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**what3words**/// is an innovative way to provide directions to exact locations anywhere in the world and has inspired our Local History Week activity titles.

## Ngā mihi nui to the following organisations for participating in Local History Week:



NEW ZEALAND CHINESE ASSOCIATION  
MANAWATU BRANCH INC  
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You can find all Heritage Month and Local History activity listings, as well as a downloadable booklet online:

[citylibrary.pncc.govt.nz/whats-on/programme/local-history](https://citylibrary.pncc.govt.nz/whats-on/programme/local-history)

For more information about anything in this booklet, please contact the Heritage Team.

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# NAU MAI, HAERE MAI

He mea whakahīhī Te Wiki Hītori ā-Rohe ki Te Papaioea.

Whakatūria ai i te tau 2008, he wiki whakanui tēnei kia āhei te hāpori ki te hono ki tō tātou hītori tūhāhā. He wā aro pīkari ki ngā tāngata me ngā taiopenga o tō tātou kiritōpū o mua me ngā pāpātanga ki a tātou i te rā nei. I mua rā, whakahaeretia ai i te Noema, ināianei he wiki hirahira te Wiki Hītori ā-Rohe i te Marama Hītōria ka tū i te Maehe o ia tau.

E manawarū ana anō Te Kaunihera ki te whakarite, ki te rauhi i ētahi mahi i te wiki ā-kaupapa. I tēnei tau, ka riro mā te ‘whenua’ tātou hei whakaohooho. Tērā te whakataukī, “Whatungarongaro te tangata, toitū te whenua”, e kōrerotia ana te pūmāutanga o te whenua me te tipu o tō tātou hononga nui ki te whenua. Ko ngā hononga ēnei ki te whenua, kei roto i te whenua, i te whenua, me te whenua, mai i te whenua hoki.

Ka mihi ki te wairua marere o ngā tumu kōrero, o ngā kairangahau, o te hunga ngākau whiwhita, o ngā whakahaere hītōria o tō tātou tāone ki te tuku i ngā kōrero, i ngā awheawhe, i ngā wheako arataki whānui mā tātou hei ako, hei whai māramatanga anō mō tō tātou rohe.

Nei te ngākau iti e pōhiri atu nei ki a koutou, kia piri mai ki Te Wiki Hītori ā-Rohe me Te Marama Hītōria.

Ngā mihi nui,

**Nā mātou te Tima Hītōria o Te  
Whare Pukapuka o Te Papaioea**

Local History Week has a proud history in Palmerston North.

Established in 2008, this celebratory week is a chance for the community to connect with our unique history. A time to focus attention on the people and events of our collective past and the impact on us today. Previously run in November, Local History Week is now a highlight week within Heritage Month held annually in March.

Once again, the City Library is delighted to coordinate and curate a themed week of activities. This year we are inspired by whenua. The whakataukī (proverb), Whatungarongaro te tangata toitū te whenua, speaks to the permanence of whenua and the profound nature of connections we develop with the land. These connections are of whenua, in whenua, on whenua, with whenua, and from whenua.

We thank the generosity of our city’s historians, researchers, enthusiasts and heritage organisations in offering a range of talks, workshops and guided experiences for us all to learn and understand more about our rohe.

We warmly invite you to join us for Local History Week and Heritage Month.

Ngā mihi nui,

**The Heritage Team at the  
Palmerston North City Library**





## Pōwhiri.Marae. Begin

**Saturday 2 March**  
11.00am - 12.30pm

Te Rangimarie Marae,  
Rangiotu

The oldest Rangitāne marae in our rohe, Te Rangimarie, will welcome you for the beginning of Local History Week. Participate in a pōwhiri, learn about the wharenui and the whenua it stands on. Followed by hākari (light lunch). Consider staying for presentations focused on two significant monuments in our city centre. See pages 3 + 6.

**Registration is essential.**  
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# OCCASIONS

CELEBRATE.  
HONOUR.  
DELIGHT

A time to celebrate and acknowledge the generous contribution and mahi to heritage kaupapa.



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## Newspaper.History.Land

**Sunday 10 March** | 1.30 - 2.30pm  
Central Library, Second Floor

Palmerston North City Library coordinates the Manawatū Standard's Back Issues series. Chaired by Giselle Byrnes, a panel of contributing writers will share insights on researching and writing about land-focused topics for a newspaper readership.

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## Display.Meet.Greet

**Friday 1 March** | 5.30 - 7.00pm

Central Library +  
Te Manawa Art Gallery

You are invited to the opening night of whenua-themed exhibitions and displays running throughout Heritage Month. See pages 10 and 11 for details. Each display will have a host to enlighten and inspire. While you are at the Central Library, staff can help you register for activities during March and even a curate a sequence of activities to suit your personal interests!



## Prize. Farewell.End

**Sunday 10 March**  
3.00 - 3.30pm

Central Library,  
Second Floor

As Local History Week draws to a close, we reflect on the whenua / earth and the week's history experiences coordinated by the Palmerston North City Library. The Palmerston North Heritage Trust will award the best book (or equivalent) on the history of Manawatū, published between July 2021 and December 2023.

Join Mayor Grant Smith and Rangitāne for the poroporoaki. Arrive from 2.30pm for refreshments.



