

The Arts Was the Winner Arts Waikato Scholarship 2009 Recipients



Visual Arts

Patricia Macky (Te Awamutu) Photography
Lisa Rayner (Huntly) Visual Arts
Sarah Knox (Te Awamutu) Literature
Emma Fletcher (Hamilton) Visual Arts
Naomi Williams (Hamilton) Photography

Performing Arts/Film

Deborah Bright (Hamilton) Dance
Julia Reynolds (Te Kuiti) Film
Natalie Sangster (Hamilton) Dance & Drama
Tara Randell (Ngaruawahia) Dance

Maori Arts

Betty Brown (Hamilton) Weaving and Sculpture
Nghauia Murphy (Ngaruawahia) Dance & Poetry

Music

Alison Littler (Raglan) Percussion/timpani
Jennifer Spark (Hamilton) Film composition and Piano
Kathleen Woodley (Hamilton) Singing Teacher

Katrina Wickham (Whangamata) Singing and conducting
Kushal Talele (Hamilton) Jazz musician
Laura Peacock (Thames) Music journalism
Michelle Flint (Cambridge) Brass
Shakira Nicholas (Ohaupo) Trumpet

Tania Park (Hamilton) Piano Accompaniment

For full Scholarship details please go to the Arts Waikato website: www.artswaikato.org.nz



Grant Collier of Soda Inc (Creative Industries Incubator) with recipient Adrienne Grant



Arts Waikato Chairperson Alison Gibb

Outstanding Services to the Arts 2009

Arts Waikato celebrates these three women who were awarded the Outstanding Services to the Arts Awards.

Pam Watson

Pam Watson's talent for recognising the frustrated artist in people has seen her play a vital part in the artistic and personal development of many visual artists in the Waikato.

A loyal mentor and generous teacher, Pam brings a deep intellect and profound integrity to her classes which keep her students motivated and free to experiment. No time is wasted.



Outside of the classroom, Pam is a tireless promoter of local artists and exhibitions.

Janet Smith

Janet Smith's passion for pottery instigated Waiclay, a bi-annual exhibition held in conjunction with the Waikato Museum and boasts the crème de la crème of clay artists in Aotearoa.

Janet and her late husband were also responsible for the publication of the New Zealand Potters Mark Book which recorded 1500 marks of major New Zealand potters from the last fifty years and is a valuable record for all collectors, dealers and researchers throughout the world.



Kirimaaku Kihi

Kirimaaku Kihi has been a composer of waiata for the past forty years. Her passion, dedication and commitment to this kaupapa has helped revitalise and restore traditional practises with waiata and kapa haka in the Waikato.

Kirimaaku was one of the original teachers in Maori immersion education and has nurtured and shaped a generation of children with her knowledge of te reo and the unique attributes of Waikato-Tainui tikanga.



Arts Break What's Happening

Exult Capacity Building Workshops - a series of workshops throughout the region to support community groups in sustainable funding, volunteering, marketing and promotion. So far workshops have been held in association with Community Waikato, Sport Waikato & South Waikato District Council in Waihi, Tokoroa, Whitianga and Putaruru. Check out www.exult.co.nz

Raglan Arts Festival in April provided an opportunity for cafés to display photographs and stunning visual art work from all the schools and preschools in the Raglan district. 7 schools and preschools participated and showed work in 4 Cafés in Raglan. The Kids in Cafés in Raglan received wonderful community feedback.

Wearable Arts at Orini Combined School. A three day Arts Intensive and performance in May this year; creating magnificent costumes from farm trash and rural paraphernalia. Culminating in a wonderful performance at Te Hoe hall for which the whole community turned out to support the children and there was standing room only in the hall!

Visual Arts Intensive – Raglan Area School. (Junior Syndicate). The children completed two beautiful large murals with 'Sea/Ocean' themes and a Junior notice board to go outside the classroom areas. The finished works were presented at a whole school assembly as a celebration of the children's Arts Activities.

