



**Waitakere Artists' Open Studio Weekend
March 3 & 4, 10- 4pm.**

The third Waitakere Artists' Open Studio weekend takes off on March 3 & 4 with over 120 artists participating by opening their home studios or gathering in cluster groups for the public to visit. This event has grown over three years since its inception and is possibly the largest arts event for Waitakere City for the entire year. With 38 home studios and 16 cluster groups & Galleries participating, the artists work in a wide variety of mediums, including painting, pottery, weaving, sculpture, mosaics, music, dance, theatre, aboriginal and maori art, jewellery and mixed media. Don't miss the chance to view artists in action, learn about the creative process and purchase local artwork direct from the creator. Bus tours will operate twice daily from Corban Estate Arts Centre Gallery entrance (\$12 per person). Tickets, timetable and tour routes available from the Gallery. View the listing online at <http://www.waitakere.govt.nz/ArtCul/ae/index.asp>



Pick up a brochure from participating Galleries, studios, local libraries, CAB's or by contacting 839 0400. This event is sponsored by Waitakere City Council. For further info email: Julie.Nash@waitakere.govt.nz

Taking it Slow and Steamy with the Going West Trust, March 4. 4pm onwards



Dave Harre's Steam Train

**AUCKLAND LITERARY EVENT
GETS WRITERS STEAMED UP**



An unusual literary event will be staged in Waitakere City on Sunday 4 March. Called 'Slow & Steamy', it will be a summer garden party styled on the famous steam train from the Going West Books and Writers Festival. But this time, the steam engine is a stationary one.

It's a shiny, still steaming relic owned by Oratia man Dave Harre, and he'll be using it to cook dinner—assisted by Alessandra Zecchini, the cookery writer and Slow Food maestro. Fine wine will be supplied by a local vineyard, Artisan Wines.

Proceeds from the \$75-a-head tickets will help to fund the 2007 Going West Festival. As well as gourmet food, the ticket price includes entertainment from top writers and musicians from 4pm till sundown in a stunning garden setting in the Oratia foothills – the manicured grounds of Murray and Penny Firth's Firlong Nurseries, complete with lake, shady glades and rolling lawns.

Featured writers are: Poet Glenn Colquhoun (*Playing God and How We Fell*) with veteran performer Cherie Barford, Chef and Slow Food NZ director Alessandra Zecchini (author of *Savour and Sweet As*), Novelist and Book Show presenter Emily Perkins (*The Picnic Virgin*), & Writer Philip Simpson, whose book *Pohutukawa & Rata* won the Environment section of the Montana Book Awards last year.

There will also be musical interludes from chanteuse Fiona Ferens, vintage Dixieland Jazz band 'The Lex Pistols' and roving troubadours Linn Lorkin with 'The French Toast Trio'.

Strictly limited tickets are on sale now at Murray Gray's Gone West bookshop in Titirangi Village. Call 817 3236 or email gonewest@xtra.co.nz for details. Authors' books will be available for signing on site (Unity Books will have a cash or credit stall). Check literary website LeafSalon (www.leafsalon.co.nz) for updates.



Open Studio participants include:
above:
Markamah Baldwin - sculptor
top right:
Pamela Matthews- mosaics & painting
right:
John Andrews- painting

Community Arts Coordinator News

The New Year sees us off to a busy start with staff on the Arts Team at Waitakere City Council 'hitting the ground running' with lots of arts projects happening throughout the City.

Check out one or many of the local artists participating in the **Waitakere Artists Open Studio weekend**. Artists have been busy sprucing up their studios, hanging their work and getting everything ready for visitors. Make the most of the chance to see our local talented artists at work and give them your support. (See front page for info.)

Our Maori Arts Coordinator is busy putting together a comprehensive programme of events, exhibitions and displays for **Matariki** (June- July). Maori artists and Maori arts participants are welcome to get involved. Contact Waioira Arama on 836 8000 extn 8507.

Keep an eye open for our very own Pacific Island Mamas and Mau Dance group as well as the Tarai o kiva carving symposium which will all be part of the Celebrate Pasifika festival which takes place across Auckland, Manukau and Waitakere City throughout March. See the website www.celebratepasifika.co.nz for more information.

The **Traffic Signal Box painting** project is entering a new phase and the next round of boxes are to be painted soon. If you are an artist interested in working on these boxes, or you have a box nearby that you would like to see painted, please let me know. Ideas for designs are also welcome.

We are constantly updating our **Artists' Database** and would like artists to contact us to register. This is a Council register and is often accessed by Council staff when work becomes available for artists - so if you are interested please contact me for a registration form.

The **Waitakere Arts Network** is an informal group of Artists and representatives from local Galleries and art groups that meets regularly to share information and network. The next meeting will be held at **10am, Tuesday 13 March, Waitemata Room, Waitakere City Council**. All interested groups and individuals are welcome to attend. Contact me for more information.

