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NEED TO KNOW

Improving food grade display rules
We are proposing a new Food Safety Information Bylaw to help Aucklanders make informed decisions about where they purchase food and to incentivise food businesses to achieve high food safety standards. The proposed new bylaw clarifies requirements

for Auckland-only based restaurants, cafes, bars, takeaways and other food businesses to display a food safety information certificate (or food grade), including displaying it in specific physical locations and online. Visit aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/have-your-say from 2 December until 2 February 2020 to share your thoughts on the proposed bylaw.

Flush your taps
The Ministry of Health recommends flushing a large glass of water from your drinking water tap each morning before using any water. This removes any metals that may have dissolved from plumbing fittings. For more information, visit watercare.co.nz and search for 'drinking water quality', or phone 09 442 2222.



Working for you

Thank you, Aucklanders, for the privilege you have given me of serving a further term as mayor. I look forward to working with you to make our city a world-class and inclusive place to live.

My priorities for this term reflect what you have told me are the most pressing issues facing our city.

We will continue to invest heavily in the infrastructure and services our city needs to meet the rapid increase in population.

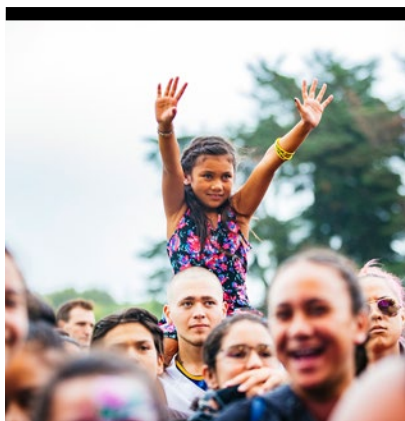
We will maintain our record investment in the transport network

to combat congestion. We will work to keep residential building at its highest level ever to deal with housing shortages and affordability. We will maintain our focus on protecting and enhancing our environment, including by reducing carbon emissions to tackle climate change and cleaning up our harbours and beaches.

As our super-city structure approaches its 10th anniversary, we will review our council-controlled organisations to ensure they are accountable and effective.

With the approach of Christmas and the summer holidays, my best wishes to you for an enjoyable, relaxing and peaceful festive season with family and friends.

Phil Goff,
Mayor of Auckland



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BY THE NUMBERS

52

Movies and Music in Parks events are coming to parks across the region this summer. They're free and fun for the whole family. Check musicinparks.co.nz and moviesinparks.co.nz for more info

3.75 million

bike trips across Auckland between October 2018 and September 2019, an increase of 5.9% on the previous 12 months

19

iwi will co-host the Tāmaki Herenga Waka Festival in partnership with Auckland Tourism, Events and Economic Development (ATEED) on 31 January on Captain Cook Wharf



700,000+

visitors to Auckland Zoo each year. Almost half (48%) of the Zoo's visitors said they felt 'compelled to take action to help wildlife' as a direct consequence of their visit

4000+

events held a year at the 12 venues operated by Auckland Council's Regional Facilities Auckland.

Landmark venues include the Aotea Centre, The Civic, Auckland Art Gallery Toi o Tāmaki, Auckland Town Hall, Mt Smart Stadium, New Zealand Maritime Museum and Western Springs Stadium

\$44.3m

Cost of new shared cycling/walking path being constructed between New Lynn and Avondale

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THE BRIEFING

INFORMATION AND INSPIRATION FROM AUCKLAND COUNCIL HQ

GET A FIX

Auckland Council has launched a smarter, convenient way for Aucklanders to report a property-maintenance problem with our community facilities, public spaces or parks. The new mobile-friendly service enables you to report a problem online

and gives the option to follow the progress of its resolution through texts or email alerts or via myAuckland. It also eliminates the need for you to call the council's contact centre to check on the progress. Call centre and walk-in service centre support will continue.

To report a problem, visit aucklandcouncil.govt.nz.



IMAGINATION STATIONS

Need to keep the kids entertained this summer? Auckland Libraries has got you covered. Let children unleash their imagination with Kia Māia te Whai Dare to Explore, a free summer reading programme for kids aged 5 to 12 years.

Go on an adventure with Tuatara and his friends, through reading challenges, creative activities and games, to explore the past, present and future. Registrations are open now and the programme, which features more than 60 activities, kicks off on 9 December and runs for six weeks across Auckland Libraries. Sign up at daretoexplore.nz to secure your activity booklet.



FLOWING FREE

Thirsty festival-goers will be able to top up their water bottles for free at a variety of community events over the summer thanks to Watercare's new water stations.

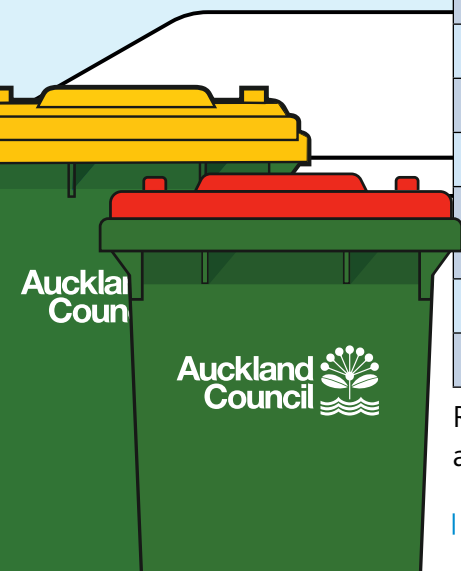
The stations, which connect to mains water supply, will be set up at events like the Pasifika

Festival, the Henderson RSA Children's Christmas Party and the World Aids Day Festival. The idea came from Watercare communications manager Rachel Hughes, who says it's all about giving back to the community.

For details on how to get one at your event, search 'water stations' at watercare.co.nz.



Christmas holiday kerbside collections



Your usual collection day is:	Your new collection day is:
Monday 23 December 2019	NO CHANGE
Tuesday 24 December 2019	NO CHANGE
Wednesday 25 December 2019 (Christmas Day)	Thursday 26 December 2019 (Boxing Day)
Thursday 26 December 2019	Friday 27 December 2019
Friday 27 December 2019	Saturday 28 December 2019
Monday 30 December 2019	NO CHANGE
Tuesday 31 December 2019	NO CHANGE
Wednesday 1 January 2020 (New Years Day)	Thursday 2 January 2020
Thursday 2 January 2020	Friday 3 January 2020
Friday 3 January 2020	Saturday 4 January 2020






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LOCAL NEWS / AROUND AUCKLAND

MOVIES IN PARKS, BEACH VOLLEYBALL, WORLD-CLASS WALKWAY, NEW PLAYGROUND AND SAFE SWIMMING



IN YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD

MATAREKA ENJOY / MOVIES IN PARKS (ABOVE) Summer means it's Movies in Parks time and this year, Auckland Council is bringing 20 smash-hit movies to parks across the region. Movies in Parks runs from January through to April and movies start a few minutes after sunset. Go to moviesinparks.co.nz for details and timings.



WHAKAMĀTAUHIA EXPERIENCE / ĀWHITU It may not be Auckland's biggest, but Āwhitu Regional Park is treasured. Now is a great time to visit, with the pōhutukawa in flower, the wetlands home to an array of birdlife, and the beaches unspoiled. Visit aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/parks or go to YouTube and type in 'Kauritutahi' for an idea of what you'll see.

