

# Plan your Heritage Festival 2026



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<b>Saturday 7 March</b>				
9.30am	Object Histories Blogging Workshop Te Manawa Museum	25		
<b>Sunday 8 March</b>				
10.00am	Virtual Reality session, Central Library	30	☑	
11.00am	Back of House Tour, Te Manawa Museum	21	☑ P	
12.00pm	Back of House Tour, Te Manawa Museum	21	☑ P	
1.00pm	Virtual Reality session, Central Library	30	☑	
3.00pm	Virtual Reality session, Central Library	30	☑	
3.00pm	Secrets Beneath Our Feet: Material Traces of the 19th Century Garrison World, Te Manawa Museum	5		
<b>Monday 9 March</b>				
9.50am	Guided Visit: Biggin Hill Historic Aircraft Centre, Departs Arena 5 Carpark	21	☑	
1.00pm	From Evening Standard to the Dawn of Digital, Central Library	5		
5.30pm	Manawatū Writers Hub, Central Library	31		
<b>Tuesday 10 March</b>				
10.00am	Bookable Help Sessions – three half hour sessions, Central Library	26	☑	
1.00pm	Heritage Craft Group drop-in session, Central Library	31		
1.30pm	He Pou Kōrero, Ashhurst School	25		
4.00pm	Virtual Reality session, Central Library	30	☑	
7.00pm	Small plants that are everywhere: Mosses, Liverworts, and Lichens, Central Library	6		
<b>Wednesday 11 March</b>				
8.45am	The Woodshed Café and House Eras Tour, Departs Arena 5 Carpark	21	☑ P	
11.00am	Back of House Tour, Te Manawa Museum	21	☑ P	
12.00pm	Back of House Tour, Te Manawa Museum	21	☑ P	
2.00pm	Bookable Help Sessions – three half hour sessions, Central Library	26	☑	
3.30pm	Treasures with Tania: Generations!, Central Library	31		
6.00pm	Bohumil Pospíšil: Interwar Globetrotter and Adventurer, Central Library	6		
<b>Thursday 12 March</b>				
12.00pm	21st Anniversary of the NZDF Response to the Indian Ocean Tsunami in Banda Aceh, Central Library	7		
2.00pm	The Lagoons at Awapuni, Boho Café Pitama Road	7		
4.00pm	Virtual Reality session, Central Library	30	☑	
6.00pm	Histories and Mysteries in the Collections: The Ian Matheson City Archive, Central Library	7		
<b>Friday 13 March</b>				
10.00am	Bookable Help Sessions – three half hour sessions, Central Library	26	☑	

10.30am	Treasures with Tania: Generations!, Roslyn Library	31		
2.00pm	Guided Tour: NZ Rugby Museum, NZ Rugby Museum, Main Street	22	☑	
6.00pm	Everything But The Medicine, Central Library	15		
<b>Saturday 14 March</b>				
10.30am	Connecting the Genealogy Dots, Central Library	27		
10.30am	Workshop: Journal Your Life, Central Library	15	☑	
11.00am	Dame Robin White with Dr Sarah Farrar, Te Manawa Art Gallery	8		
4.00pm	Guided Tour: Terrace End Cemetery, Terrace End	22	☑	
6.00pm	Te Hīkoi Toi at Te Ahu a Turanga Highway, Te Ahu a Turanga Highway	22	☑	
<b>Sunday 15 March</b>				
10.00am	Ride the Esplanade Scenic Railway, Victoria Esplanade	32		
10.00am	Virtual Reality session, Central Library	30	☑	
11.00am	Virtual Reality session, Central Library	30	☑	
11.00am	Open day: Caccia Birch House – Bring a Picnic!, Caccia Birch House	36		
1.00pm	Virtual Reality session, Central Library	30	☑	
2.30pm	Walkshop: Edwards Pit Park, Skoglund St Carpark	27		
2.30pm	Sorrowing Mothers, Central Library	27		
5.00pm	An Uncommon Land, Central Library	8		
<b>Monday 16 March</b>				
11.00am	Guided Tour: Regent Theatre, Regent Theatre, Broadway Avenue	23	☑	
2.30pm	Sorrowing Mothers, Central Library	27		
<b>Tuesday 17 March</b>				
8.30am	Guided Visit: New Zealand National Army Museum, Departs Arena 5 Carpark	22	☑ P	
10.00am	Bookable Help Sessions – three half hour sessions, Central Library	26	☑	
1.00pm	Heritage Craft Group drop-in session, Central Library	31		
6.00pm	Te Rongo mai whiti – Language heritage, Central Library	8		
7.30pm	Do New Zealand's active faults and volcanoes talk to each other?, Central Library	9		
<b>Wednesday 18 March</b>				
10.30am	Walkshop: Explore the evolution of the Victoria Esplanade, Victoria Esplanade	28	☑	
12.30pm	Treasures with Tania: Generations!, Te Pātikitiki Library	31		
2.00pm	Bookable Help Sessions – three half hour sessions, Central Library	26	☑	
6.30pm	Grace: A Prayer for Peace, Central Library	9		

