

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES AT WHIRINAKI WHARE TAONGA

EDUCATION VISITS TERM 2 2023



Whirinaki Whare Taonga is Upper Hutt's own art and culture hub. We are committed to offering FREE engaging and accessible visual and performing art experiences for local students and have a range of exciting world class programmes.

Message from the Learning Programmes Specialist

We at Whirinaki Whare Taonga are excited to open our doors once again to schools and welcome the hum of classes to come, for Term 2!

I would also like to take the opportunity to introduce myself as the New Learning Programmes Specialist, ready to work with you and your ākonga.



*Ko Tawhiau me Tarawera ngā māunga
Ko Rangitaiki me Wairere ngā awa
Ko Rotokakahi me Okataina ngā moana
Ko Ngāti Manawa me Tuhourangi ōku iwi
Ko Hinemihi te hapu
Nō Taupō ahau
Ko Tammy tōku ingoa*

No reira, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā tatou katoa.

Kia ora tatou,

My name is Tammy Merriman and I have 11 years' experience teaching inside and outside the classroom, both here and abroad.

An advocate for place-based education and seizing the chance to supplement learning by taking it outside the classroom, I am looking forward to welcoming you to Whirinaki Whare Taonga in our collective effort to create life-long learners who are engaged and connected to their community.

What to expect in Term 2:

This term, we are asking our ākonga to be reflective of their experiences, while understanding those of others past and present and to look at how people influence places, as well as how places influence people.

These come from three exhibitions, Upper Hutt in Black and White, Inside the Curve: Stories from the Pandemic and The Women of Pumpkin Cottage.

Our big questions this term are:

- How do we move forward and still honour and reflect on the past?
- How do communities change and adapt?
- How do we become global citizens?
- How do collective experiences shape us as individuals and as communities?

Looking forward to connecting with you and welcoming you and your ākonga through our doors soon!

Ngā mihi, Tammy



UPPER HUTT IN BLACK AND WHITE

18 June 2022 to 27 August 2023

**Education Visits: 8 May – 30 June
(continues in Term 3)**



Image credit: Reville Jackson, 'Fancy Dress Youth Dance,' St Johns Hall, 1969

A photo essay of Upper Hutt seen in black and white photography. This is an exhibition of history in photos seen through the lens of ten photographers who have captured the people and places of Upper Hutt on film. From formal portraits to outdoor panoramas, people in everyday life to iconic places, this is a unique insight into our city in black and white.

**Education Visit: Gallery Tour and Art Workshop.
1 Hour and 30 minutes.**

Suitable for Year 1 and up. FREE

Ākonga will explore identity through a black and white lens, with strong links to both visual art and New Zealand Aotearoa Histories Curriculum.

- Share your history and respond to a personal history photo.
- View and complete a gallery exercise tailored to your group.
- In our Creative Workshop, learn about the history of indian ink and how to use it to mix, create fine lines and explore blending and bleeding techniques.

INSIDE THE CURVE: STORIES FROM THE PANDEMIC

3 June to 27 August 2023

**Education Visits: 5 June – 30 June
(continues in Term 3)**

See the COVID-19 pandemic, around the world, through the eyes of National Geographic storytellers.

At the outset of the unprecedented COVID-19 pandemic, National Geographic responded by creating a new fund in support of journalists and storytellers worldwide. The resulting penetrating work of these photographers richly illustrates a myriad of aspects of a world in crisis, elevating deeply personal local stories and giving them global reach.

**Education Visit: Gallery Tour and Art Workshop.
1 Hour and 30 minutes.**

Suitable for Year 3 and up. FREE

Ākonga will explore COVID-19 internationally and locally, reflecting and relating this to their own experiences and journey through lock downs, mask-wearing and living in our bubbles.

Through viewing the exhibition, ākonga will explore the themes of resilience, connectedness and getting through hard times together and how communities are shaped through shared experiences, with curriculum links to visual arts and social studies.