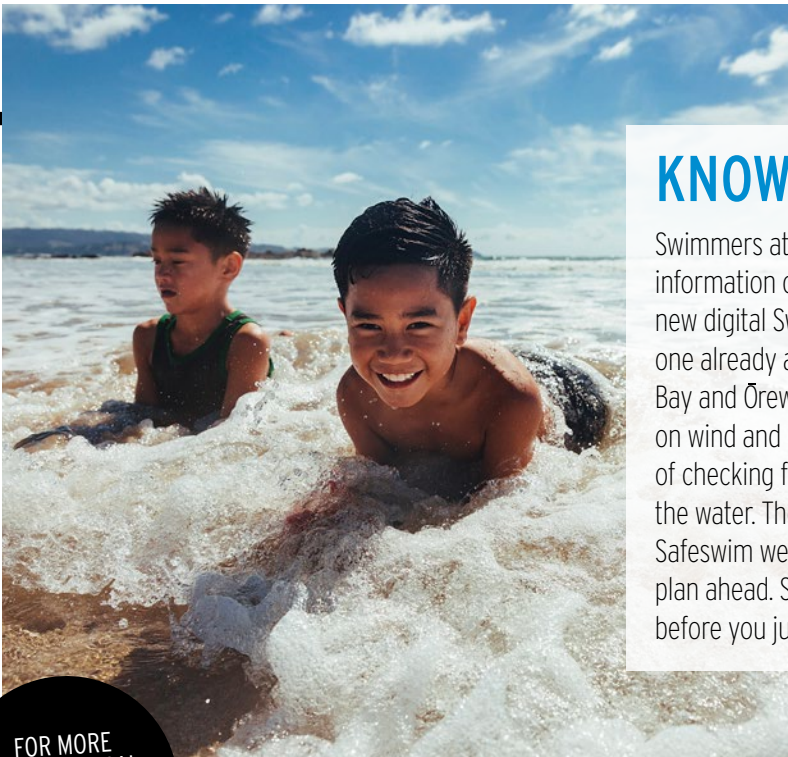


TORO ATU VISIT / HISTORIC PLACES Howick Local Board's heritage walk app now covers a Main Street Stroll, the Tāmaki River Tour and the Bucklands Beach Loop. It features images, videos and commentary on the walks, which are suitable for all ages and fitness levels. Download it from your app store by searching for 'Howick's Heritage'.

TĀKARO PLAY / KELSTON BEACH VOLLEYBALL Head to Te Pae o Kura (Kelston Community Centre) this summer and check out the only free all-weather professional-sized doubles beach volleyball court in all of Auckland. There are also deck chairs and bar leaners to use on site.



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KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

Swimmers at popular northern beaches will have access to information on water quality, tides and local weather through new digital Swimsafe signs at the beach. The signs, similar to one already at Takapuna Beach, are being installed at Browns Bay and Ōrewa this summer and will also include information on wind and speed direction. They reinforce the importance of checking for health and safety alerts before entering the water. There are 108 swimming locations listed on the Safeswim website and the three-day forecast allows you to plan ahead. So make sure you jump online to safeswim.org.nz before you jump into the water.

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PLAY IT FORWARD

A new playground is on the way for Western Springs Lakeside / Te Wai Ōrea Park. The present playground (above) will make way for an accessible and ecology-themed play area that will blend in with the natural surroundings.

New and improved pathways, seating, barbecues, drinking fountains, shade sails and shade trees will feature, along with meandering pathways between play zones that will double as beginner-bike-riding tracks. Play equipment and play zones will be suitable for children of all ages and abilities. A combination of new surfaces and the removal of steps and ridges will mean those with wheelchairs, prams or impaired mobility will be able to use the new play area easily.

Educational signage about the park's natural environment and history will also be included.

The concept comes from the Western Springs Lakeside / Te Wai Ōrea Park Development Plan, which was funded by Waitemātā Local Board and put out for public consultation in 2018.

The playground design aligns with the key themes of the plan – water, ecology, refuge, connection, events and history. It is expected to be finished by July 2020.



ABOVE AND BEYOND

WORLD-CLASS VISITOR BOARDWALK COMING TO MAUNGAWHAU

A new boardwalk around the crater of Maungawhau / Mount Eden will support the maunga as a major tourist destination and deliver much-needed protection of natural and cultural heritage features.

Maungawhau was an important Māori pā in Tāmaki Makaurau, and is one of the best-preserved pre-historic fortifications of its type in the world.

"The summit is visited by more than a million people a year," says Paul Majurey, chair of the Tūpuna Maunga Authority. "The boardwalk will protect it from erosion, and offer them an enhanced walking experience."

The crater rim track is closed until construction work is finished – which is expected to be early in May. Visitors can still access the summit road and southern part of the summit. Full story at ourauckland.nz

INSIDER'S GUIDE

Love Leigh

From secluded coves to exotic wildlife, Lisa Toi, long-time Rodney resident and healthcare consultant, offers her highlights package for Leigh.

DANIEL'S REEF

I came to the Matakana region in 1997 and moved out to Leigh in 2007. It's a sanctuary. Three days a week, I work from home, and I also commute into Auckland. We live on what is probably the best street in the Rodney district, Lax Crescent. It's off Wonderview Road, which is a really well-known street for surfers because at the end of the road you access Daniel's Reef. You can see the swells from the road and be down there in two minutes. You look out and see Hauturu / Little Barrier, Aotea / Great Barrier, Coromandel and Tāwharanui. It's an amazing view. And we see all the ships coming in to Auckland as well.

THE COVE WALK

This is the place that has the most meaning for me. We've walked this track many, many times – we used to run it when we were fitter! – and taken so many friends and overseas visitors there. Such memories. From Leigh Wharf, you walk right around Leigh Harbour, across a little bridge over an estuary, onto a clifftop and down to a cove. You're walking among native bush, and we've seen ruru / morepork and other amazing birdlife. You come out of the track onto a little beach that is super private and has incredible sea life. One night, we saw five massive stingrays, but we didn't see any other people. In the height of summer, you'll see maybe 10 groups, but at other times, we're so lucky we have it to ourselves.



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1. Daniel's Reef 2. The view from the Cove Walk 3. Leigh Harbour with 'The Nordic' point in the foreground 4. Lisa Toi (left) with friends at Matheson Bay 5. Goat Island Marine Reserve

'THE NORDIC'

Just to the right of the cemetery used to be this old goat track that all the teenagers would go down to get to big rock pools and massive rocks that you can jump off. Locals call it 'The Nordic' after a ship that sank out from Leigh Harbour. It's a place our family has spent a lot of time swimming at in the past 10 years. Auckland Council has now built stairs, which is awesome, as that makes it so much more accessible.

MATHESON BAY

A quintessential New Zealand bay. There's a paddock where people can camp, and also a beautiful walk. We used to do it when you had to scramble over gravel, rocks and roots. Now, it has boardwalks and stairs. There's a waterfall and a couple of places to sit as you weave your way up to Leigh Road. Over summer, we often put our beanbags, blankets and drinks in the truck and go down to Matheson Bay. We either cook our own food or get fish'n'chips.

