

# REVIEW

**Manawatu Youth Orchestra, conductor:  
John Schwabe.**

Salvation Army Centre, Saturday, June  
27.

Reviewed by Stephen Fisher.

This year's Manawatu Youth Orchestra concert featured an interesting line up of items, from lesser-known composers such as Flotow and De Beriot, to works by Shostakovich, Saint-Saens, Grieg, Mussorgsky, Frank, Copland and Brahms and New Zealand composer Tremaines Seascape.

But throughout the concert, it was obvious this programme had been

carefully chosen to highlight the talents of several students in the Youth Orchestra.

The orchestra was in excellent form, with some fine playing by all sections. Players were obviously well-rehearsed as they played confidently and with a sense of style, a great tribute to their untiring conductor, John Schwabe.

Completing the bill was an outstanding performance of three movements from *Dohanyis Serenade in C* by the Dohanyi String Trio.

The trio features Daniel Pinkney (violin), Benjamin Pinkney (viola) and Heather Lewis on cello.

Beautifully expressive and confidently played, this was a highlight of the evening.