pandemic, our elder whanau have been particularly affected, and socially isolated from family, friends and the community. From Us with Aroha - Benefit **Organ Concert Tour** aims to send a very big and very important message to them:

"WE ARE COMMUNITY, YOU ARE NOT ALONE!"

Our care workers are our heroes. The sacrifices made, and the extra mile travelled...you have kept our community safe. With courage, empathy and love, you have held the line, and protected our most vulnerable. To all care and essential workers who have kept our seniors safe and cared for, we say:

"THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU ARE DOING"

Outside of care homes, the wide community of elder whanau have faced particular isolation and challenges caused by this pandemic, and will continue to do so even when the rest of us can begin opening up bubbles. There are many New Zealanders who have worked hard to specifically support this community. We want to raise our spirits together and raise enough funds to cover the tour and donate to our nationally registered partnered charity, Age Concern, who have been one of the main organisations at the front-line of support. All excess funds will be donated to Age Concern to help them continue their much needed and appreciated work:

"THIS IS WHO WE ARE"

"Age Concern is so honoured and proud to be part of this tour of aroha, joy and generosity. Please make sure you show your support to our senior community and all their wonderful carers."

> Stephanie Clare, Chief Executive, Age Concern New Zealand

Serving the needs of older people

New Zealand

Visit www.ageconcern.org.nz to see the amazing work they are doing right now.



"It was my nana, a music teacher, who first taught me to play. Both my grandmothers were cared for in care homes in Nelson and Christchurch. My grandfather spent his last months at Rosewood. I want to do what I can to give back." Mark Patterson – Organist.

"I will be honoured to perform in this amazing tour of joy" **Kemp English - Organist**

We are a care facility and interested in hosting a free concert.

This **free** concert is designed to bring joy, connection and aroha to your residents and workers, whilst being completely contactless. The aim is to visit as many homes as we can, starting in June, or when alert levels permit. **Register your interest now to avoid disappointment.**

The self-contained trucks, with concert sound systems, will be positioned in an exterior area you choose. We will adhere to government and the home's safety protocols. All needs will be discussed and plans confidentially created as required. We will do our best to accommodate you.

We're thinking of you:

The aim is for residents to hear and share in the concert from inside their own room or safe place the home has chosen, and follow a printed program.

- ▼ They do not need to go outside, or congregate, or see the truck to enjoy.
- ▼ The home will be given a copy of the video reel that will play on the truck's LED wall, so residents can watch it on their home's TV or projector, how and whenever the home chooses.
- ▼ The date of the visit must be kept confidential between the home's management and our administration only. No media or other persons will be invited unless requested by the host facility.
- ▼ Only one musician and one truck driver will be on site, and will remain in the truck.

Contact the team as soon as possible to register interest, discuss further or view tour booking dates.

Important notes for everyone:

- The concerts are completely contactless performances, will only take place as alert levels permit, and work with all parties to ensure government guidelines and homes protocols are met.
- The concerts will feature modern and classical music.
- Messages from sponsors and well wishes will be displayed on a LED wall mounted on the truck during the concert.
- Project managed by the not-for-profit 'From Us with Aroha' project team.
- Transparent financials and accountancy auditing.
- Small businesses, affected by Covid 19, will be paid fair rates for their input.

"We just love what this project is about, we think it is phenomenal. We're happy to support people who have the right skills to make this happen."

Paul Ewing - General Manager of Ewing Poultry Ltd.

A truck & travel sponsor



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