Glen Eden Library Foyer display cabinets are an excellent display space for artists' work, group displays, upcoming events and workshops. If you are part of a group or you have an interesting idea for a display please contact me.

The 2006 **Trusts Trash To Fashion® Awards** is now available to view on DVD. These are on sale for \$25. Contact Angela Johnson ph 836 8000 extn 8167 for details.

I would like to acknowledge the inspiring effort of those of you who get involved in arts groups, committees, and volunteer behind the scenes to get activities happening throughout the city, particularly the arts councils, and the unpaid volunteers at our many local events. Without you our City would be a lesser place. **Thank you!**

If you know someone who volunteers their time to make positive things happen please take the time to thank them. Let them know they are important. It's often all the payment they will get.

See you on the Open Studio weekend tour.
Julie Nash. Community Arts Coordinator.
Waitakere City Council.
Ph 836 8000 extn 8934
Email: Julie.Nash@waitakere.govt.nz

Project Twin Streams get creative

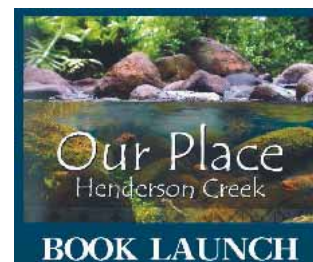
Creative engagement and arts projects in particular are being used to help communities within the Project Twin Streams catchment learn about the causes and solutions to stream pollution.

Project Twin Streams is a community-council partnership project, which will see community organisations and residents plant and maintain 58 kilometres of stream banks. Creative art projects help bring this alive.

Art activities at the community plantings days include rock painting, paper-making from weeds, kite-making and flag making. Wider community art projects include the publication of "Our Place", a book by pupils at Flanshaw Road Primary School, which showcases a selection of stream-inspired art and also records the children's thoughts on the future of the stream.



Sharlene L. with her artwork for 'Our Place'



Upcoming Project Twin Streams art projects for 2007, include an eel sculpture by Liston College and Henderson High School students at the Corban Estate Arts Centre, a mural at Henderson South Primary school, a book of short stories about Opanuku stream and a performance of *Sina and her eel* at the Cycleway Launch festival to be held at Corban Art Estate on 21 April.

For further information on Project Twin Streams please visit www.twinstreams.org.nz.

Family Walking and Cycling Fun

Whitakere City Council
Te Kaitiaki o Whaitake

PROJECT TWIN STREAMS

Saturday, 21 April 2007
10.00am - 4.00pm

Join the free, family fun at the festival to celebrate the opening of the Project Twin Streams walk and cycleway, Corban Estate, Henderson, Waitakere City. Join us on 21 April for a day to remember.

- Entertainment • Family Fun • Competitions • Food
- Displays • Spot Prizes • Sustainable Technologies

Call Centre phone: 839 0400

Prossly sponsored by:

Supported by: URS and

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and

Environment

Sustainable Management Fund

Auckland City Public Art Review

Auckland City Council believe a vital and innovative public art programme centres on art and artists and are calling all artists to engage in a Public Art Review. Artists are welcome to forward their ideas and insights and have a real say on public art works in Auckland City.

For more information, please contact

public.art.review@gmail.com

or www.aucklandcity.govt.nz

or phone 379 2020.

Kumeu Scarecrow Festival 1-21st April 2007



2006 Entry by Diane McGarvey

Entries are being accepted now for this year's **Kumeu Scarecrow Festival**. Make your own scarecrow and view the scarecrows on display at participating venues throughout the area.

Scarecrow making workshop Sat 3 & Sun 4 March 2007
At the Kumeu Arts Centre, 10.30am to 3.30pm, tutors available to help you with your creation. Bring your old clothes and recycle them into scarecrows.

Ph: Sheila on (09) 420 7343 or email thetinshead@clear.net.nz

Art in the Vineyards 17 March - 21 April 2007
Participating artists include Jeff Thomson, Diane McGarvey, Bruce Courtney, Brent Wong, Felicity West, Phil Neary, Pardo Jackson and many others. Sculptures and fine art will be displayed in the six participating vineyards in Kumeu. School entries will also be displayed at the vineyards.

A Trail map and Entry forms are available from WCC reception, Corbans Estate Arts Centre and Massey Library in Waitakere City. or visit www.rodney.govt.nz
Entries close 16 March 2007.

Prizes for each category winner.

Ph: Janet (09) 416 4555 or email artpm@xtra.co.nz

New Gallery opens in Swanson

The **Greening Studio and Gallery** at 720 Swanson Rd will open its doors to the public on the Open Studio weekend of March 3 & 4. Artist Brendan Greening will be on site to show visitors his work and invites viewers to enjoy the surroundings, stay for a beverage and spread the word about his new venture.

