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## **Learn to Sing at Selwyn Libraries**

Rolleston Library is looking forward to hosting singing classes in term four.

With many years of experience under her belt, classically trained singer Belinda Cullen-Reid will be running the weekly sessions for keen Selwyn singers, both young and adult. She began running music groups for Selwyn residents last year, in particular a successful group in Darfield. She says she loved how people got together each week to sing and develop a sense of community.

"The Darfield adult choir has been going for a year now and last term we had our first concert. It's been so rewarding seeing the Darfield choir develop musically and also as a group who care and support each other and have lots of fun also," says Belinda.

"I thought, why don't I set something up in Rolleston. I'm really looking forward to it. There's been lots of interest from Rolleston people wanting to learn to sing."

Selwyn libraries are hosting this event to show their support for the arts and to promote the use of libraries as community hub for local activities.

The cost for the eight sessions is \$30 per participant. This fee covers tuition costs. There will be two classes, both held on Friday evenings, one for youths aged 15-20 at 5.15-6.15pm and one for adults aged over 20 at 6.15-7.15pm. Both classes will then sing at a public Christmas concert on 20 December.

Classes start from Friday 21 October and run throughout term four (no class 11 November due to public holiday). Booking is required to attend classes - to book a place go to [www.selwynlibraries.co.nz](http://www.selwynlibraries.co.nz).

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Photo attached: The Darfield Choir directed by Belinda Cullen-Reid

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