## Block. 1864.Sale

**Tuesday 5 March**  
5.30 - 6.30pm  
Central Library,  
Mezzanine Floor

Ruma Karaitiana (Rangitāne ki Manawatū) will share Te Hirawanui Kaimokopuna's perspective into the sale of the Te Ahu a Turanga block of 250,000 acres on 23 July 1864.

# TALKS

## MANA. REFLECT. TRANSFORM

Tini whetū ki te Rangī, ko  
Rangitāne nui ki te whenua.  
As numerous as the stars in  
the sky, so too is Rangitāne  
on the earth.



## Maunga. Highway. Unison

**Wednesday  
6 March**  
12.30 - 1.30pm

Central Library, Second Floor

*Te Ahu a Turanga: Manawatū Tararua Highway Pou Tiaki*, Terry Hapi (Rangitāne o Manawatū), and Project spokesperson Grant Kauri (Ngāti Raukawa, Rangitāne o Manawatū, Rangitāne ki Tamaki nui ā rua) will speak about the partnership, the cultural context of the surrounding whenua and how kaitiakitanga and mātauranga Māori are working in unison with western science on Te Ahu a Turanga.



## Rangatira. Century.Since

**Saturday 2 March**  
1.00 - 1.45pm

Te Rangimarie Marae,  
Rangiotu

Tohunga Whakairo Rangitāne ki Manawatū, Warren Warbrick, will give an illustrated talk on the kaupapa of *He Aho Tangata* and recent projects involving 'tāniko on the whenua'.

**To attend this talk, register for the pōwhiri, Pōwhiri.Marae.Begin, on Saturday 2 March, 11am.**

## Rangitāne. Mātauranga.Taiao

**Thursday 7 March** | 5.30 - 6.30pm

Central Library, Mezzanine Floor

Rangitāne has occupied the catchment of the Manawatū Awa continuously for ~1000 years, experiencing periods of environmental change. Jonathan Procter will discuss how change has shaped the cultural expressions of Rangitāne and that, despite major change over the last 200 years, the expressions of people, place and culture are still strong.



## **Boys.Girls. Flockhouse**

**Friday 8 March**  
12.00 - 1.00pm  
Central Library,  
Second Floor

Orphans of British seamen killed in WWI, who came to Aotearoa New Zealand between 1926 and 1931 as farm cadets, were accommodated at Bulls and Palmerston North. Russell Poole will talk about the orphans' experiences.

**Consider registering for the 2pm trip to Bulls, Flock.House.100, which follows Russell's talk.**

# TALKS

## LAND. ENDEAVOURS. PROVIDE

Explore ways we connect to and work with whenua.



## **Lens.On. Landscape**

**Saturday 9 March**  
1.00 - 2.00pm  
Central Library,  
Mezzanine Floor

MAVtech Museum's photography specialist, Jacob Brookie, will reveal how photography has changed the way we see landscape, often in the most unexpected ways. Vintage cameras from the MAVtech collection will be on display.



## **Diverse. Farming. Experience**

**Thursday 7 March**  
12.30 - 1.30pm  
Central Library,  
Second Floor

Hear diverse stories of our connections with food and farming. Over 1,300 New Zealanders were asked what they really think about farming. The results might surprise you. Presented by Alice Beban and Janet Reid.



## **Chinese. Community. Evolution**

**Saturday 9 March**  
2.30 - 3.30pm  
Central Library,  
Second Floor

The history of Chinese market gardening in Manawatū tells the stories of the many people whose work and lives have unfolded according to local circumstances and world events. Listen in as Rodney Wong interviews local Chinese market gardeners.



# TALKS

WRITE.  
CURATE.  
INSPIRE

View whenua through creative works, ranging from the written word to art and sculpture.



## Lenses.Onto. Land

Tuesday 5 March

12.30 - 1.30pm

Central Library,  
Second Floor

In its 18 years the *Manawatū Journal of History* has published many articles showing the complex ways in which people have interacted with the land. Margaret Tennant will discuss some of their experiences of developing a sense of place - noting, as well, the silences around stories told.

**Manawatū.Journal.History:** Peruse (and buy) past journals, directly from the journal editor. The *Manawatū Journal of History* display coincides with Margaret Tennant's talk drawing insights from the *Journal's* collection.



## Gallery. Environment. Collection

Wednesday 6 March

3.30 - 4.30pm

Te Manawa Art  
Gallery, Main Street

The exhibition, *We Come From the Earth*, considers how work from the Te Manawa collection, made in the late 20th century, still resonates with environmental concerns today. Join Sian van Dyk for a curator's tour.



## Bronze.Place. Belonging

Saturday 9 March

11.00am - 12.00pm

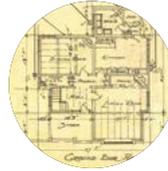
Te Manawa Art  
Gallery, Main Street

*Continuum* is a survey exhibition showcasing the career of internationally renowned, local sculptor Paul Dibble. Join Sian van Dyk for a floor tour and talk on Dibble's notion of place and belonging in Aotearoa New Zealand.

# TALKS

## STONE. WOOD. BRICK

In and from the earth  
- experience how our  
built environment  
represents the past.



## Your Property. Informed

**Monday 4 March**  
12.30 - 1.30pm  
Central Library,  
Second Floor

Are you interested in the history of your house, and don't know where to start? Join former City Archivist, Lesley Courtney, as she outlines how the City Archives might help to tell (or not, as the case may be!) the story of a house.