Hui throughout our region- Introduced by Arts Waikato Kaiwhakahaere i Nga Mahi Toi to create a regional Maori Artists database for future reference and networking within the Rohe. Eight Hui have been held in areas such as Thames, Tokoroa, Taumaranui, Kawhia, Raglan and Hamilton.

Kid's Art in Cafes. Beautiful work from Berkley Middle School is currently showing at 'The Cook' in Hamilton East. The Cook exhibition space is ongoing. Many thanks to Chris Rollett at The Cook, and Murray Jones of Waikato Maps and Frames who generously provided the frames for the children's Art work.

Fuel Music Festival - Get revved up for the Fuel Festival 1 – 5 July. The second Fuel Festival of New Zealand Music will have nine exciting shows on offer. Find the full program at www.fuelest.co.nz

Arts Waikato joins with Community Waikato, Sports Waikato & WILSS to provide more training on sustainable funding in Spring 2009. Video conferencing will be used to help reduce costs for those in outlying areas.

Matariki in Kawhia is currently showing at Waikato Museum and Central Library. This initiative with Kawhia full Primary School, Waikato Museum and Arts Waikato Arts Ed Advisors brings a small outlying coastal school into Hamilton to encourage a wider audience for their visual art work.

Te Wananga O Aotearoa Maori Artists Alumni. Arts Waikato Kaiwhakahaere i Nga Mahi Toi is supporting Te Wananga O Aotearoa to establish an alumni of Maori Artists to celebrate achievements of, and up-skill graduates of Tainui and Wananga Arts Schools.

Face to Face Secondary School Arts forum meets 3rd Thursday of each term. A collaboration between Arts Waikato and Hamilton Community Arts Council, where specialist arts, drama, dance and music teachers and Arts Coordinators meet once a term to share resources, challenges and to network with each other.

Stretton At Waihou – 18/19 September. Entries close 15th July. Calling entrants for the Stretton at Waihou, Cool Costume Creation. Judged on Artistic Merit, originality and wearability. Categories are Primary, Intermediate, and Secondary School and Open. Winner receives \$500, and a chance to meet Annah Stretton, Honorary Judge and Advisor.

A new regional tourism organisation has been formed. Arts Waikato will be working alongside the organisation to look at how we can better promote the arts to international and domestic tourists. Watch this space!

Arts News in Brief - Your weekly arts news via email; full of arts events and information from throughout the region. It goes out to our database to keep people informed. Please let us know if you would like to list an event/activity.

Home and Garden Show 2009

This year the Waikato Home and Garden Show celebrates its 25th Anniversary. The Arts Waikato team joined the fold last year, along with volunteers from the arts community and four Waikato galleries – Empire Gallery (Cambridge), Gallery 8 (Te Awamutu), Arterial (Waikato-wide, on line) and Inspirit Studio and Gallery (Tamahere).

The arts involvement is set to be even bigger and better this year, with a move to the 'Village Green'. It is here one will find the Horse-shoe Gallery – with Waikato's answer to the affordable art show: a positive outlook for tough times with art for all budgets. The theme for the artwork entered will be 'Looking Forward' and Arts Waikato will invite artists to enter into the spirit of the event, offering a cash prize... Keep an eye out for details on the Arts Waikato website and the Arts News in Brief (weekly e-mails). Applications close August 28th.

The Arts Waikato Education Advisors are working with full primary schools throughout our region to generate artworks for a magnificent display in the entrance pavillion of the Waikato Home and Garden Show. The art is themed on the True Colours Charity and will be for sale by donation, with all proceeds assisting the charity.

True Colours positively enhances the lives of children experiencing chronic or life threatening illnesses; providing holistic care and family centered support. A gala cocktail evening with auction, in support of True Colours, will be held on Thursday October 1st. Winners of the landscaping, sculpture, floral art and art competition will be announced. There will be entertainment, food, fun and art for all. Information regarding tickets, contact Arts Waikato on 856 9731.



