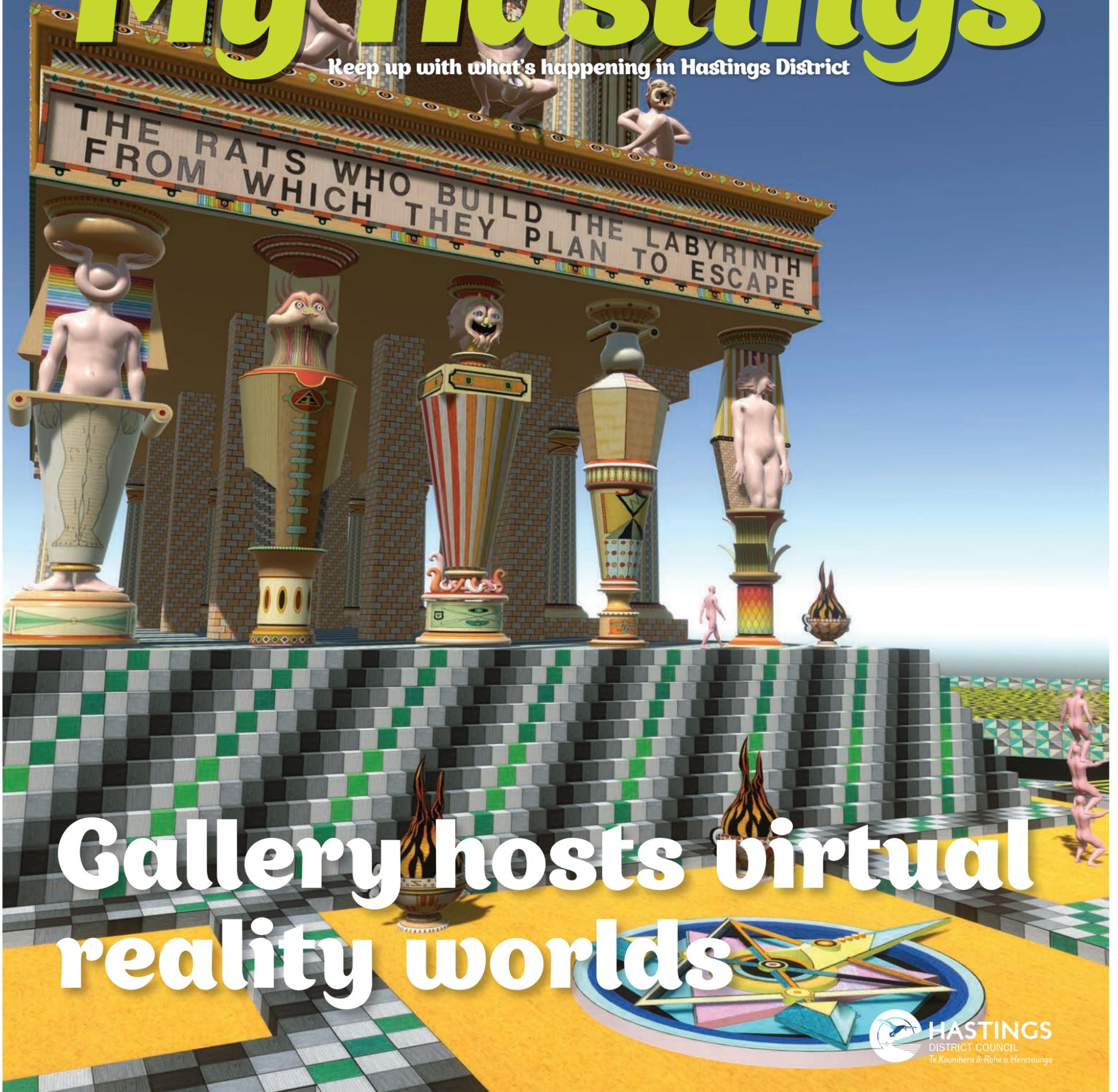


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# My Hastings

Keep up with what's happening in Hastings District



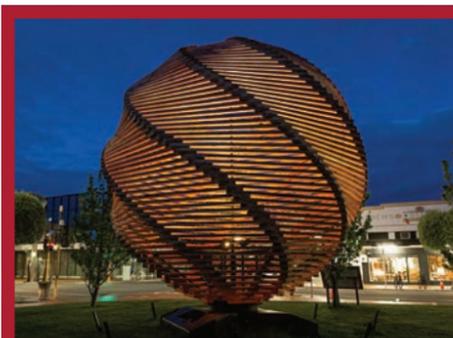
## Gallery hosts virtual reality worlds



HASTINGS HEROES



TENANTS UPDATE



FUNDING  
OPPORTUNITIES



TRAVEL MYWAY

## Message from the mayor



Last month's move to the Orange setting of the COVID-19 Protection Framework was a really positive signal that we can start to move on from what has been an extremely challenging couple of years.

Over this time our community and whānau have been caring for and looking after each other, particularly our amazing health and welfare professionals who have worked tirelessly to keep the wider community safe through the pandemic.

At the end of last month we enjoyed a wonderful Community Family Fun Day at beautiful Flaxmere Park as a way of thanking our community, and to spread some joy and kindness, and it was great to see people coming together in a festival atmosphere.

As a council we want to continue to acknowledge and thank those people who have gone the extra mile for others this year.

If you know a Hastings Hero who deserves to be celebrated, please go onto the council website and nominate them so we can thank them for their efforts on behalf of the community.

As we look to the month ahead I am very excited to see the continued progress being made on the strengthening and restoration of the Municipal Building, and the confirmation of the exciting new tenants who will be in place when it's re-opened in coming months.

Our city centre already has a stellar line-up of hospitality and retail businesses and we know these exciting new additions in the Municipal Building will appeal to a wide range of people, and add an extra buzz to the area.

