



# state of the arts

South Taranaki Arts Bulletin #3

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## Welcome – Haere mai

Welcome to the third edition of *State of the Arts – South Taranaki Arts Bulletin*.

Last Tuesday we hosted the opening event for a new exhibition featuring the work of seventeen Taranaki male artists, *Mountain Man*. Around 60 people crammed into our Hawera community gallery, proving the arts are alive and well supported in South Taranaki.



The diversity of work showcases the strength of skills, ideas, spirit, inspiration and humour these Taranaki artists possess. I was pleased when JK, the ten year old daughter of one of the artists, happily took on the role of official photographer for the evening. I have displayed a couple here - JK is a future Taranaki artist in the making!

My thoughts go out to the people of Christchurch after the devastating earthquakes this month. I encourage you all to support the community fundraising events and initiatives in our district. Kia kaha, Christchurch.

Warm regards,

*Michaela*

*Top: Kristelle Plimmer and Mayor Ross*

*Below: JK's Mum and brother, Marcia and Kiwa*

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# Mountain Man

## Mountain Man

1 – 26 March 2011

Lysaght Watt Gallery, Hawera

*Mountain Man*, curated by South Taranaki District Council Arts Coordinator Michaela Stoneman, is based on a theme of cultural diversity. The show is part of Te Ngira: New Zealand Diversity Action Programme, run by the Human Rights Commission in March each year.

The show displays a diverse mix of works in many media and artistic perspectives. Visitors to the gallery will see sculpture, painting, carving, photography, drawing, weaving and glass.

The artists live in both rural and urban areas, including Waverley, Hawera, Patea, New Plymouth, Manaia, Okato, Eltham and Inglewood.

The artists are Waldo Hartley, Mark Bellringer, Roger Morris, Jeff Bright, Jimi Walsh, Peter Lambert, Mark Hudson, Toroa Ngaia Cruden, Carl Fairweather, Harry Moores, Douglas Reid, Tamawhero Kiriona, Gary Couper, Phil Jones, Alby Carter, Paul Hutchinson and Tony Rumball.

"I feel privileged to have the opportunity to bring together this eclectic mix of works by established and emerging artists. We have so many highly skilled practitioners within district, and I am excited about presenting them all together in our local community gallery. I encourage you all to visit," says Stoneman "I guarantee you will be inspired by the work of these highly creative Taranaki men".

The exhibition runs until 26 March 2011

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## Arts in Taumata Park

**Saturday 19 March 2011, 10am**

**Taumata Park, Preston Street, Eltham**

Taumata Park Eltham will be a buzz with arts and crafts of all kinds at Arts in Taumata Park. From jewellery to sewing and knitting there will be something for everyone.

For information or to register a stall please email: [tarin.hunt@stdc.govt.nz](mailto:tarin.hunt@stdc.govt.nz) or phone 0800 111 323.



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## South Taranaki Creative Communities Funding 2010/2011

**Applications open: 15 March 2011**

**Applications Close: 15 April 2011**

Do you have a project in mind that will get people involved in the arts or strengthen your local arts sector? Creative expression is fundamental to developing our sense of who we are and how we relate to each other. The

Creative Communities Scheme, jointly administered locally by Creative New Zealand and the South Taranaki District Council, aims to foster an environment that supports creative expression and provides greater opportunities for people to enjoy the arts, wherever they live and whatever their circumstances. The first funding round for 2011/12 year opens soon. Application forms can be found at your nearest LibraryPlus, Council's Administration Building on Albion Street, Hawera or downloaded under the Funding/Grants section of our website: [www.southtaranaki.com](http://www.southtaranaki.com). Individuals and groups may apply for funding for projects that:

- Increase participation in the arts at a local level;
- Increase the range and diversity of the arts available to local communities; or
- Enhance or strengthen the local arts sector. This includes training, skills development for participants, organisational development including research, information and promotional projects.