Brendan's paintings are mainly oil on canvas, and he will be inviting other artists to exhibit at the venue at various times. For information, phone Brendan on 027 561 1995 or email: bgreeningart@xtra.co.nz

Tabla and Khathak Dance lessons

Visiting teacher from India with 36 years experience in Tabla (Indian Drumming) and Khathak dance is offering tuition. Private classes or groups available in Waitakere City area. This is a rare opportunity to learn from an Indian master.

He will be in the country for a short time only.

Contact Sue (07) 893 8822

Jane Luscombe's Spanish Dance School FREE Concert

Come along to a FREE Spanish & Latin Dance Fiesta at Titirangi War Memorial Hall on Sunday 6 May at 2pm.

Celebrating 35 years of Jane Luscombe's Spanish Dance School, performances will be given by the **Spanish Fiesta Dancers, Folklor Chileno-Latino and Casa Tango**. Free entry, but a donation is welcome for The Cancer Society. Supported by Titirangi Community Arts Council. Enquiries: ph 620 6942.



Jane Luscombe

Whanau Day Out 2007



Ezekiel 33 Trust invite you to join them in the community on 17th March for this free family event. Fun for all the family. All sponsors are in the community and deserve wide recognition for their valuable support!
For Whanau Day Out enquiries (Sponsors, Stallholders, Artists, performing groups) phone Stephanie 021-129-7488 or check out the website: www.ezekiel33.org.nz

Waitakere Hospital sculpture garden

Waitakere Hospital celebrated the completion of its sculptural healing garden in February with an opening by the Governor General and a gathering of local dignitaries, politicians and hospital staff.

Five local artists: Jasmine Clark, Iona Matheson, Pardo Jackson Stuart Slater and Bruce Courtney collaborated with the design and created an inspiring sculptural landscape for patients to enjoy while convalescing. Situated at the entranceway to the Hospital, visitors view the garden when they arrive. This project was funded by the Rotary Club of New Zealand.



Three freestanding totems outside Waitakere Hospital entrance.

Starfish Children's Shows



You may have met Star Fairy at the Starfish 'I Love Saturdays!' shows at Lollipops last year. Star Fairy is now taking bookings for birthday parties and special events. The show is one hour with a mixture of original stories, songs, dances, games and magic. Learn the secrets of Fairyland from a real fairy! Star's book (published by Pan McMillan, Australia) will be released in July. For info: phone Star Fairy on 827 2300 or visit www.starfishmagic.com

'In the Raw' Body Art Festival - baring it all for the brush.

The smiles on everyone's faces said it all! – the Piha community and visitors were enticed to check out what was happening at the "In the Raw" Festival on February 3rd at Piha's West Coast Gallery. Visitors were drawn in by the colourful flag installation from Fiesta flags, the sound of drumming from the Fraser Bruce group of drummers and a gorgeous belly dancer Schirin Chams Diba. Artists and onlookers joined to celebrate the opening of the mixed media exhibition at the Gallery.

Cushla and her team from About Facez were kept busy all afternoon as local children and parents lined up to either be painted or paint each other. The laughter and delight was infectious, as everyone experimented and then came back for more.

Ra O'Dowd with his ta'a moko designs graced forearms, pregnant tummies and backs and all the finished bods looked stunning. Melody Batchelor and two students from Piha Yoga gave a yoga display beneath the pohutukawa trees beside a gently flowing Piha stream. Earlier in the month as part of the build-up to the festival Nicky Hartley and her model Fred came to Piha to conduct a life drawing workshop, and Fred was back as Caroline Zoe Viesnik's model as she built up the layers over the day of a body art work in progress.



artist Tessa Crisp works on her subject.

Photo: Lisa Bearsley



Who's this mystery person?

Photo: Russell Scott

The afternoon culminated in Taria the stilt walker gathering everyone together who had been painted. A successful and totally enjoyable afternoon.



Youngest participant posing for the brush...

Photos by Russell Scott.



Caroline Zoe Veisnik's model, Fred with work in progress.



Painted up and ready to celebrate!



a happy participant

Special thanks to Waitakere City Council and Creative Communities for their support. Enquiries ph 8128 029.

Theatre & Music

Cellar Theatre, Corban Estate Arts Centre.
The Cellar, CEAC, 426 Great North Rd, Henderson.

IN THE SHAPE OF A SQUARE presents **The Honey Keeper**
 The Honey Keeper tells an intimate tale of love, loyalty, identity and loss unfolding through three interwoven monologues. When lovers are pulled apart, what distance can love travel? When pen and paper are your only bond, what is the distance between words? Come along early and relax to the chilled live music with a glass of wine, or wander through the collection of contemporary artworks. Then, as the sun sets, settle in to experience The Honey Keeper. With only four performances, book early to avoid disappointment!
 Dates: Thursday 12 - Sunday 15 April 2007
 Time: 7pm, with live music from 6pm
 Duration: One hour COST: \$20/\$15
 Bookings: Visit www.iticket.co.nz or phone (09) 3611000
 Information: www.square.org.nz

WAITEMATA THEATRE presents **Ugly Customers**
 When senior citizens get fed up with their local bank. A comedy by Joe Musaphia
 Performed by Waitemata Theatre
 Dates: March 21st - March 31st TIME: 8pm
 Special performance Sunday 25th March at 6pm
 Bookings: phone 814 9433 or 834 6122.