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<b>Thursday 19 March</b>				
1.00pm	The Doctor, The Nurses, The Volunteers who died, and a Bank Hold Up in Palmerston North – NZ and the Spanish Civil War 1936-1939, <b>Central Library</b>	10		
6.00pm	Shield Fever: Reflections on Manawatū's Ranfurly Shield Tenure 1976-78, <b>NZ Rugby Museum</b>	10		
6.00pm	30 years on, has MMP delivered? <b>Central Library</b>	10		
<b>Friday 20 March</b>				
10.00am	Bookable Help Sessions – three half hour sessions, <b>Central Library</b>	26	☞	
2.30pm	Te Hīkoi Toi at Te Ahu a Turanga Highway, <b>Te Ahu a Turanga Highway</b>	22	☞	
6.00pm	World Poetry Day: Poems without Borders, <b>Central Library</b>	10		
<b>Saturday 21 March</b>				
9.00am	Rugby Jamboree, <b>Marist Sports Club Rooms</b>	32	☞	
9.30am	Manawatū Classic Bike Club ride, <b>Assemble in Te Marae o Hine The Square</b>	32		
10.00am	Open Day: Thomson's Motorcycle Museum, <b>Rongotea Road</b>	36		
10.00am	The Great Manawatū Steam Fair, <b>Feilding</b>	32		P
10.30am	Impact of the Poll Tax on Chinese in New Zealand, <b>Central Library</b>	11		
11.00am	Guided Tour: Regent Theatre, <b>Regent Theatre, Broadway Avenue</b>	23	☞	
2.30pm	World Poetry and Race Relations Day: Open Mic and Potluck Afternoon Tea, <b>Central Library</b>	11		
7.00pm	Pūrerehua True Stories Told Live, <b>Central Library</b>	11		
<b>Sunday 22 March</b>				
9.00am	Rugby Jamboree, <b>Te Manawa Museum</b>	32	☞	
10.00am	The Great Manawatū Steam Fair, <b>Feilding</b>	32		P
10.00am	Badge Making Drop-in Session <b>Central Library</b>	33		
10.30am	Workshop: BYO... stories, <b>Central Library</b>	28	☞	
11.00am	Open Day: Hoffman Kiln, <b>Featherston Street</b>	36		
2.00pm	Workshop: Start Your Heritage Journey, <b>Central Library</b>	28		
2.00pm	Guided Tour: Ashhurst Cemetery, <b>Ashhurst</b>	23	☞	
<b>Monday 23 March</b>				
10.00am	Bookable Help Sessions – three half hour sessions, <b>Central Library</b>	26	☞	
1.00pm	Exploring our Southern European and Balkan heritage in Palmerston North, <b>Central Library</b>	12		
3.00pm	Guided Tour: NZ Rugby Museum, <b>NZ Rugby Museum, Main St</b>	22	☞	

