

**If a tree falls but there's no one to hear it, does it really make a sound?**

That old chestnut is always a fun question. But when you think about it, you could ask a similar question about New Zealand music. If someone composes a symphony but no one hears it, does it really exist? Of course it does. Sometimes it just needs a little help in getting heard, played and recorded.

That's a big part of the job we do at SOUNZ, and we'd like to involve you too, by inviting you to become a Friend of SOUNZ.

**If you love music like we love music you'll know how important our work is.**

SOUNZ is a centre for New Zealand music. We foster and promote the music of New Zealand composers through services and projects that bring it to life. That could be performance, publication, recording, broadcast – you name it. We also maintain an enormous online library of New Zealand work and encourage other New Zealanders to share it. In short, we're all about helping more New Zealanders appreciate and enjoy the work of their fellow Kiwis.

**Don't just take our word for it.**

Bridget Douglas is one of our exceptional musical success stories. She regularly interacts with SOUNZ, and here's what she has to say:

*"As a musician who loves performing NZ music I find SOUNZ an invaluable 'one stop shop'...the comprehensive SOUNZ website allows me to find information on pieces and composers while the friendly and knowledgeable SOUNZ staff are always happy to talk and assist.*

*SOUNZ has a vast amount of NZ music and recordings available for use. They are an integral part of organising performances, broadcasts and recordings of NZ works."*

***"SOUNZ deserves as much support as possible to continue its invaluable work nurturing NZ music."***

*Bridget Douglas*  
Principal flute – NZSO, Stroma

**Become a Friend of SOUNZ and consider our friends, yours.**

We're really excited to be announcing a new Friends programme for our supporters. As you can imagine, we have a number of strong connections in the New Zealand music industry. So read on to discover some of the great musical benefits you could make the most of.

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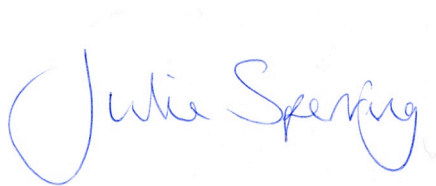
- The opportunity to belong to a group of like-minded people - sharing views and ideas
  - Invitations to exclusive Friends events such as pre-concert talks, social events and opportunities to meet with some of our wonderful composers and performers.
  - A 10% discount on all SOUNZ-published scores and merchandise
  - Discounts on new release CDs of New Zealand music as they become available
  - Personal quarterly update on activities and opportunities
  - Regular draws for SOUNZ-themed prizes
- Extra benefits from our valued partners
    - Save on tickets to special APO and NZSO concerts
    - Access to other great benefits from our national concert partners including Chamber Music New Zealand, Southern Sinfonia, Stroma and the NZTrio,

Become a Friend of SOUNZ for just \$35 for one year. Simply return the enclosed form with your payment. You will receive a unique Friends ID, which will allow you to take advantage of Friends benefits through us, and our partner organisations.

**We need your help to promote New Zealand music.**

SOUNZ depends on the passion of musical New Zealanders like you to continue our work. While we have some funding from various agencies, anything extra you can give by way of a donation will help us do even more to raise the profile of our amazingly talented New Zealand composers and musicians.

Thank you in advance for your support.



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SOUNZ, the Centre for New Zealand Music