

ISSUE 60  
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# My Hastings

Keep up with what's happening in Hastings District



CELEBRATING HASTINGS

# BLOSSOM

## PARADE

16 SEPTEMBER 11AM / HASTINGS CBD

## BLOSSOM MARKET

16 SEPTEMBER 9AM - 12 NOON / HASTINGS CITY CENTRE MALL

## BLOSSOM PRIZEGIVING

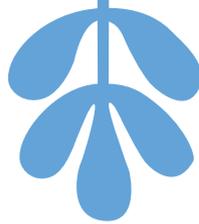
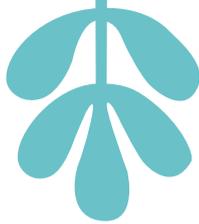
16 SEPTEMBER 1PM / HASTINGS CIVIC SQUARE



Harcourts  
HAWKE'S BAY  
ARTS  
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FEATURE INSIDE!

# HASTINGS BLOSSOM PARADE



## CELEBRATE HASTINGS WITH THE 2017 HASTINGS BLOSSOM PARADE!

Join the party on Saturday 16 September as the Hastings Blossom Parade takes to the streets of the central city.

The day's activities begin with a Blossom Market from 9am - 12pm in the city centre mall, where a fantastic selection of tasty treats will be available from local food vendors.

The parade kicks off at 11am with a colourful array of floats, bands, marching groups, clubs and community organisations. The ever-popular Batucada bands from Hawke's Bay, Wellington and Palmerston North will once again delight the crowds with their power and energy.

Established in 1950, the Blossom Parade has long been a highlight of the Hastings event calendar, with approximately 15,000-20,000 people cramming the streets to view last year's event.

This year, more than 50 floats and groups will weave their way through the city centre in this annual spring spectacular.

The theme for 2017 is Celebrate Hastings - giving participants the perfect opportunity to celebrate everything that makes our district unique and special.



**Blossom Parade**  
Saturday 16 September 11am

**Prize Giving**  
Civic Square 1pm

**Blossom Market**  
Hastings City Centre Mall  
9am - 12 noon

**Road closures and parking restrictions apply:**

**Parade Route** 10am - 1pm

**Parade Set up Area** 6am - 3pm

**Heretaunga Street within parade route** Closed from 7am



The Hastings Blossom Parade is proudly brought to you by Arts Inc. Heretaunga.  
artsinc.co.nz  
Tel: 06 878 9447



# A FRUITFUL ENDEAVOUR



Fruit salad is the theme for a colourful entry being created by young students of The Drama Workshop.

More than 50 students aged 4 - 15 are taking part, with each child designing their own unique costume, inspired by the idea of what makes a fruit salad.

Juliet Cottrell, Director of The Drama Workshop says: "With fruit salad, the flavour, texture and colour of each piece of fruit is as important as the other and enhances the taste of the next one. With our drama classes, each young person is unique with their own talents and



Katie and Ellie Hutchison from The Drama Workshop's Best-Dressed 'Scarecrow' entry in 2015.

strengths. When they come together they create wonderful examples of theatre art but with each child still recognisable and acknowledged as a distinct individual."

Juliet says the design is top secret, but as winners of the 2015 'Best Dressed' title, this is sure to be a clever and eye-catching entry!

## 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDATION OF THE NZ ARMED CONSTABULARY FORCE 1867-2017

In commemoration of the 150th anniversary of the foundation of the NZ Armed Constabulary Force, the NZACFRS Inc. is joining the 2017 Hastings Blossom Parade.

No 1 Division Artillery Unit from Hawke's Bay, with their six pounder Armstrong field guns and limbers, 1869.



NZACFRS in Christchurch, 1989



NZACFRS gun salute 6 pdr Armstrong firing



Hastings Centennial Parade, 1984

The Number One Division New Zealand Armed Constabulary Force was raised in Hawke's Bay in October 1867 to put down rebellion and quell disturbances. After the war ended in 1872, the Armed Constabulary assumed a frontier policing role until 1877, and then as a Field Force Reserve until 1886.

The re-enactment society was founded in 1982 to perform in guards of honour, gun salutes, parades and tattoos. Using authentic uniforms and costumes, horse-drawn Armstrong field guns, Coehorn mortars and Snider rifles, the

NZACFRS creates realistic impressions of bygone days.

