

Birthday Celebration on December 16

Alfred Hill (1869-1960)

New Zealand's first professional composer



The Dominion String Quartet

Yury Gezentsvey - First Violin, Rosemary Harris - Second Violin,
Donald Maurice - Viola, David Chickering - Cello

New Zealand premieres - to feature on Vol. 3
Quartet No. 7 & Quartet No. 9
Complimentary birthday cake

The Dominion String Quartet was formed by leading New Zealand musicians specifically to record for Naxos the 17 string quartets by Alfred Hill. Following its 2007 release, the first of the planned six CDs was rated No. 1 in the Radio New Zealand classical charts, and by CD Universe as its top selling string quartet recording.

Alfred Hill was born in Melbourne on December 16, 1869. He lived in Auckland from the age of two and in Wellington from five until seventeen after which he began studies at the Royal Conservatorium of Music in Leipzig. From 1891 he lived principally in Wellington and from 1910 he resumed residency in Sydney.

He is truly a national treasure of both Australia and New Zealand and the only significant composer of Australasia who represents the late romantic era. Influences of Brahms, Dvorak, Tchaikovsky, Wagner and Strauss are clearly obvious in his early works, though his style evolved with absorption of later influences, while maintaining an adherence to the long established traditions of Europe.

Wadestown Presbyterian Church supports a
Global Mission Project

Part of the proceeds will go to this cause.

December 16, 8pm

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Tickets limited, \$25 - cash or cheque, from Wadestown Kitchen

Information and postal sales: dgmaurice@gmail.com