

Casual Presenter, RNZ Concert

Job Description

Date	October 2026
Location / Business Unit	Wellington, Christchurch, Auckland (RNZ Concert)
Reporting to	Presentation Team Lead, RNZ Concert
Direct Reports / Functional Relationships	Clarissa Dunn
Position Type	Casual

Te Tūranga – The opportunity

We're looking for passionate classical music communicators to prepare and present a range of RNZ Concert radio programmes and live concert broadcasts. We are especially interested in people who are available to work over the summer. Training will be provided.

Te Tūranga – About the Role

The role of the Casual Presenter is to present music from a New Zealand perspective, engaging and entertaining diverse audiences. This may involve working alone or in collaboration with the RNZ Concert team and others.

As an independent, commercial-free public service broadcaster, Radio New Zealand's purpose is to serve the public interest.

Te Mahi – About the job

You will:

- Present our engaging classical music programmes.
- Provide warm, knowledgeable companionship to listeners.
- Introduce music, artists and events with confidence and flair.
- Research the music being presented and prepare accurate, concise and compelling content.
- Present live and recorded spoken content in studio and live-broadcast environments.
- Use broadcast technology efficiently and accurately.
- Deliver clear, accurate pronunciation, including te reo Māori and international languages.
- Uphold RNZ's editorial, broadcasting and pronunciation standards.
- Celebrate and share classical music and its communities in Aotearoa and around the world.
- Work independently and collaboratively as part of a small team.
- Help grow audience engagement and a love of classical music.

Ōu Pūkenga – About You

We are looking for someone who is:

- A clear, confident and engaging communicator with strong pronunciation skills.
- Passionate and knowledgeable about classical music and curious to learn more.
- Warm, approachable and able to build a connection with listeners.
- Comfortable performing live and under pressure.
- Technically confident and willing to learn new systems.
- Self-motivated and able to work independently.
- Organised, reliable and well-prepared

Please provide examples of your public speaking, presenting, performing or audience engagement experience. This could include radio, podcasting, MC work, teaching, public speaking, live performance, interviews, community events or digital content creation. Where possible, include links to audio or video samples of your speaking voice.

Qualifications	• A qualification in broadcasting, music or the arts would be an advantage.
Knowledge & Experience	• Understanding of how to communicate specialist musical knowledge accessibly • Broad knowledge of and enthusiasm for classical music • Familiarity with classical music and music-making in Aotearoa New Zealand • Ability to research music accurately and turn that knowledge into engaging, accessible content. • Knowledge of and experience in giving effect to Te Tiriti o Waitangi and tikanga, along with a commitment to doing so.
Skills	• Radio presentation or similar one-to-one conversational communication expertise. • Accurate pronunciation. • Good research skills, interviewing and/or reporting experience. • Good digital skills – competent with technology and systems.
Personal Attributes	• Warm, engaging personality and conversational voice, curious and enthusiastic about classical music, stories and people. • Good sense of fun. • Connections to our curiosity about diverse cultures or communities • Familiarity with classical music organisations in Aotearoa and internationally helpful.

Te Ahurea - Our Culture

RNZ Attitudes

RNZ Attitudes are all about how we work. They demonstrate our culture through our everyday actions, behaviour and decisions. They drive how we do things, what we value and what is expected of us. They exist so that everyone at RNZ can enjoy and flourish in our culture.



We're bold and think big. We find a way to make things happen. We learn best by doing. We believe that trying and failing is better than not trying at all.



We deal with problems or new tasks with energy and creativity. We try new things, we evolve and we move fast.



We encourage people to flourish. we extend love and compassion to others and nurture relationships. We have collective strength and cherish individuality.

Leadership Expectations

The Leadership Expectations outline what we expect our leaders to do. We have determined three critical capabilities that we need to focus on:

- Understand & Develop Self and Others
- Execute Strategy
- Lead Change & Uncertainty

At RNZ, we are all leaders in driving our culture and performance against our strategy.

		
I understand and develop myself and others	I execute our strategy, with and through others	I embrace and lead change
• Understand my own development areas and actively work on them • Create development plans for all my people • Support your people to grow and develop by having regular and meaningful conversations • Coach others and give feedback • Have courageous conversations • Lead with emotional intelligence	• Understand and communicate RNZ's strategic goals • Create line of sight and set aligned team vision and goals • Make decisions and empower my team to make decisions • Operate with our target audience in mind • Work collaboratively to achieve goals and resolve conflict	• Champion culture by role modelling the RNZ attitudes • Understand and champion the case for change • Communicate with others and bring people on the journey • Support your people through change – building resilience and wellbeing of your teams • Empower your people to try things, adapt and innovate • Hold people to account • Lead with a growth mindset