A drummer and piper will lead the group, followed by two full size horse-drawn replica 6 pounder Armstrong field guns and a horse-drawn four wheeled wagon. Women and children dressed in 1860s period costume will ride on the wagon and gunners will walk alongside.

**Thanks to Malcolm Baker of Baker Engineering, Hastings for providing the harness horses and drivers for the parade.**

## CRANFORD CELEBRATES 35 YEARS

Cranford Hospice is celebrating being part of the Hawke's Bay community for 35 years. Cranford Hospice will be taking the birthday theme to the streets of Hastings for the Blossom Parade on 16 September with a giant birthday cake to celebrate.

Staff, volunteers and patients have all been involved in designing, building and decorating the cake. Vic from Supertrike, a big supporter of Cranford Hospice, will be out in front with his bike allowing some patients to have the best view of the parade.

Patients and their families, staff and volunteers will also escort the float down the streets of Hastings to say a big thank you to the Hawke's Bay community for all their support over the last 35 years.



## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

**TIMETABLE - SATURDAY 16 SEPT**

**9am - 12pm:**

Blossom Market - Hastings City Centre Mall (beside clock tower)

Enjoy a range of tasty treats from local food vendors

**11am:**

Blossom Parade commences - corner of Lyndon Road and Warren Street (see map for more information)

**1pm (approx):**

Prize giving - Civic Square (outside Hastings City Art Gallery)

### CATEGORIES AND PRIZES

There are seven categories with a cash prize of \$500 for the winner of each category.

The categories are:

- Best Community
- Best School
- Best Business
- Best Use of Natural Flowers
- Best Use of Artificial Flowers
- Best Humour
- Best Dressed Individual or Group

Join us at Civic Square after the parade when all winners will be announced.

### PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD

An overall People's Choice Award of \$1000 will be decided by public vote on the day of the parade.

To cast your vote for The Hits People's Choice Award, please text the word BLOSSOM followed by a space and the number of your favourite float to 4487 (texts cost 20 cents).

Please note, text voting won't go live until the day of the parade.

### SEATING FOR THE ELDERLY & DISABLED

There will be a limited allocation of seating for the elderly and disabled on the corner of Queen Street West and Market Street North (opposite Kiwibank).

Bookings are essential. Please telephone Lyn at Arts Inc. Heretaunga on (06) 878 9447 to reserve a seat.

### ROAD CLOSURES AND PARKING RESTRICTIONS

Please note, there will be road closures and traffic detours in place from 6am until 3pm on Saturday 16 September. Please refer to the map and follow the signs. Parking will not be available in the central city.

Our grateful thanks to the following organisations who have helped support the Hastings Blossom Parade.



A special thank you to **Emmerson Transport Limited** for providing trucks and drivers to community groups, and to **Conroy Removals** for transporting the large mascot costumes from Wellington.





# The 2017 Harcourts Hawke's Bay Arts Festival

Hastings District Council is proud to be the Core Funder of the 2017 Harcourts Hawke's Bay Arts Festival.

The festival delivers an exceptional line up of talent right to our doorstep, giving local audiences the opportunity to experience artists and performers that might otherwise never come to Hawke's Bay.

Artists and companies from Switzerland, Ireland, Canada and Australia will join forces with some of the best and brightest New Zealand talent in what promises to be a spectacular 13 days of arts and culture.

International offerings include two multi-award winning, physical theatre troupes showcasing their artistry alongside some of Australia's best cabaret and children's comedy shows.

The festival is also rich in local offerings, with locally produced theatre and homegrown musicians showcasing the artistry within our own community.

Complementing the extensive programme is a Readers and Writers

Festival, featuring 18 inspiring conversations with authors, artists, advocates and thinkers, including Lizzie Marvally, David Trubridge and Nicky Hager.

The second week of the festival is timed to coincide with the start of the October school holidays, with plenty of high-quality entertainment for younger audience members. It's the perfect excuse for out-of-town family and friends to visit our beautiful region!

Pick up a copy of the festival programme from Hastings District Council, libraries, i-SITES, cafes, galleries or Harcourts Hawke's Bay offices. For more information and bookings, go to [hbaf.co.nz](http://hbaf.co.nz) or visit the i-SITES Hastings, Havelock North and Napier.



Driftwood



## What's in a tent?

One of the most distinctive aspects of the festival has to be the magnificent Spiegeltent, which serves as the main entertainment hub for the 13-day event.