Boris the Blue Behemoth sculpture by Marty Wong

Te Puni Kokiri

Matariki is here and it's a new year! The sun changes course and the days start getting longer. The rising of Matariki is a time to reflect on the year that was and will be. Arts Waikato remembers the Reverend Morehu Buddy Te Whare NZNM who was only with us a short time as our kaumatua before he passed away peacefully on March 20th this year. A well respected man in Tainui waka, Buddy was also a keen poet and storyteller and had a talent for bringing people together. Haere atu ra e koro ki te paepae o Matariki, o Rehua. Haere atu ra.

Matariki is also a time to celebrate and Arts Waikato has launched a new website called "Taonga o Waikato" which profiles Maori artists and arts events. "Taonga o Waikato," is funded by Te Puni Kokiri. To register your roopu or hui go to www.maoriartswaikato.co.nz, or contact waimihi@artswaikato.org.nz



Intermediate Schools Working Together

Arts Waikato and a group of keen specialist teachers thought it was high time students who excelled in the arts were given the opportunity to come together and share their knowledge, ideas and passion for dance, drama, music and visual arts. So, with the support of an equally enthusiastic group of principals, the Inter-Intermediate Arts Calendar was created.

Term one of this school year saw the Visual Arts Day come to fruition. It was hosted by Maeroa Intermediate and 9 schools attended. Students and teachers worked together for the day to produce colourful and creative work based on the theme kai tiaki/guardians. Six impressive artworks were later gifted to the Waikato Hospital and will adorn the walls in the new emergency department reception area, for everyone to see.

Dance day saw students working alongside dancers from the community as well as students from other schools who all share a passion for dance. They will have had whole day to create dance and showcase their ability.

The Arts Waikato education advisors are now working on sharing the success of the intermediate arts days with clusters of full-primary schools. The possibilities are endless and the outcome can only be positive and rewarding for all those involved. To learn more contact kerrie@artswaikato.org.nz or wanda@artswaikato.org.nz



All smiles at Inter-intermediate dance day



Art work donated to Waikato Hospital



Intermediate students art works "Inspired by da Vinci".

Smart Arts

1. Start with who you know – build your supporters from there.
2. Everything you do or don't do reflects on your organisation – in general terms this IS marketing
3. Be SMART when you set your goals...be sure that they are Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant and Timely.
4. Set aside time to look at where your group is and where you all want to be – and remember to include your members. Don't do anything about me, without me.
5. Get creative with your promotion – everything from where you are to your ticketing.
6. Just because you've tried it before, doesn't mean it won't work now...now is a different time and different set of circumstances... be prepared to try, try again.
7. Network – seek out similar groups, or groups that share your demographic and interests, or even just the arts in general. It's a great way to bounce ideas and share your passion.
8. If you're not good at networking, find someone who will 'champion' your group/cause.
9. Mentors are a beautiful thing. Find someone who is a little further along the road and ask them to share their knowledge.
10. Relationships are the key – positive and sincere relationships are where success starts, whether it is with your participants, your supporters or other people in your field.

For more keys to success see Ted Talks – it only takes 3 min. Don't be a workaholic, be a "workafrolic"! www.ted.com/index.php/talks/richard_st_john_s_8_secrets_of_success.html

PROMOTE your creative ideas for FREE:

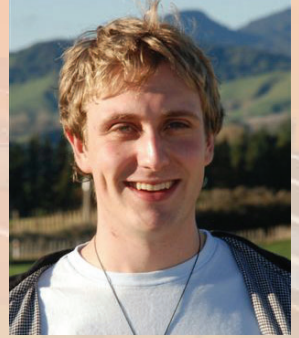
Arts Waikato Artspace – Community Radio Tuesday's 5pm-6pm www.communityradio.co.nz

Contact: renee@artswaikato.org.nz for more information

Feature Artist: Jonathan Kay

2008 Arts Waikato Scholarship Recipient

Jonathan's work can be seen on display at Arts Waikato, 154 Galloway Street. If you would like your work to be exhibited in our office, contact us for information.