Goudge Drama
Rimu Glade Studio, 4 Rimu Rd, Oratia, Waitakere City, Auckland

Acting Classes for adults with tutor John Goudge
 8 week courses on Monday or Wednesday evenings 7.30 - 9.45 pm
 Monday night class: Introduction to Acting. (term 1 Feb 12 - April 2)
 A class that opens up the incredible potential for acting in all. Explore the basics of acting in a fun & entertaining way. Develop skills & techniques. Learn about the craft. Perform in a supportive environment. Conquer fear.
 Wednesday night class: Theatre Tools. (term 1 Feb 14 - April 4)
 This class for actors who want to continue to develop their skills for theatre. Each evening a particular theatre skill will be work-shopped, including Auditioning for Theatre, Creating Atmosphere, Characterisation, Improvisation, & Devising Performance.
 Both courses finish with a small performance on the final night.
 Term fees: \$160
 John has been drama tutoring for over a decade, (including six years at the Titirangi Theatre) & is a well-known West Auckland actor, director & musician. His studio in the bush of the Waitakere Ranges is a tranquil place to learn & develop.
 To enrol or for more information contact John on (ph) 814 9744, or email goudgedrama@zip.co.nz

Playhouse Theatre
15 Glendale Rd, Glen Eden
 ph 818 5751, mob 021 215 1271
 Email: enquiries@playhousetheatre.org.nz

Playhouse Theatre Inc. presents **"Grease"** - The Musical. March 8 to 24. Directed by Dorothy Chisholm
 "Grease" is the word! Come and find out why this swinging musical continues to be so popular.

Book now:
www.iticket.co.nz
 ph 361 1000
 or 818 8791



Bev Dixon adds some artistic flair to the set for "Grease"



Peach Theatre Company presents
"Equus" April 12 -22. Playhouse Theatre
 *contains nudity.

EQUUS is a chilling British Drama that has recently reopened this year on Broadway with Harry Potter's Daniel Radcliffe. How can you treat a young boy who has blinded six horses? This will be psychiatrist Martin Dysart's most challenging case yet. As he dissects the mind of Alan Strang, Dysart learns more about himself than he ever needed to know. Peach Theatre Company brings this worldwide revival to New Zealand audiences in an electrifying production you will not forget. Starring Annie Whittle, Ashley Hawkes, Phil Adams, Paddy Wilson
 Bookings: www.iticket.co.nz 09 361 1000 or tickets available at Glen Eden Amcal Pharmacy

Titirangi Theatre
Lopdell House, 418 Titirangi Rd, Titirangi.
Enquiries ph 817 5951

Titirangi Theatre's first production for 2007 is "Gulls" by Robert Hewett, directed by Lindsay Nash. Opening on March 20th, this beautiful and compassionate play about a brain damaged man cared for by his sister, is a story of unconditional love and the relationships between family and friends. In an unusual twist, "Gulls" is enhanced by the use of puppets in the form of seagulls, symbols of freedom and beauty. "Gulls" plays 8pm, March 20th to 31st. 2pm matinee Saturday 24th and 6pm performance Sunday 25th March. Gala Opening Night tickets: \$25 including supper. Other nights \$20 and \$15. Gala tickets phone 817 5812. Bookings at Titirangi Pharmacy, 817 7658.

Titirangi Theatre will also be open for a backstage tour and to view rehearsals on Saturday 3 March as part of the Waitakere Artists' Open Studio weekend.

Waitakere Brass

Join Waitakere Brass for a Walk Down West End on Friday 4th May, 7.30pm at Glen Eden Playhouse Theatre.
 Featured artist Steven Booth. Compere - Barry Moss
 Guest Conductor Claire Bymolt. Musical Director - Steven Booth

Performances:
 Mephistopheles
 Czardas
 Blue Rondo a la Turk
 Sogno
 Blenheim Favourites
 Carnival duet
 It's Not Unusual
 Malaguena
 Harry Potter & the Sorcerer's Stone
 Meiso
 The Melody Shop
 Fantasia on 'Tico, Tico'
 Share my Yoke
 English Heritage (excerpt)
 Pokarekare Ana
 Elsa's Procession to the Cathedral

Website: www.waitakerebrass.com

Arts Out West

Corban Estate Arts Centre

426 Great North Rd, Henderson. Open 7 days
10am—4.30pm. ph 838 4455
info@ceac.org.nz website www.ceac.org.nz



EXHIBITIONS

Changing Rooms

Mark Curtis, Margaret Feeney, Maree Wilson
Exhibition Opens: Thursday 8th March at 6pm
Exhibition Dates: Friday 9th March – Sunday 15th April 2007
Changing Rooms is an exhibition project developed by artists Maree Wilson, Margaret Feeney and Mark Curtis in which each of them will create a site-specific installation in response to the heritage nature of the galleries at CEAC. These consist of three rooms within the Corban Homestead, a large villa that was built in 1923 by the Corban family.