TI POINT REPTILE PARK

As my kids have grown up, we've done 'forced family fun' – walks, or picnics, or taking them to the Ti Point Reptile Park. It's been going for years. It's a family business, and they're very involved in the community. They've got alligators, tuatara, skinks, tortoises, turtles, geckos, tarantulas and iguanas. I took my grandson there a month ago and my goddaughters a week ago. It's something our family and extended whānau have loved.

GOAT ISLAND MARINE RESERVE

As locals, we tend to stay away in peak season, but we really love birds, so sometimes during the week we'll head down, sit up in the car park and watch the kawau / shags going nuts in the pōhutukawa trees. It's definitely one of Leigh's main attractions.

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Al fresco in Auckland

Auckland is perfectly situated for the ultimate al fresco dining experiences over summer. With beautiful beaches, huge parks and a wide range of cultures, there are food adventures and outings to suit all budgets. **Ayla Miller** gives you her picks of the best way to eat your way around Auckland this summer.

DESTINATION DINERS

A journey always makes the food taste better. So, take some time to explore these delicious hotspots.

MATAKANA A trip to the Matakana Village Farmers' Market **1** on Saturday morning is a great way to start the weekend. With a selection of local produce such as buffalo cheese, seafood, organic fruit and vegetables and much more, this truly is foodie heaven. You're spoiled for choice when it comes to quality kai, but if you're looking to get close to the source, board the "Shuckleferry" at Scotts Landing to learn about the history of the Mahurangi Harbour while shucking your own fresh oysters and enjoying the flavours of the ocean.



KUMEŪ A host of wineries, cafes, restaurants, breweries and artisan producers increasingly call this fertile food bowl home. Stopping off to pick some strawberries **2** is a summer



tradition for many – and you'll probably need a real-fruit ice cream after all that strenuous bending over. While you're out there, Muriwai and Te Henga / Bethells Beach are perfect spots for family fish 'n' chips as the sun sets.

WAIHEKE ISLAND It's been voted one of the most beautiful islands in the world and the produce that comes off it is of a similar quality. So make a day of it, head out on the ferry and soak up those relaxed seaside vibes. Walk down Oceanview Road and choose from a variety of dine-in or takeaway options. Slightly further afield, there are a host of world-class restaurants and vineyards, but if you'd rather keep it casual, stock up for a beachside picnic or sizzle a few snarlars on the barbecues at Little Oneroa Reserve.

CENTRAL AUCKLAND Savvy diners have plenty to choose from already. But recent developments in Takapuna, Smales Farm, Ōrākei Bay, Morningside, Hobsonville and Newmarket mean they should be on the must-visit lists of Auckland food lovers, and they're all easy to get to via public transport.

FOODIE FESTIVALS

We used to be content with hot dogs and chips. But quality food is becoming an increasingly important component of the best festivals.

SILO PARK, WYNYARD QUARTER

If you're looking for tacos, dumplings, gourmet fries and refreshing beverages mixed in with great entertainment, arts and crafts, and exciting cultural events, Silo Park **3** is the place to be this summer. Whether you're looking



for a place to relax with a drink after work at the ever-popular outdoor Silo Cinema, chill with a book and some snacks at the weekend market, or take the family to try some of the region's most delectable desserts, this urban oasis won't disappoint.

LANTERN FESTIVAL, AUCKLAND DOMAIN

Celebrate Chinese New Year and the Year of the Rat at Auckland's annual Lantern Festival, 13-16 February. Enjoy dumplings or bao, skewers or noodles (or all of the above), then cool yourself down with something ice cold and sweet. You can also take in music and dance performances, martial-arts demonstrations, and traditional Chinese arts and crafts. Your senses are in for a treat.

TO MARKET, TO MARKET

Whether you're picking up a pain au chocolat, fruit and vegetables or

delicious dumplings, there's a market in Auckland to suit everyone's tastes.

CLEVEDON FARMERS' MARKET

A crowd favourite, the Clevedon Village Farmers' Market has been running since 2005 and boasts a huge range of fresh, locally made produce and food stalls. Children can also enjoy a pony ride and patting the farm animals if the weather is nice. While there, be sure to visit the Hunua Ranges, or check out some of the beautiful east coast beaches at Duder or Ōmana regional parks.



AUCKLAND NIGHT MARKETS

Starting in Pakuranga in 2010, these markets now take place in nine locations around the city on different days of the week. With a range of entertainment and traditional and exotic food choices, they're great fun for families. And the undercover locations mean they're all-weather events. The Night Noodle Markets **4** in Victoria Park, 29 Nov-8 Dec, are also not to be missed.

MT ALBERT MARKET Make the most of the Streetfood Station on Friday, 5pm-9pm, and sample the wares of a rotating crew of the region's best food trucks. Burgers, authentic Italian pizza, craft beer, Asian options, Kiwi fare and live music ... what more do you need? And pop in on Saturday morning for great coffee, quality meats, baked goods, flowers and other supplies.

AVONDALE You'll find strong Polynesian and Asian influences at the Sunday market at Avondale Racecourse. Once you've filled your belly with ready-to-eat treats such as dumplings, doughnuts or steam pudding and packed your bags with in-season fruit and vegetables, spend a few hours trawling through the treasures at the car-boot sale.



ŌTARA MARKET Urban streetwear, church and designer clothing, island doughnuts, chop suey, pork buns, Polynesian music, tapa cloth, korowai and a selection of sweet treats ... it's not just a place to buy stuff, it's a cultural experience – and a real slice of modern, Pasifika life. Ōtara Market **5** opens early on Saturday morning and is a great place to find a selection of harder-to-find cuisines as well as Māori, Samoan, Tongan and Niuean art and culture.



DOWN TO EARTH

Eating out should be considered a treat (and, let's be honest, it isn't always the healthiest option), so why not learn to grow your own food this summer – or give back by cooking for the community.

You can always start growing at home. But if you need some help, the region's many community gardens – such as Kelmarna Gardens **6** in Ponsonby, the Grafton Garden Collective and the Papatoetoe Food Hub – are good places to start.

Putting food on the table at this time of year can be a struggle for many families, so why not head over to the Auckland City Mission and lend a hand at their annual Christmas lunch, or sign up as a volunteer chef with pay-as-you-feel restaurant Everybody Eats, a charity that serves three-course meals to those in need using food that would otherwise go to waste.



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SUMMER ON MY MIND

Summer is when Tāmaki Makaurau comes into its own, thanks to its stunning beaches, parks, walks, festivals and public spaces. We asked Aucklanders to share their treasured summer stories and tips for how to make the most of Auckland at its best. As told to **Hayden Donnell**.



FASITUA AMOSA is an actor, a member of Whau Local Board, and a passionate champion for staying at home over the summer.

I'm a huge advocate of the Auckland staycation. Over summer, I just hang around here. Why wouldn't I? Everything I want for a fun break is here. And all the restaurants you go to, they're looking forward to seeing you. They're like, 'Come in, please'.

Auckland is a great summer city. Because you're so close to the water, you can choose what type of mission you go on. If you want to go for a beach day, you can go to a really good beach. I normally trip across the bridge to Narrow Neck or Cheltenham Beach on the North Shore. For some reason the water feels fresher because it's not directly facing the city.

