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## **NATIONAL CONCERTO COMPETITION TRUST®**

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### **A Message from The National Concerto Competition Trustees**

Dear friends,

At a recent meeting our trustees decided with great regret to postpone the competition for pianists until 2022-2023, acutely aware that this will affect young pianists working towards this year's preliminaries. We took into account the fact that this year's March final (for instruments other than piano) had been delayed by three months, putting more pressure on administrators to prepare for the next (piano) round. More importantly, we considered the intensive work trustees are currently undertaking. This involves increasing public interest in the contest, audience development, widening our sponsorship base and enabling greater participation of young musicians around the time of the preliminaries. The work takes time and involves consultation with sponsors, music organisations and professionals to ensure the best outcome for our 54-year-old competition.

We offer our sincere apologies to the young players already preparing for the December session, and hope that they will continue that preparation for the December 2022 preliminaries.

Sincerely,

**Michael Lawrence**

Chair, National Concerto Competition

Christchurch Civic Music Council National Concerto Competition Trust  
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