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Kia ora koutou

Ko te kaupapa o Matariki he whakamaumahara ki ō tātau mate, te whakanui i te inamata me te whai whakaaro ki te anamata.

Ka tika aua mātāpono mō Te Whanganui-a-Tara i te urunga o te tāonenui ki tētahi wā takahuritanga mōna.

He tāonenui pai rawa a Te Whanganui-a-Tara engari pērā anō i ētahi atu wāhi, kei reira anō ngā whakapātaritari. Kei te whakatūtakihia aua whakapātaritari mā ngā āhuatanga auaha, haepapa hoki kia takahuri hei tāonenui toitū anamata.

Ka timata tēnei wā takahuritanga i te whakatuwheratanga ōkawa o Tākina i te marama o Mei, koinei tō tātau whare huihuinga me te whakaaturanga taumata kākāriki hou.

I tua atu i ngā huihuinga, ka tū i te papa whenua o Tākina ngā whakaaturanga nui. Ko te mea tuatahi ko te whakaaturanga pāhekoheko LEGO®, rongonui rawa o te ao, a Jurassic World nā Brickman® ka tū mai i te 3 o Hune ki te 16 o Oketopa. He mea whakaharahara tēnei.

Ko Jurassic World te tuatahi o te maramataka huihuinga rawe rawa atu ka tino kaingākauria. Ka haere tahi ā mātou huihuinga i te taha o ngā wāhi kai whakamiharo i te Tāonematua. Koinei te wā pai rawa ki te whakawhanaunga tahi me te whānau mō ngā wā whakamiharo i Te Whanganui-a-Tara.

Mānawatia a Matariki.

Tory Whanau

Koromatua

Laurie Foon

Koromatua Tuarua

Matariki, the Māori New Year, is about remembering those who came before us, celebrating the present and looking to the future.

Those principles are also very fitting for Wellington as the city enters a period of transformational change.

Wellington is a great city but like most other places, it faces challenges. It is by fronting those challenges in creative, responsible ways that it will be transformed into a sustainable city of the future.

This transformational era starts with the official opening in May of Tākina, our new green star-rated conference and exhibition centre.

Aside from conferences, the ground floor at Tākina will host major exhibitions. The first is the internationally acclaimed LEGO® interactive exhibition, Jurassic World by Brickman® which runs from 3 June till 16 October. It will be huge.

Jurassic World spearheads an irresistible events calendar which is hard to ignore. Our events go hand in hand with the capital's lineup of fantastic eateries. Sounds like the perfect time to join family and whānau and make some wonderful Wellington memories.

Happy Matariki everyone.

Tory Whanau

Mayor

Laurie Foon

Deputy Mayor



Look who we found in the Attic



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Rusty the lion is roar-fully important. He was donated to us by Wellington Zoo in 2013.

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Pārekareka



Pārekareka is a movement to promote and advocate for children's rights to play in Pōneke. We want to ensure our city is full of play so all children can grow up with joy.

Play is the backbone of childhood, and is a vital role in kids living happy, healthy, and balanced lifestyles. It also builds essential skills for kids and creates strong communities.

You may have already noticed the Pārekareka brand through our community play days, play boxes, and te ara pukapuka, our new book walk. Keep an eye out for more ideas and inspiration for play.

The fun never stops in our vibrant city. Winter is a great time to explore the outdoors. Here are some of our favourite ways.

Indoor nature play

Collect leaves, sticks, and stones of various sizes and colours for art and play at home.

Messy outdoor play

Playing in muddy banks, bushy undergrowth, hunting for bugs and sliding through wet grass are all great ways to ensure kids get a full range of sensory play.

Nature watching

Touch damp moss and glossy leaf litter, bird watch, and visit the glow worms before bedtime - find them in the Botanic Garden, Khandallah Park, Ōtari-Wilton's Bush, or Trelissick Park.

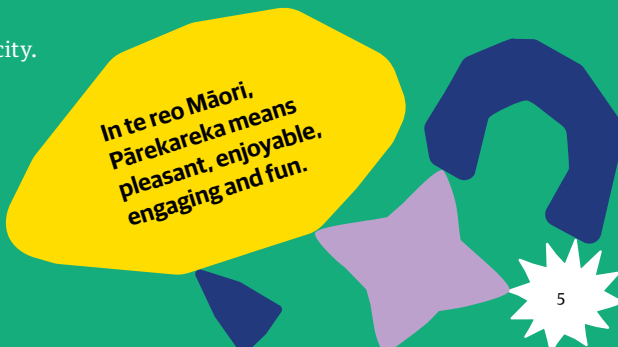
Puddle jumping

Allowing a bit of silly, joyous play is healthy. We are often quick to stop our kids from getting dirty and wet, but splashing and playing in water is a sensory wonderland.

Tree climbing

Finding a solid climbing tree is a fond memory for many kiwi kids and learning a safe climbing technique helps a child assess a risky situation and builds confidence.

To find out more about Pārekareka, visit wellington.govt.nz/play



Tō tātou hāpori

Our community

Meet some of the awesome lifeguards from our pools and find out why they love what they do.



