



HASTINGS LANDMARKS TRUST

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OUR MISSION: TO PROMOTE EXCELLENCE IN HISTORY, LANDSCAPE, ARCHITECTURE AND PUBLIC ART | APRIL 2022

Hello, Kia ora, Ni Hao, Konnichiwa, Bonjour, Guten Tag, Hallo,
Solofa, Namaste, Hola, Buongiorno, Salute, Yassas, Ola

AWARDS

FINALLY! Hastings Landmarks Trust 2021 Awards Ceremony.

After several abortive attempts to hold our Hastings District Landmarks Trust Awards - for 2021 - stymied by Covid - we have finally recognised our winners. Gone was the usual format of an intimate evening in an indoor venue complete with a Powerpoint presentation and drinks and nibbles for the winners and their +100 supporters.

This year we held two small presentations - outdoors for safety - to recognise the very deserving Winners and those Highly Commended who have made our district a better place in which to live, work and have fun - true to the vision of our founder, Jeremy Dwyer.

The Winners were presented with their framed certificates by our Mayor, Sandra Hazlehurst in, appropriately, Landmarks Square in Warren Street on February 11th.

Those Highly Commended were presented with their certificates on March 4th, outside the Hastings War Memorial Library, near the Pasifika Group mural.

We are delighted to officially acknowledge the following individuals and organisations with Hastings Landmarks Trust 2021 Awards, most notably Arts Inc Heretaunga the winner of the Jeremy Dwyer Supreme Award.

SUPREME WINNER - The Jeremy Dwyer Award. Arts Inc Heretaunga.

The Hastings District Landmarks Trust celebrates and congratulates a local institution at the heart of all things creative in our district as worthy recipients of our Supreme Award.

We honour Arts Incorporated Heretaunga for so successfully serving our communities over many years by offering a wide variety of arts events, exhibition space, leadership, support and advocacy. Its supportive role touches artists, crafts-people, musicians, writers and dancers in all their diversity and we, the public, are the beneficiaries.

Its Gallery in the CBD hosts exhibitions as diverse as the wonderful Roy Dunningham retrospective, Christmas craft fairs, Matariki and arts graduates' exhibitions.

Many of the fun things that happen in our district have Arts Inc Heretaunga stamped all over them: the Hawke's Bay Arts Festival, Blossom Festival, Summer Music Series, Sculpture Symposiums, murals on our walls, six Hawke's Bay Arts Guides as well as multiple collaborations including Toimairangi, Waiohiki Arts Village, Creative Arts Napier, Nga Toi Hawke's Bay, artists and art groups. Needless to say, a high degree of stamina is required to navigate the choppy waters of a pandemic.

Arts Inc is funded by the Hastings District Council, Creative New Zealand, sponsors, patrons, friends and grants, along with revenue from ticket sales, exhibition commissions and rent. But its vision and drive are all generated by the dedicated team in this not-for-profit gem in our District.

We celebrate all that it offers us in its diversity, through good times and bad, and hope that its wonderful offerings continue in "Promoting and developing the arts in the beautiful heart of Hawke's Bay".

We congratulate the current Board: Andy Heast (Chair), Hamish Pringle (Treasurer), Jude Minor (Secretary), Pitsch Leiser, Te Rangi Huata, John Eaden, Susan Davidson, the Hastings District Council representative, Cr Malcolm Dixon and all who have contributed to the resounding success of Arts Inc Heretaunga and wish it well for the future.

To avoid any conflict of interest, the Landmarks Trust President and Board member, John Eaden, refrained from taking any part in the decision of the Landmarks Executive in choosing Arts Inc Heretaunga to receive this award.





ART IN PUBLIC PLACES

WINNER: Phillipp Meier. Prunus Awanui Sculpture.

The first event, took place in Landmarks Square, where we were delighted to recognize our winner **Phillipp Meier for the Prunus Awanui Sculpture**, commissioned by the Hastings City Council to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the Hastings Landmarks Trust. It was unveiled in a public ceremony on the 12th March 2021. Constructed from painted stainless steel, Prunus Awanui was inspired by the flowering cherry trees that are prolific in Hastings' street plantings.



HIGHLY COMMENDED:

Hawke's Bay Pasifika Youth Leadership Group.