I am very much looking forward to our community coming together to celebrate the completion of this, the last piece in the puzzle for our fabulous Toitōi – Hawke's Bay Arts and Events Centre project – a real asset for our city for now and into the future.

Ngā mihi

**Sandra Hazlehurst**  
Mayor of Hastings

## MyWay Hastings coming in June

**There's a great new way to get around Hastings coming in June.**

Hawke's Bay Regional Council is launching an on-demand public transport service called MyWay on June 7 that will make it faster, easier, and a bit of fun to get around Hastings.

MyWay means travelling when it suits you, rather than by a bus timetable. You can order MyWay using the app or call the regional council to book it.

It's \$2 a ride and will get you to more places in Hastings than the current services it is replacing (16A, 16B, and 17).

It will link into other bus services in wider Hastings and between Napier and Hastings. The service will be free for Gold Card users between 9am and 3pm.

There will be minivans instead of buses, lowering our carbon footprint, and the service will only respond when people book it.

MyWay uses technology to match customers travelling in the same direction and works out a flexible route to pick you up and drop you off close to your destination.

We'll be sharing more info in the coming months. Can't wait to see you on board!

## Nominate your Hastings Heroes

Calling all Hastings Heroes! We're looking for local everyday superstars who are making a positive difference in our community. Tell us about someone you know who is cheerfully stepping up to not only get their own whānau through this time, but to support the health and wellbeing of their wider community.

Go to [www.hastingsdc.govt.nz/our-council/covid-19/hastings-heroes/](http://www.hastingsdc.govt.nz/our-council/covid-19/hastings-heroes/) to fill in a nomination form.