Spiegeltent  
Photo by Tim Whittaker

Spiegeltent literally translates to 'tent of mirrors', with the first tents appearing in the late 19th and early 20th centuries, as travelling performance venues in Europe.

This year, The Pacific Crystal Palace will once again take pride of place on the Havelock North Village Green.

This New Zealand-built Spiegeltent was built in 2001 to withstand the extremes of the New Zealand climate. Owned by a New Zealand consortium of festivals, the tent is lavishly decorated with stained glass windows, mirrors, ornate lighting, wood panelling and flooring. The tent has a distinctly 'kiwiana' theme, with paua shell inlay and palm frond detailing,

and is equipped with a stage, bar area and individual seating booths.

The tent comes with its own touring crew who oversee the construction of this unique venue. Comprised of more than 3,000 individual pieces, it takes around four days to construct and is like putting together a giant 3-D jigsaw puzzle.

"There's something magical about a performance in a Spiegeltent," says Festival Director Pitsch Leiser. "Audiences love them for their uniqueness and intimacy and the performers love them because they can really connect with the audience."

Events will also take place at a number of other Hastings and Havelock North venues including the Blyth Performing Arts Centre at Iona College, Woodford House Hall, Arts Inc. Heretaunga, Parlour Projects, Toimairangi, Havelock North Function Centre and the Hastings City Art Gallery. Further afield, there will be performances at the Waiapu Anglican Cathedral and MTG Century Theatre in Napier, and the Gaiety Theatre in Wairoa, making this a truly Hawke's Bay-wide event.



Thomas Oliver



The Full Stretch



Eb & Sparrow

## A Celebration of Homegrown Talent

This year's festival is a true celebration of the diversity and depth of talent within our local community.

Homegrown theatre pieces include *The Contours of Heaven* by local collaboration Riverseeds Collective, and *The Hooligan and the Lady* - a clever romp, which tells the story of Kiwi vaudevillian Florence LeMar. It features a cast of talented Hawke's Bay actors and musicians and is written, produced and directed by local creative Pauline Ellen Hayes.

Local actor Daniel Betty is performing the celebrated one-man show *Vincent*, based on hundreds of letters exchanged between the illustrious painter Vincent Van Gogh and his brother Theo.

Local musicians include the highly accomplished Rosie Lanagabeer, with her late-night show *Dr Geeklove*. Langabeer and her guitar-wielding sidekick, Neil Watson (Tami Neilson, Tim Finn, Anika Moea) will reinvent some of history's greatest hits in ways you've never heard them before.

Former Havelock North local Thomas Oliver returns to the festival with a five-piece band featuring songs from his new album *Floating in the Darkness*. The internationally renowned musician and APRA Silver Scroll winner is one of the headline acts at this year's festival and his two shows are sure to sell out fast.

Southern Hawke's Bay born singer-songwriter Stretch is bringing his acclaimed debut album *Bury All Horses* for a one-and-only live performance from the full band that recorded the album. Aptly named *The Full Stretch*, this will be a totally engaging night of great music as the band moves effortlessly from dark-hearted ballads to roof raising choruses.

Following last year's success, Hawke's Bay's renowned Festival Opera returns to the festival with another emotionally charged performance. Starring 30 rising stars from Project Prima Volta, the ensemble will deliver a contemporary twist on Handel's famous opera *Acis & Galatea*.

On the final day of the festival, The Hawke's Bay Community Choir joins forces with the Wellington Community Choir and local band Mphantwon Wuts and This Quiet Earth for *Kiwi As*. Together, these multi-talented musicians pay homage to some of our best loved pop songs, made famous by Kiwi legends such as The Mockers, The Mutton Birds and Crowded House.

Bringing the festival to a sensational close will be Eb & Sparrow performing with their full band, including a two-piece brass section. Fronted by former Hawke's Bay powerhouse vocalist Ebony Lamb, this group is making their mark on the New Zealand music scene with their distinctive sound that brings together folk, alt-country and old-time soul with a rockin' edge, guaranteed to raise the roof of the Spiegeltent!

