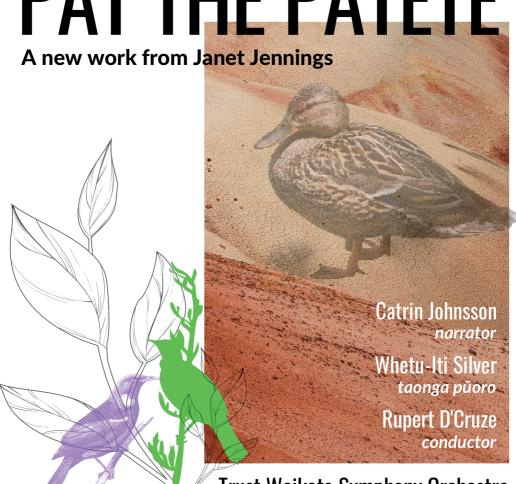


# **ORCHESTRAS CENTRAL** presents







Trust Waikato Symphony Orchestra

# The Adventures of Pat the Patete

# **PROGRAMME**

# The Adventures of Pat the Pātētē

Composed by Janet Jennings (2023)

- 1. Pat Leaves Home
- 2. Pat and the Stoats and the Rats
- 3. Pat and the Tui and the Fantails
- 4. Pat and the Eels and the Bats
- 5. Pat and Ruru the Morepork
- 6. Pat finds His Forever Home



Follow the journey of Pat, a brown teal (pāteke/pātētē), one of the rarest waterfowl in the world as he meets other struggling wildlife and recognise the initiatives to protect them.

Pat travels from the Coromandel, through Hamilton and onwards to Wellington. On his journey young Pat encounters stoats and rats, is woken by the chattering of tūī and fantails and encounters the endangered longfin eels and Peka Peka, long-tailed bats in Hamilton Gardens. Ruru Morepork guides Pat to travel south where he arrives at his forever home at Zealandia Te Māra a Tāne.

This work is a co-commission with Orchestra Wellington and has come to life through the generous support of Creative New Zealand.

### **PERFORMERS**

WHETU-ITI SILVER Taonga pūoro

CATRIN JOHNSSON Narrator

RUPERT D'CRUZE
Conductor

## TRUST WAIKATO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

#### VIOLIN I

Tony Wu+ Katie Mayes Christine Conning, Debbie Cotter

#### **VIOLIN II**

Ted Yu\* Caitlyn Collins Fiona Green, Emma Grigg

#### **VIOLA**

Chris Nation\* Amelia Meertens Nisha Fernandez-Ritchie\* Steve Zhang

#### **CELLO**

Tamsin Kreymborg\* Simon McArthur, Rosalind Oliver Kiera Sullivan, Mark Harris

#### **DOUBLE BASS**

Simon Wang

- + denotes concertmaster
- \* denotes section leader



#### FLUTE / PICCOLO

Jacqui McPherson\* Ashleigh Smith

#### **OBOE**

Jordan Wise+

#### **CLARINET**

Renee Kenyon\* Mathew Colvin

#### **BASSOON**

Yasumi Kobayashi

#### **FRENCH HORN**

Martin Stevenson\* Campbell Smith

#### **TRUMPET**

Hiro Kobayashi\* Kimberly Ransom

#### **TROMBONE**

Simon Winship\* Robert Lummus

#### **TIMPANI**

Danny Collins\*

#### **PERCUSSION**

Abby Pinkerton\* Samuel Priest

#### **PIANO**

Carlee Hanna

## CATRIN JOHNSSON | Narrator

Catrin Johnsson ARAM, Dip.RAM., is originally from Sweden. She is a professional opera singer, organist, voice teacher, conductor and vocal coach to I eading choral ensembles. Trained at the Royal College of Music, Stockholm and at the Royal Academy of Music, London, she

has received a number of awards including the

prestigious Christina Nilsson Award. Catrin has worked as a principal artist for companies such as English National Opera and Opera Holland Park, as well as for NZO where in 2023 she played several roles in The Unruly Tourists. Catrin has made several recordings including the song cycle Sit Down With Me Awhile by Janet Jennings (Voices of Women, Atoll Records).

# WHETU-ITI SILVER | Taonga Pūoro

Whetu-Iti Doreen Silver is a multidisciplinary artist, practitioner and mother that comes from a strong matriarchal lineage. She has worked extensively in the arts and event

industry as a practitioner, facilitator, and creative collaborator for the past 15 years. Central to her life and mahi is listening and being guided by Ngā Atua wāhine and her tūpuna, which activated her to co-create alongside the wahine in her whanau Te Whare Tapu o Ngā Hine, a kaupapa and space that reclaims, restores, and returns the balance of te mana o te wahine through wananga, ritual performance and wairua practice. Whetu has contributed to the following kaupapa as key creative; HINE, Te Mana o Hinehau, My Seven Uncles, Mahuika!, All Good, and Maori Television Te Iwa o Matariki digital series. Whetu believes that the very act of revealing the kaupapa of The Haka Party Incident clears and creates a space for Māori to retell and rewrite the narratives and truths of our people and place as the kaitiaki of this whenua tapu, Aotearoa. Mauri ora, Mauri oho, Mauri tau! This is Whetu-Its's debut performance with Orchestras Central and TWSO.

# JANET JENNINGS | Composer

A graduate of the Universities of Waikato and Auckland, Janet writes for wide range of forces including instrumental ensembles (chamber and orchestral music), voices (solo and choral music), and for stage (opera and dance).

Janet's works have been supported by Creative NZ awards, performed nationally and internationally, recorded by Radio NZ, SOUNZ Resound, and by Atoll Records, toured for Chamber Music NZ, and are broadcast regularly on RNZ Concert. Atoll Records has released four albums of her music: Play-Pen, 2019; Voices of Women, 2020; Voices of Men, 2021; and The Earth Child, 2023. A double album of Janet's opera, Flowing Water (libretto: Witi Ihimaera and Tom Roa) was released in 2022.

# **RUPERT D'CRUZE | Conductor**

Rupert D'Cruze is the Principal Conductor of the Trust Waikato Symphony Orchestra (TWSO) and leads the Orchestras Central conductor training programme and annual composers' workshop competition.

Following his own conducting studies in London at the Royal Academy of Music, Rupert D'Cruze achieved success in international conducting competitions in both Japan and Hungary, which led to engagements in Europe including the Budapest Philharmonic Orchestra, South German Radio Symphony Orchestra, North Hungarian Symphony Orchestra and the Orchestra of the Liszt Ferenc Music Academy.

He was Artistic Director and Chief Conductor of the Huddersfield Philharmonic Orchestra during the 1990s, and also Musical Director of the Portsmouth Festival Choir. Rupert's work as a guest conductor in New Zealand includes with the Auckland Philharmonia Orchestra, Manukau City Symphony Orchestra and the St Matthew's Chamber Orchestra. Rupert D'Cruze has been leading TWSO since 2008.

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