**Applications close Friday 15 April 2011 at 4.30 pm.**

If you would like more information or would like to discuss your application, please contact Maryse Death, Community Funding Advisor by phoning 0800 111 323 or email [maryse.death@stdc.govt.nz](mailto:maryse.death@stdc.govt.nz)



## The Modern Jivers

The Modern Jivers' support the community and local businesses not only by providing non-profit modern jive dance classes but also in terms of providing free choreographed modern jive dance entertainment for events (donations appreciated). For booking and more information, please contact Maria 027 727 1749.

### Introduction to Modern Jive Workshop

Three Week Block Courses – 2, 9 & 16 March 2011

Learn the basic technique of modern jive dancing. This workshop is ideal for new dancers with no modern jive dance experience. Also good as refreshers for experienced modern jive dancers.

Venue: Hawera Baptist Church Hall, corner of Surrey Street and Argyle Street

Time: 7.30pm to 8.30pm

Cost: \$15 per person per session

### Opunake Modern Jive Classes

We are changing venue from the month of March onwards.

Venue: St. John Hall, corner of Napier Street and King Street, Opunake

Time: 7.30pm to 8.30pm

Cost: \$10 per person per session

### Hawera Modern Jive Classes

Venue: Hawera Baptist Church Hall, corner Surrey Street and Argyle Street

Beginner Class: 6.30pm to 7.30pm

Improvers Class: 7.30pm to 8.30pm

Intermediate Class: 8.30pm to 9.30pm

Cost: \$10 per person per session

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## TOWER Tutus on Tour

### 7.00pm Tuesday 29 March 2011

Hawera Memorial Theatre, Albion Street, Hawera

\$35 Adult

\$10 Child

Bookings at Hawera i-SITE 0800 111 323

2011's TOWER *Tutus on Tour* is all about families. Featuring a new production of *Pinocchio* and a sparkling classical showpiece, it's the perfect ballet for young and old to enjoy together. TOWER *Tutus on Tour* is our opportunity to share what we do with as many New Zealanders as possible. Every two years our company divides in half and one group heads south and the other north. Over the following six weeks, they're on the road performing in more than 40 towns and cities. The ultimate 'tiki tour', Tutus sees the dancers performing in community theatres, town halls and school gymnasiums. Logistically it's a huge challenge – we take everything with us from washing machines to kettles – but we love it.

The antics of Pinocchio, Geppetto and friends come to life as the Royal New Zealand Ballet presents a fun, traditional story-ballet for the whole family. Written in 1883, the tale of *Pinocchio* – a wooden puppet who yearns to be a real boy – continues to be adored by children around the world. As he stumbles his way through life, will he ever be able to realise his dream? Follow Pinocchio on his exciting adventures as he encounters the evil Fox and Cat, Stromboli's travelling puppet show, the Blue Fairy and a giant whale. It's a rollicking ride – one that you'll never forget.





## TART-ist publication

VIRTUAL TART @ HOME - Art & Artists from Taranaki, New Zealand  
A new book is being produced. It will give a full double spread to each of the more than 50 artists whose work shows on the Virtual Tart site.

## Book Binding Workshop

Puke Ariki  
Saturday 5 March, 10am to 4.30pm  
Run by Dale Copeland, all materials provided.  
Cost: \$25  
Bookings at Puke Ariki's i-SITE

## Calling all artists & craftspeople

**Aotea Utanganui – Museum of South Taranaki** is calling for expressions of interest from local artists to supply items for the museum retail shop. They are seeking unique, handmade items that reflect the culture, identity and environment of the South Taranaki district. Items could be original artwork or prints, jewellery, iconic souvenirs, weaving, publications, carving, accessories, ceramics, clothing, paper goods etc. All items will be sold on consignment with a 25% gallery commission.