The beautiful and bold mural on Hastings War Memorial library overlooked our **Highly Commended** award presentation to **Hawke's Bay Pasifika Youth Leadership Group** that celebrates Pacific Communities and their stories of both island life and Aotearoa.



HIGHLY COMMENDED:

Dali Susanto.

Dali Susanto has given us his distinctive bold, modern murals and art works that enhance shop windows, public electric boxes and gallery walls lifting our spirits and bringing a smile.



LANDSCAPE AWARD

WINNER: Te Mata Park Trust Board – Te Mata Park Rongoā Planting.

Te Mata Park Trust Board is recognised for their 2018/2019 accomplishment in raising \$2.5 million from the local community and charitable trusts to purchase and develop additional land and thereby protecting Te Mata Park for us and future generations to enjoy.

Community volunteers and local schools assisted in creating a rongoā garden (using traditional Māori medicinal plants) under the guidance of Tyne-Marie Nelson. Guy Morris has ably managed the planting programme. Tracks for walking and mountain biking have been established including suitable paths for those with compromised mobility and children's biking. The Landmarks Trust applauds the Board for its foresight and for the continuing involvement with educational establishments and the marketing of this stunning area.



HIGHLY COMMENDED:

Ariki Huata & Wine Country Sheet Metal & Engineering.

Ariki Huata & Adam Skudder of Wine Country Sheet Metal & Engineering are responsible for enhancing our CBD with their protective metal tree-guards. The brief from council requested that the designs on the guards reflected the mountains, coasts, wetlands and sky, a commission that was completed skillfully and resulted in the splendidly creative note to our City's treescape.



HISTORY AWARD

WINNER: Hastings District Heritage Trails Society Inc. - Clive Heritage Trail.

Several years ago it was noticed by Hastings District Heritage Trails Society that Clive had not been recognised as having points of 'scenic, cultural and historic' significance in the Hastings area. In 2021 this situation was rectified: a new Heritage Trail brochure was published. It highlights a trail with information relating to the development of Clive, including many sites worth visiting, reading about, and enjoying. The Farndon trail (launched three years ago) inspired further trail development of a route around Clive district which draws one's attention to areas affected by flooding, early building sites, local environment and history of the location.

www.hastingsdc.govt.nz/assets/Doc provides in depth information about this trail.



HIGHLY COMMENDED:

Ewan McGregor

We laud Ewan McGregor for his tenacity. It is unlikely that many of us know somebody who owns several thousand books that line 65 metres of shelving but such a man resides in Hawke's Bay. Ewan McGregor states "I have always been a compulsive bibliophile, and keep everything - although in a rare lapse I gave away my collection of Donald Duck comics!" Ewan's library specialises in NZ and Hawke's Bay history / farming / forestry/ environment and biographies. Several of Ewan's own written works, relating to the A&P Society, Stock & Station companies and Kopanga Station, are also sitting on these shelves and all are generously available to view or browse by appointment. In Ewan's experience, access to research libraries for non-professional historians, is becoming increasingly difficult. A hard-copy equivalent stored at the Hawke's Bay Knowledge Bank or a 'McGregor Room' in our public library would offer a precious resource.



ARCHITECTURE AWARD

WINNER: Hansen Property Group Ltd – the Tribune Redevelopment.

The new Hansen "Tribune" development on Queen Street/ Karamu Road is another amazing added attraction to the enhancement of the Queen Street area. The two storey "Tribune" once housed the printing and distribution of the "Hawke's Bay Tribune" until the 1931 earthquake and subsequent fires completely destroyed the printing plant. The building was reduced to a single storey but now a second storey has been reinstated and the heritage building re-purposed to the highest standard, thanks to the enthusiasm and creativity of Rob and Barb Hansen.

If you are looking for an exciting new venue to explore, be sure to seek out Brave Brewery, Real World, a baker, very smart hair- dressing salon, a fashion boutique and designer homewares outlet with food and beverage in situ. Legal, financial offices and dental facilities also are all very conveniently placed in this location.

Enjoy one of the latest additions to our central city with all of it exhibiting Landmarks' value.



FACADE ENHANCEMENTS

40GS Properties Ltd, 113, Queen Street East.

