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# My Hastings

Keep up with what's happening in Hastings District



# Beautiful Hastings wins again!



**LANDMARKS  
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# Message from the mayor



**Hastings is beautiful, and what a thrill it was to have our amazing community recognised at the Keep New Zealand Beautiful Awards.**

Being named New Zealand's Most Beautiful Small City is a fitting acknowledgment of the many people across the community who work with Council to care for and improve our environment.

This has shown we are really focused on sustainability, for our people and our environment.

We live in a beautiful place and I know we will continue to work together on keeping it beautiful. Well done to everyone!

Another high note last month was our two-yearly Landmarks Awards. Unfortunately with COVID restrictions we weren't able to hold an event as we usually do, but that doesn't take away from the great achievements of these individuals and groups who invest in, share their time and talent to enhance our community.

As we continue to face the challenges of COVID, now more than ever, our local businesses need our support.

This includes our horticultural sector that's crying out for workers to pick fruit this harvest.

We're working with the sector to see what assistance we can provide to highlight the opportunities and call on our community to lend a hand during the harvest season.

The Mayors Taskforce for Jobs is also looking specifically at how we can work with and support our hospitality businesses, particularly in terms of the labour shortages, and managing COVID requirements.

We can also help by shopping at our local businesses, especially in the central city, which is incredibly important for our retailers over the next few months.

We are excited to be able to continue to add vibrancy to the city, such as installations like The Flamingos in the city centre fountain, and if you haven't had a chance yet, take a look at the new mural at the Hastings Sports Centre.

Local artist Dali Susanto has done a wonderful job bringing to life the concepts put forward by multicultural groups across Hastings - a real celebration of our diversity.

These give us even more reasons to spend time in our city.

Keep safe, and keep well.

Ngā mihi

**Sandra Hazlehurst**  
Mayor of Hastings

## On the move ...

In mid-March, the pop-up pump track that's been at Flaxmere Park will move to Windsor Park near the sportsfields between Splash Planet and Karamu High School. It will be there until June.



# Dolly the war horse

**Be wareware te o tatou - lest we forget**

**A local trust is fundraising to install a special sculpture in Civic Square to honour the horses that were pulled into service during World War One.**

More than 10,000 Kiwi horses served beside our servicemen and women, enduring horrific conditions, firstly in the Sinai desert on limited grain and water then on the Western Front, amongst mud and gore, gas and firepower, and barbed wire and landmines in France and Belgium.

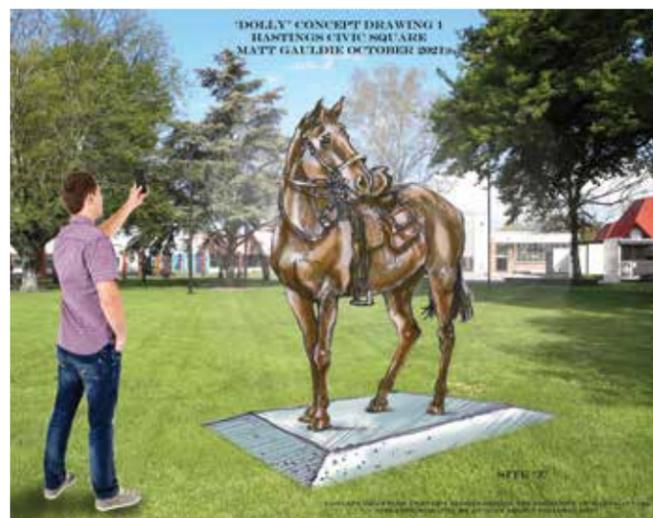
A military horse's typical load in the desert weighed upwards of 120kg complete with tack. Of that, the horse's own daily grain ration was at times only 2kg. Sometimes leather muzzles had to be fitted to the horses to prevent them from eating sand. Water supply was another major problem, especially when the enemy resorted to poisoning or contaminating oasis wells while retreating. On occasion no water was available for 72 hours.

### Dolly the War Horse

The Dolly the War Horse Trust is fundraising to install a bronze life-sized replica of Dolly the war horse to be sculpted by Matt Gaudie, former NZ Defence Force official artist. Matt sculpted Hamilton's statue of Te Utu, the only other recognition of the warhorses in Aotearoa New Zealand.