WEEKEND WORKSHOPS

Garden Sculpture Workshop (All Levels)

Tutor: Brent Sumner
Days: Fri 2nd March, 6 - 8pm, Sat 3rd & Sun 4th March, 10 - 4pm
Fee: \$250 (+ \$20 - \$100 materials depending on size)
Venue: Project Space
Join experienced tutor Brent Sumner for a fun, creative weekend workshop to create a large free form sculpture for your garden.

Portraiture - A Working Process (All Levels)

Tutor: Allie Eagle
Days: Sat 3rd & Sun 4th March, 1 - 5pm
Fee: \$110 (includes model fee) Venue: Work Room
We are delighted to be able to offer a portraiture course in conjunction with Allie Eagle's exhibition at CEAC; 'The Big Picture: A Working Process', which is a series of works developed as part of the Waitakere City Heritage Art Project.

Oil Painting Alla Prima (All Levels)

Tutor: Claire Van Der Plaas
Day: Sunday 4th March, 10am - 4pm
Fee: \$65 (+ materials) Venue: Art Room
Fun fast oil paintings! This one day intensive workshop will be a hands-on introduction to the basics of oil painting.

'U.V. With Me' – One Day Print Workshop (All Levels)

Tutor: Beth Serjeant
Day: Sat 17th March, 10am – 4.30pm
Fee: \$95 (includes materials) Venue: Workroom
Join experienced printmaker Beth Serjeant on this one day solar plate print workshop and learn the techniques of Intaglio type printmaking with light-sensitive plates.

Introduction to Woodcuts (Beg - Int)

Tutor: Claire Van Der Plaas
Day: Sunday 25th March, 10am - 4pm
Fee: \$95 (includes materials) Venue: Work Room
Woodcut printmaking is a great way to make vigorous, colourful images in multiples. This course will teach beginner and intermediate printmakers how to get exciting results from woodcuts.

Take On Tivaevae! (All Levels)

Tutor: Mary Ama
Days: Fri 30 March, 6.30pm – 9pm, Sat 31 & Sun 1 April, 9.30am – 3pm
Fee: \$160 (+approx \$50 materials) Venue: Pacifica Centre
Join this special course and learn the basics needed to create your own fabulous Tivaevae quilt in a friendly Pacifica environment.

The Magic of Muka (All Levels)

Tutor: Ann Uerata
Days: Sat 31st March & Sun 1st April, 1pm – 4pm
Fee: \$65 Venue: Art Room
Discover the magic of stripping flax to reveal muka fibre and learn more about the traditional Maori uses of this important material. This informal, introductory course will give you the opportunity to prepare a small amount of muka fibre and begin to weave a small wall hanging.

ART SPEAK

On the first Monday of every month at 7pm gather in the CEAC galleries to hear guest speakers talk about projects, events and other interesting arts-related topics. Free entry. Venue: Gallery

Monday 5th March, 7pm

Catherine Davidson – A Photo Assignment in Argentina

Photographer Catherine Davidson will give an illustrated talk about her recent trip to Argentina where she interviewed and photographed a selection of 'socialist activists' for an exhibition that will show in Europe, Argentina and Venezuela.

Monday 2nd April, 7pm

Michael Parekowhai - From Art School to Henderson

Michael Parekowhai is a prominent New Zealand artist, widely exhibited in New Zealand and overseas and represented in most major public and private collections in New Zealand. He is currently an Associate Professor at Elam, School of Fine Arts at Auckland University. He will be presenting some entertaining insights into his past and current work.

EVENTS

Waitakere Artists' Open Studio Weekend

Saturday 3rd & Sunday 4th March, 10am – 4pm
As part of the region wide Artists Open Studio weekend, a selection of the artists at CEAC will have their studios open for the public to visit. Make a day of it and explore many different studios that will be open around the city.

Eric Orr – Street Artist

Workshop: Wednesday 14th March – bookings required (12 – 18 years) \$10
Live Painting Demonstration: Thursday 15th March, 10 – 4pm. All welcome. Free
Direct from New York, Eric Orr is a legendary street artist who was one of the first urban artists to substitute typography in his art created on the New York subway with iconic symbols and characters as his moniker. He comes to us as part of the Auckland Festival, AK07 and will be at CEAC for two days, running a workshop with a group of 12 – 18 year olds, and demonstrating his talents as he paints out one of the Corban walls. For workshop bookings contact CEAC.

Chelsea Potters

Community Workshops, 304 Glengarry Rd, Glen Eden.

Adults and Children's classes available. Beginners wheelwork, sculpture, any day, after school, weekends and school holidays. All ages and abilities. Ph 813 3824.