## Memorialised. Century.Since

**Saturday 2 March**  
1.45 - 2.30pm  
Te Rangimarie Marae,  
Rangiotu

Remembering the Palmerstonians who never returned from WWI, Virginia Warbrick will share recent research determining the burial locations of people named on the Palmerston North War Memorial.

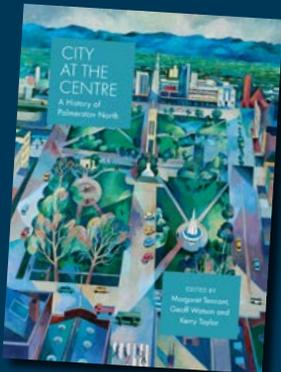
**To attend this talk, register for the pōwhiri, Pōwhiri.Marae.Begin, on Saturday 2 March, 11am.**



## Shortage. Bricks. Construction

**Monday 4 March**  
5.30 - 6.30pm  
Central Library,  
Mezzanine Floor

In the early 1900s, man-made and natural disasters ushered in a demand for bricks and bricklayers. Hoffman Kiln trustees, Val Burr and Cliff Wilson, will discuss the compelling need for Palmerston to have its own kiln.



## Win your own copy of *City at the Centre!*

Take our online quiz during Local History Week between Friday 1 March, 5pm and Sunday 10 March 5pm. All entries with 10 correct answers will go in the draw to win a copy of Palmerston North's latest history.

[bit.ly/LocalHistoryWeekQuiz](https://bit.ly/LocalHistoryWeekQuiz)



# TALKS

## MINA MCKENZIE MEMORIAL LECTURE

Every year the Mina McKenzie Memorial Lecture discusses a topic near and dear to the museum community.



### Lecture. Annual. Museum

**Sunday 3 March**  
3.00 - 4.30pm  
Central Library,  
Mezzanine Floor

The 2024 Mina McKenzie Memorial Lecture will be presented by author Lucy Mackintosh on her new book *Shifting Grounds: Deep Histories of Tāmaki Makaurau Auckland*. Followed by afternoon tea.

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### Local.Object.Think

**Monday 4 March**  
9.00am - 12.00pm

Te Manawa Museum, Main Street

Lucy Mackintosh will discuss her current project that draws on museum collections, taonga and place. This workshop aims to assist secondary school students to learn and think critically about local histories. Te Manawa educators will also highlight new Mātauranga Rangitāne learning programmes. Suitable for kaiako.

**Register by 9 February,  
limited places, email  
learning@temanawa.co.nz**



# GUIDED EXPERIENCES

OUTDOORS.  
NARRATIVE.  
INSIGHT



Take a guided walk through the ages and experience stories on the whenua of our rohe.

All tours and trips listed on pages 8 and 9 are free, unless stated. Most of these experiences have limited spaces. Except for the visit to Massey University on Tuesday 5 March, please register online at [bit.ly/HeritageMonthRegistrations](https://bit.ly/HeritageMonthRegistrations), scan the QR code on the inside cover, or contact the Heritage Team.



## Garden. Beloved.Trees

**Sunday 3 March**  
12.30 - 2.00pm

Meet outside the Peter Black Conservatory, Victoria Esplanade

Join sports historian, Geoff Watson, and historical geographer, Mike Roche, for a walk-and-talk about the history and trees of the Victoria Esplanade, including the legacy of Peter Black. Note - this event takes place during Esplanade Day.



## Food.Garden. Waste

**Monday 4 March**  
3.30 - 4.30pm

Meet at Awapuni Resource Recovery Park, Tip Road

Ever wondered what happens to green waste and the impact it has on the city? Council infrastructure staff will give you a behind-the-scenes tour of the resource recovery facilities.



## University. Beginnings. Agriculture

**Tuesday 5 March**  
10.30 - 11.30am

Meet in front of Turitea House, Massey University

Discover the history and original buildings of Massey Agricultural College. University Archives staff will lead a tour of the historical precinct of Massey University's campus in Palmerston North.

**Register: email**  
[libarch@massey.ac.nz](mailto:libarch@massey.ac.nz)  
**or phone 06-951-6800**



## Community. Grow.Thrive

**Tuesday 5 March**  
3.30 - 4.30pm

Te Pātikitiki Library,  
157 Highbury Avenue

The collaborative initiative, Te Ao: The Proverbial Garden, has developed into an urban food forest, sustainable living, and art space, where people can uphold the relationship of reciprocal learning. Join Niki Burtenshaw for a presentation and tour.



## **Street.Past. Future**

**Wednesday 6 March**

10.30 - 11.30am

Meet on the corner of Rangitikei and Cuba Streets

Join Senior Urban Designer, Dave Charnley, for a 'walkshop' along one of Palmerston North's oldest, Cuba Street. Dave will highlight notable buildings, names, events, recent streetscape and Arena upgrades, public artworks, and future opportunities for the street, while revealing its past.

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## **Flock. House.100**

**Friday 8 March**

2.00 - 4.30pm

Meet at Arena 5 carpark, Waldegrave Street

Take a bus trip to Bulls for a presentation from Alasdair Bettles-Hall on the history of Flockhouse, in its 100th year. Followed by a self-guided tour of Bulls Museum, including Flock House memorabilia.