James Wilson

Duty Manager at Wellington Regional Aquatic Centre

Finding a role with work-life balance was key for Wellington dad, James (right).

With a love of water, he tried his hand at being a lifeguard over 11 years ago in Nelson. Now, he's a Duty Manager for Wellington Regional Aquatic Centre in Kilbirnie, and believes lifeguarding was the perfect job for giving him flexibility to raise his son and helping him grow in his career.

“Something I've worked hard at is finding a role that works for my family. I wanted time to see my wee boy grow up. This job allows me to turn off after work so I can be fully present with him when I'm home.”

James also counts himself lucky - he's met some amazing people over the years and has found a second family with his team at work.

“Being a lifeguard is more than just watching a pool - you're there to save lives every day. A lot of the role is working with people, and working at the pool means you can make new friends for life.”

Caitlin O'Connor

Duty Manager at Tawa Pool

With a goal of becoming a paramedic, working as a lifeguard was a natural way for Caitlin (left) to get medical experience while she was studying.

This came into play when she saw someone go into cardiac arrest at a supermarket the day after she completed her lifeguard first-aid course, and she was able to step up to help them.

Now, Caitlin has moved through the ranks to become a full-time Duty Manager. She says she loves serving the community.

“I am actively impacting the community and making a difference. You don't just get a pay cheque. The skills you learn from this job are so helpful in everyday life.”





What should Wellington look like in 10 years?

We're creating our next Long-term Plan, for 2024-2034. This will set our future direction, outlining what the Council will be investing in, how much it all costs, and how this will be funded.

We will need to make some hard decisions, balancing investment with affordability, and ensuring we keep up our momentum by focusing on what is most important to Wellingtonians.

We want to plan this with you - what should your city look like in 2034 and what should the Council be doing?

To find out more and have your say, visit wcc.nz/ltp-2024-34

Upcoming dates

- **Mid/late 2023:** Consultation on the review of rating policies, which will look at how the overall rates bill is divided up - that is, the proportion each property owner pays.
- **Mid/late 2023:** Levels of service workshops, where groups of Wellingtonians can provide feedback regarding community expectations about the levels of Council services provided given associated costs.
- **Late 2023/early 2024:** Participatory budgeting, where residents are provided with budgetary information and options, and can have a direct say in how their rates are used to address the needs and priorities of their communities.
- **Early 2024:** Formal consultation, where people can provide final submissions on the draft Long-term Plan.

More accessible options for renters

The Council's Te Kāinga programme has six new accessible rental apartments. Features include automatic entry doors, wet-room bathroom with grab rails, low switches and plug sockets, a low kitchen bench, free whiteware, and free Wi-Fi. Rents are set below market rate and leases have no tenancy end date, offering long-term security. For more information visit tekainga-apartments.nz

Let's be Zero Together

Zero Together is a series of five practical, interactive sessions for individuals and households, provided by Wellington City Council. Join other concerned Wellingtonians to explore simple, low or no-cost actions to reduce the carbon emissions of our everyday lives. For more info and to sign up to these life-changing workshops visit wellington.govt.nz/zero-together



Render of the Golden Mile with outdoor seating on Courtenay Place

Positively Pōneke

Our city is embarking on its biggest transformation since the development of the Wellington waterfront more than 30 years ago.

The first project of this transformation is now complete and operational - Tākina, the Wellington Convention and Exhibition Centre. It looks magnificent and will benefit our city for years to come. There are several other projects underway to make our city a better place to live, work and play.

World-class Tākina welcomes you

Tākina opened this month with the internationally acclaimed LEGO® interactive exhibition, Jurassic World by Brickman®. The capital's largest built infrastructure investment since the Wellington Regional Stadium two decades ago, Tākina offers a powerful combination of facilities across three floors and 18,000 sqm that will draw visitors to Wellington to learn, meet and be inspired. It will attract both leisure and business tourists to the city, boosting hospitality businesses to the tune of \$45m a year. With more than 100 conferences and events on the agenda, the city looks forward to welcoming delegates from across the world.



Tākina

Making it easier to get around

Our region is home to over 500,000 people, with more than 200,000 living in Wellington city. Over the next 30 years we're expecting up to 31,000 more jobs in the central city, and our population is expected to grow by up to 80,000 people.

We need to prepare for that growth and make sure we deliver a transport network that is resilient and reliable for all modes, making it easier for people to get around with less congestion, fewer emissions, and more liveable places.

It's been a busy first half of the year for Let's Get Wellington Moving, and we are excited to deliver more of what you've asked for.

After starting the year with the opening of the Cobham Drive crossing and early works on the Golden Mile (which stretches from the Embassy Theatre, along Courtenay Place, Manners and Willis streets, and runs the length of Lambton Quay), we broke ground on the Aotea Quay roundabout in April before asking the public for their thoughts and ideas on a number of key city routes in April and May.

You've told us you want a great harbour city that is vibrant and attractive, with safer, shared streets centred around people, not cars. That's why we're working hard to make it easier for people to get around, and to create public spaces for people to gather and enjoy. After all, that's the whole point of cities.

