

## **Silver Fern March: Programme notes**

The Silver Fern March by Gary Daverne was composed in 2013 as a follow up to the success of his previous, Auckland March.

The Silver Fern March was originally scored for brass and military bands but had its Premier with a massed accordion orchestra, at the 2014 Australian International Accordion Championships in Sydney, by the Australian Accordion Teachers Association (AATA) 20th Anniversary Celebration Orchestra of about 50 players, conducted by Lionel Reekie.

In the same year(2014) it was played in Auckland at the Bruce Mason Centre, by the Auckland Symphony Orchestra conducted by Peter Thomas, performed in their two, Last Night of the Proms concerts.

## **Three Songs: Programme notes**

Gary Daverne originally composed the Three Songs, as choral works with piano accompaniment,

Choral group, Viva Voce, recorded them with full orchestral accompaniment by the New Zealand Symphony Orchestra

Many years later, they were especially arranged as accordion solos for American accordionist, Mary Tokarski and recorded using the original orchestral backing tracks.

The names were changed to avoid any confusion.

I will Light a Fire – Fireside Fantasies

The Day of Aranga – The Awakening

Man That is Born of Woman – The Journey

Both versions have been released on CD