- Share your experiences of Covid-19, while understanding the experiences of others.
- View and complete a gallery exercise tailored to your group.
- In our Creative Workshop, look at the role of masks during the COVID pandemic as both a way of slowing the spread, keeping us safe, but also creating social distance and barriers and how polarising masks have been in the present and past.
- Look at mask art generated both here and internationally.
- Create our own collective kākahu (cloak) that represents our experiences of Covid-19.

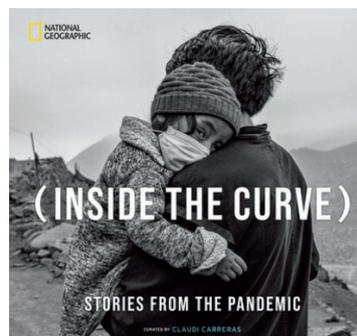


Image credit: Cédric Gerbehaye, National Geographic Society COVID-19 Emergency Fund for Journalists.

THE WOMEN OF PUMPKIN COTTAGE

17 June – 23 October 2023

**Education Visits 17 June – 30 June
(continues in Term 3)**



Image credit: Dorothy Kate Richmond, Still Life With Roses. Watercolour on Paper, Collection of Whirinaki Whare Taonga.

A celebration of the female artists who painted and explored Impressionism at Pumpkin Cottage, led by Wellington artist and art teacher James Nairn in and around the late 1800s.

Education Visit: Gallery Tour and Art Workshop. 1 Hour and 30 minutes.

Suitable for Year 1 and up. FREE

Ākonga will view paintings from women who pushed societal boundaries for the right to their own practice and in doing so reflect on the challenges that have been overcome to allow the freedoms we enjoy today.

With strong curriculum links to social studies, the New Zealand Aotearoa Histories Curriculum and visual arts, ākonga can gain an appreciation of Impressionism as an art form as well as a social movement here in Aotearoa.

- View our collection of art from Pumpkin Cottage.
- Explore the emergence of Impressionism, from its beginnings in Paris in the 1860s.
- Learn about the women of Pumpkin Cottage, who broke traditional norms to paint and explore the life and roles of women in Aotearoa during this transformative period of time.
- In our Creative Workshop, try some Impressionist painting techniques to make your own art piece.

HERE WHILE YOU'RE VISITING

COLOSSAL SQUID: FREAKY FEATURES!

Te Ngū Tipua: Ngā Wāhanga Weriweri!

1 April to 18 June 2023

The exhibition centres around an interactive table showing different objects including the lens from an eye of the Colossal Squid, part of a tentacle, and a complete tiny squid: the miniature of its colossal relative.

Developed and toured by Te Papa Tongarewa, National Museum of New Zealand.



Image credit: Installation view Colossal Squid: Freaky Features!. Courtesy of Te Papa Tongarewa, National Museum of New Zealand.

THE BIG SHOW

25 February to 11 June 2023

The BIG Show is a radically inclusive exhibition highlighting the creativity of young people in Upper Hutt. With drawings, paintings, sculpture and more, from over 100 artists ages 5-18, this exhibition will present a diverse group of work straight from the imaginations of our tamariki and rangatahi.



TATAU: TATAU SĀMOA MA ATA PU'E

Tatau: Sāmoan Tattooing and Photography

4 March to 28 May 2023

This exhibition presents the work of four photographers who capture the dynamic practice of contemporary Sāmoan tatau (tattooing) over the last 40 years. Featuring New Zealand photographers Mark Adams and John Agcaoili, and Sāmoan artists Greg Semu and Angela Tiatia.

Toured by Te Papa Tongarewa, National Museum of New Zealand

This exhibition features full body tattoos. If you would like to discuss this with the educator prior to the visit, we encourage you to do so.



Image credit: John Agcaoili, Tripoli Ofisa, tattooed by Tuigamala Saveatama Andy Tauafiafi (Tapou Tatau Tattoo Studio, New Zealand), 2014.