Watch out for the start of construction on the next phase of our Thorndon Quay Hutt Road project and Golden Mile later in the year. These projects will bring even more great spaces and transport options to our city.

Strengthening our historic Town Hall

When it re-opens in 2025, the Town Hall will be a world-class musical and recording venue with improved rehearsal and performance space, as well as a base for civic and community events. The grade 1 listed heritage building has undergone six years of base isolation and redevelopment work. Work in the auditorium has started with the sheet piling work now complete.

Te Matapihi Central Library update

Construction on-site continues at full steam and in preparation for the base isolators arriving in August, continuing the essential work for future resiliency. Inside, the building already feels much lighter and brighter with the removal of parts of the original façade, and the opening of the new entrance on the corner of Victoria and Harris streets. The major investment in this essential work on the physical structure of the building will provide an earthquake-resilient building that offers flexible spaces for the community.

For all the latest infrastructure projects that could have an impact on how you travel around the city, visit wellington.govt.nz/positively-poneke



Ō tātou wāhi Our places

We're rolling out the woven mat

and revealing significant sites along the way

Hidden awa (streams) and sites of historic cultural significance are being revealed throughout Pōneke as part of the city's bike network.

Distinctive new blue niho taniwha designs will be installed in many locations including between the city and Newtown, and the city and Botanic Garden ki Paekākā.

The designs on the street highlight awa that once flowed in these areas. Riding to the Botanic Garden for instance, you'll pass three awa that are now piped underground - Pipitea, Waipiro and Tutaenui.





Nearby sites of significance will also be acknowledged with signs and sometimes artworks. The mural on Bowen Street by Arika Brightwell is an example. Called Kaiota, the artwork responds to this area's name and heritage as a significant food cultivation and hunting place.

The routes are the first of many where mana whenua Te Āti Awa Taranaki Whānui will raise the mana of special places and bring a te ao Māori perspective.

Designer Len Hetet says cultural narratives or stories are powerful ways to connect our past to our present and engage and educate people on what it means to be mana whenua. Taranaki Whānui has worked with the Council to develop Whārikitia te Whenua, the cultural design story for the network.

“Te Āti Awa Taranaki Whānui narrative speaks of the great tupua Whātaïtai and Ngake, who fashioned the land using seismic activity to create Te Whanganui-a-Tara,” Len says.

“For mana whenua this is likened to the gifting of a whāriki laid upon earth mother which intrinsically connects and binds us to the land and sea.”

The term ‘whāriki’ refers both to the plaiting technique and the mats made from it. The plaiting technique requires papa or individual patterned panels to be woven, which are then connected by intertwining threads to form a woven mat.

The bike network design rationale allows mana whenua to identify and acknowledge our papa as areas of cultural significance, and to embed the mouri (life force) into these areas, using the network as a metaphorical interwoven thread to bind them.

“Whārikitia te Whenua acknowledges we are guardians of this land and we must look after it to survive,” says Len.

“Providing the means for more people to move safely through spaces while acknowledging the rich cultural history is one of the ways we are doing that.”

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Te haeata o Puanga

The shining dawn of Puanga

“Puanga is the star that Te Āti Awa acknowledge, given that our location to place and space characterises how we see the universe from our marae, parks, and islands. Living directly under our mounga, Puanga is more visible to our world and our way of being.”

Kura Moeahu, Chair Te Rūnanganui o Te Āti Awa ki te Upoko o te Ika a Māui Inc.

Puanga is the single star acknowledged in many places where the landscape prevents Matariki from being seen, including Whanganui, Taranaki, parts of the Far North, parts of the South Island, Wellington and the Hutt Valley. One of the great things about Wellington’s varied landscape is that we can see both Puanga and Matariki depending on where we are. A great place to see Puanga is Ahumairangi Hill, at a time when it’s really dark.

The rising of Puanga and Matariki is a time to reflect on our loved ones who have passed, and to prepare for the New Year, as we enter the colder months. For many, Puanga is not seen as separate to Matariki, but rather as part of the wider celebration.

Puanga is also an opportunity for learning and celebration. In this time of cold weather, with frequent rain and the odd storm, we acknowledge the winter maiden Hinetakurua cleansing the earth of problems.

Both Puanga and Matariki can be celebrated as a collective where we can gather with whānau over kai and karakia. We can think about the year that has passed and look forward to the year ahead. Wellington City Council is working with other Councils in the Wellington region and mana whenua who are guiding us in our celebrations for Puanga and Matariki for 2023 and for future generations.



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Aho tangata

Connecting our people

Stevei Houkāmau (Ngāti Porou, Te Whānau-a-Apanui), is a big believer that when you shake things up, ask for change – and for an organisation to listen, you have to be there, to help, to educate, and to move it forward.

Stevei is a renowned uku (clay) artist, who carves her works with distinctive markings. She is the inaugural Toi Pōneke Arts Centre Māori Artist in Residence 2023, with a place at the table to ensure the space is safe and functions properly for Māori and Pasifika artists.