Or I like to go to a restaurant in the city. Some of the ones down by the water at the Viaduct have got beanbags and stuff outside, so it's quite nice to just sit around.

The thing is, you don't have to go far. You can have a bit of an adventure and be in your own bed on the same day. When I actually go away, I'm gone for about three days and I'm, like, 'Okay, I just want my own bed now'. In summer in Auckland, you don't have to commit two weeks. You can do it in one day, and get a good night's sleep afterwards.



GHAZALEH GOLBAKHSH is an Iranian-New Zealand writer and filmmaker who lives and works in Auckland.

My sister's birthday is in February, so growing up, she'd often have barbecues at Long Bay beach. She'd make my dad do the barbecue. The whole family would be there doing this typical Kiwi thing of being on the beach having a barbecue, but he'd be cooking lamb. That's kind of what it's like being an immigrant in New Zealand – you blend two worlds together.

Earlier in my life, we used to go out with all the Persian families my parents made friends with when they first moved here 30 years ago. It was other people like themselves who were in their early 30s with young kids, and they built this little community together. They would spend days going to the beach or having a picnic in Cornwall Park. I remember in the early days, it was very much a Persian-style picnic. You'd have these massive feasts of rice. Over the years, it became a bit more Kiwi, a bit more relaxed. It might be a couple of the parents and they'd take their togs and maybe get a sandwich on the beach. The casualness seeped in a bit more.

I hate the word 'assimilation'. You want people to keep who they are and their past. But you can't help but take



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on where you are now. Those picnics, or the barbecues, become a way of making a beautiful blend of what we would have done back in Iran and what we do here.

OMER GILROY is a songwriter and lead singer for the south Auckland band Valkyrie.



There was heaps of water fun in summer as I was growing up. I'm a water baby. We fished, jet-skied, went to pools. But mostly we went away to the bach.

My family bach is at Taupō Bay, which is four hours north. But these days, I like to go to more remote



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Muriwai Head west to this rugged, beautiful, black-sand beach and take a walk on the cliff-top trails to the gannet colony.



Mahurangi Regional Park 4 Turn off State Highway 1 near Pūhoi and travel 20 minutes to find one of the most beautiful white-sand beaches in Auckland. Mahurangi offers a secluded, pōhutukawa-lined bay with calm, blue water and a plentiful supply of grassy land for picnics.



Auckland Botanic Gardens 5 The 64ha of native bush and gardens in Manurewa are free to enter and make for a perfect family day trip. This summer's Sculpture in the Gardens exhibition is a must-do.

Waitawa Regional Park This park, 50km south-east of the city centre, is made up of three small peninsulas and fronts onto four bays. The Kōtare track, which takes about 90 minutes to walk, leads you through parkland, regenerating coastal bush and wetland environments.



places closer to home, like Whatipū 1 or Karekare 3. I'll go to Ōrere Point, or Karioitahi. I love to chuck together a summer playlist, take a big speaker, and pack the car with my mates. We'll do something stupid like play sword fights on the beach, or act like we're ninjas, or go on a bush walk and I'll pretend I'm some archaeologist or Indiana Jones and we're finding treasure. I know I'm 32 but, honestly, in my head I'm, like, 12.

That's summer in Auckland for me. It's possibility. It's doing stuff. It's those random adventures.

REREAHU COLLIER is a poutoko, ratonga Māori – a specialist Māori librarian – at Pukekohe Library. His work revolves around incorporating more te reo Māori and tikanga Māori into Auckland's library services.



What I enjoy most about Auckland summer are the long days out with family and friends. When you look outside and see the sun, it's calling.

GREAT OVERNIGHT CAMPING SPOTS WITHIN AN HOUR OF THE CENTRAL CITY



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Poukaraka Flats Campground 6

The only campground on Waiheke Island is located at Whakanewha Regional Park. Its campsites are sheltered by native planting and are ideal for everyone from beach lovers to bird watchers. If you get tired of relaxing amid the wonders of nature, head to some of the island's wineries.

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

When it's not playing host to the Splore festival, Tāpapakanga Regional Park is a great getaway spot. It has four campgrounds, all with access to the area's beach and tranquil native forest.



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Wenderholm Regional Park 7

Just north of Waiwera, this is one of Auckland's best destinations. From the Wenderholm Schischka campground, you can kayak up the river to Pūhoi, head out on coastal walks, or just relax on the beach.

Shakespear Regional Park

At the end of Whangaparāoa Peninsula, this park has one campground and two places where self-contained vehicles can camp. The predator-proof fence makes this a sanctuary for birds like white-faced herons, dotterel and kererū. And you can also tour World War II emplacements and take in expansive views of the Hauraki Gulf.



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It's telling you that you need to get outside. You need to see people.

Usually, we try to get our family together. We pick a beach where we can park up for the day: Maraetai 9 or Ōmana Beach on the east or Karioitahi and Āwhitu on the west. In my generation alone we have about 26 or 27 people. Trying to bring them all together is a bit of a mission. We're pretty much the whole beach on our own. We occupy a huge amount of space.

The whole thing is just about reconnecting and catching up – making sure the relationships within our family stay strong; that although we have separated into many different spaces, we still allow time for each other to come together in one place.

The beach is the perfect place for that. With our family being sporty, it's great to have a field where we can run around, break a sweat and then cool down in the ocean. For those who want to be active, they can run around. For those who don't want to be active, they can relax in the sun and enjoy the natural beauty. The whole thing is about supporting each other as a family.

GIAPO GRAZIOLI is an ice cream maker in the city centre and has won international acclaim for his flavours and presentation.

Auckland summer is the best. I feel so lucky to be here. But summer is peak season at our store so really we just



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work, work, work. I have 50 people who rely on me being here.

When I can get away, I try to stay outdoors as much as possible. I love taking my children to the beaches all around Auckland, from Muriwai 10 to Devonport 11, enjoying the simple life. I live in Mission Bay 8 with my wife, Annarosa, and children, Francesca and Pasquale, so just strolling down the beach and enjoying the sunshine and the warm breeze is everything for me. When I do it, I breathe and I'm grateful. It's about making me a better person. Nature really helps you to find your inner peace. When it's quiet, you can do that.

Where I grew up in Italy, I had something similar, but not the same. I come from a fishing town. We didn't have the same kind of beaches. It's quieter here. And calmer. And I think those things make it special. Auckland summer is magic. I think it would be hard for me to do what I do without it. I can find myself. And maybe my creativity can sometimes happen as a consequence.



JADE TANG-TAYLOR was the deputy chair of Auckland Council's Ethnic Peoples Advisory Panel. She lives in Waitākere with husband Adam and daughter Phoenix.



For me, summer is a time for reconnecting, reflection and celebration. So reconnecting with family and friends, reflection on the year that's gone, and planning for the year ahead.

One big thing we do is a summer potluck get-together at Pt Chevalier Beach, where everyone has to come up with one word that describes their year. So, rather than have name tags, everyone writes their one word and it sparks a bit of a conversation. It's a time of celebration as well.