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<b>Tuesday 24 March</b>				
10.00am	Te Whatu Rāanga o Highbury Weavers, <b>Te Pātikitiki Library</b>	12		
1.00pm	Walk and Talk: 150th Anniversary - Pathways Presbyterian Church, <b>Pathways Presbyterian Church</b>	23		
1.00pm	Heritage Craft Group drop-in session, <b>Central Library</b>	31		
6.00pm	35th Anniversary of the RNZAF deployment to the First Gulf War in 1991, <b>Central Library</b>	12		
<b>Wednesday 25 March</b>				
10.00am	Badge making drop-in session, <b>Central Library</b>	33		
10.30am	Walkshop: The Peter Black Conservatory - Past and Present, <b>Victoria Esplanade</b>	29	☞	
2.00pm	Bookable Help Sessions – three half hour sessions, <b>Central Library</b>	26	☞	
6.00pm	Kōwhaiwhai - A lifelong pursuit, <b>Central Library</b>	12		
<b>Thursday 26 March</b>				
All day	70 years of Epilepsy New Zealand – Purple Day	34		
10.00am	Bookable Help Sessions – three half hour sessions, <b>Central Library</b>	26	☞	
11.00am	Community Ukulele Sing a Long, <b>Central Library</b>	34		
11.00am	Operatunity's 25th Birthday Bash! concert, <b>New Life Church</b>	33		P
1.00pm	Early NZ Film Community Comedies - Frances of Feilding, <b>Central Library</b>	13		
6.00pm	Histories & Mysteries in the Collections: Engineer Corps Memorial Centre, <b>Central Library</b>	7		
<b>Friday 27 March</b>				
10.00am	Bookable Help Sessions – three half hour sessions, <b>Central Library</b>	26	☞	
10.30am	Guided Visit: Engineer Corps Memorial Centre, <b>Linton Camp</b>	23	☞	
2.00pm	The Manawatū Guardian Collection: A Taonga for the City, <b>Central Library</b>	13		
6.00pm	A Farming Story Like No Other, <b>Central Library</b>	13		
<b>Saturday 28 March</b>				
10.30am	Guided Visit: Engineer Corps Memorial Centre, <b>Linton Camp</b>	23	☞	
2.00pm	Workshop: Memories of School Days, <b>Central Library</b>	29		
3.30pm	Traces of a City: Mr Ward's Map, <b>Central Library</b>	13		
5.30pm	The Enduring Impact of Kōhanga Reo and Kura Kaupapa Māori in the Manawatū, <b>Central Library</b>	14		

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<b>Sunday 29 March</b>				
8.45am	The Woolshed Café and House Eras Tour, <b>Departs Arena 5 Carpark</b>	21	☞	P
9.50am	Guided Visit: Biggin Hill Historic Aircraft Centre, <b>Departs Arena 5 Carpark</b>	21	☞	
11.00am	Nils Magnus Person: Sexton of Terrace End Cemetery, <b>Central Library</b>	14		
1.00pm	Open Day: Palmerston North Electric Power Station, <b>Keith Street</b>	36		
1.00pm	Open Day: Tokomaru Steam Engine Museum, <b>Tokomaru</b>	37		
2.00pm	Guided Tour Terrace End Cemetery, <b>Terrace End</b>	22	☞	
2.30pm	Sorrowing Mothers, <b>Central Library</b>	27		
<b>Monday 30 March</b>				
10.00am	Baby Steps Art Tour, <b>Te Manawa Art Gallery</b>	23		
2.30pm	Sorrowing Mothers, <b>Central Library</b>	27		
4.00pm	Treasures with Tania: Generations!, <b>Central Library</b>	31		
<b>Tuesday 31 March</b>				
7.00am	Guided Visit: NZ Micrographic Services, National Library of NZ, Archives NZ and Parliamentary Library, <b>Departs Arena 5 Carpark</b>	24	☞	P
10.00am	Bookable Help Sessions – three half hour sessions, <b>Central Library</b>	26	☞	
1.00pm	Heritage Craft Group drop-in session, <b>Central Library</b>	31		
<b>Wednesday 1 April</b>				
10.30am	Walkshop: Edwards Pit Park, <b>Meet at Skoglund Park carpark</b>	27		
1.00pm	Treasures with Tania: Generations!, <b>Central Library</b>	31		
2.00pm	Bookable Help Sessions – three half hour sessions, <b>Central Library</b>	26	☞	
6.00pm	Legacy: a lost fortune, a new land, lasting faith, a Nelson family history, <b>Central Library</b>	14		
<b>Thursday 2 April</b>				
10.00am	Badge making drop-in session, <b>Central Library</b>	33		
1.00pm	Savage Crescent: The planning, conservation and management of a 1930s concept, <b>Central Library</b>	14		
6.00pm	Histories and Mysteries in the Collections: Massey University Archives, <b>Central Library</b>	7		
<b>Saturday 4 April</b>				
1.00pm	Badge Making Drop-in Session, <b>Central Library</b>	33		
<b>Tuesday 7 April</b>				
10.00am	Badge making drop-in session, <b>Central Library</b>	33		
1.00pm	Heritage Craft Group drop-in session, <b>Central Library</b>	31		