Lopdell House Gallery

418 Titirangi Rd, Titirangi. Open 10am—4.30pm.

Open 7 days. Ph 817 8087 info@lopdel.org.nz
www.lopdel.org.nz

EXHIBITIONS

Subjects to Hand

Joanna Margaret Paul Drawing
16 February – 8 April 2007
Subjects to Hand: Joanna Margaret Paul Drawing presents a selection of more than 70 exquisite drawings and short films by the late Joanna Margaret Paul. Over nearly four decades, using the simplest of drawing materials and looking no further than her physical surroundings, Paul accumulated a body of work brimming with graphic invention and poetic observation. When she died in a tragic accident in 2003, she was at the height of her powers.

Keeping You, You, Keeping Me, Me

Judy Millar — The Inaugural McCahon Residency artist
16 February – 8 April 2007
Keeping You, You, Keeping Me, Me is Judy Millar's exciting response to her recent experience, as the inaugural McCahon residency artist, living and working in the new studio built next to the McCahon House in French Bay, Titirangi.



Judy Millar in her studio

Lopdell House, Continued

PUBLIC PROGRAMME

Art on the Beach. 2-5pm, Saturday 17 March

Sand Sculpture Competition, Piha, just north of Lion Rock
Come and create your own wonderful, wild or whimsical sculpture and transform the beach into a fabulous outdoor exhibition. Free event, open to all ages. Judging at 5pm. Cash prizes.

Kohatu Performance starts 8pm, Lion Rock, Piha

8pm -9.30pm, Saturday 17 March
Louise Potiki Bryant and Vanda Karolczak present Kohatu.
Kohatu transforms and takes you on a journey, weaving images and sounds from the West Coast. Free event – made possible by the generous support of the Lion Foundation.



Louise Potiki Bryant on the Beach

Readings in the Gallery, 10am – 11am, Monday 2 April
Join us in the gallery to celebrate International Children's Book Day with readings from local children's author Simon Grant.

McCahon House, 67 Otitori Bay Road, French Bay, Titirangi

Since its opening in mid August last year, almost 1,300 people have visited the cottage to be transported back to the 1950s, when Colin and his family lived in Titirangi and Colin was painting the beautiful stands of kauri in the bush in French Bay.

The restored house is open on Wednesdays and on the weekend from 10am - 2pm. There is a \$5 charge for adults, with Wednesdays free. We currently need volunteers willing to give a couple of hours of their time on Wednesdays and in the weekends to man the house during the opening hours. If you're interested in being part of the team, contact Cynthia Smith at 817 8087 x203.

SCHOOLS

Workshops and Gallery visits

mornings 9.30-11.30am, afternoons 12.30-2.30pm
cost per child \$4 (concession \$3)

These visits are designed to give primary students the full art experience – covering all four strands of the visual arts curriculum: practical knowledge, developing ideas, communicating ideas and understanding art in context. Beginning with a tour of the gallery exhibitions, students learn about the art works on display and record some of their observations. Next stop is down to the studio where they have time for a brief snack break (bring your morning or afternoon tea snack), before the making begins! Here the children have the opportunity to learn from hands on experience. All materials are provided.

For bookings phone Iona, 817 8078 x204.

Term 1. 16 February – 8 April

1. Book illustration workshop/reading (years 1-6)
2. Paper making — fusing coloured pulps into patterns (years 3-6)
3. Architectural prints/sketching — historic Lopdell House (years 4-6)
4. Clay workshop — Japanese tea ceremony (years 2-6)
5. Domestic still life drawings — graphite and washes (years 4-6)

after school art classes

Hands on clay — Mobile Magic. Winged objects inspired by nature will be created from clay using simple clay techniques. The finished works will be suspended to create a floating magical world to be admired forever.

Dates: Mondays 3.30–5pm, starts 26 February – 2 April

Venue: Lopdell House Studio

Fee \$120 for 6 week course, includes materials and firings

Bookings & info: Karen and Lorraine, phone 817 8968 or 816 8008.

Summer collage

Self-portraits collaged with photograms. Students will remember their favourite day in the holidays to create a self-portrait using paint and photographic collage techniques. Students will use dark room equipment to create their own photographic images in black and white. Finished artworks will be framed using bright coloured papier-mâché pulp embedded with sequins and jewels.

Dates Wednesdays 3.45 – 5.15pm, starts 14 February – 4 April

Venue Lopdell House Studio. Fee: \$150 for 8 week course, inc materials

Bookings Kirsten phone 817 5920 or 021 0237 6839

Magical cape and whimsical hat

Children will learn fabric painting and screen-printing techniques as they decorate their very own magical costume. Details will be worked with beads and feathers and the hat with ceramic buttons and magic symbols.