COMING SOON

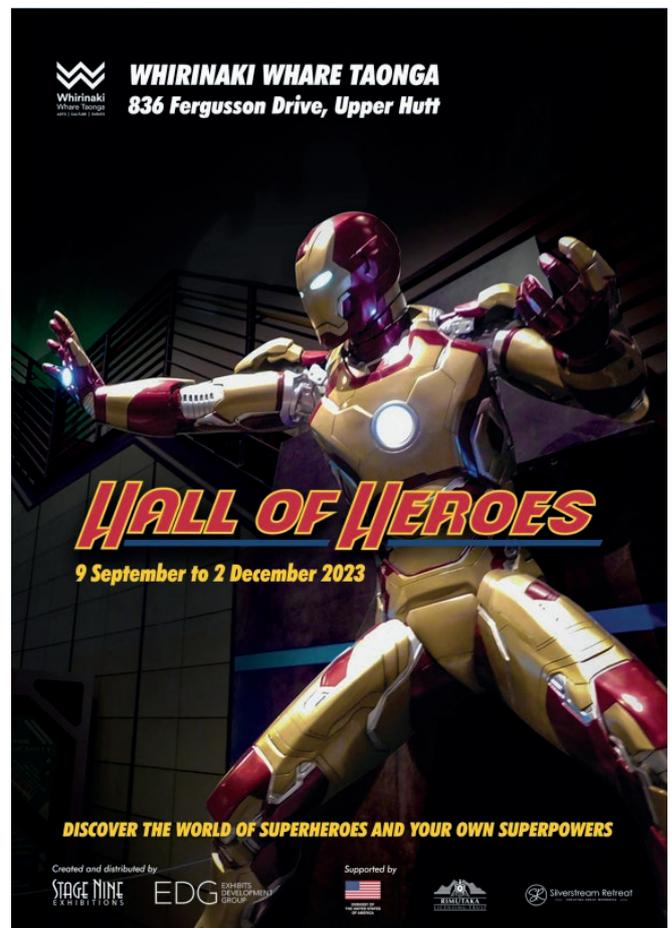
HALL OF HEROES

9 September to 3 December 2023

It's a bird! It's a plane! No! It's a Hall of Heroes!

Superheroes have taken over Upper Hutt at the new international exhibition Hall of Heroes at Whirinaki Whare Taonga. This interactive hands-on adventure invites you to explore the world's superheroes including Batman, Superman, Iron Man, Black Panther, Wonder Woman and more, and discover your own superpowers. Journey through the world of crime-fighters and gadgets, movie props, replicas and rare artifacts from past and present major motion pictures and television shows, including a replica of the George Barris 1966 Batmobile. Come face to face with life sized statues from the superhero universes, including Dr. Who's TARDIS and Batman on his rooftop and test your own superhero skills through a series of interactive stations.

Hall of Heroes is created by Stage Nine Exhibitions and toured by EDG.



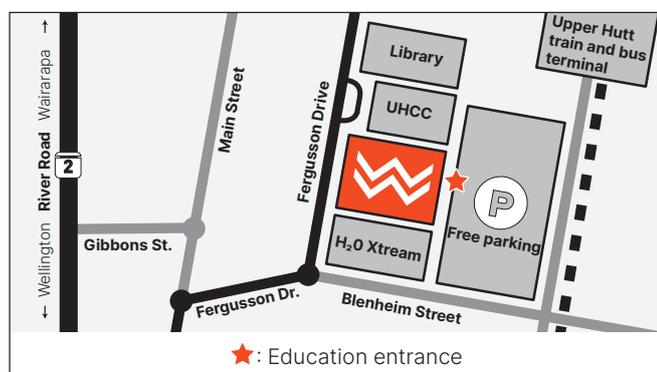


PLANNING A VISIT

Getting here

Public Transport: with buses and trains stopping at Upper Hutt Station, Whirinaki Whare Taonga is just a five minute walk down the road.

Bringing your own bus or cars: car parking and bus drop off points are right behind Expressions in the carpark near H₂O Xtream swimming pool.



During Your Visit

Lunch & morning tea:
We have an indoor space to enjoy morning and afternoon tea should the weather require (subject to availability)

School bags & jackets:
Yes you can bring your school bags and jackets as we have a space for them while you visit.

For further information or to book a visit please contact

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Tammy is also available throughout the year to visit your school and discuss the exhibition programme and the opportunities for your students. Please contact her to make a time to visit you.