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Auric Quartet visits Bega as part of Four Winds Residency

This month, Four Winds welcomes the Auric Quartet to the Bega region as part of a new partnership with the Australian National Academy of Music and Four Winds Festival. Four Winds has facilitated this new venture in response to requests from local musicians and offers it as part of its outreach program.

The Quartet - Kate Sullivan, Francesca Hiew, Matthew Laing and Jarrad Mathie - are taking up the residency for four weeks to inspire and create beautiful music in a program of intensive rehearsals, teaching and performing. The Quartet will divide their time between Bega where they will be rehearsing with the Bega Chamber Orchestra and Heartsong Choir as well as teaching individual students and at Barragga Bay, where they will be rehearsing intensively amongst the spotted gums.

Paul Dean, the artistic director of ANAM says, "As musicians grow and develop often working in communities becomes a nourishing and rewarding component of their schedules. Where there is quality engagement, that is teaching and then playing alongside community, the experiences can be particularly rich. The partnership with Four Winds provides opportunity for some of our young players to contribute to youth and regional music education, something I am passionate about, whilst also creating time and space for intensive rehearsal. "

The Auric Quartet will perform at a concert on Saturday 18th May at the Mumbulla School in Bega at 3pm. Tickets are \$15 per head, children free (pay at the door).

At the end of their residency, they will also perform in a larger concert with the Bega Chamber Orchestra and Heartsong on Saturday 8th June, also at the Mumbulla School in Bega at 3pm.

For more information on this exciting project visit, please contact Geoffrey Badger on 6492 0518.

To follow their visit, check out www.fourwinds.com.au or on Facebook or Twitter.

Caption: The Auric Quartet in performance - from left: Kate Sullivan, Francesca Hiew, Matthew Laing and Jarrad Mathie.