## Exciting new tenants announced

**The Municipal Building is set to re-open mid-way through this year, and when it does it will be home to some exciting new businesses alongside the relocated and revamped Hastings NZ i-Site and Visitor Information Centre.**

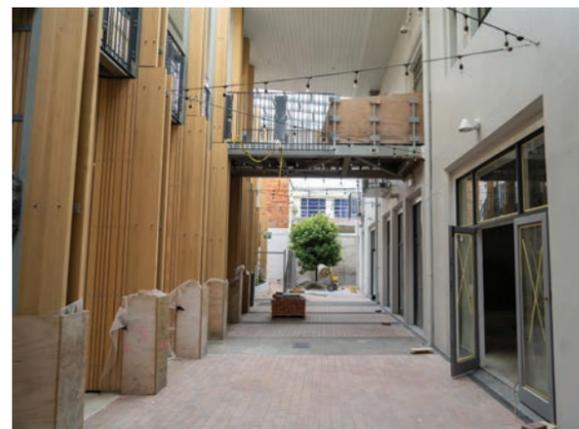
Four tenants have been secured: Craft & Social, a new eatery and bar, Cellar 495 boutique wine cellar and bar, Long Island delicatessen and takeaway foods, and Ākina - a contemporary dealer gallery.

They will join the Hastings i-Site that is moving from the corner of Heretaunga and Russell Streets, and will also incorporate the Toitōi ticketing box office.

These world-class businesses will help Hastings city centre become an even bigger 'hot spot', attracting locals and visitors alike.

To keep up with the latest on the Municipal Building opening, follow Toitōi Arts & Event Centre on Facebook or Instagram (@toitoinvenues).

The Municipal Building has been closed since 2014, undergoing significant earthquake strengthening and restoration work. Undoubtedly one of Hastings' most iconic buildings, the Municipal Building is a Category One Historic Building, and is the final piece of the overall Toitōi-Hawke's Bay Arts and Events Centre project that began in 2016. It has included the covering of the atrium and a revamp of the Hawke's Bay Opera House.



## Stunning light projection for fallen soldiers

**As part of this year's ANZAC Day commemorations, in the week prior, the names of Hastings residents who lost their lives in World Wars 1 and 2 were featured along with poppies on the outside walls of the Memorial Library, as part of a near 18-metre tall light projection.**

RSA Hastings president David Holmes believed it was the first time such an outdoor art work had been developed to honour fallen soldiers.

"It was a beautiful way to honour those soldiers

who died in battle and helped shape the wonderful country we live in today, and a fitting monument for our children and grandchildren, to help us preserve their memories and honour them."

# Virtual Reality exhibition an other-worldly experience



Have you always wanted to try virtual reality but never had the chance? Or are you a lover of 1970s and 80s sci-fi and cult films like *Dark Crystal* and *The Labyrinth*? Or are you a keen quilter? If so, Te Whare Toi o Heretaunga – Hastings City Art Gallery has a mind-blowing exhibition which will interest all of you!

While this may seem like a very disparate group of interests, it's at this intersection where the collaborative work of artists Jess Johnson and Simon Ward come together. Jess grew up in Tauranga on a diet of 1970s and 80s sci-fi and pop culture, while Simon grew up in Havelock North, the son of a graphics and hard tech teacher, and spent his weekends mucking about with old Apple computers and video cameras borrowed from his dad's school.

The pair met in Melbourne and have become ongoing collaborative partners – Jess creates complex analogue drawings of alternate realities which Simon then turns into immersive digital experiences – be it moving images or virtual reality. The most ambitious example of this collaboration is *Terminus*, a mysterious universe of alien architecture populated by humanoid clones and cryptic symbols, traversed via a network of travellers and gateways, all experienced by you, the viewer,

through five virtual reality experiences.

*Terminus* seamlessly brings together a built real world with a virtual one, so you really are immersed within the work, and minds, of these two talented artists. It is complemented by several quilts, created by Jess in collaboration with her mother, Cynthia, which are being shown in New Zealand for the first time, right here in Hastings.

So, if you're curious about VR, quilts as a visual art form, or you just want to tap out of this world and into a whole new one for a bit, come see *Terminus*. It's free entry and on from now until October 24.