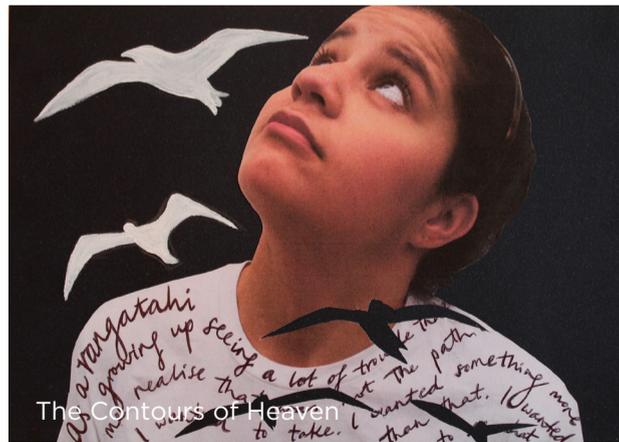
## Local Storytelling: The Contours of Heaven

From the creators of *Edge of a Raindrop*, which premiered at the 2016 festival to critical acclaim, comes another beautiful performance piece from local collaboration Riverseeds Collective.

Created and performed by Puti Lancaster, Ana Chaya Scotney and Marama Beamish, *The Contours of Heaven* explores the impact of human settlement on our fragile coastline.

As descendants of the rivers from Ngāti Kahungunu, Ngai Tuhoe, Ngai Tai and Ngāti Tuwharetoa, the Collective devises fresh works based on local contexts and contemporary Aotearoa.

Director Puti Lancaster says the group feels privileged to share this story, which is a weave of interviews with six rangatahi who openly share



The Contours of Heaven

their voices of this time, place and what they have inherited from living on this land.

"Our wish is that the participants of the arts festival meet the voices of this time and place who live in our very own backyard Aotearoa. We are not asked to come up with any solutions but more can we listen without making it about ourselves as adults."

## Readers + Writers events celebrate our local writers and thinkers

Local highlights in the programme include:

**Big Fiction:** Toby Buck hosts a discussion between major award winning novelists Catherine Chidgey and Stephen Daisley about the unspoken and the unspeakable.

**Family Fiction:** Havelock North author and musician Mary-anne Scott, a finalist in the 2017 Book Awards, discusses authentic characters with Jenny Patrick.



**It's a Kind of Magic:** Hawke's Bay bookseller and Young Adult author Gareth Ward, aka The Great Wardini, will be with Kate de Goldi.

**Beside Herself:** Hastings poet Jenny Dobson leads a discussion with poet Chris Price and her partner Robbie Duncan, with a side dish of music.

**Beauty Matters:** Designer/maker David Trubridge weaves storytelling performance, music and discussion around the importance of beauty.



**Women of Influence:** Anna Pierard discusses supporting and inspiring young people with Lizzie Marvelli, both finalists in the 2016 Women of Influence Award.

**Mental Health:** Egan Bidois and Helena Keyes open dialogue on mental health issues.

**We Need to Talk About P:** Dr Joseph Stone and Amber Logan confront assumptions and discuss the social and physical impacts of methamphetamine use.

**Diversity:** Hawke's Bay playwright, director and artist Puti Lancaster talks diversity with major Australian artist, photographer and film-maker William Yang.

**Chairs:** Local chairs Simon Murfitt, Matt Kidd, Jo Morris, Paula Murdoch and Jessica Soutar Barron create a space for us to have a conversation with our world.

**For more information and tickets, go to [hbafo.co.nz](http://hbafo.co.nz)**

# International Artistry Comes to the Bay

One of the greatest benefits of an arts festival is the opportunity for local audiences to experience the best of international talent in our own backyard.

A record 11 international acts will form part of this year's Arts Festival, thanks in part to the sharing of travel costs with several other festivals. This partnership makes it affordable to bring the highest calibre of international acts to Hawke's Bay, many of whom have enjoyed success at overseas festivals including the Edinburgh Fringe.

An hour of happiness not to be missed!



## Pss Pss – Compagnia Bacçalà

What happens when two modern-day clowns take to the stage without a single word being spoken?

Find out in this extraordinary physical theatre performance by internationally renowned Swiss theatre company, Compagnia Bacçalà.

Winner of 13 international prizes, including the Cirque Du Soleil prize, *Pss Pss* has been performed over 600 times, in more than 50 countries, and on all 5 continents, to huge acclaim. With inspiration drawn from Chaplin, Keaton, and the stars of silent films, this timeless performance has been delighting audiences around the globe since 2010.

Compagnia Bacçalà was born from the Swiss Italian union of Simone Fassari and Camilla Pessi, who met at the famous Dimitri Theatre School in Switzerland. The duo parted ways, performing in circuses and cabarets around the globe without seeing each other for years.

