

2026 NEW ZEALAND BRASS BAND CHAMPIONSHIPS - WELLINGTON

VENUE	START	EVENTS	ADJUDICATOR/s	SUPERVISOR	WRITER/COMPERE
WEDNESDAY 8 April					
at Te Whaea, the National Dance and Drama Centre					
Hall 1	9.30 AM	Open Ensemble C - Trombones (4)	Ben Robertson	Memorie Brooky	
Main Theatre	10.30 AM	Open Brass Ensemble A (12)	Anthony Smith	Memorie Brooky	
	1.30 PM	Open Slow Melody (15)	Helen Williams	Memorie Brooky	
	5.30 PM	Junior Champion of Champions (10)	Shannon Pittaway/Cameron James/Linda Filimoehala	Hayden Cullen	Amy Laithwaite
Main Theatre	8.00 PM	Invitation Slow Melody (10)	Russell Gray/Helen Williams/Glyn Williams	Helen Lee	Andrew Clark
Hall 2	9.00 AM	Withdrawals Meeting: a representative from each band with soloists/ensembles is required to attend			
Drama Room 1	10.00 AM	Junior Trombone (6)	Aishah Leitner	Caroline Burt	
	11.30 AM	Junior Cornet (21)	Russell Gray	Caroline Burt	
	3.30 PM	Under 15 Grp 2 Other Instruments (10)	Luke Giri-Spence	Anna Redmond	Daniel Dalglish
	7.00 PM	Welcome Function			
Hall 3	10.00 AM	Junior Horn (Baritones, Flugels, Tenor Horn) (9)	Helen Williams	Marilyn Edgecombe	
Drama Room 2	12.00 PM	Junior Euphonium (5)	Joel Williams	Hayden Cullen	Georgia Hoy
	1.30 PM	Junior Bass (6)	Matt Toomata	Marilyn Edgecombe	x
	3.00 PM	Under 15 Grp 1 Cornets (12)	John McGough	Marilyn Edgecombe	Rachel Sullivan
Hall 4	10.00 AM	Open Duet (16)	Tyme Marsters	Kirsty Hurnen	x
Drama Room 3	1.30 PM	Masters (24)	Glyn Williams	Kirsty Hurnen	
Hall 5	10.30 AM	All Percussion solos & ensembles	Fraser Bremner	Grant Myhill & Jeremy Richardson	
Tawhiri Warehouse		Under 15 (3) Junior (3) Open (6) Ensembles (3)			
	4.00 PM	Open Brass Ensemble B (8)	David Gallaher	Hannah Neman	x
THURSDAY 9 April					
at Te Whaea, the National Dance and Drama Centre					
Hall 1	9.00 AM	Junior Ensembles A (6)	Tyme Marsters	Kirsty Hurnen	x
Main Theatre	10.30 AM	Championship Cornet (5)	Russell Gray	Kirsty Hurnen	
	12.00 PM	Open Flugel Horn (5)	Helen Williams	Helen Lee	
	1.30 PM	Open Tenor Horn (6)	Helen Williams	Kirsty Hurnen	
	3.00 PM	Open Euphonium (7)	Glyn Williams	Kirsty Hurnen	
	5.30 PM	Logistics Meeting: a representative from each band is required to attend		Denis Spurdle	
	7.30 PM	Open Champion of Champions (13)	Russell Gray/Glyn Williams/Helen Williams	Helen Lee	Dave Merrall
Hall 2	9.00 AM	Open Baritone (10)	Glyn Williams	Memorie Brooky	
Drama Room 1	11.30 AM	Open Bass Trombone (7)	Ben Robertson	Memorie Brooky	x
	1.30 PM	Open Tenor Trombone (12)	Mark Close	Laine Ratsep	x
Hall 3	9.00 AM	Open Eb Bass (3) and BBb Bass (4)	Leigh Martin	Caroline Burt	Soraya Clemens
Drama Room 2	10.30 AM	Open Soprano (8)	Matt Stein	Caroline Burt	
	12.30 PM	Open Amateur Cornet (24)	Russell Gray	Caroline Burt	
Hall 4	9.00 AM	Junior Duet (4)	David Miller	Marilyn Edgecombe	Chris Craddock
Drama Room 3	10.30 AM	Under 15 Slow Melody (13)	David Miller	Marilyn Edgecombe	Chris Craddock
	12.30 PM	Junior Slow Melody (30)	John McGough	Marilyn Edgecombe	x

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FRIDAY 10 April

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Michael Fowler Centre	9.00 AM	B Grade Sacred Item & Test (10)	Russell Gray	Caroline Burt	Dave Merrall
Wellington Opera House	9.30 AM	C Grade Sacred Item and Test Selection (10)	Glyn Williams	Kirsty Hurnen	Grant Langdon
Wellington Opera House	4.00 PM	Youth Grade (5)	Helen Williams	Kirsty Hurnen	Marilyn Edgecombe
Michael Fowler Centre	5.30 PM	A Grade Sacred Item and Test Selection (7)	Russell Gray	Caroline Burt	Andrew Clark

SATURDAY 11 April

VENUE	START	EVENTS	ADJUDICATOR	SUPERVISOR	COMPERE
Michael Fowler Centre	9.00 AM	B Grade Own Choice Selection (10)	Russell Gray	Caroline Burt	Dave Merrall
Wellington Opera House	9.00 AM	C Grade Own Choice Selection (10)	Glyn Williams	Kirsty Hurnen	Grant Langdon
Wellington Opera House	2.00 PM	D Grade Contest (8)	Helen Williams	Kirsty Hurnen	Hannah Darroch
Michael Fowler Centre	5.30 PM	A Grade Own Choice Selection (7)	Russell Gray	Caroline Burt	Andrew Clark

SUNDAY 12 April

Location	START	EVENT
The Salvation Army Cuba Street	10.30 AM	Brass Band church service at 202 Cuba Street. Bring your instrument.
Wellington Opera House	2.00 PM	Brilliant Brass: In Concert with the National Band of New Zealand