**Consider attending Russell Poole's talk, Boys.Girls.Flockhouse, on Friday 8 March, 12.00pm.**

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## **River. Volcanism. Climate**

**Thursday 7 March**

3.30 - 4.30pm

**Saturday 9 March**

10.00 - 11.00am

Meet at Skoglund Park carpark, at the end of Thames Street

The strata in the exposed cliff at Pit Park contain a record of how the landscape around Palmerston North has evolved in response to climate change and mountain erosion. Join sedimentologist, Julie Palmer, on a fascinating guided tour.

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## **Historic. Houses.Farms**

**Saturday 9 March**

9.00am - 1.00pm

Meet at Arena 5 carpark, Waldegrave Street

Take a bus trip to the Chapman Taylor designed Woodleigh House, based in Marton. Walk the grounds and enjoy morning tea. Guided by John Vickers. Followed by a visit to award-winning Holly Farm, owned by David & Maureen Smith. Limited places, \$10

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## **Headstones. Oldest. Personalities**

**Thursday 7 March**

6.00 - 8.00pm

Meet at Terrace End Cemetery gates, Napier Road

Join Leanne Croon Hickman and New Zealand Society of Genealogists member, Geraldine Reynolds, on their popular twilight tour to 'meet' some of the interesting residents of Terrace End Cemetery.

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## **Te.Uru.Karaka**

**Saturday 9 March**

4.00pm - 5.00pm

Meet at the corner of Batchelar and Karaka Grove Roads

Join Rangitāne artist Craig Kawana to visit the stand of Karaka trees which inspired new mahi toi in the 1980s and 2010s.



## What.On.Earth

Palmerston North City Library,  
Mezzanine Floor

Writers have selected land-focused features from the Manawatū Standard's Back Issues series.

- Consider attending the Back Issues panel discussion, Newspaper.History.Land, on Sunday 10 March, 1.30pm.

# EXHIBITIONS AND DISPLAYS

ARTISTIC.  
SENSES.  
MINDFUL

Serious, playful, thought-provoking, fun and challenging - there is something here for everyone.



## The.Toi.Tour

A self-led, walk-and-drive or cycle tour developed by Toi Warbrick. During daylight hours, visit five sites of cultural expression on the whenua. Using the what3words app, begin at [///haunts.relaxing.emails](#) at Arena Manawatū. Find the QR code and discover your next instruction. Estimated time required 1-2 hours.

From 1-28 March

## Diverse. Farming.Interactive

Central Library, Second Floor

You can share your views on an interactive exhibit which tells the diverse stories of our connections with food and farming.

Consider attending the research presentation, Diverse.Farming.Experience, on Thursday 7 March, 12.30pm.

From 1-10 March

## Paul.Dibble.Continuum

Te Manawa Art Gallery, Main Street

A survey exhibition of internationally renowned, local sculptor Paul Dibble, showcasing his career and reflections on notions of place and belonging in Aotearoa New Zealand.

Consider attending the floor talk and tour, Bronze.Place.Belonging, on Wednesday 6 March, 3.30pm.

## School.Memories.Ross

Central Library and Roslyn  
Community Library

Ross Intermediate Room 9 has researched and compiled a video on the rich history and community connections of their school. Come and view their good mahi!

## Windows.On.Past

**Central Library**, George Street

The next series of Manawatū Heritage images are inspired by Te Marae o Hine – The Square.

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## Changing.Face.Land

**Central Library**, Second Floor

This display of maps, images and documents from the Ian Matheson City Archives highlights some of the ways that human settlement, and the development of urban infrastructure, have changed the landscape of Palmerston North and its surrounds.

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## Timelines.Suburban. Illustrated

**Ashhurst, Awapuni, Roslyn and Te Pātikitiki Community Libraries**

How has your suburb changed over time?

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## In.Plain.Site

**Central Library**, Second Floor

Take a kaleidoscopic view of our (sub) urban landscape. Discover a playful, uncanny survey of our city's structures and forms. Conceived and developed by Andy Irving, with support from the Earle Creativity Trust.

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## Ranges.Getting.Around

**Central Library**, Mezzanine Floor

Collection items from MAVtech reveal how the local landscape has changed how we see (and listen to) history. A unique journey into the past.

**Consider attending the curator's talk, Lens.On.Landscape, on Saturday 9 March, 1.00pm.**

## Manawatū Multicultural Council: 31 Years of Service

**Saturday 16 March**

10.00am - 4.00pm

**Sunday 17 March**

1.00 - 4.00pm

**Central Library**, First Floor, opposite Community Languages

Learn about Manawatū Multicultural Council history and see our upcoming events in Palmerston North.

**Consider attending conversations with our ethnic communities, An Open Book, on 16 March, 1.00pm.**

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## From 1 March

### Earth.Materials.Exhibition

**Te Manawa Art Gallery**, Main Street

*We Come from the Earth* is an exhibition from the Te Manawa collection that reflects on the environment. Natural materials are shown alongside more traditional media.

**Consider attending the curator's tour, Gallery.Environment.Collection, on Wednesday 6 March, 3.30pm.**

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### Antipodeans.Other.Side

If you dug a hole all the way through the earth, to the other side of the world, where would you arrive? In a Spanish town, near Madrid, called San Martin de Valdeiglesias!

**Download the 'Antipodeans map' from [toiwarbrick.com](http://toiwarbrick.com)** and visit Palmerston North locations opposite important sites in San Martin de Valdeiglesias, such as their historic castle and bullring. Devised by Toi Warbrick.