“If a place is safe for Māori and Pasifika, it is a safe space for all cultures, because then we acknowledge mātauranga Māori and manaakitanga – those things that hold people to how they treat each other.”

The Council has operated Toi Pōneke Arts Centre since 2005. Since its inception, Toi Pōneke has supported hundreds of artists and organisations, through the provision of 24-hour access to subsidised studios, rehearsal rooms, exhibition space, resources, programmes, and more.

Growing up in Cannons Creek in a Māori and Pasifika community, and spending much time with whānau up the East Coast, has strongly influenced Stevei’s work.

“My upbringing has influenced, especially, the surface design of my work, a mix of Māori and Pasifika patterns. My clay markings are the visual language that speaks to my whānau kōrero, kaupapa, and my whakapapa,” says Stevei.

“Coming from a line of Māori chieftainesses [including Hinemaurea, Hinerupe, and Ruataupare], my work also brings out the stories of the wāhine in my family, the influences, and the mana they held. It is knowledge I will pass on to the next generations.”

Part of Stevei’s residency sees her curating the Toi Pōneke Gallery exhibition *Te Matapihi* (24 June–21 July), which coincides with Matariki. The exhibition brings together a group of talented, established, mainly Māori and Pasifika artists, and also features her own work.



Watch Stevei Houkāmau’s interview at [youtube.com/](https://www.youtube.com/@wellingtoncitycouncil)

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Visit toiponeke.nz to find out more.

Matariki Ahi Kā

Thursday 13–Sunday 16 July
Wellington Waterfront

Nau mai, haere mai. Wellington City Council invites you to celebrate the Māori New Year in a uniquely Wellington way.

Enjoy a spectacular, free, whānau-friendly experience with our Ahi Kā and Mana Moana Pōneke events.

Matariki and Puanga are a time for remembering the past, celebrating the present, and looking to a sustainable future for generations to come. Share kái each evening at the Odlins Plaza kái court, while listening to performers on the Aroha stage. Honour our culture and history, with a big, bold, immersive Wellington Waterfront walk-through journey including large-scale projections, fire, and performances in multiple locations.

In the lead-up to Ahi Kā and during the long weekend, enjoy Mana Moana Pōneke - a series of indigenous short films about our ocean, projected on a water screen in Whairepo Lagoon. Watch as millions of water droplets fall and catch the light, creating the illusion of images appearing from the darkness and floating on the water. Mana Moana Pōneke is a collaboration between Māori and Pasifika musicians, artists, writers, and choreographers.



Join us at *Hiwa-i-te-rangi: the Wishing Star* and *Pohutukawa: honouring those who have passed* ceremonies - write down your wishes and thoughts, which will be burnt in a brazier to send them to the stars.

Matariki Ahi Kā

6pm–9pm, Thursday 13–Sunday 16 July
Wellington Waterfront

Projections, performances, fire, and kái; plus our evening ceremonies at 8pm.

Mana Moana Pōneke

6pm–9pm, weekends 1–16 July
Whairepo Lagoon

Stories from our ocean projected on water.

For more information and programme details, visit wellington.govt.nz/matariki

Ngā mahi whakangahau

Put it on the calendar

Check out some of the events the Council is supporting over the winter months. For more info, visit wellington.govt.nz/events

Make sure to check online

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Jurassic World by Brickman®

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Kia Mau

On now until Sat 17 Jun | Various locations

A contemporary Māori, Pasifika and Indigenous arts festival. wellingtonnz.com/experience/events/kia-mau

Lōemis

On now until Wed 21 Jun | Various venues

Nestle into the darkest nights of the year with shows, food, installations, and fiery outdoor ceremonies. loemis.nz

Glow in the Dark Titiwai Tours

7pm & 8pm, Fri 16 Jun, 21 Jul & 18 Aug
Botanic Garden ki Paekākā

Join the Friends of Wellington Botanic Garden for a fascinating tour into the world of titiwai, New Zealand's glow worms! Bookings required. Tickets \$10. wellingtongardens.nz

Chosen Family Night

5pm-9pm, Sat 17 Jun
City Gallery Wellington

Particularly meaningful to rainbow communities, celebrate with the family you have made with performance and activities. \$10 Entry. citygallery.org.nz

Sci-Fi Sunday: The Lego Movie 2

6pm-8pm, Sun 18 Jun | Space Place
spaceplace.nz

NZIA City Talks | Negin Imani: Bridging Architecture and Biology

6pm, Mon 19 Jun
City Gallery Wellington

Hear Negin Imani speak as part of this lecture series exploring the space and place we live, work and play. citygallery.org.nz

◆ Indicates a special Matariki event

Te Matapihi Artists Panel

1pm, Sat 24 Jun | Toi Pōneke Galley | Free

This Matariki, the artists of *Te Matapihi* pay homage to life, death and rebirth guided by the atua Hine-nui-te-pō. toiponeke.nz

International-artist

Screening: Martine Syms

2pm, Sun 25 Jun | City Gallery Wellington

As part of *Sione Tuīvailala Monū: Stories*, join us for this series about digital identities in a globalised world. citygallery.org.nz

Dungeons and Dragons in Space

1pm-3pm (family event) & 7pm-10pm (adult event), Sun 25 Jun | Space Place

spaceplace.nz



Life Drawing at Wellington Museum

2pm-4pm, Sun 25 Jun | Wellington Museum

Life drawing with artist Denise Durkin.