In 2004, Simone contacted Camilla to stand-in for his usual acrobatic partner and they quickly rediscovered their unique synergy. They later ran away from the circus

they were in, created *Pss Pss* and the rest is history.

The result is a breathtaking and inventive show where no words are spoken but the story and emotions are communicated through the universal language of gesture and look. Equally convincing in their dreamy silences as in their comic slapstick, the duo fumble their way through acrobatics and mishaps that will have you laughing long after you leave the theatre.

Thanks to a partnership with Nelson, Tauranga and Kokomai Festivals, Hawke's Bay audiences will have the unique opportunity to enjoy this extraordinary performance.

*Pss Pss* is proudly supported by Hastings District Council and is perfect family-friendly entertainment, suitable for ages 9 and older.

Proudly supported by



## Festival on a budget

On a budget? We want everyone to experience the **Harcourts Hawke's Bay Arts Festival**. That's why we offer free and inexpensive events that let you be part of the festival action - without breaking the bank.

### Tape Art Labyrinth

Award-winning tape art pioneers, Erica Duthie and Struan Ashby of Tape Art NZ, will install a temporary labyrinth in the Havelock North Village Green. Created from almost 300 metres of coloured tape, the labyrinth will be a playful and interactive art installation that can be enjoyed by children and adults alike.

**Tuesday 26 – Saturday 30 Sept**  
**Havelock North Village Green FREE**

Also 'drop-in' and participate in our Community Labyrinth project in Flaxmere, with workshops guided by Erica and Struan.

### Almost Serious – Fane Flaws

Musician and artist Fane Flaws will be setting up a working-studio area at the Hastings Community Art Centre, where he will work for the duration of the festival, including a speed-portrait salon, a re-creation of his living room with a telly running selected video clips, a performance space which will feature action painting to live improvised music and a series of live concerts from the Fane Flaws songbook.

**Monday 18 Sept – Saturday 14 Oct**  
**Arts Inc. Heretaunga FREE (excludes some ticketed events)**

### Readers + Writers

Festival Readers + Writers events bring the brightest and best writers, poets, bloggers, journalists, innovators and artists together with audiences to debate issues, to open up worlds and to share the stories that are at the heart of all human experience.

**Readers + Writers events are programmed throughout the festival in Hastings and Napier. Tickets \$18**

### William Yang – Community Performance

This special event will feature five Hawke's Bay locals sharing their uniquely personal stories. Drawing on their own history, identity and sense of place, each participant will present their story, crafted under the masterful guidance of internationally renowned artist and storyteller William Yang.

**Friday 6 Oct**  
**The Blyth Performing Arts Centre Tickets \$22**



For more information and tickets, go to [www.hbaf.co.nz](http://www.hbaf.co.nz)



**26 Sept - 8 Oct 2017**  
**Tickets selling fast - book now at [hbaaf.co.nz](http://hbaaf.co.nz) or**  
**i-SITEs Hastings, Havelock North, Napier & Wairoa**



BLOSSOM EVENT



FREE EVENTS

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PROUD

## Hastings City Art Gallery

Open every day from 10am - 4.30pm FREE ENTRY  
Ph: (06) 871 5095 or E: [hastingsartgallery@hdc.govt.nz](mailto:hastingsartgallery@hdc.govt.nz)  
[www.hastingscityartgallery.co.nz](http://www.hastingscityartgallery.co.nz)

### EXHIBITIONS

#### 15 September

##### EVERYDAY LINES

EXHIBITION OPENING AT 5:30PM



This display from 16 artists interrogates objects and activities of daily life, encouraging us to look closer and consider what the relationship is between the artist and the everyday.

### EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

#### 7 September

##### LUNCHTIME TOUR 12.30PM

Join gallery staff for a lunch time tour of current exhibitions. No booking required.



#### 11 September

##### ART FOR TOTS 10.30-11.30AM

Koha, booking required.

A fun and playful art experience for under-fives.

#### 19 September

##### INTRODUCTION TO EVERYDAY LINES 4:30PM

No booking required, refreshments provided.



An exclusive opportunity for Hawke's Bay teachers to see current exhibition *Everyday Lines* and find out about the gallery's free art education programmes.