# HERITAGE MONTH



1-28 March 2024

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Turn over for Local History Week

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Te Rangāpū Kaihikohiko o Aotearoa  
*Family history - Preserving our past for the future*



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BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL  
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Untold Stories

Waddleswede Cafe is a registered business in Palmerston North

# WELCOME!



It is a pleasure for me to introduce Heritage Month 2024 to everyone who has an interest in the wider Palmerston North area.

This initiative is a further opportunity to deepen our understanding and to enjoy this place and its people. With about 50 organisations and individuals offering more than 80 talks, workshops, exhibitions and guided experiences during March, there are activities for everyone.

There will be something new for people of this community to think about or get involved in, and there will be familiar places and topics to enjoy, where you may further deepen your understanding and share your knowledge.

I encourage you to join me in participating in Heritage Month – to take part with family and friends, and meet new friends with interests matching or challenging your own. Embrace the experiences available.

If you have 5-14 year olds in your whanau, consider accompanying them to an activity that interests them. As the Aotearoa New Zealand Histories Curriculum develops, our students will have increasing interest in the rich histories of our rohe, and beyond.

This interest will grow as we learn, enjoy and share our knowledge, insights and experience.

**Jill White**

Local Historian of the Year, 2023

# TALKS

Times of big life changes, such as immigration, war and civil emergencies.



## Pahiātua Camp and World War II Displaced Persons

**Monday 18 March**  
5.30 - 6.30pm

Central Library, Mezzanine Floor

After the Polish children departed, the Pahiātua Camp became home for over 4000 Second World War Displaced Persons. Tania Kopytko, coordinator of the *Untold Stories* local history project, will present a talk about the Displaced Persons Camp and experiences of some of the Displaced Persons' who settled in our region.



## Scandinavian Settlers

**Tuesday 12 March**  
5.30 - 6.30pm

Central Library,  
Mezzanine Floor

Scandinavians settled in Manawatū from 1866, and in early Palmerston North from 1871. Historian and author, Val Burr, will speak about these hardy and enterprising settlers on behalf of the Scandinavian Club of Manawatū.



## Sir Geoffrey Peren His Lifelong Relationship with the Land

**Tuesday 26 March**  
6.30 - 7.30pm

Room SGP3.42, Sir Geoffrey Peren Building, Massey Manawatū campus

While we may be familiar with the striking Massey University building which bears his name and for the Perendale sheep breed which he pioneered, little is publicly known about this Manawatū icon's lifelong association with the land in times of peace, in war and in civil emergencies. Lieutenant Colonel Peter Wood ONZM PhD RNZIR will draw on a range of sources, including some personal items held in the Massey University archive.



## 80th Anniversary of the Cassino Battles, 1944

**Thursday 14 March**  
12.00 - 1.00pm

Central Library, Second Floor

Outlining the four battles of Cassino with a particular focus on New Zealand's role in the February and March battle, LTCOL (Rtd) Dr Glyn Harper QSM will discuss why the first three battles were costly failures, including the controversial decision to bomb the Benedictine monastery on Monte Cassino. Co-hosted by RNZE CT/ECMC and Palmerston North City Library.



## A History of the Manawatū Standard

**Wednesday 13 March**  
12.30 - 1.30pm  
Central Library,  
Second Floor

Adrian Broad's first job, aged 17, was as an advertising cadet for *The Dominion*. Adrian will talk about the history of the *Manawatū Standard*, and his nine year tenure as General Manager, during which computers replaced typewriters.

# TALKS

Delve into interesting Manawatū histories about local businesses and organisations.



## A History of Awapuni Hospital with Dr Fred Hirst

**Wednesday 13 March**  
2.00 - 3.00pm

Boho Café, 2 Pitama Road, Awapuni  
Opened in 1915 as a home for older people, the hospital closed in 1989. Rangitāne has transformed the site into an urban marae, health hub, and community centre. Dr Hirst will regale his days as a geriatrician at the hospital.

**Register online at**  
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## A History of the Manawatū Racing industry

**Friday 15 March**  
12:30 - 1:30pm  
Central Library,  
Second Floor

On Boxing Day, 1881, The Manawatū Racing Club conducted its first race meeting, attracting a crowd of well-dressed spectators. Hear about the business and the personalities of the "sport of kings." Adrian Broad presents a talk on the local industry and its race through time in the Manawatū.



## Project Launches

**Thursday 14 March**  
5.30 - 6.30pm  
Central Library,  
Mezzanine Floor

Members of the heritage and education sectors, rejoice! Groups and individuals have new projects to reveal or to seek your involvement. Find out about migrant projects, map projects, a new game and more. Stay for refreshments after the launches.

## TALKS

Absorb talks about creativity, in its various forms, and upcoming heritage endeavours.



## Karl Sim the Art Forger and a Conversation on Art Crimes

**Friday 22 March**  
12.00 - 1.00pm

Te Manawa Museum, Main Street  
Te Manawa Museum Society member, Robyn Wilson, met the local art forger, Karl Feodor Sim, and owns a signed work. Followed by a conversation with Stuart Schwartz, Taylor-Jensen Art Services, on art crime.



## Book Launch: The Unsettled by Richard Shaw

**Monday 11 March**  
5.30 - 7.00pm

Refreshments: Bruce McKenzie Booksellers, George Street  
Launch: Ground Floor, Central Library, George Street

Pāhekā settler stories of colonisation and land confiscation interweave with Richard Shaw's own as New Zealanders figure out how to live well with their own 'unsettled' past, present, and possible futures. Join us to celebrate the timely launch of *The Unsettled* and hear from Richard and former New Plymouth mayor Andrew Judd.