We're a bicultural family. My family doesn't really do Christmas, so instead we spend it with Adam's family down in Whānganui. On Boxing Day, all the kids head down to the Whānganui River and they have a pirate fight. I don't really participate but I watch in amusement.

Then we spend Chinese New Year with my family in Auckland. We often head to the Lantern Festival, or a big show at the Greenlane Expo Centre. It's constant celebration, really. I think that's quite good because with Adam's English background, we celebrate Christmas and spend quality time with his family, and then Chinese New Year is quite chaotic and we spend time with my family. It's really important to us that Phoenix grows up with both of these cultures.

NOMINATIONS ARE NOW OPEN FOR THE 2019-2022 ADVISORY PANEL TERM. HEAD TO AUCKLANDCOUNCIL.GOVT.NZ AND SEARCH FOR 'ADVISORY PANELS' FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE RECRUITMENT PROCESS.

GREAT WALKS NEAR AUCKLAND

Rangitoto Island Summit Walk 12 (3 hours) There's a reason Rangitoto is a famous Auckland destination. The island offers a unique volcanic landscape, interesting military history and some of the best views of the city and the Hauraki Gulf. All you have to do is catch a ferry and then puff your way through the one-to-two-hour walk to the summit. Coming down is much quicker.



Long Bay Regional Park Coastal Walk (2.5 hours) This 5.8km walk will take you over two long sandy beaches and along coastal paths with impressive views of the Hauraki Gulf and its islands. At low tide you can walk back along the coast to Long Bay.

Duder Sustainable Path (1.5 hours) This 4km walk in the regional park is a fun and practical way to learn about sustainable farming and takes you alongside wetland ecosystems, parkland and sections of regenerating coastal bush. If you're inspired, consider joining an Auckland Council volunteer day to help out with planting and conservation work. There's even an orienteering course.

Āwhitu Regional Park Walk (1.5 hours) This 4km walk is family friendly and takes you through wetlands and sandy areas while offering views of the Manukau Harbour and historic cottages and homesteads.



Kitekite Falls Track 13 (1.5 hours return) The falls are spectacular, and less than an hour away from the city centre. Stop at the end of Glenesk Road in Piha and follow the track until you hear the sound of water. Just remember to scrub your boots, spray them, and stick to the path to stop the spread of kauri dieback disease.

GREAT RAINY DAY ACTIVITIES

Wintergardens 14

The warm, humid environment of the Wintergardens in Auckland Domain offers a good escape from a summer storm. Head along to see exotic, heat-loving tropical plants, or New Zealand ferns.



Kia Māia Te Whai Dare to Explore session

The Kia Māia Te Whai Dare to Explore sessions at Auckland libraries over summer give children aged 5 to 12 a chance to develop their literacy and use of te reo Māori by going on fun, free reading adventures. Sign up at daretoexplore.nz.



Auckland Art Gallery Toi o Tāmaki 15

New Zealand's premier gallery is always good to visit, but if you have children, it's worth heading along on Saturday or Sunday, 11am-2pm, for My Art Time. It's a free event aimed at getting children to be creative and make art together.

Auckland Museum It's a classic rainy-day destination for a reason, offering something for everyone, with a Māori village, war planes, and kid-friendly exhibits.

Indoor pools Council-owned pools are free for those 16 and under. Head to West Wave in Henderson for its wave pool, Glenfield for great hydrosides, or the Tepid Baths for spas and saunas. Check aucklandleisure.co.nz for pools near you.



He takatāpui, he tauira, he tāne Māori, he Kaihautu o te Rōpu Takatāpui o te Kaunihera o Tāmaki Makaurau:
JOHN KINGI is a former co-chair of the Auckland Council Rainbow Panel and a member of the takatāpui community of Tāmaki Makaurau.



My extended family owns a few baches. We have a place at Omamari Beach up in Northland, one at Muriwai Beach in Auckland and then we've got a place at Waimarama Beach down in the Hawke's Bay.

We tend to rotate around those properties over summer. Some of my greatest memories as a kid growing up involve running through sand dunes, playing spotlight. We would always do a midnight feast on Christmas and New Year's where we'd have a huge amount of food. Homemade trifle was my favourite. But one of my fondest memories was probably when my cousins, aunt and I once spent a good 12 hours playing a very mammoth game of Monopoly as a warm-up to New Year's. To this day, that particular game was probably the best I've ever been involved in.

You grow up and it becomes less fun running around at night playing spotlight. Now, over summer, I go to festivals like Laneway 16, the Big Gay Out or Grey Lynn Festival. Having

that down-time with your friends and family, your loved ones, your partner, that's a really important part of the summer period, allowing yourself to unwind, to get off your phone and just to spend quality time with people you love – because we spend so much time just going and going and going and it's always the next thing, and the next thing. I've had family members who've had health issues in the past few years as they get older, so you get to a point where you realise that family and friends are what matters most, not the other things.

TOM ABERCROMBIE is the captain of the New Zealand Breakers basketball team and a member of the national team, the Tall Blacks. He spends his summers in Devonport with his wife, Monique, and three children.



Auckland summers are special and I guess I have a bit more of an appreciation for them because I don't get out every year. Our Breakers season runs through summer, so my main summer pastime is spending time in the gym. You've therefore got to enjoy the few days that you get off.

We have a few spots that we go to. One is Mahurangi Regional Park. It's got

GREAT FREE SUMMER EVENTS FOR FAMILIES



Tāmaki Herenga Waka Festival 17

The story of Tāmaki Makaurau will be told in performances on both land and water at the Tāmaki Herenga Waka Festival at Captain Cook Wharf on January 31. For the first time since it was first held in 2016, festival performances will run through the day and night on two stages. Other highlights include a waka showcase, kapa haka, and a marketplace for kai (food) and toi (art).

Movies in Parks Every year from January through to April, Auckland Council screens a host of movies in parks across the region. This year, 20 hit movies including *Spider-Man: Far from Home*, *The Lion King* and *Yesterday* will be showing at 26 different events. Get there before dark to soak up the atmosphere and enjoy an array of entertainment and eating options. Movies start about 10 minutes after sunset. Info on all events is to be available at moviesinparks.co.nz.

Music in Parks The Music in Parks 2020 season is promising to be one of the best yet, with the most diverse range of music and genres across the last 40 years. Top bands, solo artists and some of the region's newest talent will play at parks across Auckland. Highlights include Opshop's Jason Kerrison and The Feelers playing a set of Kiwi anthems at Lloyd Elsmore Park in Pakuranga and David Dallas and Kings headlining Flava Urban Beats at

Hayman Park in Manukau. Info on all events is to be available at musicinparks.co.nz.

Kids Learn 2 Ride Free #Learn2Ride sessions for with qualified cycling instructors will be held at Greville Reserve, East Coast Road, Forrest Hill, on Saturday 7 December, from 10am to 12pm; at the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu netball courts, Mascot Ave, on Sunday 8 December, from 1pm to 3pm; and at Avondale Central Reserve on Sunday 15 December, from 10am till noon. Sessions are weather dependent and run on a drop-in basis, so there's no need to register. Search 'Kids Learn 2 Ride' at at.govt.nz for more dates across the region.