The Dolly the War Horse monument is to acknowledge that, after the 1918 armistice, only four of the 10,000 horses that left Aotearoa New Zealand during World War One returned home.

Major General Sir Andrew Russell's mount Dolly was one of them. Dolly returned to Hawke's Bay, to Tuna Nui Station at Sherenden, on the Hastings-Taihape Road, and the Trust wishes to reunite Dolly with her much decorated master, 'The General', to graze in perpetuity.



Hawke's Bay's own Major General Sir Andrew Russell was knighted for a distinguished command that included his planning of the amazingly successful overnight evacuation from Gallipoli. After that, he was recalled to the Western Front in France where it's understood he and Dolly reunited.

Dolly spent about three years on the Western Front culminating in the 1918 New Zealand Division's last major action of the war, the capture of the French town of Le Quesnoy. The New Zealanders scaled the ancient walls with ladders and took the German troops prisoners. The liberation of Le Quesnoy was achieved without loss of civilian life or destruction of the ancient fortifications. It represents one of the high points of the war. The town's residents have maintained close links with, and a high regard for, New Zealand ever since.

### Help reunite Dolly with 'The General'

The Trust plans to unveil the bronze statue in 2024 on February 24, which is Purple Poppy Day. This day commemorates the horses, dogs and pigeons that had to endure such horrible privations in adverse conditions. The monument will be fully funded by the Trust through fundraising, and the Trust invites your financial support. If you would like to donate towards this project, please email selwyn.hawthorne@xtra.co.nz or mail to PO Box 1414, Hastings, 4156.

**Historical information kindly supplied by the Dolly the War Horse Trust.**

## PLASTICS & CANS

### WASH, SQUASH, LIDS OFF

PLASTICS  
1, 2 & 5 ONLY

#### Yes please!

MILK, WATER, DETERGENT

KITCHEN, BATHROOM & LAUNDRY PLASTICS ♻️ 1, 2 & 5

TIN CANS

ALUMINIUM CANS

#### No thank you!

ANY PLASTIC ♻️ 3, 4, 6 & 7    LIDS    HARD PLASTIC

SOFT PLASTIC    POLYSTYRENE    PAINT TUBS

BUCKETS & PLANT POTS    CHIP PACKETS & LOLLY WRAPPERS

The easiest way to check if an item is recyclable or not is to look for the numbered triangle.

**If it's numbered 3, 4, 6 or 7 or has no number then it should go into the rubbish bin.**

**KERBSIDE COLLECTION AND RECYCLING STATIONS**

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[www.hastingsdc.govt.nz/waste](http://www.hastingsdc.govt.nz/waste) • [hastingsdc](https://www.facebook.com/hastingsdc) • 06 871 5000



# Hastings is the Most Beautiful Small City

## Community and Council, working together, have done it again!

Hastings has again taken out a major Keep New Zealand Beautiful award, this year being crowned Most Beautiful Small City.

That comes on top of winning Most Beautiful Large Town and the Supreme Award in the previous year's awards.

The annual Keep New Zealand Beautiful Awards recognise sustainability and environmental protection: It's about how a city keeps itself beautiful.

The awards were announced at Parliament House on February 17 – five months later than usual thanks to COVID.

The judges said Hastings had built on its waste and litter prevention programmes of the previous year; in particular its kerbside recycling and rubbish programme and new litter mascots 'Luke the Litter Legend and Colin the Cheeky Chucker'. "[They have]

created a fun and engaging way for children to learn about litter."

Hastings mayor Sandra Hazlehurst said the award was fitting recognition of the efforts put in by so many in the community to care for the environment and each other.

"It's wonderful to have our amazing community recognised with another win this year – it shows the huge commitment to caring for and enhancing our beautiful city is ongoing.

"As a council we have been given a very clear direction on sustainability and the protection of our environment, both through submissions to our Long-Term Plan and through our Youth Council.

"Our family-friendly parks, gardens and reserves, much-loved historic buildings, diverse suburbs, vibrant atmosphere and, most importantly, our passionate people and the way we all work together, are at the heart of making our district beautiful."

Other highlights in Hastings' awards submission included the on-going improvements in the city centre aimed at increasing vibrancy; new plantings undertaken in parks and reserves by community groups; the partnerships with groups such as Nourished for Nil, The Environment Centre, and ReSource, focused on keeping food and usable goods out of the landfill, and Council's programme to measure the true environmental worth of the trees in the district's parks.