**RSVP to [genny.vella@pncc.govt.nz](mailto:genny.vella@pncc.govt.nz) or phone 0272929965**



## Palmerston North Chinese Mission NZ and Grace City Church

**Sunday 24 March**  
2.00 - 3.00pm

Central Library, Second Floor  
A book talk on *Palmerston North Chinese Mission NZ to Grace Church 2009 Incorporated: 1937-1987-1997*. Robyn Ting will introduce several speakers on the Palmerston North history of Grace City Church and the Chinese community.

# Back Issues

Following Tina White's Memory Lane, which ran for 18 years, the *Manawatū Standard* started a new series, *Back Issues*, in Oct 2021. Features in the series reflect on a news moment or issue from Manawatū's past, recounting key events, decisions and voices. The *Manawatū Standard* recently published the 100<sup>th</sup> feature.

With more than 30 writers, researchers, academics contributing to the weekly series, you can expect to read about a different aspect of life each week.

*Back Issues* is coordinated by Palmerston North City Library and features images from Manawatū Heritage. The series is sponsored by Property Brokers and published by the *Manawatū Standard* every weekend and online: [www.stuff.co.nz/manawatu-standard](http://www.stuff.co.nz/manawatu-standard)

## Features for Heritage Month

- 17 FEB Pahiatua Camp for Displaced Persons from WWII  
Tania Kopytko
- 24 FEB Local History Week 2024  
Palmerston North City Library's Heritage Team
- 02 MAR Terrace End Cemetery  
Leanne Croon Hickman
- 09 MAR Constance Abraham - A Pioneering Woman  
Karla Karaitiana
- 16 MAR Celebrating 100 years: The Life & Times of Hokowhitu School  
Geoff Watson
- 23 MAR Poultry Affairs in Palmerston North  
Tracey Armstrong

# GUIDED EXPERIENCES

Tour through time accompanied by expert commentary – you may even require your walking shoes!



## Journey Te Āpiti - Manawatū Gorge

Five bookable trips on Sunday 3 March

10.00am | 11.10am | 12.50pm

2.00pm | 3.10pm

Departs Ashhurst Station, York Street

The one-hour return trip by the popular historic rail car runs between Ashhurst and Woodville. Book your place, limited seats, \$33 per person. Trips are provided by the Pahiatua Railcar Society Inc.

Register online at [bit.ly/HeritageMonthRegistrations](http://bit.ly/HeritageMonthRegistrations)



## House Eras Tour

Saturday 16 March

8.30am - 12.30pm

Meet at Arena 5 carpark, Waldegrave Street. Bus provided.

Treat yourself to morning tea at The Woolshed Cafe, followed by a unique, audio-guided heritage walk of seven carefully restored New Zealand houses dating from 1860s to 1960s. \$10 per person, transport and tour included. Refreshments are not included.

Register online at [bit.ly/HeritageMonthRegistrations](http://bit.ly/HeritageMonthRegistrations)



## Cemetery Walk

Sunday 17 March

2:00 - 4:00pm

Terrace End Cemetery, Napier Road

Join Leanne Croon Hickman and New Zealand Society of Genealogists member, Geraldine Reynolds, on their popular afternoon tour to 'meet' some of the interesting residents of Terrace End Cemetery.

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# GUIDED EXPERIENCES

Long-standing institutions in our city welcome you indoors.



## Centrepoint is 50

**Monday 11 March**  
5.30 - 6.30pm  
280 Church Street

Aotearoa New Zealand's only remaining regional theatre, Centrepoint Theatre, will turn 50 in 2024, making it the second oldest theatre in the country. Join General Manager, Kate Louise Elliott, for a back of house tour.

**Register by emailing**  
[hello@centrepoint.co.nz](mailto:hello@centrepoint.co.nz)



## Regent on Broadway Family Tours

**Sunday 3 March**  
11.00am - 12.00pm  
1.00pm - 2.00pm  
53 Broadway Avenue

Built in the 1930, then saved and renovated in the 1990s, discover the theatre's history, its fascinating architecture, the stage area and how the theatre works. Guided by Regent trustee, Tania Kopytko, and Regent Manager, David Walsh.

**Register by emailing**  
[bookings@regent.co.nz](mailto:bookings@regent.co.nz)



## 150 years in the community - Pathways Presbyterian Church

**Wednesday 20 March**  
3.30 - 4.30pm

Pathways Presbyterian Church,  
388 Church Street

Join historian Geoff Watson for a talk-and-tour as he traces the history of the parish church and its work in the community from 1876 to the present day.

**Register online at**  
[bit.ly/HeritageMonthRegistrations](https://bit.ly/HeritageMonthRegistrations)

# Remember the days?



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# OPEN DAYS

These iconic heritage locations are opening their doors to the public – not to be missed!



## Hoffman Kiln Open Day

**Saturday 23 March**

1.00 - 4.00pm

615 Featherston Street

Built in 1904, the kiln provides a rare and valuable insight into New Zealand's industrial history. You will be able to explore the kiln and its surrounds while learning some of the kiln's finer points.

