



What's On

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AUCKLAND MUSEUM AUTUMN SEASON

This autumn, Auckland Museum remembers

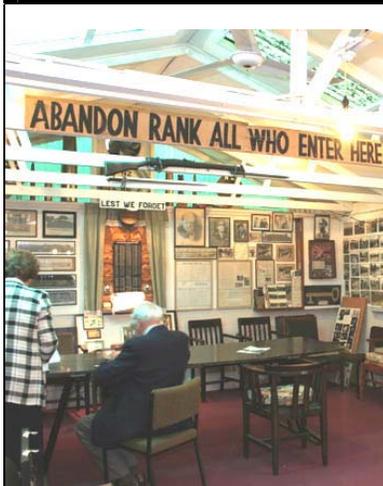
- We remember our Veterans
- We remember the Clubroom of Auckland's 21 Battalion
- We remember the fallen in our Hall of Memories
- We remember ANZAC Day

We also remind ourselves that we are a city of Volcanoes and celebrate the arrival of a new dinosaur from Australia to befriend our dryosaur, Delaurus.

This programme was correct at time of publication, however families are advised to check the Holiday Programme Infoline 09 306 7032 or check the Auckland Museum website www.aucklandmuseum.com. To book, please call 09 306 7048 from 9am to 4pm or email bookings@aucklandmuseum.com.

Note; Unless otherwise stated, all public programmes and events are included with the requested entry donation and bookings are not required.

MUSEUM EXHIBITIONS



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VETERANS' CLUB:

**The comradeship and memories of Auckland's 21 Infantry Battalion
24 March – 21 May. Pictorial Gallery, 2nd Floor**

To commemorate the 'Year of the Veterans', Auckland Museum has re-created the clubrooms of the 21 Battalion, featuring photographs and histories highlighting the camaraderie and friendships of veterans, and the activities of the Association in the local communities.

Soldiers returning from war faced many difficulties in readjusting to life in New Zealand. Veterans' associations provided a place for sharing memories of campaigns fought and for remembering and honouring mates lost.

This exhibition offers visitors a chance to experience the supportive environment of the clubrooms, and discover more about the veterans during the war, and afterwards. Veterans' Club will feature photographs and recorded histories telling the soldiers' stories of World War II campaigns; the hardships and the happy moments; returns and reunions; and the ongoing support of the Association for its members and for all New Zealanders.



Pompeii Victim – Located in the Volcanoes gallery, this plaster cast provides a glimpse into the dramatic last moments of this ancient city

VOLCANOES In association with EQC, The Earthquake Commission

Volcanoes Gallery, Level 1

Since VOLCANOES opened in December record numbers of Aucklanders have flocked to Auckland Museum's dynamic new permanent gallery to find the answers to some of these questions.

What exactly are volcanoes?
How do they work?
Why are they there?
What is their history?
What do they mean to us?

The exhibition takes you on a sensory journey that explores the geographical, social and cultural impact of volcanoes, in Auckland, throughout New Zealand and around the world.

March Lecture series - See www.aucklandmuseum.com.



The Castle Collection showcases unique and unusual musical instruments that are now part of New Zealand's musical heritage

THE CASTLE COLLECTION REOPENS

Ground Floor, Music Gallery

This selection of unique and unusual musical instruments of international significance, amassed over 50 years by the late Wellington collectors Zillah Castle and Ronald Castle has returned to display after an absence of two years.

The Castle Collection was the life passion of siblings Zillah Castle and Ronald Castle. Auckland Museum purchased the private collection in its entirety from the estate in 1998, fulfilling the Castle's wish that their private museum would form the basis of a national collection. The siblings have been described as New Zealand's 'pioneers ... in the cause of early music and instruments'.

The Castle Collection is the single most important collection of antique, rare and unusual instruments and musical scores in the nation. The collection of early instruments has been described as being unique in the southern hemisphere, and was cited in the new *Groves Dictionary of Music and Musicians*.