### The focus now is on continuing to Keep Hastings Beautiful.

"It takes all of us, working together," said Mrs Hazlehurst. "Council cannot do this on our own; we need everyone to be aware of the impact of their actions on the environment and the positive things we can each do to look after it. Together we can do this."



# It's time to get prepared

## Getting Our Neighbourhoods Ready for Omicron



With the possibility of many people self-isolating over the coming months, Neighbourhood Support want to highlight a few key things that we can all do during this time to make sure we are best prepared at home and in our neighbourhoods.



### HAVE A PLAN FOR YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD

Now is a great time to put a neighbourhood plan in place. Who can help with things like shopping or walking your dog if you are required to self-isolate?

Neighbourhood Support have many resources available to our member communities, such as our 'Neighbourhood Plan' document and our 'Kia Ora Neighbour' flyer – a simple flyer that is able to be printed off, filled in, and popped into your neighbours' letterboxes as a friendly reminder that you are available to help as needed.

Visit [neighbourhoodsupport.co.nz](http://neighbourhoodsupport.co.nz) to access these member resources.



### FIND WAYS TO STAY SOCIALLY CONNECTED

Do you have family, friends or a neighbour who you can check in with each day to ensure you stay socially connected? This will really support your wellbeing if you are required to self-isolate.

We all know that social connection is a fundamental human need - perhaps now more than ever – and Neighbourhood Support are encouraging people to make sure they have someone who they can check in with each day. This can be taken a step further by

thinking about those in your community and perhaps offering to be a 'check in buddy' for someone else in your neighbourhood.

Be aware of people or groups in your neighbourhoods who may be vulnerable or isolated. This may include older people, people with disabilities, people for whom English is a second language and people who do not have access to the internet.



### UPDATE YOUR HOME'S EMERGENCY KIT

This might include repeats of any essential medications, pain relievers, cough medicine, a thermometer, easy meals, perhaps some additional vitamin C & D, and simple things like tissues and cleaning products.

In the spirit of supporting your neighbours, perhaps there's someone on your street who you could offer to help put one together for?



### TAKE A PREVENTION FIRST APPROACH

If you are able, make sure you wear an appropriate mask when you are out and about; keep your home well ventilated; practise good hygiene; be kind; be calm and stay positive. We've got this!



### ESTABLISH A NEIGHBOURHOOD SUPPORT GROUP

If your community doesn't already have a Neighbourhood Support group, it is a great time to think about establishing one.

To enquire about establishing a Neighbourhood Support group in your local community email: [neighbourhoodsupport@hdc.govt.nz](mailto:neighbourhoodsupport@hdc.govt.nz) or call (06) 871 5000.

### COVID SUPPORT

- COVID-19 Healthline: 0800 358 5453
- [www.covid19.govt.nz](http://www.covid19.govt.nz)

Unite  
against  
COVID-19



For more information visit:  
[www.neighbourhoodsupport.co.nz](http://www.neighbourhoodsupport.co.nz)

# Beautiful projects up in lights

The 2021 Landmarks Trust Awards have been announced - celebrating a diverse range of organisations, communities and businesses that have contributed to public art, architecture, landscape and heritage preservation in Hastings.

The Supreme Winner, receiving the Jeremy Dwyer Supreme Award, was Arts Inc. Heretaunga.

The Landmarks Trust, in its 30th year, was initiated in the 1990s by the then mayor, the late Jeremy Dwyer, to promote Hastings' identity and sense of place, and to foster civic pride.



## Jeremy Dwyer Award for Excellence: Arts Incorporated Heretaunga

Arts Inc. Heretaunga has won this year's Jeremy Dwyer Supreme Award for their arts, events, exhibition space, leadership, support and advocacy.

Arts Inc. chairman Andy Heast says Arts Inc. was rapt to win. "It was very special for our Arts Inc. team to be acknowledged for the breadth of what we do."

Some of their proudest achievements over the past year include the exhibition programme at the Hastings Community Arts Centre, the 2020 and 2021 Hawke's Bay Arts Festival, the 2020 Blossom Parade and the 'Culture Canvas' murals, all of which celebrate the vibrancy of our arts and the diversity of our community.