## Art Inc. Heretaunga

106 Russell St South FREE ENTRY  
Ph: (06) 878 9447 or E: [info@artsinc.co.nz](mailto:info@artsinc.co.nz)  
[www.artsinc.co.nz](http://www.artsinc.co.nz)

### Until 16 September

#### DON WILKIE PAINTING / DRAWING EXHIBITION

Self-taught artist Don Wilkie, who has some of his work at the Museum of Transport and Technology in Auckland, will have more of his fine aviation images, landscapes, and portraits in this exhibition.



### Until 16 September

#### MEDLEY OF COLOUR - SUSAN HIGGINSON

Waipukurau based artist Susan Higginson will have a selection of colourful paintings in her exhibition - some scenes, flowers and sheep!



### Until 16 September

#### PIERS GREENAWAY MULTIMEDIA EXHIBITION

Piers Greenaway is a Visual Arts student primarily studying ceramics and sculpture, but also printmaking and jewellery.



### 18 September

#### ALMOST SERIOUS - FANE FLAWS

Amongst his art, Fane will be setting up a working-studio area where he will work for the duration of the Festival - including a speed-portrait salon, a recreation of his living room, and a performance space.



## A NEW LOOK FOR...

## HAVELOCK NORTH LIBRARY

Renovations will begin at Havelock North Library in September to improve library services and provide a more inviting, modern facility to better suit the community's needs.

The library will need to close for some periods during this construction and will have limited services during other times:

4-9 SEPT	CLOSED* After hours returns slot will remain open
11-30 SEPT	OPEN WITH LIMITED SERVICES**
2-21 OCT	CLOSED* After hours returns slot will remain open
FROM 23 OCT	OPEN WITH LIMITED SERVICES**

\*\*Returns, issuing of holds (with free holds available from other branches), newspapers, programmes, internet and Wi-Fi access.

## Events & Activities in the Hastings District

### ALL MONTH

#### Every Sunday

##### HAWKE'S BAY FARMERS' MARKET

HAWKE'S BAY A&P SHOWGROUNDS, KENILWORTH RD  
8.30AM - 12.30PM

Rain, hail or shine, the farmers' markets will go on, under the grandstand and in the exhibition hall during winter months. Come along for local produce or a tasty breakfast accompanied by sweet tunes by local musicians.

[hawkesbayfarmersmarket.co.nz](http://hawkesbayfarmersmarket.co.nz)

### EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

#### 2 September

##### BOSTOCK NZ SPRING CARNIVAL - TARZINO TROPHY

HAWKE'S BAY RACECOURSE 11AM - 6PM  
ENTRY BY DONATION

All of the gate donation fees, along with proceeds from a charity auction and other generous parties, will go towards supporting the Hawke's Bay Cancer Society Daffodil Day

#### 7 September

##### 'TASTE OF HAVELOCK' OUTDOOR MARKET

HAVELOCK NORTH VILLAGE GREEN &  
COLUMBA WAY CAR PARK 5PM - 8PM

Relax with family or friends while enjoying the best entertainment, food and beverages Havelock North businesses have to offer.



#### 9 September

##### BATTLE FOR LIFE 2017

HASTINGS SPORTS CENTRE 5:30PM - 11PM

This event raises funds for suicide prevention awareness in Hawke's Bay. Don't miss this exciting night of entertainment including corporate and professional boxing, music, auctions, spot prizes, and much more.

Tickets can be purchased at [www.dashtickets.co.nz](http://www.dashtickets.co.nz)

#### 11 September

##### SHE'S BEAUTIFUL WHEN SHE'S ANGRY

FOCAL POINT CINEMA 5:30PM

\$15 ENTRY INCLUDES FILM AND NIBBLES

A screening of the 2014 American documentary 'She's Beautiful When She's Angry', a history of the outrageous, often brilliant founders of the modern women's movement from 1966-1977. Hosted by the Heretaunga Women's Centre.

#### 12 September

##### CREATING GREAT LITTLE PEOPLE

HAVELOCK NORTH COMMUNITY CENTRE 7PM

\$10 ENTRY INCLUDES REFRESHMENTS

Get advice on creating great little people by guiding them to sleep well, get active and be healthy. Register at [www.lumsdenkindergarten.co.nz](http://www.lumsdenkindergarten.co.nz)

#### 8 - 15 September

##### BLOSSOM WEEK LUNCHTIME CONCERT SERIES

ST MATTHEW'S ANGLICAN CHURCH  
CNR KING ST SOUTH & LYNDON RD WEST 12.15-1PM

FREE ENTRY - GOLD COIN DONATION WELCOME

Take your lunch along to these lunchtime concerts featuring talented musicians and choirs from local secondary schools in the historic Hastings church.