PUBLIC PROGRAMMES

Dinosaurs Alive!

MEET OUR NEW DRYOSAUR

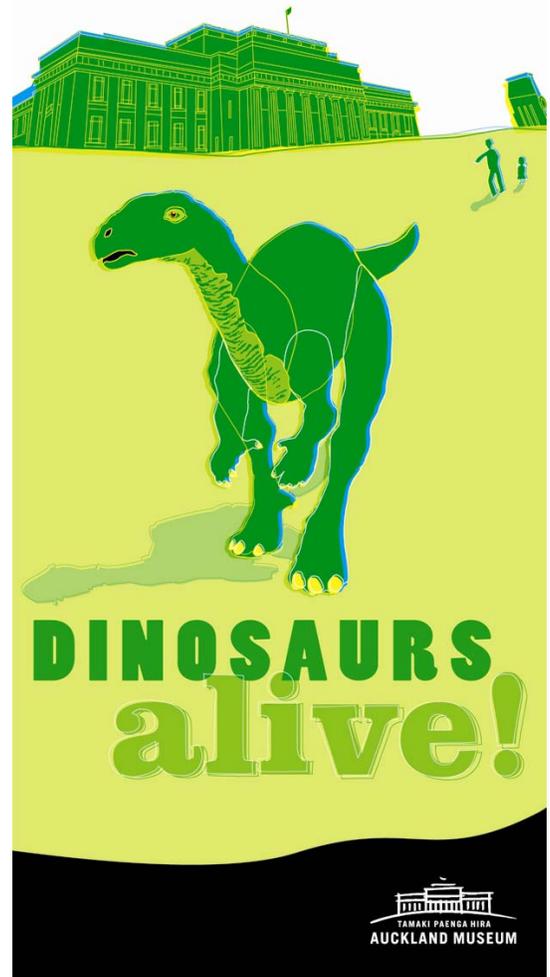
SATURDAYS (EXCEPT ANZAC DAY) 11:30AM, 12:30PM, 2PM
DAILY DURING SCHOOL HOLIDAYS WITH EXTRA SHOW AT 3PM.
ORIGINS GALLERY, FIRST FLOOR
PRICE: \$4 per child. Accompanying adults free

Astonishing as it seems, Auckland Museum will soon have two dinosaurs! A male dryosaur has been found in Australia and the Museum has successfully negotiated to transport him to Auckland. The Museum's dinosaur keepers hope that he will form a friendship with our dryosaur Delaurus, who has become increasingly lonely over the summer months.

His Australian handlers have warned the Museum that he is likely to be more aggressive than Delaurus and so they will have to work to familiarise him with his new surroundings and calm him down before audience members can interact with him.

The Museum will be doing this from his arrival on April 6 until the beginning of the school holidays on April 14 when the public will be able to see him find his feet, in FOUR daily presentations.

During the April holidays, you will see the dinosaurs getting used to the idea of sharing their space. With the use of mirrors, sounds and images, they will understand that they are not the only live inhabitants of Auckland Museum's natural history galleries. And slowly we will introduce them. The implications of having a dinosaur couple of the same species in captivity are huge, and no doubt we will soon be discussing the possibility of a breeding programme.



THE WAR MEMORIAL LECTURE SERIES: VETERANS AND COMMUNITY

2006 has been declared "The Year of the Veteran" and this lecture series, developed in partnership with Auckland University, focuses on those New Zealanders who went to the Vietnam war and thankfully returned, those who were opposed to World War II and those who were left behind.

Family Veterans Programme

Throughout the school holidays the Museum will commemorate the "The Year of the Veteran", with a programme of tours, readings and talks designed with the family in mind.

WAR MEMORIAL LECTURE SERIES: VETERANS AND COMMUNITY

Admission Prices: Full: \$18 per lecture \$36 for the series.