**Please note, *Terminus* will open to the public from 11am on Mon-Thurs, and from 10am on Fri-Sun. This is to allow as many local schools as possible to experience this incredible exhibition without disrupting your experience.**

## Have a project and need funding?

Do you have a project that uplifts community spirit and adds vitality to the district? If you are in need of funding support to get your idea or project off the ground, Hastings District Council has a range of community funding opportunities to apply for including:

### City Centre Vibrancy Fund

Are you involved in a project, festival, activation or performance in the Hastings city centre? If so, you can apply for a City Centre Vibrancy grant. The Vibrancy Fund aims to provide artistic and creative elements for our community and to attract visitors to experience our city centre. Applications for the first round of this funding have now closed. Second round applications will be open from July 1-31.

### Event Support Fund

The Event Support Fund is available to organisations planning events in the Hastings district. Applications for funding can be made at any time of the year, but must be made two months prior to the event date, and ideally two months before the event is publically advertised.

### Single Year Community Grants

Single Year Community Grants are for the development and delivery of community services or projects. Evidence of need, planning, budgets and annual accounts are required as part of the application.

Groups that have previously been awarded

a Single Year Community Grant, and who are providing a proven positive impact to the community, can apply for a Multi-year Strategic Community Partnership Fund.

Applications for funding close on May 7 for contracts commencing July 1 in the same year.

### Waste Minimisation Fund

Hastings District Council has two Waste Minimisation Funds that aim to support projects that create a new waste minimisation activity, either by implementing new initiatives or expanding on existing activities.

### Monthly Waste Minimisation Contestable Fund:

Available for small applications under \$2000. Applications are considered each month from February to November each year, with a pool of \$2000 available each month. Your project must not start within six weeks of the applications being submitted.

### Annual Large Waste Minimisation Contestable Fund:

Available once per year for applications over \$2000 from a total pool of \$20,000. Applications are open this from August 19 to September 30.

Visit [www.hastingsdc.govt.nz/grants](http://www.hastingsdc.govt.nz/grants) for more information and to apply.

## Your local representatives



MAYOR SANDRA HAZLEHURST



DEPUTY MAYOR TANIA KERR



COUNCILLOR BAYDEN BARBER



COUNCILLOR ALWYN CORBAN



COUNCILLOR MALCOLM DIXON



COUNCILLOR DAMON HARVEY



COUNCILLOR EILEEN LAWSON



COUNCILLOR SIMON NIXON



COUNCILLOR HENARE O'KEEFE JP



COUNCILLOR PELETI OLI



COUNCILLOR ANN REDSTONE



COUNCILLOR WENDY SCHOLLUM



COUNCILLOR SOPHIE SIERS



COUNCILLOR GERALDINE TRAVERS



COUNCILLOR KEVIN WATKINS



NICK DAWSON



SUE MAXWELL



JONATHAN STOCKLEY



MARCUS BUDDO

### Positions of Office

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Deputy Chair Operations & Monitoring Standing Committee  
Chair Hastings District Licensing Committee Chair District Development Subcommittee  
Rural Community Board council representative (027 241 4758)  
**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 (021 570 011)  
**ALWYN CORBAN – HERETAUNGA WARD**  
Deputy Chair District Planning and By-Laws Subcommittee (021 288 6772)  
**EILEEN LAWSON – HASTINGS-HAVELOCK NORTH WARD**  
Chair Great Communities Subcommittee (027 3007 631)  
**SIMON NIXON – HASTINGS-HAVELOCK NORTH WARD**  
Deputy Chair Risk & Assurance Committee  
Deputy Chair Civic & Administration Subcommittee (027 442 4121)

**HENARE O'KEEFE – FLAXMERE WARD**  
Hastings ambassador (027 4321 890)  
**PELETI OLI – FLAXMERE WARD**  
Flaxmere champion (021 230 3653)  
**ANN REDSTONE – HERETAUNGA WARD**  
Chair Eco District Subcommittee (027 386 7907)  
**WENDY SCHOLLUM – HASTINGS-HAVELOCK NORTH WARD**  
Chair District Development Subcommittee  
Hastings CBD champion (021 519 150)  
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# What's on...