#### 16 September

##### BLOSSOM PARADE, HASTINGS CITY CENTRE

Come and enjoy this annual spring spectacular where more than 50 floats and groups will weave their way through the city centre, celebrating everything that makes our district unique and special!

9am - 12pm: Blossom Outdoor Market at Hastings City Centre Mall (beside clock tower)

11am - 1pm: Blossom Parade commences at the corner of Lyndon Road and Warren Street

1pm: Prize giving in Civic Square (outside Hastings City Art Gallery)



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HAWKE'S BAY RACECOURSE 11AM - 6PM

ENTRY BY DONATION

Supporting the Hawke's Bay Cancer Society Daffodil Day.

### 16 and 17 September

#### FLOWERS IN PRAISE

ST MATTHEW'S ANGLICAN CHURCH  
CNR KING STREET SOUTH & LYNDON RD WEST

Gold coin donation. Come and experience the beauty of floral art displays right in the heart of Hastings CBD.

For times see [www.stmatthewshastings.org.nz](http://www.stmatthewshastings.org.nz)

#### 16 September

##### USO BIKE RIDE RELAY

TWYFORD SCHOOL, HASTINGS, 9AM - 3PM

USO is dedicated to the importance of improving health and wellbeing by riding a bike. Join us for a fun-filled cycle relay for all ages and abilities! Register your team at [www.usobikeride.co.nz/uso-bike-ride-relay.html](http://www.usobikeride.co.nz/uso-bike-ride-relay.html)

#### 17 September

##### INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S FRIENDSHIP DAY WALK

HERETAUNGA WOMEN'S CENTRE 11.30AM

Join us for an easy loop walk. Bring your girlfriends and celebrate with us, finishing up with a shared lunch at the Heretaunga Women's Centre.

For details go to [heretaungawomenscentre.nz](http://heretaungawomenscentre.nz)



#### 23 September

##### WINDSOR PARK PLATE

HAWKE'S BAY RACECOURSE 11AM - 6PM - GA \$10

The racing action moves up a notch with one of NZ's highest rated races, the Group 1 Windsor Park Plate.

For tickets, visit [www.hawkesbayracing.co.nz](http://www.hawkesbayracing.co.nz)

#### 25 - 27 September

##### COMMUNITY MOSAIC PROJECT

HERETAUNGA WOMEN'S CENTRE

Join us in creating a beautiful mosaic to adorn the gates of our centre, with the help of a talented local mosaic artist. All women in our community are invited to come along and be part of this.

Times and details are at [heretaungawomenscentre.nz](http://heretaungawomenscentre.nz)



#### 26 September - 8 October

##### HARCOURTS HAWKE'S BAY ARTS FESTIVAL

The 2017 programme is live and jam-packed full of fabulousness, with more than 70 events from 52 acts over 13 incredible days. Check out the schedule online at [www.hbaf.co.nz](http://www.hbaf.co.nz) or pick up a copy of the programme at any of the i-Sites or libraries in Hawke's Bay.

### 15 September

#### Waiata Māori Music Awards

Clubs Hastings,  
Cnr Victoria & Hastings Sts  
Show and dinner \$150,  
Show only \$50



Now in its 10th year, the Waiata Māori Music Awards celebrate excellence in Māori music and acknowledges the teachers, promoters, creators and performers of this cultural taonga.

The awards were established by the late Tama Huata ONZM (Ngāti Kahungunu), a renowned leader in and champion of the performing arts. Tama's daughter Ellison, who now helps the awards, says "the calibre of this year's finalists is a testament to the quality and diversity of Aotearoa's Māori composers, musicians and performers, and the awards provide a unique opportunity to celebrate these artists."

For tickets, more information and the list of category finalists go to [www.waiatamaoriawards.co.nz](http://www.waiatamaoriawards.co.nz)

## Coming up

## FRINGE IN THE STINGS 5-7 October Hastings



Fringe in the 'Stings, following a self-out 2016 season, has grown to include more venues, more acts. Open-access, experimental, multi-disciplinary: get your 'on-the-edge' festival fix from the Fringe. Part of the World Fringe Network. Bold acts, brave audiences, local pride. Don't just stand there, be part of the show. [fringeinthestings.co.nz](http://fringeinthestings.co.nz)