Concession: (Auckland Museum members, full-time students and unwaged.) \$13.50 per lecture or \$31.50 for the series.

APEC Room

Bookings required. Phone (09) 3737599 ext 87831

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THE VIETNAM VETERANS

Deborah Challinor

Wednesday 26 April, 7.30 – 9.00pm

As an agent of social change there can be nothing quite as brutal as war. How did New Zealand change during and immediately after the end of the Vietnam War as a result of New Zealand's involvement and what impact did these changes have on the veterans of this war? This lecture will explore how the Vietnam veterans were treated upon their return home as well as the social and health issues they experienced.

DOCUMENTING WORLD WAR TWO DISSENT

Russell Campbell

Wednesday 3 May, 7.30 – 9.00pm

New Zealand's involvement in World War Two had the support of the majority of the population; however there were those who were passionately opposed to participation – principally pacifists and Communists. They spoke out against the war, published dissentient opinion, and refused to enlist. The government reacted by enacting a series of stringent emergency measures designed to prevent the dissemination of anti-war and anti-conscription views, and set up detention camps for military defaulters not deemed to be genuine conscientious objectors. This lecture will discuss the process of recording and investigating this aspect of our history in his feature documentary *Sedition: The Suppression of Dissent in World War II New Zealand*.

'DEAR FOLKS': AN EMOTIONAL HISTORY OF WORLD WAR TWO

Deborah Montgomerie

Wednesday 10 May, 7.30 – 9.00pm

When soldiers went to war they left parents, wives, sweethearts and children behind, often for years at a time. What were the challenges created by these separations and how were they met? Using letters and diaries we can appreciate the images of family, home and sacrifice that kept soldiers and their loved ones going through difficult times. We can also begin to trace a history of wartime emotions such as love, anxiety, boredom, and hope for a better future, which are as much part of our war history as troop deployments or battle stories.

THE NEW ZEALAND VETERAN EXPERIENCE – a symposium

Wednesday 17 May, 7.30 – 9.00pm

APEC Room

Those who serve their country in times of war and subsequently return are called veterans. What is the shared experience of these people? What does a country do to support them on their return; indeed what should a country do? What have these veterans commonly done to support one another? These questions will be explored by a panel involving veterans and people from Government bodies and community social services.

Bookings required. Phone 09 306 7048 from 9am to 4pm or email bookings@aucklandmuseum.com.

RANGITOTO FIELD TRIP

Thurs 20 April – 9am to 4pm

A day trip with a guided walk on Rangitoto - the youngest of 48 volcanoes in the region having been formed just 600 years ago. The walk to the summit takes about one hour. People can chose to either walk or be driven to the summit.

Prices: *Walking:* Adults \$18.40, Children \$10.40, Family [2 adults/2 children] \$51.60 (includes return ferry). *4 wheel-drive:* Adults \$47.40, Children \$25.40 (includes return ferry).

Bookings are essential. Phone 09 306 7048 from 9am to 4pm or email bookings@aucklandmuseum.com. Places are confirmed with payment.

All participants must select their option BEFORE travelling. Ferry departs at 9.15am and return ferries are available at 12.45pm or 3.30pm.

CHRIS BOOTH THE MAN BEHIND THE VICTORIA STREET GATEWAY

Thursday 4 May, 7pm APEC Room Auckland Museum

Museum Members Free, Non members \$10, Hosted by the Museum Circle

Chris Booth is a New Zealand based sculptor most well known for his stone boulder 'Gateway' sculpture at the end of Victoria Street East, Albert Park in Auckland. 'Echo van de Veluwe', a major sculpture by Booth, was recently opened in the sculpture park of the prestigious Kroller-Muller Museum in the Netherlands. Dr. Evert van Straaten, Director of the Museum announced this was the first sculpture in their collection where the artist worked so closely and reflected the people and environment of the Museum. He said the work stands out as a major contribution to the collection of the Museum. Chris Booth will discuss his work both here and overseas. Bookings essential. To book, please call 09 306 7048 from 9am to 4pm or email bookings@aucklandmuseum.com.