The six different colours that complement the detail within the facade of the unique and stunning Kelly McNeil Building leave no nuances of the building's character omitted. The base colour 'Pine Glade' announces the presence of this building whilst the punchy polite colours of Butter, Husk, Green, Smoke and Frost enhance every feature with stunning autumn hues yet still manage to stay true to the heritage of Stripped Classical (Grecian Moderne) 20th-century classicist architectural design. Art Deco makes a minor appearance in a geometric panel at either end of the parapet of this building of historic value.



HIGHLY COMMENDED:

**South Island Developments,
131 Russell Street North.**

The colours Sea Fog (as the foundation), Pale Slate (to highlight the mid tones) and Bokara Grey (to add accent) are the colour palette used to enhance the Stripped Classical style facade of the Former Post Office building. As with other historic buildings the Post Office was badly damaged during the 1931 earthquake but re-built and re-opened in 1932. Its prominence, on the corner of Russell Street and Queen Street East, with its enhanced facade ensures it is regarded as a most valuable architectural asset for Hastings that more than meets the approval of Landmarks Trust.



HIGHLY COMMENDED:

**Ortus Holdings Ltd, 201 Karamu Road North.
The Old Public Trust Building.**

It was felt important that the colour scheme used on the Old Public Trust Building enhanced the simple splendour of the Stripped Classical style of architecture with its subtle Classical decoration. Individually the selected colours seemed understated but when the base colours Silver Sand and Sea Fog were combined with the dark tones of Baltic Sea, Friar Grey and Mountain Mist the darker hues created accents and detail both clean and refined. The two storeyed Old Public Trust building sports two impressive giant order columns with simple bases, fluted shafts and Ionic capitals set in a recess in the wall that frame the doorway. A framed wreath incorporating a lion's head is sculpted on the spandrel panels between the ground and first floor.

All our very worthy Award-winners have thoughtfully created visual treats and benefits for the Hawke's Bay community that are very much appreciated by Hastings Landmarks Trust members. We encourage everybody to seek them out to enjoy the experience of recent upgrades and knowledge relating to our tenets: Landscape, History, Art in Public Places and Architecture.



**HASTINGS MOST BEAUTIFUL
SMALL CITY.**

Hastings Landmarks members congratulate Hastings District Council and the community on receiving the recent, awesome accolade of The Most Beautiful Small City award. The announcement at Parliament House in February came just one year after two previous amazing presentations for Most Beautiful Large Town and the Supreme Award.

The judges recognised council's intentions towards improving sustainability and environmental protection. They also praised the implementation of litter and waste prevention programmes that aim to inform children, in a fun way, with new litter mascots 'Luke the Litter Legend' and 'Colin the Cheeky Chucker'.

Mayor Sandra Hazlehurst acknowledged the Award with appreciative and encouraging words for the efforts of the community who work hard and together, both professionally and voluntarily, for the local environment and beautification of the surroundings in which we live.

Once more we are reminded of Jeremy Dwyer's foresight in the creation of Hastings Landmarks Trust and the valuable local assets that contribute to the well being of local residents and visitors.



History

HISTORY TALK UPDATE

Sadly, the Landmarks monthly History Talks at the Hastings War Memorial Library are still on hold while the pandemic continues to fling its weight around.

HOWEVER, FOR HISTORY BUFFS – if you are in need of a fix of some local history or would like to listen again to a past History Talk, go the wonderful Digital Archive headquarters that is the **Hawke's Bay Knowledge Bank:**

www.knowledgebank.org.nz

Most of our history talks and the stories of many other interesting Hawke's Bay identities (along with photographs) have been recorded by the volunteers at the Knowledge Bank. And to support those volunteers, why not consider becoming a Friend of the Knowledge Bank by donating \$30 to help them continue to do such a wonderful job?

Contact admin@knowledgebank.org.nz

Sign up for their interesting monthly newsletter and check them out on Facebook too. It's a wonderful taonga to have in our district.

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Dear Landmarks Supporter,
We appreciate your membership and support. The annual subscription helps enable us continue Jeremy Dwyer's vision for our Hastings District.
Thank you from the Landmarks Trust Executive.



**NEW
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Hastings District Landmarks Trust Inc. MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTION 2021-2022.

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