Dates: Thursdays 3.45 – 5.15pm, starts 15 February – 5 April

Venue: Lopdell House Studio. Fee: \$150 for 8 week course, incl materials

Bookings: Sue Clark phone 816 8046

Life Drawing Workshop — Flowlines

This 4-hour class is intended to draw out the maximum expressive potential in students by initially warming up with some specialist drawing and movement exercises. This course will be fun and focused and will help train the eye to capture the essence of the human form. Suitable for all levels of ability.

Dates Sunday 11am-3pm, 18 February or 24 March

Venue Lopdell House Studio

Fee \$60, includes materials

Tutor Nicky Hartley

Bookings Iona phone 817 8078 x204

Drama class

New dynamic performing arts class for kids at the Titirangi Theatre.

Through games, improvisations, collective and personal expression kids will devise their own performance guided by teamwork, body awareness, listening, confidence, rhythm and spontaneity. All aspects of this creative process will be touched upon including – lighting, stage, costume, sound, audience and performance. Tui Mamaki is an experienced actress, singer, fire dancer and director and facilitator of performing arts workshops for the past 6 years. Her fresh style will create an unforgettable experience for each participant in a safe, fun and stimulating environment.

Dates Wednesdays 14 February – 4 April

Juniors 8-10yrs 3.45-4.45pm; Intermediate 5-6pm;

Teenagers 7-8pm

Venue Titirangi Theatre

Fee \$96 for 8 week term

Tutor Tui Mamaki

Bookings Liz Watkinson phone 817 5812 or Tui 021 155 5582 or

tuimamaki@gmail.com

Rethink Drawing Workshop: OPEN STUDIO WEEKEND 3 March

This is an adult workshop designed to encourage participants to make marks in a variety of innovative ways. Judith is a passionate painter who specialises in painting recognisable objects in unusual settings. Class limit 12.

Date Saturday 10am-12pm or 2-4pm, 3 March

Venue Lopdell House Studio

Fee \$20, includes materials

Tutor Judith Moore-Chisholm

Bookings phone Iona 817 8078 x204

Children's Workshop for 5–12 yr olds. OPEN STUDIO WEEKEND 4 March

Create a stunning photogram picture and frame. Make a photographic image without a camera – using found objects, cut out text and shapes. A unique black and white photo and funky frame will be produced. Suitable for 6-12yr olds. Wear old clothes and bring your own lunch.

Date Sunday 10am-2pm, 4 March

Venue: Lopdell House Studio. Fee: \$5 includes materials

Tutor: Iona Matheson. Bookings: phone Iona 817 8078 x204

Gallery shop

We have a great selection of art gifts in the Gallery Shop including: Art books, Art prints and Art T shirts

Massey Art Group

Massey Art Group meet in the hall at the Presbyterian Church, Don Buck Road, Massey.

Times: Tuesday evenings from 7.00 to 9.00.

"We meet in February, March, April, May. Then again September, October and November (closed June, July, August, December and January).

Due to renovations of the Church we will open this year in March. We are a non teaching group but always encourage new members. Mainly we are painters (oils, acrylics, pastel and water colours) but anyone wishing to bring their craft work would be very welcome.

The subscription is \$40.00 per year. Anyone interested, come along one Tuesday evening and meet us."

Enquiries Phone Sandra Rich 416 6078

or email: therichs@xtra.co.nz

Pacific Arts & Cultural Centre

Corban Estate, 426 Great North Rd, Henderson. Ph 838 3205.

email: pacifica.arts@xtra.co.nz or
website: www.pacificartaarts.org

Weaving & tivaevae workshops and monthly Pacific Arts market.
Artists on-site for Open Studio weekend 3 & 4 March.



Packing Shed Gallery & Café

99 Parrs Cross Rd, Henderson. Ph 835 1557

Open 7 days, 9am—4pm. email: packingshed@hotmail.com
website: www.packingshed.co.nz

Variety of artwork by local artists.

Eden Room Co-Op, displaying many works including beautiful handmade quilts and teddy bears by Ngaire Madden, painted glasswork, jewellery and other crafts from local talent it is a chance to look at and purchase some locally made products.

Don't miss the new panoramic work by **Stephen Madden** - an up and coming west Auckland photographer.

The Gala Room—this new venue is available to hire to any new or existing artists. For further details please contact Jo at the Packing Shed.

The Packing Shed will host over 14 artists displaying and demonstrating over the Waitakere Open Studio weekend 3 & 4 March.

Rutherford College Community Education

Kotuku Street, Te Atatu Peninsula Ph 834 4099 Fax 834 4011
email: commed@rutherford.school.nz

Community Education Classes for Adults

Term 2 classes at Rutherford College include Watercolour Painting for Beginners, Mosaics, Pottery, Slip Casting, Creating Garden Art and Digital Photography. For more information or a copy of our FREE 2007 booklet phone 834 4099 or visit www.westaucklandcomed.co.nz

Manukau Institute of Technology Diploma in Visual Arts at Rutherford 2007.