ANZAC DAY PROGRAMME

Anzac Day Tuesday 25 April

Every year, Auckland War Memorial Museum, Auckland City Council and the RSA marks ANZAC day with a series of services and commemorative events. This year the Museum will open immediately after the dawn service, enabling Aucklanders to further commemorate the day by visiting the War Memorial galleries, Scars on the Heart and the Veterans Club exhibition. No donation will be asked for on this day.

6am

Cenotaph: Dawn Service

- 6.45am** Auckland War Memorial Museum opens to the public.
- 10.15am** Museum closes to commemorate the Civic Service on the Cenotaph
- 11am** Cenotaph: Public Commemorative Service
- 12 noon** Museum reopens (at the end of service) Foyer **Performance by bugler William Gunson** of wartime favourites and commemorative pieces.
- 12:15pm** **LEST WE FORGET POETRY COMPETITION WINNERS WORLD WAR II HALL OF MEMORIES, SECOND FLOOR.** The two winners of our children's Lest We Forget Poetry Competition will present their personal responses to war.
- 12:30pm** **FAMILY TOURS OF SCARS I, MEET BY THE ZERO AIRPLANE ON THE SECOND FLOOR.** Come on a family friendly tour of Scars on the Heart, our World War I gallery, and find out amazing facts and figures about the Great War and the New Zealanders involved in it.
- 1pm & 2:30pm** **LOTTIE – A NURSE'S STORY, SCARS ON THE HEART I, SECOND FLOOR.** Charlotte le Gallais trained as a nurse at Auckland Hospital and served on the hospital ship Maheno in 1915. Join Lottie in this interactive performance and find out about life on board, and what it was like to have two brothers who were serving in the army.
- 1:30pm** **MEDALS AND MEMORABILIA, VETERAN'S CLUB EXHIBITION, PICTORIAL GALLERY, SECOND FLOOR.** Bring in your relative's war medals or any other memorabilia. Our History Curator, Rose will identify medals, and you can tell her the stories behind your keepsakes.
- 1:30pm** **"COMING HOME" FILM SCREENING, IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE NEW ZEALAND FILM ARCHIVE. APEC ROOM, GROUND FLOOR.** These four silent films, accompanied on the piano by Tama Karena, focus on returning troops and New Zealand veterans of war.

THROUGHOUT THE AFTERNOON

FREE KID'S POPPY FIELD CRAFT

TREASURES & TALES STEVENSON DISCOVERY CENTRE Help us create a field of poppies! Share your thoughts on ANZAC Day by adding a petal to our beautiful poppy mural in remembrance of war veterans.

KIT BAG/CENOTAPH DATABASE DRIVE

ARMOURY, SECOND FLOOR Collect the form to help you retrieve your relatives' war records, and have them added permanently to the Museum's database.

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS & FAMILY PROGRAMMES

DINOSAURS ALIVE!

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ST PATRICKS DAY CELEBRATIONS

SATURDAY 18 & SUNDAY 19 MARCH

STEVENSON TREASURES & TALES

Find the pot of gold at the end of our fun fact trail, amid an atmosphere of Irish music and decorations.

LEST WE FORGET POETRY COMPETITION

MONDAY 24 APRIL, 10:30AM

WORLD WAR II HALL OF MEMORIES, SECOND FLOOR

Write your own personal response to war. The subject could be wars past or present, your imagination is the only restriction. Send your poem in to Lest We Forget Poetry Competition, Auckland Museum, Freepost 65043, Private Bag 92018, Auckland, to arrive no later than Friday 21 April. Finalists will be invited to read their poem in a special poetry morning on Monday 24 April. Two winners will be asked to present their poem in the Museum on Anzac Day.