If you are interested please send a photograph and detailed descriptions of your product/s by **14 March 2011** to: Donna Baker - Retail proposals, 127 Egmont St, Patea 4520 or Email STDC Arts Coordinator: [michaela.stoneman@stdc.govt.nz](mailto:michaela.stoneman@stdc.govt.nz)  
Any enquiries please contact Donna (06) 278 4344 or Michaela 0800 111 323.



## Creative Edge Art Workshops

Are you seeking to put some creativity into your life? Are you seeking to put some life into your creativity? The Creative Edge Creativity Workshop could be for you. Run by Wayne Morris, weekend workshops are run from his home studio in New Plymouth. The course costs \$275 and includes lunches, snacks and a copy of Wayne's recent book, valued at \$30.

Contact Wayne for all enquires or to book your creative weekend: (06) 75 35914 or 027 242 1580  
Or email: [wayne@future-edge.co.nz](mailto:wayne@future-edge.co.nz)

### *Clock Tower Whimsey by Al Parker*



## The Village Gallery Autumn Exhibitions

### ***Faces & Places – Al Parker***

**7 March – 1 April 2011**

Paintings by Al Parker, including portraits and local landscapes.

### ***The Contrasts Down Under - The artwork of Ian Littlewood***

**4 April - 29 April 2011**

The exhibition will feature work by artist Ian Littlewood, reflecting the diversity of the colours and landscapes of Australia and New Zealand.

### ***Frank Eustace and Lynda Newman***

**2 May - 27 May 2011**

**The Village Gallery, 166 High Street, Eltham.** Open Monday-Saturday 10am-3pm

Phone Gallery Coordinator, Maree Liddington on 06 764 5221 or visit: [www.elthamvillagegallery.org.nz](http://www.elthamvillagegallery.org.nz)

## Community Art Exhibition

Eltham Town Hall Centenary

27 May - 29 May 2011

All artists in the Eltham ward and members of The Village Gallery are invited to enter work in a Community Art Exhibition to celebrate the Eltham Town Hall's Centenary. The event is organised by the Village Gallery, Eltham and is a great opportunity to exhibit and sell your artwork in a wonderful heritage building.

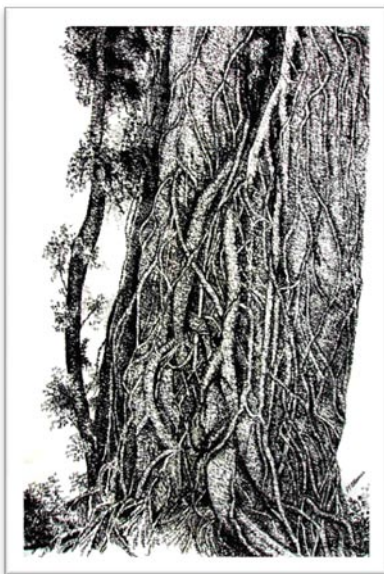


**SECTIONS:**

- Open** *Includes painting, pottery, fibre, mixed media, photography and sculpture*
- Heritage** *Artwork reflecting the heritage of the area*
- Refashioned Wearable Art**  
*Wearable art created with recycled materials.  
These entries will be displayed at the Village Gallery the following month.*
- School** *Schools in the Eltham Ward are invited to contribute displays in any section.*

**ENTRIES DUE:** 16 May 2011, The Village Gallery  
**ARTWORK DELIVERED:** 26 May 2011, Eltham Town Hall 9am- 12 noon  
**GALA OPENING NIGHT:** Friday 27 May 2011 - Purchase tickets at The Village Gallery.  
**EXHIBITION:** Eltham Town Hall 27 May - 29 May 2011 - Open 9.30am – 3.30pm - Free entry.

For entry forms and more information, please contact Gallery Coordinator, Maree Liddington, on 06 764 5221



### PTO Gallery - Eltham

Features changing exhibitions, artworks & objects by contemporary artists from Taranaki and beyond.