## Art in Public Places Award: Philipp Meier – Prunus Awanui Sculpture

Hawke's Bay-based sculptor Philipp Meier won the Art in Public Places category for his bright pink, giant Prunus Awanui sculpture, installed on the recently refurbished Landmarks Square on Warren Street.

Designed to commemorate the Landmarks Trust's 20th anniversary, the painted stainless steel sculpture represents the cherry blossom Prunus Awanui, the street tree of choice in Hastings in the 1990s.

The sculpture was unveiled in March 2021.



## History Award: Hastings District Heritage Trails Society Inc. – Clive Heritage Trail

First place in the History category went to the Hastings District Heritage Trails Society for its development of the Clive Heritage Trail and brochure.

The award recognised the importance of the heritage trails for tourism, economic development, education and culture.

You can find all the heritage trail brochures at [www.hastingsdc.govt.nz/hastings/about-hastings/heritage-trails/](http://www.hastingsdc.govt.nz/hastings/about-hastings/heritage-trails/)



## Architecture Award: Hansen Property Group Limited – the Tribune Redevelopment

Rob and Barb Hansen, of Hansen Property Group Limited, took out the Architecture category for their sympathetic redevelopment of the historic Tribune building on Queen St East, creating a dynamic urban space in the heart of Hastings.

It features a mixed used precinct of retail, hospitality and office spaces set in an urban landscaped environment, and the development is due to be fully completed by the end of March 2022.



## Landscape: Te Mata Park Trust Board - Te Mata Park Rongoā Planting

Te Mata Park Trust won the Landscape award for its newly developed gardens and trails - an extension of Te Mata Park.

The Trust raised \$2.5 million from the local community and charitable trusts to buy and develop the additional land in 2018 and 2019, and it was opened to the public in 2020. It includes mountain biking tracks, walking tracks, a rongoā garden, tracks suitable for those with compromised mobility and a kid's biking area.

The rongoā garden is a unique and very special part of the project that visitors will be able to walk through, and learn about plants used traditionally as rongoā (medicine).

Anyone who wishes to join the project can contact the Park team on [info@tematapark.co.nz](mailto:info@tematapark.co.nz).

## Façade Enhancement Award: 4OGS Properties Limited – 113 Queen St East

Now a joint office space, this historic building predates the 1931 Hawke's Bay earthquake period, although it did require extensive reconstruction following the quake.

The colour scheme enhances the façade's details, accompanied by a mural by local artist Brandon Blair of Crimson Flower Ltd.



## Highly commended

### Art in Public Places:

Dali Susanto (Accessible Art Projects), Hawke's Bay Pasifika Youth Leadership Group (Hastings War Memorial Library mural).

### Landscape:

Ariki Huata and Wine Country Sheet Metal and Engineering (Hastings city centre tree guards).

### History:

Ewan McGregor (History library – Hautope).

### Façade Enhancement:

South Island Developments (131 Russell St North), Lisa Webster (201 Karamu Rd North).

# Industrial/commercial activity at all-time high



Industrial and commercial development activity is at an all-time high in Hastings – highlighting the district's strategic advantages and the level of confidence companies feel about establishing their business here.

The driving force for this activity is our primary sector, and its strength and resilience even in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic, is being seen in the burgeoning off-orchard/farm support service industries – from food processing to value-added product manufacture, building, rural and engineering services and logistics.

To support this, Council has over the years rezoned 150ha of land classed as unproductive for industrial developments at Whakatū, Tomoana, Irongate and Ōmahu.

A growing number of businesses are taking up opportunities in these areas – a \$20m pet food line at Heinz Watties Tomoana, Rockit Global's HQ and 21,000sqm cool store and pack-house at Irongate, Sunfruit's pack-house at Irongate, and the Apollo Foods Beverage Plant at Whakatū are just some.

## BUSINESS snapshot

### bbi Wood Products – Irongate



The new distribution centre being built at Irongate.

At Irongate, bbi wood products is constructing a large distribution centre that will allow the company to process more product to meet the needs of its customers.

After starting in 2008 supplying plywood to the packaging industry, bbi now supplies product for a range of civil and commercial projects, from plywood for concrete form work to appearance-grade product to meet architects' specifications for interior finishing.

Its products are distributed nationwide through building supply stores for the building industry, and it supplies large industrial users such as the packaging industry directly.

Managing director Brendan O'Sullivan said this investment in the new Hastings distribution centre will allow the bbi team to better support its merchant customers' plywood and decking needs.