LOTTIE – A NURSE'S STORY

DAILY FROM TUESDAY 18 APRIL – MONDAY 24 APRIL, 11AM, 1PM & 2:30PM

SCARS ON THE HEART I, SECOND FLOOR

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VOLCANO ART COMPETITION

CLOSING DATE: SUNDAY 30 APRIL

Volcanoes can be spectacular and special places. Use your imagination, or come in and check out our new Volcano Gallery for some inspiration, then create a volcano artwork for this fun competition. Create your own volcano in this fun competition. Entries must be on A4 paper or a 3D sculpture no bigger than 40cm long. Winners will receive a cool volcano pack from the Museum Shop and have their entry on display in Treasures & Tales and on the website. Pick up an entry form from the Information Desk or from Stevenson Discovery Centre or download from the website.

HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS

Workshop spaces are limited.

All workshops must be booked and prepaid. Museum members have priority booking and general bookings open on April 2.

To book, please call 09 306 7048 from 9am to 4pm or email bookings@aucklandmuseum.com.

JEWELLERY FROM THE FIERY FURNACE. A WORKSHOP WITH ARTIST ANNA BATES

FRIDAY 21 APRIL, 10:30AM – 2PM PRICE: \$20 (or \$15 for Dinomites)

Advanced workshop: ages 11 – 15 years

In this special, extended workshop you'll get the chance to learn jewellery-making techniques, and produce your own piece of original jewellery using materials of volcanic origin. Bring your own lunch, morning tea provided.

FUN WITH ERUPTIONS

TUESDAY 18 APRIL, 10:30AM – 12:00PM

PRICE: \$10 (or \$7.50 for Dinomites) Senior Workshop: ages 7 – 10 years

Make a volcano! Paint your own small volcano and watch it erupt, then take it home and amuse the family. Visit the 'Volcanoes' gallery at the Museum and find out about volcanic glass.

VOLCANIC ANTICS

WEDNESDAY 19 APRIL, 11:00AM – 12:00PM PRICE: \$8 (or \$6 for Dinomites)

Junior workshop, ages 4 – 6 years.

Learn about volcanoes and eruptions and make your own volcano costume and eruption wand. Then dress up and dance the 'Volcano Rumble!'

STEVENSON DISCOVERY CENTRE 10-MINUTE ACTIVITIES

FRIDAY 14 APRIL – MONDAY 24 APRIL 10AM – 12PM AND 1:30PM – 3PM Daily

PRICE: \$2 (\$1 for Dinomites) No need to book just pop in.

Mondays & Fridays

10am - 12pm Volcano Sand Pictures

1.30pm - 3pm Dino Paws

Tuesdays & Saturdays

10am - 12pm Spin & Spiral Art

1.30pm - 3pm Pegasaurus

Wednesdays

10am - 12pm Volcano Badge-Making
1.30pm - 3pm Dinosaur Badge-Making

Thursdays & Sundays

10am - 12pm Fire Wands
1.30pm - 3pm Dino Rubbing

CULTURAL PERFORMANCE



MANAIA

Our People, Our Culture

Experience Maori hospitality by joining our Manaia group in a lively performance of song, dance and stories.

The compelling show will give you an insight into Maori tradition (korero), genealogy (whakapapa) and spirituality (taha wairua).

Be moved by their stories, by the Haka and by Auckland Museum's spectacular collection of priceless Maori treasures.

Daily Performances: 11am, 12 noon and 1.30pm. Extra performance at 2.30pm, (Jan-Mar)

PRICE: Adults \$15, Children \$7.50, Seniors, Students, ISIC, YHA and VIP cardholders \$11.25

MUSEUM TOURS

GUIDED HIGHLIGHTS TOURS

Every day at 10.30am

A special guided tour of Auckland Museum. The tours are provided by the Museum's volunteer guides, all of whom have a special knowledge and passion for the Museum and its collections.

PRICE: Adults \$10, Children \$5, Concessions \$7.50



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