The Lantern Festival Auckland Domain is the place to be on 13-16 February. The event promises music and dance performances, martial arts demonstrations, traditional Chinese art and craft, numerous food options and, of course, hundreds of stunning handmade Chinese lanterns.

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a beautiful little beach that has a nice grassy area for picnics. We discovered it reasonably recently. Driving past one day, we decided to go and have a look and just loved it. I actually proposed to my wife there.

Now, we always go back and take the kids. We'll go back forever. It's a special little place for us. We might go a couple of times during the summer and once during winter, and it seems like each time we visit, something significant happens. The first time, we went up just by ourselves – no worries in the world. Next time, we've got one little one running around like crazy on the beach. Next time, we've got two. Next time, we've got three of them to watch.

It makes you realise how quickly time goes by, especially when you have kids. You look at photos of last time you went there and the oldest wasn't even walking and next time, he's running around like crazy. It seems like it goes so slow at the time but time waits for no one.

GREAT OUTDOOR SWIMMING AND SPLASHING LOCATIONS (THAT AREN'T BEACHES)

Parakai Springs Parakai Springs near Helensville offers a large outdoor pool heated to 32° and an open-air hot pool heated to 40°. But its best feature may be its two huge hydroslides. Go there if you like to switch between swimming and plunging through a tube into the water below.



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Parnell Baths, Judges Bay 19 An Auckland institution, these baths are open only in the warmer months. If you want a taste of the sea (without any of the sand or strange creatures), the 60m salt-water pool is the largest in the country. And if you want a taste of the past, there's retro charm everywhere.

Moana-Nui-a-Kiwa Pool and Leisure Centre, Māngere With five irregularly shaped outdoor pools, including a 2.6m "bombing" pool, and hydroslides, there's something for all ages and abilities. Make a day of it and take a picnic to enjoy on the grass.



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Splash pads 20 Splash pads provide a safe place for kids of all ages and abilities to play in water and cool off over summer. Stanmore Bay's pad was set up at Brightside Road as part of a joint venture between ANZ and Auckland Council, as was the splash pad at Lloyd Elsmore Park

in Pakuranga. Located alongside traditional playgrounds and landscaped picnic areas, they feature tipping water buckets, mist sprayers, elevated structures, water cannons and fountains. Other great splash pads across the region include Tōia in Ōtāhuhu, Potters Park in Balmoral, Myers Park in the city centre, the Waterview Reserve playground and Catalina Park in Hobsonville.

Pt Erin Pools This outdoor facility above Westhaven has welcomed millions of people through its gates over more than 50 years. It features a 33m unheated competition pool, a dive pool, hydroslides, basketball courts, a family spa and grassy areas to spread out.

GREAT SPOTS FOR FAMILY PICNICS AND BARBECUES

Milford Beach This North Shore reserve is popular for a reason: it offers barbecue facilities, a recently upgraded children's playground and a stunning coastal walk to neighbouring Takapuna.

Tōtara Park This park in Manurewa boasts a wide array of walking and

KAIYA BROWN is a Year 11 student at Marist College in Mount Albert and represents Samoa at swimming. She lives in Green Bay.



Every New Year we go up to Long Bay 18 for a couple of days with the cousins, aunties and uncles. It's been a tradition for a long time – like, generations back. They just used to want to get out of the city and go to a beach and hang out with the whole family at once.

We do a night swim right after the New Year countdown. So every year for me starts with a midnight swim with my younger cousins. It's starting new. It's the first swim of the year that we all get to share together. We're all looking after each other.

Besides Long Bay, the best place to go is probably The Strawberry Farm at Māngere. We go there all the time with friends. We have ice cream or

smoothies. We lounge in the sun.

Summer's important because you're able to hang out with friends where you're not stressed out about school and everything else. It's important to be able to relax for your own wellbeing. You shouldn't have to stress about everything all the time. You get in the wrong headspace easily.

Long Bay, The Strawberry Farm, or French Bay near my house are places where you can forget about stuff. I like to relax by myself in a quiet place. It helps me focus on what's just happened in the past year, and what's going to happen in the year to come.

LIZ MCGUIRE is a payroll manager and tomato sauce aficionado who, as a child, used to travel to Auckland for the Christmas holidays. Fifty years ago, she moved to the city and has lived here ever since.



I had four siblings and I remember all seven of us in the car, driving up from Wellington to Auckland for Christmas with my grandmother. Four of us would be spewing in the back most of the way. And it was a 12-hour trip back then. She lived on a quarter-acre section in Remuera that was full of fruit trees and had a chicken coop. There was no television, so we read, played board games, or ran around outside for hours. We would get called in for dinner, then go outside again.

We live near Cornwall Park and try to go for walks around there most weekends. It's great to see so many different family groups there having picnics, and all the kids running around. My husband actually used to run sheep and cattle on One Tree Hill and we had our wedding photos taken up there.

We tend to stick around Auckland over summer now. It's wonderful. You can go for day trips and get around easily.

It's also when I make my special tomato sauce. The recipe was handed down to us by a good friend of my father-in-law's, who owned a fish-and-chip shop. We used to go and pick all the tomatoes at a place called Youngs in Pukaki Road, Māngere, and bring them home. My kids don't really like my sauce, but I don't care. I know exactly what's in it and it's a bit of a summer tradition for me now.

MTB tracks, a backdrop of rolling farmland, three barbecue sites and, in summer, an outdoor pool.



Little Oneroa Reserve 21 Head to this popular Waiheke Island spot for lovely coastal views, safe swimming and two barbecues.

Huia This west coast beach is a great spot for some outdoor feasting. Set up your picnic under a pōhutukawa and take in the views of the beautiful Manukau Harbour.

Cornwall Park This 270ha park in the shadow of Maungakiekie offers a host of free barbecues and large expanses of land where you can relax or set up a Kiwi cricket set on a summer afternoon.

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Kaj Bojesen *The Monkey* 1951 (designed), Manufactured by Kaj Bojesen, teak and limba. Photograph © Matsubara Yutaka.

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MOVIES IN PARKS 24 JAN - 18 APR FREE

Auckland Council presents 26 free movie nights this summer. From Stanmore Bay to Franklin, loveable characters such as Simba, Buzz Lightyear, ET and Spider-Man will be on screens in parks near you. Each movie starts as the sun goes down, but the fun begins earlier with lots of pre-movie entertainment. Supported by The Hits and NZ Herald. *Region wide*

VECTOR LIGHTS ON SUMMER NIGHTS 13-24 & 31 DEC, 25-27 JAN, 9PM-MIDNIGHT FREE

Vector Lights will count down the 12 Days of a Kiwi Christmas, then the sustainable display will kick off the New Year's Eve countdown with the Sky Tower before culminating in a light and fireworks show, and a dazzling display will support other events on the waterfront over Auckland Anniversary Weekend. *Auckland Harbour Bridge*

MUSIC IN PARKS 12 JAN - 11 APR FREE

Auckland Council lights up your summer at 25 free gigs in parks across the region, including The Feelers at Kiwi Anthems, David Dallas and Kings at Flava Urban Beats, and Midge Marsden back by popular demand for Blues at Blockhouse Bay. The kids' summer is sorted, too, with Suzy Cato and friends performing at Kids Music in Parks in Birkenhead. Supported by iHeart Radio and NZ Herald. *Region wide*