"Structural plywood, particularly treated product, is in desperately short supply with the large increase in demand and challenging supply chain. We have a lot sympathy for what the merchants and builders are having to navigate in regards to the supply chain – it's a very difficult operating environment."

When this structure is complete in July/August, it will allow bbi to process a lot more product.

This structure uses Laminated Veneer Lumber, manufactured by Nelson Pine – in line with bbi's wood first approach – sustainable timber solutions that designers and builders can create endless possibilities with.

The aesthetically attractive, warmer feeling structure along with carbon storage, sound absorption properties in noisier environments, and the fact that birds can't perch on the beams are all added benefits which make it a great solution.

Mr O'Sullivan said a clear span LVL timber building of this size hadn't been built before.

It has a 45 x 100m internal clear span with 8m and 7m canopies around the perimeter making it slightly bigger than a rugby field.

"We have some more industrial land to develop in the area and are keen to make some smaller sized structures at around 24m and 30m internal clear span, which we think will showcase a good range of sizes.

"There is a positive future for engineered wood products, adding more options to steel for not only the industrial, but also the residential market."



Infometrics data for the year to September 2021 shows the annual average number of non-residential building consents grew 59.1 per cent on the year before – well above the national increase of 10.3 per cent.

## New business in Irongate



Other construction-related businesses moving to Irongate include MCL Construction, who have recently completed a new 2,000m<sup>2</sup> Joinery Workshop, Venta Glazing and Aluminium Joinery, Archant and Lattey Group who are planning to establish a new 5,000m<sup>2</sup> precast manufacturing facility.

Tumu Group has new buildings available for lease with access off Maraekakāho and Irongate Road. Their design and build strategy will include the use of sustainable engineered timber, similar to that used in the new bbi Wood Products distribution centre. Any businesses interested in moving to Irongate can contact Tumu Group via [ben.hamelink@tumu.co.nz](mailto:ben.hamelink@tumu.co.nz)

# Ōmahu development



While the Irongate zone has some established businesses operating, activity is also increasing in the Ōmahu zone, as can be seen when driving down Ōmahu Rd...

## BUSINESS snapshot

### New Zealand Frost Fans Ltd - Ōmahu



**Award-winning company New Zealand Frost Fans (NZFF) manufactures FrostBoss® Frost Fans that are used by growers to protect their crops against frost damage and cold injury.**

Originally founded as Hawke's Bay Wind Machines Ltd in 1995 importing wind machines from the United States, it started manufacturing in New Zealand in 2007 and sells directly to growers through its own companies in New Zealand and Australia and through independent distributors in Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, France, Hungary, Israel, Italy, Spain, Portugal and Turkey.

In 2018 the factory was expanded, and currently work is underway for a new Fan Blade Factory at its Ōmahu Rd site where it manufactures its Frost Fans.

Chief executive Andrew Priest said the new factory would significantly increase the company's capacity to service growth in new markets, using state-of-the-art robotic manufacturing methods.

NZFF employs over 80 people globally, and since 2012 has grown from \$9 million revenue (38 per cent export) to over \$50 million in 2021 (80 per cent export).

Mr Priest said having its base in Hawke's Bay made sense.

"We have a fantastic workforce and the Bay is a great place to live. Many Ōmahu Road neighbours supply inputs such as machining, engineering, laser cutting and electrical components."

Across the wider Hawke's Bay region, he said the company made use of local speciality services such as galvanising, and fabrication of tanks and engine cabinets.

"For exports we ship the machines in 40-foot containers through the nearby Port of Napier. And of course we are close to our Hawke's Bay customer base of growers as well as having service centres in the Bay of Plenty, Marlborough and Central Otago to provide local support for those growing regions."

Last year NZ Frost Fans was named ExportNZ Hawke's Bay ASB Exporter of the Year, and also won the T&G Global Best Established Award. This year the company was proud to be a finalist in the NZTE NZIBA Awards in the Best Established Business category.