MAY 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)

### Hastings Landmarks History Talks

#### WAR MEMORIAL LIBRARY - CIVIC SQUARE

As the evolving risks with Covid just keep rolling on, any planning for future talks is interrupted until conditions change. On a brighter note, the Hawke's Bay Knowledge Bank continues to record our locals' oral histories and they are well worth following. "www.Hawkes Bay Knowledge Bank – Oral Histories" Keep safe all.

## 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

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



NOW – 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: Kōkōurangi ki Kōkōwai



NOW – 22 MAY

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

#### Star Waka



NOW – 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 iratangata (the realm of humans). Create your own star to add to the installation.

#### Terminus: Jess Johnson & Simon Ward



NOW – 24 OCTOBER 2022

With their pioneering use of virtual reality, artists Jess Johnson and Simon Ward, have created a mysterious universe of alien architecture populated by humanoid clones and cryptic symbols, traversed via a network of travellers and gateways. This exhibition is open to the public from 11am, Mon-Thurs, and normal Gallery hours Fri-Sun.

### EVENT & ACTIVITIES

#### Art for Tots



2 MAY | 10:30-11:30AM

Join our Hastings City Art 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.

Free, no booking required. For more information, please call 06 871 5095.

## 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)

## Hastings Sports Centre



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

### Tumbling Tots

TERM 2: 11, 18, 25 MAY

For children aged 12 months (or crawling) to 5 years. A 45 minute Skill based programme or 1hr self-supervised. \$5 per session.

### Fundamental Skills Programme

TERM 2: 20, 27 MAY

Designed for young children with physical and/or learning difficulties, to help them develop their fundamental skills, build their confidence and self-reliance. \$5 per session.

### 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. \$5 per session

## Heretaunga Womens Centre



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

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

## 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 assists 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)

### Tai Chi For Beginners



MONDAYS | 9AM – 9.45AM

Entry level Tai Chi helps improve balance, and coordination. Also assists 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)



WEDNESDAYS | 9AM – 9.45AM

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

## 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)

### Dry Spell – Footnote New Zealand Dance

FRIDAY 6, MAY | 7.30PM

TOITOI – HAWKE'S BAY ARTS & EVENTS CENTRE

Fantasy and reality collide with one another, in this spiralling ascension through desire and disgrace, brought to you by Footnote New Zealand Dance. Dry Spell delves into a shuddering moment in time, blending nostalgia and futurism to create scenes of excitement, fear and pleasure. Tickets from \$37.88, go to [www.toitovenues.co.nz](http://www.toitovenues.co.nz) or phone 0800 289 849 to book.

## 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)

#### Hawke's Bay Marathon

14 MAY

Close to 8000 participants will be out and about enjoying some of the best of Hawke's Bay's stunning scenery. More info at [www.hawkesbaymarathon.co.nz](http://www.hawkesbaymarathon.co.nz)

#### TARGA RALLY – Havelock North

26 MAY

The Targa Competition is the passport to driving your competition car (or rent one of our competition vehicles) through gorgeous, technically challenging Kiwi roads, testing your driving capability and your service crew's tenacity, through the most beautiful scenery of any Targa in the world. More info at [www.targa.nz/](http://www.targa.nz/)

## Special Days this month

### MAY 2022

1st	INTERNATIONAL WORKERS DAY
1st & 2nd	EID AL-FITR
5th	CINCO DE MAYO
8th	MOTHER'S DAY
9th – 15th	NEW ZEALAND SIGN LANGUAGE WEEK BEGINS
16th	VESAK (BUDDHA DAY)
17th	INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST HOMOPHOBIA, BIPHOBIA & TRANSPHOBIA
19th	GLOBAL ACCESSIBILITY AWARENESS DAY
20th	PINK SHIRT DAY (ANTI-BULLYING DAY)
21st	WORLD DAY FOR CULTURAL DIVERSITY
30th	SAMOAN LANGUAGE WEEK BEGAINS

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 level changes.



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