#### 'My Word' - Works by Pauline Allomes

**1 April - 2 May 2011**

Opening event: Friday the 1 April 6pm

Works by Pauline Allomes in Indian ink. Using a technique called micography, Paulines work focuses on the inspirational and healing effects of the natural world and the care and protection of our environment for future generations.

PTO Gallery is seeking entries for:

**Screen, Stills & Story boards**

**10 June –11 July 2011**

This is our first exhibition of invited and selected artists.

The exhibition opening will be **Friday 24 June 2011** to coincide with the *Longest Night Film Festival* to be held in Eltham over the weekend of the 25/26 June 2011.

If you have artwork inspired by movies, the longest night, or would like to make artworks specifically for this exhibition in any medium (painting, photography, illustration, pictorial plots, comics, sculpture, new media) please email us a jpeg image for selection to [ptogallery@ptogallery.co.nz](mailto:ptogallery@ptogallery.co.nz) or call us to discuss your artwork by 20 May 2011.

**PTO GALLERY 45 Bridge st, Eltham - Open Friday-Sunday from 10am & by appointment Phone: 06 7645064**

### The Longest Night Film Festival

**25 June 2011**

**Eltham Town Hall**

This is going to be great – a short film festival at the historic Town Hall in Eltham. Open and School sections. If you are interested in showing a film in the festival, please email Mark Bellringer: [mark@digitalstory.co.nz](mailto:mark@digitalstory.co.nz)

## Lysaght Watt Gallery Autumn exhibitions

### **Mountain Man**

1 - 26 March 2011

### **A Quantity of Quilting**

27 March - 30 April 2011

### **Precious Water – A themed member's exhibition**

2 - 28 May 2011



**Lysaght Watt Gallery 4 - 6 Union Street, Hawera**

Open Monday-Friday 10am - 4pm Sat 10am – 12pm Phone 278 7611 Chairperson: Margaret Springett.



## Govett Brewster Art Gallery News

### **Migration, family and memory at the Govett-Brewster**

For Filipino husband and wife team Alfredo and Isabel Aquilizan, their work is about home, family and journeys. The couple are in New Plymouth as the Govett-Brewster Art Gallery's International Artists in Residence and their work will be part of the group exhibition *Stealing the Senses* that opens on 12 March. The Aquilizans create works by

collecting and collaborating to express ideas of re-location, temporary homes, identity, migration and memory. From educator backgrounds, the couple often works collaboratively with local communities, bringing together personal items to compose elaborate installations.

**Sunday 6 March at 11.30am** - A boat building project with Filipino artists Alfredo and Isabel Aquilizan.

Help make an artwork by transforming recycled cardboard boxes into a settlement of boats. The workshop is at the artists' studio at Taranaki House, 109 Devon St West. The finished installation will be part of the *Stealing the Senses* exhibition opening at the Govett-Brewster Art Gallery on 12 March. All ages welcome, free entry.

### **Stealing the Senses**

**12 March - 5 June 2011**

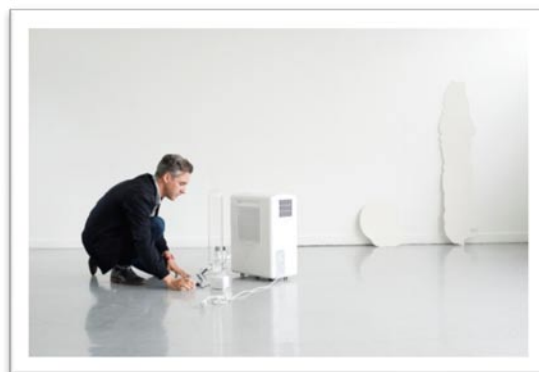
Stealing the Senses involves 12 exhibitions, including newly commissioned works by New Zealand and international artists.