## Your local representatives



MAYOR SANDRA HAZLEHURST



DEPUTY MAYOR TANIA KERR



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COUNCILLOR MALCOLM DIXON



COUNCILLOR DAMON HARVEY



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SUE MAXWELL



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MARCUS BUDDO

### Positions of Office

**SANDRA HAZLEHURST**  
Mayor

**TANIA KERR - MOHAKA WARD**  
Deputy Chair Operations & Monitoring Standing Committee  
Chair Hastings District Licensing Committee  
Chair District Development Subcommittee  
Rural Community Board council representative

**BAYDEN BARBER - HASTINGS-HAVELOCK NORTH WARD**  
Chair Strategy & Policy Standing Committee  
Deputy Chair Heretaunga Takoto Noa Māori Standing Committee  
Deputy Chair Regulatory Hearings  
Deputy Chair Hastings District Licensing Committee

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Deputy Chair Greater Communities Subcommittee

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Chair Great Communities Subcommittee

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Deputy Chair Civic & Administration Subcommittee

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**MARCUS BUDDO - POUKAWA SUBDIVISION**

# What's on...

## MARCH 2022

**FREE** FREE EVENTS

#HASTINGS  
PROUD

### Hastings District Libraries



HASTINGS LIBRARY – Cnr Eastbourne and Warren Sts  
FLAXMERE LIBRARY – Swansea Road  
HAVELOCK NORTH LIBRARY – Te Mata Road  
For opening hours please visit  
[www.hastingslibraries.co.nz](http://www.hastingslibraries.co.nz)

Please refer to the HDL website for information on upcoming programs and events:  
[www.hastingslibraries.co.nz](http://www.hastingslibraries.co.nz)

### Hastings City Art Gallery



201 Eastbourne Street East, Hastings | FREE ENTRY  
P. (06) 871 5095 or E. [hastingsartgallery@hdc.govt.nz](mailto:hastingsartgallery@hdc.govt.nz)  
[www.hastingscityartgallery.co.nz](http://www.hastingscityartgallery.co.nz)

#### EXHIBITIONS

##### The Path

NOW – 13 MARCH

Works by creatives who surf. Although connected by surfing, this isn't a show of 'surf art', rather it considers the connections between surfing and creative output.

##### Caroline McQuarrie and Shaun Matthews: Prospects Fearful

NOW – 27 MARCH

In late 1846, surveyor Thomas Brunner employed Māori guides Kehu and Pikiwati to travel with him from Nelson to Te Tai Poutini (the West Coast) and back, searching for land suitable for further settlements in the Nelson province. Here, Wellington-based artists McQuarrie and Matthews examine Brunner's journey via the mediums of embroidery, photography and weaving.

##### Glen Colechin: Last Supper

3 FEBRUARY – 3 APRIL

Taradale artist Glen Colechin's installation, Last Supper, uses copper and other recycled materials to form a large feeding frenzy of fish, known by many as a "boil-up".

##### Inga Fillary: What's the Matter

12 MARCH – 6 JUNE

We live in a time of anxiety; constantly brought face-to-face with the real or speculative extinction of humankind. What's the Matter plays with psychic discomfort and damaged and shattered imagery.

##### Nikau Hindin: Kōkōrangī ki Kōkōwai

26 MARCH – 22 MAY

A journey in understanding Maramataka and traditional celestial navigation practices through the revitalisation of aute (traditional Māori barkcloth).

##### Star Waka

26 MARCH – 15 MAY

In this interactive exhibition, the waka and the stars symbolise the universe and the binding together of ira atua (the realm of the gods) and iratāngata (the realm of humans). Create your own star to add to the installation.

#### EVENT & ACTIVITIES

##### Artist Floor Talk: Inga Fillary

12 MARCH | 11AM

Join us to hear artist Inga Fillary talk about her first major exhibition, What's the Matter. Free, however space is extremely limited so booking is essential. Book at [www.hastingscityartgallery.co.nz](http://www.hastingscityartgallery.co.nz)

##### Hastings Public Art Walking Tour

19 MARCH | 11AM

Join our gallery guide for a fascinating tour of the much-loved public art of Hastings. Meet outside the gallery entrance in Civic Square, next to the Hastings Library. A minimum of five attendees are required for the tour to proceed. Please keep 1 metre distancing and wear a mask. Free, no booking required. For more information, please call 06 871 5095.

##### Artist Floor Talk: Nikau Hindin

26 MARCH | 11AM

Join us to hear renowned artist, Nikau Hindin (Ngai Tūpoto, Te Rarawa, Ngāpuhi) speak about her practice with aute (traditional Māori barkcloth) and whenua paint, maramataka, celestial navigation and her exhibition Kōkōrangī ki Kōkōwai. Free, however space is limited so booking is essential. Book at [www.hastingscityartgallery.co.nz](http://www.hastingscityartgallery.co.nz)

COVID-19 PROTECTION FRAMEWORK: Please note, you will need a My Vaccine Pass and mask to visit the Gallery.