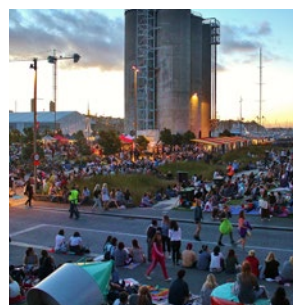


DENMARK DESIGN UNTIL 2 FEB, 10AM-5PM DAILY (CLOSED CHRIST- MAS DAY) Adult \$16, concession \$14, child free

Covering Danish design from the 19th century until today, this major exhibition presents over 200 original objects, from furniture to fabrics, graphic design to jewellery, and ceramics to toys. *Auckland Art Gallery Toi o Tāmaki, City Centre*

SUMMER AT SILO PARK 3 JAN - 28 MAR, FRI 5PM-LATE, SAT & SUN NOON-6PM FREE

Head down to the waterfront for another great summer of free, whānau-friendly events every Friday, Saturday and Sunday. There will be live music, games, food trucks, family activities and more, plus the outdoor Silo Cinema screening some great films on Friday nights. *Silo Park, Wynyard Quarter*



TĀMAKI HERENGA WAKA FESTIVAL FRI 31 JAN, 6PM-11PM FREE

The story of Tāmaki Makaurau Auckland and the waka that sailed here take centre stage as the region celebrates its Māori heritage. The festival features land and water performances, a kai and art market, kapa haka, contemporary dance, music and more. *Captain Cook Wharf, City Centre*



ASB CLASSIC 6-18 JAN From \$19

Some of the biggest names in tennis are coming, including world No. 4 Daniil Medvedev, US Open champion and world No. 5 Bianca Andreescu, the undeniable legend that is Serena Williams and more top-class talent still to be announced. Off-court, there are pop-up restaurants and bars, and live entertainment. *ASB Tennis Arena, Parnell*

AUCKLAND TUATARA BASEBALL SERIES

5-26 JAN Adult from \$15, child from \$5 (+fees)

Support Auckland Tuatara this summer as they compete in their second season in the Australian Baseball League. You can also enjoy great in-game entertainment, and ballpark food and drink options. *North Harbour Stadium, Albany*



FAT FREDDY'S DROP
18 JAN \$119.90 (+fees)

The invincible Fat Freddy's Drop have invited a swag of Aotearoa's finest musicians and international DJs to spark up their annual summer roady – DJ David Rodigan, L.A.B., Avantdale Bowling Club, JessB, Chaii and Bailey Wiley. *The Outer Fields, Western Springs*



POP-UP GLOBE: THE SUMMER OF LOVE
7 DEC - 22 MAR From \$10 (+fees)

The Farewell Auckland Season presented by Anthony Harper kicks off with a new production of Shakespeare's tragic masterpiece, *Romeo & Juliet*, followed by a revival of *Much Ado About Nothing* in a South Pacific setting. Closing out the season is the international debut of London smash-hit *Emilia*. *Ellerslie Racecourse, Remuera*



HANSEL & GRETEL
5-14 DEC Adult from \$40, child from \$25 (+fees)

Follow the breadcrumbs and venture into a dark, fantastical realm for an evening at the ballet inspired by the magic of silent movies and music-hall vaudeville. *ASB Theatre, Aotea Centre, City Centre (5-7 Dec) & Bruce Mason Centre, Takapuna (13 & 14 Dec)*

FOR SUMMER SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

VISIT OURAUCKLAND.NZ/SCHOOLHOLIDAYS FOR DETAILS OF SCHOOL-HOLIDAY EVENTS ACROSS THE REGION, INCLUDING FREE ACTIVITIES, FUN ENTERTAINMENT, ART COURSES, DANCE CLASSES AND MORE.

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COCA-COLA CHRISTMAS IN THE PARK SAT 14 DEC, 7.30PM-10PM
FREE (donation for Youthline appreciated)

Join a magical evening of spectacular fireworks and world-class entertainment with Aotearoa's top singers, dancers and musicians on the big stage. The nation's largest and happiest outdoor Christmas celebration is the perfect way to start the festive season with friends and family. *Auckland Domain, Parnell*



APO 4 KIDS: CHRISTMAS
SAT 30 NOV & SUN 15 DEC, 10AM & 11.30AM
\$15, family \$50

Auckland Philharmonia Orchestra will take you and your littlies on a ride to the Caribbean at this festive concert. Hear all your Christmas favourites performed with a tropical twist as the orchestra is joined by steel-pan artists The Panimals. *Auckland Town Hall, City Centre (30 Nov) & The Trusts Arena, Henderson (15 Dec)*

AUCKLAND CHORAL: HANDEL'S MESSIAH
MON 16 & TUE 17 DEC, 7.30PM Adult from \$42, concession from \$37, student \$20, child \$10 (+fees)

Celebrate Christmas with Auckland Choral and experience the freshness, inspiration and joy of a truly timeless classic full of the most uplifting music ever written. *Auckland Town Hall, City Centre*



CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS
FRI 13 DEC, 7.30PM & SAT 14 DEC, 3PM
Adult from \$50, senior from \$43, student/child from \$27

Auckland Philharmonia Orchestra's annual Christmas concert includes Humperdinck's *Hansel and Gretel Overture*, Mozart's *Laudate Dominum* and Prokofiev's *Troika*, as well as a selection of Christmas carols. *Holy Trinity Cathedral, Parnell*

THE SANTA CLAUS SHOW
2-21 DEC, 10.30AM & 1PM DAILY Adult/child from \$22, senior from \$20.50 (+fees)

Santa reveals the pleasure of giving in this magical story for the whole family from Tim Bray Theatre Company. *The PumpHouse Theatre, Takapuna*

OUR NIGHT SKY – CHRISTMAS EDITION
1, 4, 5, 8, 11, 15, 18, 19, 21 & 22 DEC, 8PM
Adult \$12, child \$10

In this live 360-degree experience, you'll take a tour of the celestial sights to explore the astronomical significance of the Christmas star. *Stardome Observatory & Planetarium, One Tree Hill Domain*

FOR FESTIVE EVENTS ACROSS THE REGION

VISIT OURAUCKLAND.NZ/CHRISTMAS FOR DETAILS ABOUT LOCAL SANTA PARADES, CHRISTMAS FESTIVALS AND MARKETS, CAROL SINGALONGS AND LOTS MORE FESTIVE EVENTS ACROSS THE REGION.