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Astronomy on Tap

8pm-10pm, Tue 25 Jul & 29 Aug

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NYO Enigma

6.30pm, Fri 30 Jun | Michael Fowler Centre

Giancarlo Guerrero leads the NZSO

National Youth Orchestra. nzso.co.nz

Matariki ki Te Māra a Tāne

Zealandia Te Māra a Tāne

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Kids Night Walks at Zealandia

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July Exhibitions Opening Day

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City Gallery Wellington

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Music at the Begonia

11am-12noon, Sun 4 Jun, 2 Jul & 6 Aug

Botanic Garden ki Paekākā | Free

Join the Friends of Wellington Botanic Garden for music in the Begonia House Foyer. wellingtongardens.nz

Tuatara Open Late

5pm-10pm | Thu 6 Jul & 3 Aug

City Gallery Wellington

Enjoy our exhibitions afterhours while exploring our ever-changing programme of late-night events. citygallery.org.nz

Nuku: Making a vessel workshop

11am-4pm, Sat 8 Jul

Toi Pōneke, Studio 30

In preparation for Matariki, Artist Stevei Houkāmāu will lead you through a wānanga where you will learn basic coiling and shaping techniques to create an ipu whenua/ clay vessel to take home. Contact sascha.perfect@wcc.govt.nz to book. toiponeke.nz



Eat Drink Play

Haha Whetū star search

Wed 12–Sun 30 Jul

Learn more about the meaning of Puanga and Matariki by visiting each of the painted stars located within Wellington Botanic Garden Ki Paekākā. Download the map online. wellington.govt.nz/matariki

Matariki with Wellington Gardens

Wed 12–Fri 21 Jul | Various venues

Keep an eye out for the events with the Wellington Gardens team at Ōtari and Paekākā this July, with rāranga wānanga, titiwai hikoi, rongoā wānanga and more. wellingtongardens.nz/matariki

Family Day: Matariki Edition

11am–4pm, Fri 14 Jul

City Gallery Wellington

citygallery.org.nz

NZIA City Talks | Daylighting Wellington Streams

6pm, Mon 17 Jul | City Gallery Wellington

Join us for a panel talk to projects focused on revealing Wellington's concealed waterways. citygallery.org.nz

Gallery Babes

11am & 1pm, Tue 18 Jul & 15 Aug

City Gallery Wellington

Bring the baby and enjoy a short tour of one of the exhibitions. Best suited to those with babies up to 12 months. Bookings required. citygallery.org.nz

Gallery Seniors

11am, Wed 19 Jul & 16 Aug

City Gallery Wellington

citygallery.org.nz

Panel Discussion: Stella Brennan

2pm, Sat 22 Jul | City Gallery Wellington

Hear speakers explore the broad contexts of Stella Brennan's practice as part of Ancestor Technologies. citygallery.org.nz

FIFA Fan Festival™

Thu 20 Jul–Fri 11 Aug | Shed 6

Celebrate the FIFA Women's World Cup 2023™ with a host of free entertainment, activities, and fun - including the chance to watch the games live on the big screen. wellingtonnz.com

FIFA Women's World Cup 2023™

Thu 20 Jul–Sun 20 Aug

Wellington Regional Stadium

Wellington plays host to nine games in the largest women's sporting event in the world.

Catch the action and world-class wāhine playing right here in our backyard! wellingtonnz.com



**International-artist
Screening: Amalia Ulman**

2pm, Sun 23 Jul | City Gallery Wellington

As part of *Sione Tuivailala Monū: Stories*, join us for this series about digital identities in a globalised world. citygallery.org.nz

**Whānau Mārama: New Zealand
International Film Festival**

Thu 27 Jul–Sun 13 Aug | Various venues

A thoughtfully curated programme of local and international films. nziff.co.nz

NZSO Become Ocean

6.30pm, Fri 28 Jul | Michael Fowler Centre

The NZSO with Andre de Ridder. nzso.co.nz

NZSO Marsalis: Blues Symphony

7.30pm, Sat 29 Jul | Michael Fowler Centre

nzso.co.nz

NZSO Beethoven 5

2pm, Sun 30 Jul | Michael Fowler Centre

nzso.co.nz

Bluebeard's Castle

7.30pm, Thu 10 Aug | Michael Fowler Centre

The NZSO and New Zealand Opera join forces for this concert. nzso.co.nz

Visa Wellington On a Plate

Fri 11–Sun 27 Aug | Various venues

The ultimate culinary festival is back for its second edition in 2023, this time around celebrating all things burgers and beers. visawoap.com