**Consider attending the talk on bricks and kilns, Shortage.Bricks.Construction, at Central Library on 4 March, 5.30pm.**



## Palmerston North Electric Power Station Open Day

**Sunday 17 March**

12.30 - 4.00pm

162 Keith Street

The power station celebrates its 100th Anniversary in 2024. Take note! The engine starts on the hour at 1pm, 2pm and 3pm. Donations towards the earthquake strengthening of the Category One industrial heritage building are appreciated. Due to the building's earthquake-prone status, entry is at your own risk.



## Caccia Birch House: Coach House Open Day

**Sunday 24 March**

1.00 - 4.00pm

130 Te Awe Awe Street

Visit the Coach House and view the historic displays about Caccia Birch and the surrounding area. Please note – Caccia Birch House will not be open, it is undergoing earthquake-strengthening.



# HAVE A GO

Stories, art and music are for everyone. Try something new and fun with these activities.



## Look. See. Think. Feel

**Sunday 17 March**  
10.30 - 11.30am  
12.00pm - 1.00pm  
2.30pm - 3.30pm

Te Manawa Art Gallery, Main Street

Using 'four ways of looking at art', you will view selected works from the amazing New Zealand art collection created by the Te Manawa Art Society and housed in the painting store at Te Manawa Art Gallery. You won't look at art the same way again!

**Register by emailing**  
[taniakopytko@gmail.com](mailto:taniakopytko@gmail.com) before  
**1 March**



## An Open Book Conversations with our Ethnic Communities

**Saturday 16 March**  
1.00pm - 3.00pm  
Central Library,  
First Floor -  
Community Languages

Discover the incredible and rich backgrounds, histories and unique stories of members of the Manawātū Multicultural Council by engaging in personal conversations.



## The faithful service of the St Andrew's pipe organ

**Thursday 21 March**  
3:30 - 4:30pm  
**Saturday 23 March**  
10:30 - 11:30am

Pathways Presbyterian Church,  
388 Church Street

Built in 1870, the heritage pipe organ was installed in St Andrew's in 1908. Join musician Roy Tankersley to view the instrument up close. Includes hands-on activities for children.

**Register online at**  
[bit.ly/HeritageMonthRegistrations](http://bit.ly/HeritageMonthRegistrations)

# WORKSHOPS

Strengthen your sense of identity - your whanau, your school, your rohe.



## Set-up Your Free, Private Tree on Ancestry.com

**Wednesday 6 March**  
6.00 - 7.30pm  
Central Library,  
Second Floor

Get started on the genealogy journey by drafting your family's hardcopy ancestral charts. Members of the Palmerston North Branch of the New Zealand Society of Genealogists will help you move information to Ancestry.com by adding yourself and immediate relatives.

**Register online at**  
[bit.ly/HeritageMonthRegistrations](http://bit.ly/HeritageMonthRegistrations)



## How to Explore Your Māori Whakapapa

**Wednesday 20 March**  
6.00 - 7.30pm  
Central Library,  
Second Floor

Get started on your whakapapa journey. Experienced genealogist, Peter Te Rangī (Rangitāne ki Manawatū), will share resources and insights to help get you started, or help to extend your mahi. Presented by the Palmerston North Branch of the New Zealand Society of Genealogists.

**Register online at**  
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## Look Around You: The History that Already Lives at Your School

**Wednesday 27 March**  
9.30 - 11.30am  
Palmerston North  
Boys' High School,  
Featherston Street

Take a tour of PNBHS Memorial Gallery with archivist and former HOD History, Dom King. Visit the school archives, and hear how to set up, protect and promote your kura's own history. History and Social Studies teacher, Shayla Close, will share an interactive activity that gets students to develop curiosity for their school's history. Suitable for kaiako.

**Register online at**  
[bit.ly/HeritageMonthRegistrations](http://bit.ly/HeritageMonthRegistrations)



## Rākau: Being a Palmerstonian

**Thursday 28 March**  
8.30am - 5.15pm  
Rangimarie Marae,  
Rangiotu

Virginia and Warren Warbrick will lead an 8-hour exploration of significant moments in time, key sites, people and change in our rohe. The day ends with a trip to three significant locations. Course fee includes marae koha, morning/afternoon tea, lunch, and booklet: \$250 per person.

**Register by emailing**  
[THEN.HistoriesofPamutana@gmail.com](mailto:THEN.HistoriesofPamutana@gmail.com)

# PLAN YOUR HERITAGE MONTH!

📅 Register for this event

💰 Registration and payment is required

## Friday 1 March

5.30pm **Display.Meet.Greet** (page 2)  
Central Library and Te Manawa Art Gallery