Rutherford College, Te Atatu peninsula
Semester one: 19 February - 22 June
Still places available for 2007 This programme offers a flexible learning environment, highly qualified tutors and is ideally suited to mature students. Full time and part time options available. Contact: Tel: 834 9790 x 250
email legg.nye@ihug.co.nz Website: www.dva.ac.nz

Signal Gallery

717 Swanson Rd, Swanson. Ph 833 3479 Open Tues-Fri 10-5pm.
Sat—Sun 10-4pm. Email: signalgallery@ihug.co.nz

PRIMAL ESTATE_ NOT FOR SALE paintings by Gaylene Earl

recognisable west coast vistas, some of which have been modified to return the real/imagined vista to a primal state as imagined by the artist, before the land/coastal carve up.

In the shop we have new paintings by Sandesh Wangur, Mary Taylor's latest etchings, bathing babes by Karen Kennedy, The CD 'Allie Eagle and Me' and new j ne off pieces of jewellery by Wynn Ferguson.

TCAC Upstairs Gallery

Level 1, Lopdell House, 418 Titirangi Rd, Titirangi. Open 7 days, 10am-4.30pm. Ph 817 8030. Email: upstairs_lopdell@xtra.co.nz
www.upstairs.org.nz

ESSENCE OF NEW ZEALAND

Landscapes by Lorna Allan.
Opening Night Thursday 8th March 6-8pm until Sunday 1 April. Lorna Allan captures the quintessential New Zealand in her acrylic on canvas landscapes.



This Quiet Coast, by Lorna Allan

TCAC, Continued.

JUNK ART "OUT OF THE ARK" Competition Exhibition.

Opening Night Wednesday 4th April 6-8pm until Sunday April 29
Celebrating our focus "reuse and recycle" in Waitakere City. Create a PAIR of animals out of recycled materials. Entry forms due Friday 23rd March (available from Gallery).

Junk Art Workshop with Junkmeister Andrew Hall Sunday 25th March.

Waitakere College

Rathgar Road – Henderson. Ph 836 0002.

Waitakere College has the following courses available on March 10:
Sushi workshop, Italian Breads, Pizzas and Flat breads, Photo Manipulation using Photoshop 7, Digital Camera course, Internet and Email, Excel beginners, TXT like your teens and water colours.

Henderson Photography Club runs on the second and Fourth Wednesday in the month at Kelston Community Centre.

Phone Robert Leach 8378321. Brochure available on request.

Waitakere Central Community Arts Council

PO Box 21447, Henderson. Ph 838 5733.

Email wccac@xtra.co.nz

Venues: "The Studio" at CEAC, 426 Great North Rd, Henderson
West Wave Art Room, 20 Alderman Dr, Henderson.
Te Whanau Toi, Hoani Waititi Marae, West Coast Rd, Glen Eden.

WCCAC is losing its West Wave art room from 1st May 2007. The recreation Hall will be refurbished and our members need other premises to paint and exhibit. If any one knows of gallery space and or workspace (100 m2) please call the coordinator at 838 5733. The last Members exhibition will be held from 24th March till 1st April, Guest painter: Gillian Palmer. Guest sculptor Pardo Jackson. Open daily 10 am – 4 pm, Free entry.

Classes:

Ted's Oil / Acrylic; \$15 session (Ph Ted 818 6478). Tuesday 3-5 pm, "The Studio" at Corban Estate Arts Centre

Mary's Pastel / Line&wash; 8 weeks \$80 (ph Mary 817 6547). Thursday 10am -12 noon, Te Whanau Toi.

Helen's Watercolour; Thursday 1 – 3 pm, at West Wave, 8 weeks \$80 (ph Helen 834 5832).

Margaret's Watercolour; Friday 10-12noon, 8 weeks \$80 (ph Margaret 834 6379) "The Studio"

Storybook WORKSHOP: Children's book design with Clive Taylor
Learn how to interpret a publisher's design brief. Clive will go through the steps until you end up with the final design.

Cost \$35 (ph Esa 838 5733), Saturday 17th March 10am – 4pm, "The Studio"

West Coast Gallery

Old Fire Station, Piha. PO Box 99, Piha. Ph 8128 029

Open Wed—Sun 11am—5pm. www.westcoastgallery.co.nz

EXHIBITIONS

Sea and Sky - recent oil paintings by Stefanie Kroeger
opening: Saturday 3 March, 2pm. 2 March - 25 March

Holding The World - new work by Gillian Harrop.
mixed media - 31 March - 22 April

Iron, Lion, Zion - paintings by Jeff James
28 April - 20 May

Calling all Waitakere photographers for **Summer on the Rocks**.
West Coast Gallery will be part of the Auckland Festival of Photography 26 May - 17 June group show with a summer theme.
Exhibition will be in the middle of winter - so give us warm, gorgeous summer memories and stories.



If you have material for Artlink, or would like to go on our mailing list, please contact **The Community Arts Coordinator, Waitakere City Council, Private Bag 93 109, Waitakere City.**
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