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<b>Wednesday 8 April</b>				
10.30am	Walkshop: Savage Crescent, <b>Savage Crescent</b>	29	☞	
1.00pm	The Lost Monument, <b>Te Marae o Hine The Square</b>	35	☞	
1.00pm	Badge Making Drop-in Session, <b>Central Library</b>	33		
2.00pm	The Lost Monument, <b>Te Marae o Hine The Square</b>	35	☞	
3.00pm	The Lost Monument, <b>Te Marae o Hine The Square</b>	35	☞	
6.00pm	1990: The Turning Point of New Zealand's International Education, <b>IPU Library, IPU</b>	15		
<b>Thursday 9 April</b>				
12.00pm	80th Anniversary of J Force in Japan, <b>Central Library</b>	16		
6.00pm	Histories and Mysteries in the Collections: Te Manawa Museum of Arts, Science and Heritage, <b>Central Library</b>	7		
<b>Friday 10 April</b>				
10.30am	Heritage Tools for Teachers (and Principals), <b>Central Library</b>	29	☞	
6.00pm	Past, Present and Possible Futures: Max Rashbrooke and Richard Shaw in conversation, <b>Central Library</b>	16		
<b>Saturday 11 April</b>				
9.00am	Open Day: De Molen, <b>Foxton</b>	37		
9.00am	Foxton Historical Riverside Walks, <b>Foxton</b>	24	☞	P
9.30am	Guided Visit: Foxton and Flax, <b>Foxton</b>	24	☞	
10.00am	Open Day: Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom, <b>Foxton</b>	37		
10.30am	Connecting the Genealogy Dots, <b>Central Library</b>	27		
11.00am	Guided Visit: Foxton and Flax, <b>Foxton</b>	24	☞	
1.00pm	Open Day: Nye Cottage, <b>Foxton</b>	38		
1.00pm	Open Day: Manawatū Herald Building, <b>Foxton</b>	39		
1.00pm	Open Day: MAVTech: National Museum of Audio Visual Technology, <b>Foxton</b>	38		
1.00pm	Open Day: Foxton Courthouse, <b>Foxton</b>	38		
1.00pm	Open Day: All Saints Church, <b>Foxton</b>	39		
2.00pm	The Battle for Women's Rights: 130 years of the National Council of Women in Aotearoa, <b>Central Library</b>	16		
3.00pm	Sorrowing Mothers, <b>PN War Memorial</b>	35		
5.00pm	Grace: A Prayer for Peace, <b>Central Library</b>	9		
<b>Sunday 12 April</b>				
10.00am	NZ Rugby Museum: Gold coin entry day, <b>NZ Rugby Museum</b>	39		P
10.00am	Heritage Games and Taonga Tākaro, <b>Te Marae o Hine The Square</b>	35		
1.00pm	Badge Making Drop-in Session, <b>Central Library</b>	33		