

Junior Vocal Adjudicator

Lila LJ Crichton – Wellington

Lila Lj Crichton is a vocalist based in Ohariu in Te Whanganui a Tara. He studied at Te Kōki: The New Zealand School of Music under the tutelage of Margaret Medlyn and came through the Project Prima Volta programme while attending Hastings Boy's High School here in Kahungunu. This year Lila was an Artist Mentor for the Prima Volta Charitable Trust working closely with the junior students of PPV as well as teaching in local Kura here in Hawke's Bay.

As a performer, Lila has been fortunate to sing as a principal artist in many of Festival Opera New Zealand's productions, he has performed as a soloist for the New Zealand Symphony Orchestra, and in 2022 toured the country as a Chamber Music New Zealand artist. In 2023 Lila has been exploring the Jazz and commercial music industries having performed in the Wellington Jazz Festival, as a vocalist for the World of Wearable arts and as a backing vocalist for homegrown artists such as Aaradhna, Deva Mahal and Zoe Moon. The thing he most enjoys about singing is how universal, simple and enjoyable it can be and just how much you can do with your voice alone.