Te Karanga ki ngā Taniwha

Mon 14–Tue 22 Aug | Te Whare Hēra, Clyde Quay Wharf

Karanga with our ancient kaitiaki taniwha Ngāke and Whātaimai and uncover historical knowledge of the development of Te Whanganui-a-Tara from a Māori perspective. tewharehera.ac.nz

Beervana

Fri 18–Sat 19 Aug | Sky Stadium

Enter the mind-bending, palate-expanding beer wonderland that is Beervana. beervana.co.nz

**NZIA City Talks | Celebrating City
Gallery's architectural interventions**

6pm, Mon 21 Aug | City Gallery Wellington

Learn about the transformation of the City Gallery building to be the home of contemporary art. citygallery.org.nz

**New Zealand Gaming Developers
Conference**

Thu 31 Aug–Sat 2 Sep | Tākina

nzgdc.com

Ōtari Raranga Weavers

Ōtari-Wilton's Bush

Learn about traditional Māori weaving and healing practices using native plants. otariraranga.wordpress.com

See full details of our Matariki Ahi Kā (13–16 July) and Mana Moana (weekends 1–16 July) events on **pg 13**.

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Climate action capital

Let's talk shop

Want to talk shop?

We've developed a new programme that offers hands-on, tailored support for retailers to become more sustainable. It's a 'deep dive' into climate change and what that means for our retail sector, and helps retailers work together to problem solve as a community. Practical help is also provided for free, from measuring carbon footprints and waste audits, to action planning to achieve emission reduction targets. To find out more email climateaction@wcc.govt.nz



Be bike-wise this winter

With shorter days and wintry weather upon us, it's time to charge up your bike lights and dust off your reflective cycling gear! With darkness descending earlier, stay safer by being seen. You'll need a decent bike light (visible from 200 metres), a reflective jacket or bag cover, and it's best to use cycleways where possible. Find out more wellington.govt.nz/bikesafety



Big win for climate adaptation

Wellington was one of only 15 cities worldwide to win \$US1M in the Bloomberg Global Mayors Challenge last year. The prize money is being used to help develop a digital engagement tool so it's easier for everyone to get involved in deciding how we can be better prepared for the impacts of climate change we can't avoid. The tool is being co-designed with our communities, mana whenua partners and NIWA, and aims to incorporate citizen science as well as bringing mātauranga to the forefront of climate adaptation. Find out more wellington.govt.nz/your-council/projects/bloomberg-global-mayors-challenge



New sustainability toolbox

We've partnered with Sustainable Business Network to launch Docket, a free online toolbox that makes it easy for businesses to improve sustainability by including tools and resources that show how to cut carbon emissions, design out waste, regenerate nature, eliminate modern slavery and keep workers happy, safe and healthy. sustainable.org.nz/docket



Working towards a net zero carbon future

Meet some of our climate action superstars, working together to implement Te Atakura - First to Zero, our climate action plan





Pip Wheaton
Principal Advisor
Climate Action

Pip's mahi focuses on finding ways to support businesses and communities to reduce the city's emissions. Pip has over 15 years' experience in social impact, working for and advising some of the world's leading non-profit organisations and social entrepreneurs, and setting up her own social enterprise in South Africa. Pip recently published research on how social entrepreneurs around the world enable others to be changemakers for climate action - lessons that she's bringing to our work at Wellington City Council.



Ben Mcmenamin
Behaviour Change
Delivery Lead

Ben recently joined the Climate Change Response team, following on from a career as a policy and research advisor, social entrepreneur, human-centred design facilitator and professional chef working in food education. Now it's his job to support Wellingtonians to use more active forms of transport like biking, walking and public transport. Ben's looking forward to using his creative problem solving and communication skills to ensure a more sustainable, low-emission and healthy city. While not at work, you'll find Ben hosting dinner parties, propagating indoor plants and walking on the beach.



Anne Galloway
Behaviour Change
Advisory Lead

After more than 15 years of university research and teaching in Canada and at Victoria University of Wellington, Anne most recently worked at Ministry for the Environment putting her behaviour change expertise to good use on environmental policy. With a background in anthropology and design, Anne focuses on understanding people's lived experience and how it connects to climate change. She's interested in how different cultures relate to the natural world, and how people take care of the places and things they love. Anne enjoys connecting with the whenua, growing food and flowers, and spending time with her sheep, ducks, cat and the native birds around her rural home.

To contact the team, email climateaction@wcc.govt.nz

Mahi toi Capital arts

Coming up Toi Pōneke Arts Centre

Te Matapihi curated by
Stevei Houkāmau for Matariki

Sat 24 Jun–Fri 21 Jul

Te Matapihi brings together a diverse group of established Māori artists. Originating from a range of backgrounds and art forms, these artists have dedicated themselves to exploring the full spectrum of Māori creativity and practice from the historic to the contemporary. *Te Matapihi* or ‘The Window’ invites you to explore the beauty and diversity of Māori art and practice through the eyes of a talented group of makers.