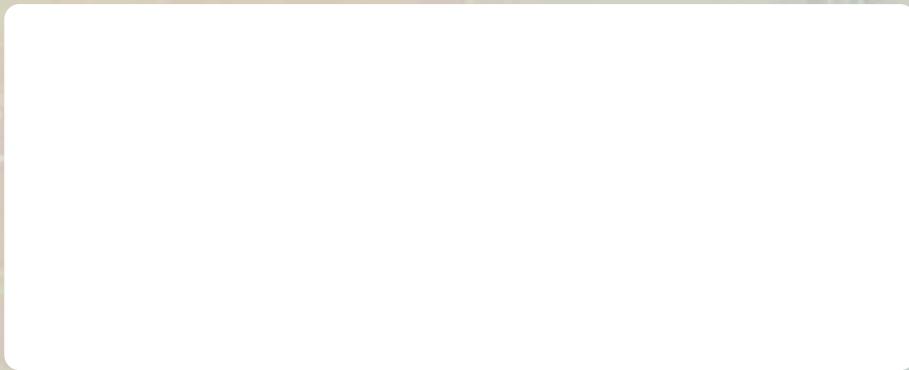


Alternative Histories:

When an exposure is made, the instant photographed becomes the past. Photographs allow the viewer to transcend time and space and bear witness to a world that once existed. Through looking at photographs, we (the viewer) are the point at which both the present and the past collide. It is through the collision of past and the viewers own personal memories that the photograph is conjured out of the vast void of history.

A photograph is unique because it allows the viewer to experience a world unfamiliar to our own. But what if the photograph that they are viewing does not hold true to their memories? What if there is a disturbance? What if the history was constructed in such a way that evoked more excitement than was due? It is through the series *Alternative Histories* that I wanted to question the relationship between the viewers, the past and the present.

These photographs are neither past nor the present but rather a hybrid that is situated in an imaginative dreamscape. They defy what we thought we knew about the time period presented. They offer the viewer an alternative history filled with imagination and wonder. My imagery questions the past as it also speaks of the future.



Close up on Coromandel

This year Renee was lucky enough to attend the **Great Coromandel Arts Tour**... a great way to celebrate my birthday weekend. We trucked off to the Coromandel for the weekend. Highlights of which were entertainment by jazz legend Beaver, and whirlwind tour courtesy of the Great Coromandel Arts Tour and artist Deborah Hide-Bayne. A fantastic time was had by all. Amazing what we have going on right in our back yards.

The event is going from strength to strength and this is what organizer Matt Sephton had to say:

The 4th Annual 'Great Coromandel Arts Tour' has just come to a close, and what a great tour it was. 27 top artists opened their studios for three weekends. Painters, potters, glass, textile, wood and metal artists all participated in this great art adventure. 227 tickets were sold, which was a slight increase on last year, and most artists reported good sales.

The opening night: 'LOUD! Art Auction' saw 22 of the 27 pieces sold, \$2950 was raised from sales above reserve which was split between the Coromandel Artists Express Trust, and Coromandel St John Ambulance. 100 people attended the evening, of these 46 were registered as bidders, so all up; the night was a grand success!

Each of the three weekends featured special events, including a poetry night (May 1st), a Jazz, blues and Folk music evening (May 2nd) and the grand finale party on the 9th may, when we were very privileged to be graced by the glorious voice of the one and only 'Beaver'. There are many opportunities to expand and refine the weekend events for 2010, and everybody agrees that these events add to the energy of the Arts Tour.

We are looking forward to the continued evolution of this wonderful event, and enjoy seeing it becoming a solid part of the Coromandel events calendar.



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