## Saturday 2 March

11.00am **Pōwhiri.Marae.Begin** (page 2)  
Te Rangimarie Marae, Rangiotu

1.00pm **Rangatira.Century.Since** (page 3)  
Te Rangimarie Marae, Rangiotu

1.45pm **Memorialised.Century.Since** (page 6)  
Te Rangimarie Marae, Rangiotu

## Sunday 3 March

10.00am **Journey Te Āpiti** (page 19) Departs Ashhurst Station

11.00am **Regent on Broadway Family Tours** (page 20)  
Regent on Broadway

11.10am **Journey Te Āpiti** (page 19) Departs Ashhurst Station

12.30pm **Gardens.Beloved.Trees** (page 8) Victoria Esplanade

12.50pm **Journey Te Āpiti** (page 19) Departs Ashhurst Station

1.00pm **Regent on Broadway Family Tours** (page 20)  
Regent on Broadway

2.00pm **Journey Te Āpiti** (page 19) Departs Ashhurst Station

3.00pm **Lecture.Annual.Museum** (page 7) Central Library

3.10pm **Journey Te Āpiti** (page 19) Departs Ashhurst Station

## Monday 4 March

9.00am **Local.Object.Think** (page 7) Te Manawa Museum

12.30pm **Your.Property.Informed** (page 6) Central Library

3.30pm **Food.Garden.Waste** (page 8) Awapuni Resource Centre

5.30pm **Shortage.Bricks.Construction** (page 6) Central Library

## Tuesday 5 March

10.30am **University.Beginnings.Agriculture** (page 8)  
Massey University

12.30pm **Lenses.Onto.Land** (page 5) Central Library

12.30pm **Manawatū.Journal.History** (page 5) Central Library

3.30pm **Community.Grow.Thrive** (page 8) Te Pātikitiki Library

5.30pm **Block.1864.Sale** (page 3) Central Library

## Wednesday 6 March

10.30am **Street.Past.Future** (page 9)  
Corner of Rangitikei and Cuba Streets

12.30pm **Maunga.Highway.Unison** (page 3) Central Library

3.30pm **Gallery.Environment.Collection** (page 5)  
Te Manawa Art Gallery

6.00pm **Set-up Your Free Private Tree on Ancestry.com** (page 24)  
Central Library

## Thursday 7 March

12.30pm **Diverse.Farming.Experience** (page 4) Central Library

3.30pm **River.Volcanism.Climate** (page 9) Pit Park

5.30pm **Rangitāne.Mātauranga.Taiao** (page 3) Central Library

6.00pm **Headstones.Oldest.Personalities** (page 9)  
Terrace End Cemetery

## Friday 8 March

12.00pm **Boys.Girls.Flockhouse** (page 4) Central Library

2.00pm **Flock.House.100** (page 9) Departs Waldegrave Street

## Saturday 9 March

9.00am **Historic.Houses.Farms** (page 9) Departs Waldegrave St

10.00am **River.Volcanism.Climate** (page 9) Pit Park

11.00am **Bronze.Place.Belonging** (page 5) Te Manawa Art Gallery

1.00pm **Lens.on.Landscape** (page 4) Central Library

2.30pm **Chinese.Community.Evolution** (page 4) Central Library

4.00pm **Te.Uru.Karaka** (page 9) Karaka Grove

## Sunday 10 March

1.30pm **Newspaper.History.Land** (page 2) Central Library

3.00pm **Prize.Farewell.End** (page 2) Central Library

## Monday 11 March

5.30pm **Centrepont is 50** (page 20) Centrepont Theatre

5.30pm **Book Launch: The Unsettled by Richard Shaw** (page 17)  
Bruce McKenzie Booksellers and Central Library

## Tuesday 12 March

5.30pm **Scandinavian Settlers** (page 15) Central Library

## Wednesday 13 March

12.30pm **A History of the Manawatū Standard** (page 16)  
Central Library

2.00pm **A History of Awapuni Hospital with Dr Fred Hirst**  
(page 16) Boho Café

## Thursday 14 March

12.00pm **80th Anniversary of the Cassino Battles, 1944** (page 15)  
Central Library

5.30pm **Project Launches** (page 17) Central Library

## Friday 15 March

12.30pm **A History of the Manawatū Racing Industry** (page 16) Central Library

## Saturday 16 March

9.00am **The House Eras Tour** (page 19) Departs Waldegrave St

1.00pm **An Open Book** (page 23) Central Library

## Sunday 17 March

10.30am **Look.See.Think.Feel** (page 23) Te Manawa Art Gallery

12.00pm **Look.See.Think.Feel** (page 23) Te Manawa Art Gallery

12.30pm **Palmerston North Electric Power Station Open Day** (page 22)

2.00pm **Cemetery Walk** (page 19) Terrace End Cemetery

2.30pm **Look.See.Think.Feel** (page 23) Te Manawa Art Gallery

## Monday 18 March

5.30pm **Pahiātua Camp and World War II Displaced Persons**  
(page 15) Central Library

## Wednesday 20 March

3.30pm **150 years in the Community** (page 20)  
Pathways Presbyterian Church

6.00pm **How to Explore Your Māori Whakapapa** (page 24)  
Central Library

## Thursday 21 March

3.30pm **The 153-year Old Pipe Organ** (page 23)  
Pathways Presbyterian Church

## Friday 22 March

12.00pm **Karl Sim the Art Forger and a Conversation on Art Crimes**  
(page 17) Te Manawa Museum

## Saturday 23 March

10.30am **The 153-year Old Pipe Organ** (page 23)  
Pathways Presbyterian Church

1.00pm **Hoffman Kiln Open Day** (page 22)

## Sunday 24 March

1.00pm **Coach House Open Day** (page 22) Caccia Birch House

2.00pm **PN Chinese Mission NZ and Grace City Church** (page 17)  
Central Library

## Tuesday 26 March

6.30pm **Sir Geoffrey Peren** (page 15) Massey University

## Wednesday 27 March

9.30am **Look Around You** (page 24)  
Palmerston North Boys' High School

## Thursday 28 March

8.30am **Rākau: Being a Palmerstonian** (page 24)  
Te Rangimarie Marae, Rangiotu