### Arts Inc. Heretaunga



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

##### David Guerin – 'In Retrospect'

21 FEBRUARY – 5 MARCH

An artistic exploration of remembering.

### Hastings Sports Centre



503 Railway Road  
[www.hastingsdc.govt.nz/hsc](http://www.hastingsdc.govt.nz/hsc)

##### Tumbling Tots

TERM 1: 2 – 30 MARCH

For children aged 12 months (or crawling) to 5 years. Two class times every Wednesday from 9.30am. Cost – 45 minute Skill based programme or 1hr self-supervised - \$5 per session. For more info visit the website or call.

##### Fundamental Skills Programme

TERM 1: 4 AND 25 MARCH

Designed for young children with physical and/or learning difficulties, to help them develop their fundamental skills, build their confidence and self-reliance. Fridays at 10am, cost \$5 per session. For more info visit the website or call.

##### Hastings Kiwi Seniors

TUESDAYS | 10.30AM – 11AM

Tailored for older adults but all ages welcome. Includes: Free style movements to music, resistance exercises along with balance movements to enhance body and mind. Cost: \$5 per session

### Heretaunga Womens Centre



Women's Rest Building, Cnr. Russell & Eastbourne Streets  
P. (06) 878 5401

##### 2022 International Womens Day Movie - Mothers of the Revolution

8 MARCH | 5.30PM NIBBLES | MOVIE 6PM

FOCAL POINT CINEMA HASTINGS

This film tells the moving true story of the Greenham Common Women's Peace Camp and how it changed the world.

### Toitōi -Hawke's Bay Arts & Events Centre



101 Hastings Street South  
P. (06) 871 5289 or E. [info@toitovenues.co.nz](mailto:info@toitovenues.co.nz)  
[www.toitovenues.co.nz](http://www.toitovenues.co.nz)

Please refer to the Toitōi website for information on upcoming programmes and events:  
[www.toitovenues.co.nz](http://www.toitovenues.co.nz) or @toitovenues on both Facebook and Instagram.

### Camberley Community Centre



703 Kiwi Street, Camberley  
[www.hastingsdc.govt.nz/camberley-community-centre](http://www.hastingsdc.govt.nz/camberley-community-centre)

##### Sit and Be Fit

TUESDAYS | 1PM – 1.45PM

A seated exercise programme suitable for older adults to assist with building balance and strength.

##### Tai Chi For Beginners

THURSDAYS | 1PM – 1.45PM

Entry level Tai Chi helps improve balance, and coordination. Also assist with the understanding of the basic concepts that will enable you to progress onto Tai Chi Advanced.

##### Kori Tinana Mo Ngā Kaumātua Programme (Group Exercise Programme)

FRIDAYS | 9AM – 10AM

Group exercise for fitness, wellbeing and social contact specifically tailored for our over 50's

### Flaxmere Community Centre



30 Swansea Road, Flaxmere  
[www.hastingsdc.govt.nz/flaxmere-community-centre](http://www.hastingsdc.govt.nz/flaxmere-community-centre)

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### Events & Activities in the Hastings District

ALL MONTH

##### Hawke's Bay Farmers Market

EVERY SUNDAY | 8.30AM – 12.30AM

SHOWGROUNDS HAWKE'S BAY TŌMOANA, KENILWORTH ROAD, HASTINGS

More info: [www.hawkesbayfarmersmarket.co.nz](http://www.hawkesbayfarmersmarket.co.nz)

##### PLAY

TUESDAYS | 9.30AM – 11AM | KIRKPATRICK PARK, CAMBERLEY

FRIDAYS | 9.15AM – 11AM | FLAXMERE PARK

PLAY is Physical Learning Activities.

Whānau come and PLAY with your tamariki in your local park - equipment and Sport Hawke's Bay facilitators provided.

For more info contact Maria or Robin @ Sports Hawke's Bay (06) 8459336.

# COVID-19

Event listings are correct at the time of printing, but may be postponed or cancelled at short notice if there are COVID-19 alert setting or requirement changes.