### **Dane Mitchell: Radiant Matter Part 1**

**5 March – 29 May 2011**

Perfumes, vaporisers and de-humidifiers form the base of the Govett-Brewster's latest exhibition, curated by Mercedes Vicente. Dane Mitchell, the Govett-Brewster's New Zealand artist in residence, engages with the concept of the 'vaporous', as suspended in the air, in a state between matter and gas. Working with a perfumer and a glass-blower, Mitchell plays with making the intangible and tangible and the possibilities of perfume's ability to fill space sculpturally. Mitchell has also collected sea spray from the Taranaki coastline and captured it in a delicate glass vessel.

For more information visit: [www.govettbrewster.com](http://www.govettbrewster.com)



## Crazy Ladies at Hawera Repertory

Tickets to Hawera Repertory's latest production *Crazy Ladies* are now on sale at Hawera i-SITE. Written by Devon Williamson and directed by Charles Pittams, this outrageous story tells of five friends who stage their own reunion after years apart. Friendships are rekindled, secrets are revealed and a janitor is kidnapped! Get your tickets now to avoid disappointment.

**Friday 8 April - Saturday 16 April 2011.**

**Matinee Sunday 10 April 2011.**

Adults - \$25

Senior Citizens - \$22

Groups of 10 or more - \$22 (must be paid at time of booking)



## Whanganui Open Studios

The 11<sup>th</sup> Whanganui Open Studios is a fantastic event to put in your diaries for the last two weekends in March. Featuring 60 different locations and associated exhibitions and events, the 'Open Studio's is a must see event for you and your friends.

You can pick up an Arts Trail Guide and Location Map from art galleries and LibraryPlus throughout South Taranaki, or contact Michaela Stoneman, STDC Arts Coordinator to post you a copy.

Visit the website for more information: [www.openstudios.co.nz](http://www.openstudios.co.nz)

## Pikihuia – Awards for Māori Writers 2011

Encouraging diversity in writing and supporting innovation, these awards recognise outstanding work by Māori writers. Entries are welcome from Māori writers of novels, short stories and film scripts. There are four categories, each with a \$2,000 cash prize and two \$500 highly commended finalists. There is also a Secondary School Award Category with cash and book prizes.



**Closing date for all award entries: 15 April 2011**

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

## Number 8 Wire National Art Award



Entries are now open – get creative with number 8 wire and win!

**Entries close: 26 April 2011**

**Award Ceremony and Opening Event: Thursday 9 June 2011 at 6 pm.**

**Exhibition Open: 10 June 2011 - 18 July 2011**

For more information and to download entry form visit: [www.waikatomuseum.co.nz](http://www.waikatomuseum.co.nz)

## What's The Big Idea?

The Big Idea -Te Aria Nui community is **free** to [join](#) and you can [share](#) your news & views, events and jobs & opportunities as well as [show](#) your work, all at the push of a button. You can also create a profile and connect with New Zealand's arts talent and creative enterprise.

[www.thebigidea.co.nz](http://www.thebigidea.co.nz)



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## Annual Pasifika issue of Art All magazine out now!

Issue #102 of the Artists Alliance magazine *Art All* was released on February 28. *Art All* is the only magazine dedicated to the professional development of visual artists in New Zealand.



A snapshot of features in this issue:

- Festivals round up: Pasifika, SCAPE, Auckland Festival & the Fringes
- Art & The Internet – Lawyer David McLaughlin talks us through the issues
- 'One for you, One for me' artist Gary Peters' innovative marketing tool
- We discover the new residency at the Centre for Pacific Studies
- Hear from Ole Maiava who features as our regional arts worker

Members will have received their copy from February 28. Not a member? Order your copy or take out a subscription today by contacting the office (09) 3767285 or via email on [admin@artistsalliance.org.nz](mailto:admin@artistsalliance.org.nz)

[www.artistsalliance.org.nz](http://www.artistsalliance.org.nz)



Would you or your group like to have information included in the next *State of the Arts*?

Please send text and photographs for the Winter (June, July, August) *South Taranaki Arts Bulletin #4* to Michaela Stoneman, Arts Coordinator.

**Send information by: Wednesday 25 May 2011**

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