Dirty Laundry

Making Invisible Labour Visible

Sat 29 Jul–Fri 25 Aug

Under the pile of washing, school notices, and to-dos, there’s an abundance of seething creativity. How do we start to acknowledge invisible labour, its significance, its cost, its beauty, and the generosity of it? Eleven artists and writers explore this question: Kate Stevens West, Rachel Ruckstuhl-Mann, Bronwyn Polaschek, Cassie Ringland-Stewart, Mary Walker, Johanna Mechen, Dianna Thomson, Hana Carpenter, Caitlin Rose Donnelly, Zoe Thompson-Moore, and Holly Walker.

Visit toiponeke.nz | 61/69 Abel Smith Street



Coming up at City Gallery Wellington

Stella Brennan *Ancestor Technologies*

On now until Sun 3 Sep

Stella Brennan's new installation of silk banners re-presents an archive of 120-year-old glass plate negatives made by her great-great aunt to consider the ways we can navigate the span of time and distance through artmaking.

Moniek Schrijer *The Jewel Room*

On now until Sun 3 Sep

Holographic gems, replica diamonds, sculptural necklaces and pendants glitter and shine in this theatrically staged exhibition by contemporary jewellery artist Moniek Schrijer. A playful and subversive take on the consumption of high-end jewellery.

Visit citygallery.org.nz | Te Ngākau Civic Square



Sione Tuivailala *Monū Stories*

On now until Sun 3 Sep

Sione Tuivailala Monū presents *Stories*, a range of moving image works first made for their Instagram profile, alongside their sculptural work with nimamea'a tuikakala, the Tongan fine art of flower design.

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Ayesha Green *Folk Nationalism*

Sat 1 Jul-Sun 15 Oct

A significant body of paintings, drawings and sculptures by acclaimed artist, Ayesha Green (Ngāti Kahungunu, Kāi Tahu). *Folk Nationalism* encapsulates Green's career-long interrogation of culturally loaded images from the history of Aotearoa.

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Nova Paul *Ngā Pūrākau No Ngā Rākaui*

Sat 1 Jul-Sun 8 Oct

Ngā Pūrākau No Ngā Rākaui is a new film installation by artist Nova Paul (Te Uriroroī, Te Parawhau, and Te Māhurehure ki Whatitiri, Ngāpuhi). Paul's films consider the poetics and politics of place to create an image of tino rangatiratanga - Māori sovereignty.

From left:

Stella Brennan *Thread Between Darkness and Light* (detail), digital print on silk from glass plate negative, 2023. Courtesy the artist.

How do we start to acknowledge invisible labour? *What We Will* (2018) by Zoe Thompson-Moore for *Dirty Laundry*.

Moniek Schrijer *RUBBLE* 2021, courtesy of artist 2021, The Cullinan Diamonds I-IX, sterling silver.

Light Boxes

Courtenay Place Light Boxes *Kura Huna*

Fri 21 Jul-Mon 9 Oct

77-97 Courtenay Place

Te Whanganui-a-Tara based artist Shannon Te Ao (Ngāti Tūwharetoa) has worked with rangatahi from Te Kura Kaupapa Māori o Ngā Mokopuna and artist Hendrix Hennesy Rophia (Ngāti Kahungunu, Ngāti Raukawa) to develop an exhibition in response to Matariki.

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Cobblestone Light Boxes

Te Whānau Mārama | Family of Light

On now until Oct | 139 Vivian Street

This outdoor exhibition, created by Victoria University Faculty of Architecture & Design Innovation's Dr Leon Gurevitch, features astrophotography from iconic landmarks in Te-Whanganui-a-Tara and Te Waipounamu.

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Masons screen *Celebrating Matariki*

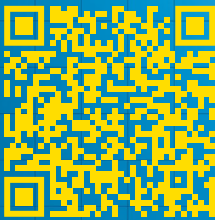
Tue 18 Jul-Mon 28 Aug

Masons Screen is an outdoor 24-hour public screen for artists' videos, located half-way up the steps on Masons Lane. Working with arts agency CIRCUIT, curator Leo Koziol will select an artist to exhibit a new work to celebrate Matariki.

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lifeguards](http://wcc.govt.nz/lifeguards)



Kaupapa pūtea Funding

We have a range of funding available for community groups and projects to help make our city a better place.

Each fund has a webpage – with a contact for you to talk through your ideas before applying. Visit [wellington.govt.nz/funding](https://www.wellington.govt.nz/funding)

Arts and Culture Fund

Support for arts and cultural projects in the city that deliver to our Aho Tini outcomes; Aho Tangata, Aho Hononga, Aho Whenua and Aho Mahi.

Closes 10 August 2023.

Climate and Sustainability Fund

Supports community groups, businesses, schools and Māori entities to undertake climate action initiatives in Wellington.

Our priorities are projects and programmes that are Māori-led and/or can demonstrate measurable emissions reductions. Reach out to Raven Maeder, our Community and Funding Advisor – Climate Action, for more information, to discuss ideas and alignment with fund criteria, or for support with the application process. **Closes 10 August 2023.**

Living Wage for Events Fund

Helps raise pay levels of event producers and performers to at least \$26 an hour (the new rate from 1 September 2023).

