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L'ARPEGGIATA: MUSIC FOR A WHILE

FRANCE

Date: Wednesday 15 March 2016 7.30pm **Venue:** Great Hall, Auckland Town Hall

Early music superstars L'Arpeggiata make their New Zealand debut performance in a concert at Auckland Town Hall as part of Auckland Arts Festival 2017, presented in association with Chamber Music New Zealand.

Directed by Christina Pluhar, the French baroque/jazz cross-over ensemble will perform a programme featuring Purcell spiced up with jazz improvisation on Wednesday 15 November as the opening concert of a five-centre Chamber Music New Zealand tour.

Drawing inspiration from Henry Purcell's famous secular and sacred songs, hymns and dances, the 10-piece ensemble fuses the theatre and court music of 17th century London with the sophisticated improvisatory art of jazz. The programme includes well-known pieces 'Dido's Lament' from *Dido and Aeneas* and 'Strike the viol' from *Come Ye Sons of Art*.

...not simply a jazz or rock version of Purcell but a wholesale rethinking of an antique repertoire for a stylistically diverse modern musical world. – James Mannheim, Allmusic

PERFORMANCE DETAILS

WHERE	Great Hall, Auckland Town Hall
WHEN	Wednesday 15 March 7.30pm
DURATION	85 minutes, no interval
TICKETS	Adults* \$35-85 Concession* \$30-72 Group bookings (8 or more) \$30-72^
	Under 35: Pay your age Student rush (on concert day) \$10 with ID Child \$10
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	further discounts available depending on subscription options
	^ Concession rates do not apply
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