Closes 10 August 2023.

Creative Communities

Groups and individuals can apply for projects that encourage participation in the arts, reflect our diversity and creativity and get young people involved in the arts. Our panel will have additional funds to support local/community festivals. **Closes 31 August 2023.**

Natural Environment Fund

Supports projects and activities that protect the city's indigenous biodiversity, restore ecosystems and connect people to nature. **Closes 10 August 2023.**

Social and Recreation Fund

Supports community projects which make the city safer, more resilient and connected. **Closes 10 August 2023.**

Our Waste Minimisation Seed Fund

For projects under \$2,000 that provide innovative solutions for reducing waste through community projects.

Opens 1 July 2023.

Active Transport Workplace

Funding is available for workplace programmes, infrastructure and services that will encourage employees to actively commute to work. **Closes 30 June 2023.**



Introducing our mana whenua representatives



Liz Kelly

Liz Kelly, a former Porirua Deputy Mayor, represents Ngāti Toa Rangatira on Wellington City Council's committees. She brings vast knowledge from her former local government roles, where she worked within Strategy and Finance, the District Plan Review, Employment and Economic Development, Joint Waste Water and Landfill and the Sister Cities portfolios.

Liz has held leadership positions for many years and has developed extensive management experience across a diverse background including health, social services and education.

She has established a successful family business that continues to grow and actively promotes and supports Māori business. She is a former Certified Resource Management Commissioner, a current Justice of Peace and remains the CEO for the Porirua Whānau Centre, where she has grown the Trust to include the establishment of a registered social housing provider as well as a registered ECE for 65 tamariki.

Liz is passionate about ensuring a better future for our mokopuna/ generations to come.



Holden Hohaia

Our other mana whenua representative is Holden Hohaia, appointed by the post settlement governance entity of his iwi, Taranaki Whānui ki te Upoko o te Ika. A life-long Wellingtonian, Holden is also a qualified lawyer and Māori language interpreter. He is currently General Manager Te Tiriti Strategy at Manaaki Whenua (Landcare Research). In previous years he held a similar role on our Council's executive leadership team and spent some time as Support Manager for CitiOperations business unit.

He is currently the Chair of the Ngāti Maru Post Settlement Entity - Te Kāhui Maru, and is the immediate past Chair of Taranaki Whānui ki te Upoko o te Ika. He has also served on a number of boards, for example Experience Wellington, one of our Council Controlled Organisations, as well as being an advisory trustee for Te Aro Pā Trust, and a director for Predator Free Wellington.

Holden is passionate about his Ngāti Maru and Taranaki Whānui ki te Upoko o te Ika identity, which connects him both to Te Whanganui-a-Tara, and to his ancestral homeland in Taranaki.

Ngā huihuinga o te Kaunihera, ngā komiti me ngā poari ā-hapori

Council, committee and community board meetings

Council and Committee meetings are livestreamed via our YouTube page, so please tune in at [youtube.com/WgtnCC](https://www.youtube.com/WgtnCC). You are also welcome to attend any meeting listed.

Meeting dates and locations sometimes need to change, so please check final details at [wellington.govt.nz/meetings](https://www.wellington.govt.nz/meetings) or phone **04 499 4444**.

Wednesday 21 June

6pm - Takatāpui and Rainbow Advisory Council

Thursday 22 June

9.30am - Koata Hātepe | Regulatory Processes Committee

Monday 26 June

7pm - Tawa Community Board, Linden Community Centre

Tuesday 27 June

5.30pm - Accessibility Advisory Group

Wednesday 28 June

9.30am - Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee

Thursday 29 June

9.30am - Te Kaunihera o Pōneke | Council
9.30am - Kōrau Tōtōpū | Long-term Plan, Finance, and Performance Committee

Wednesday 12 July

6pm - Pacific Advisory Group

Tuesday 25 July

5.30pm - Accessibility Advisory Group

Tuesday 3 August

9.30am - Kōrau Tūāpapa | Environment and Infrastructure Committee
7pm - Mākara/Ōhāriu Community Board, Mākara Community Hall

Wednesday 9 August

4pm - Youth Council
6pm - Pacific Advisory Group

Monday 14 August

5pm - Environmental Reference Group

Wednesday 16 August

6pm - Takatāpui and Rainbow Advisory Council

Thursday 17 August

9.30am - Kōrau Tōtōpū | Long-term Plan, Finance, and Performance Committee

Monday 21 August

7pm - Tawa Community Board, Tawa Community Centre

Wednesday 23 August

4pm - Youth Council

Thursday 24 August

9.30am - Koata Hātepe | Regulatory Processes Committee

Tuesday 29 August

5.30pm - Accessibility Advisory Group

Thursday 31 August

9.30am - Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee

All meetings take place at Council headquarters, 113 The Terrace, or in the suburbs for Community Board meetings.

Te Koromatua me ngā Kaikaunihera

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Matariki Ahi Kā

13-16 July

6pm-9pm, Waterfront
Fire, projections, kai,
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Mana Moana

Weekends 1-16 July

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