APO 4 KIDS: CHRISTMAS / ADRIAN MALLOCH

Summer at Silo Park

December + January

Christmas at Silo Park

FRIDAY 20 –
MONDAY 23 DEC



20 DEC, 5PM – LATE

Silo Cinema: Peoples Choice

21 & 22 DEC, 12–6PM
23 DEC, 12–5PM

**Festive Fun with DJ's,
Carols, Food Trucks,
Entertainment, Games
+ Silo Bar**

Silo Cinema

FRIDAY'S

5PM – LATE

DJs, Food Trucks + Silo Bar

9PM

Film begins

3 JAN

Aladdin 2019

10 JAN

**Crazy Rich
Asians**

17 JAN

Yesterday

24 JAN

2040

31 JAN

The Farewell

Silo Weekends

SATURDAY'S & SUNDAY'S

12-6PM

Games, Activities, Food Trucks + Silo Bar

4 JAN

**Silo percussion day
BAH DUM TSH**

5 JAN

**Silo
Workshop**

11 JAN

Cardboard City

12 JAN

Cardboard City

18 JAN, 1PM

**Silo Stories
with Suzy Cato**

19 JAN

**Silo
Workshop**

25 JAN

**Photo
Laundry**

26 JAN, 12-5PM

**Ice Cream
Sundae**

+ MONDAY 27 JAN **Silo Workshop**

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AUCKLAND INTERNATIONAL BUSKERS FESTIVAL

24-27 JAN, FRI-SUN NOON-6PM & 7.30PM-10.30PM, MON NOON-6PM FREE (buskers make a living off donations)

A great line-up of local and international performers will hit the streets over Auckland Anniversary Weekend. Check out the energetic displays of breakdancing, hula-hoops, mime, acrobatics and more. *Various Waterfront & City Centre locations*



CLEVEDON ART TRAIL

25-27 JAN, SAT-MON 9AM-6PM FREE

At this self-drive exploration of artists' studios and creative establishments, you can meet local artists, visit exhibitions, watch demonstrations and purchase something special. *Clevedon*



RODDERS BEACH FESTIVAL

24-26 JAN, FRI 2PM-10PM, SAT 8AM-9PM, SUN 8AM-4PM FREE

This family-friendly event has hot rods, classic cars, entertainment, food stalls, competitions, a drive-in movie and more. *Ōrewa Beach*

PORTS OF AUCKLAND ANNIVERSARY DAY REGATTA

MON 27 JAN, 9AM-5PM FREE
(free for spectators, boat entry fees apply)

See the maritime and trading history of Auckland in action. One of the world's biggest one-day sailing regattas, this event attracts a huge fleet of vessels, including tall ships, sailing dinghies, waka ama, classic yachts and vintage tugboats. *Waitematā Harbour & Hauraki Gulf*



ICE CREAM SUNDAE

SUN 26 JAN, NOON-5PM FREE

This annual market is back and set to be sweeter than ever with Auckland's ice cream aficionados selling an abundance of sweet treats. *Silo Park, Wynyard Quarter*

FOR MORE ANNIVERSARY WEEKEND EVENTS

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Happy
Anniversary,
Auckland!



**WEEKEND OF CRICKET: BLACKCAPS & WHITE FERNS
24-27 JAN**

Adult from \$55 for BLACKCAPS & from \$20 for WHITE FERNS, child from \$10 (+fees)

Be part of the excitement as the BLACKCAPS take on India in two T20s (Fri 24 & Sun 26 Jan) and the WHITE FERNS take on South Africa in two ODIs (Sat 25 & Mon 27 Jan) over Auckland Anniversary Weekend. *Eden Park, Kingsland*



**SEEPORT SUNSET
SYMPHONY &
FIREWORKS SUN 26
JAN, 6PM-10PM FREE**

Enjoy a magical evening of music and fireworks. Auckland Symphony Orchestra will be performing alongside Kiwi band White Chapel Jak. Bring a picnic or visit one of the food vendors and relax with family and friends as you take in the sounds and the spectacular fireworks finale. *Captain Cook Wharf, Quay Street*

**MISSION BAY ART &
CRAFT MARKET
MON 27 JAN,
10AM-4PM FREE**

Check out around 180 stalls with a variety of art, crafts, gifts, jewellery, dog accessories, designer fashion for all ages, tasty food options and much more. *Selwyn Reserve, Mission Bay*



**PORTS OF AUCKLAND
SEEPORT FESTIVAL
25-27 JAN, SAT-MON
9AM-4PM
FREE**

Go behind the red fence to check out the port and celebrate our beautiful waterfront and rich maritime heritage. This family-friendly festival offers carnival rides, dancing tugboats, delicious food, virtual-reality simulators, tours, music and more. *Captain Cook Wharf, Quay Street*



WHAT'S ON?

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LOUISE HENDERSON:
FROM LIFE UNTIL 8
MAR, 10AM-5PM DAILY
(CLOSED CHRISTMAS
DAY) FREE

An exhibition covering the artist's seven-decade career. *Auckland Art Gallery Toi o Tāmaki, City Centre*

MY HEART GOES
THADAK THADAK
UNTIL 14 DEC,
TUE & WED 7PM,
THU-SAT 8PM, SUN 5PM
Adult \$59, concession \$39, under 30 \$35 (+fees)

An interactive extravaganza of singing, dancing and movie-making magic. *Q Theatre, City Centre*



BMNZ: WAGNER, VIVALDI,
BACH & DVOŘÁK
SUN 1 DEC, 5PM
Adult from \$30, child/student from \$15 (+fees)

Bach Musica NZ present their final concert for the year. *Auckland Town Hall, City Centre*

AUCKLAND LIVE SUMMER
IN THE SQUARE
3 DEC - 9 FEB
FREE

Free music, entertainment and films on the outdoor screen (*Hip Hop-eration* pictured, screens 8 Dec). *Aotea Square, City Centre*



HARCOURTS COOPER &
CO KING OF THE BAYS
SAT 7 DEC, 9.10AM
From \$19.50 (+fees)

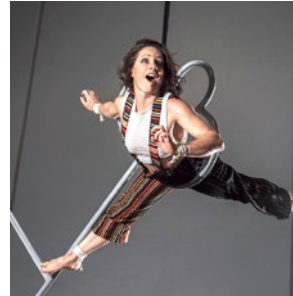
Swim experiences for a personal challenge that suits you. *Milford to Takapuna Beach Reserve*

SKY SPORT BREAKERS
NBL HOME GAMES
MON 9 DEC, 7.30PM
(v Brisbane Bullets), SUN 15 DEC, 5PM (v Adelaide 36ers), SUN 12 JAN, 5PM (v Brisbane Bullets), SUN 19 JAN, 5PM (v Melbourne United) & FRI 31 JAN, 7.30PM (v Adelaide 36ers)
Adult from \$15, child from \$12 (+fees)

Exciting basketball action and halftime events. *Spark Arena, Parnell*

NECTAR
7-20 DEC & 12 JAN -
15 FEB, MON-FRI 9AM-
5PM, SAT 10AM-4PM
FREE

A group exhibition featuring goddesses, heroines and mythological women. *Māngere Arts Centre - Ngā Tohu o Uenuku*



PICK & MIX:
WALLACE AND NED
SAT 14 & SUN 15 DEC,
10AM FREE

A madcap circus adventure for kids, followed by a workshop. *Auckland Town Hall, City Centre (14 Dec) & Bruce Mason Centre, Takapuna (15 Dec)*

ROALD DAHL'S
REVOLTING RHYMES &
DIRTY BEASTS
21-23 DEC, SAT-MON
10AM & NOON
From \$25 (+fees)

Seriously funny and frighteningly silly family entertainment. *Bruce Mason Centre, Takapuna*



ALICE IN WONDERLAND -
LIVE ON STAGE 9-11 JAN,
THU 11AM & 2PM, FRI &
SAT 11AM, 2PM & 7PM
From \$39.90 (+fees)

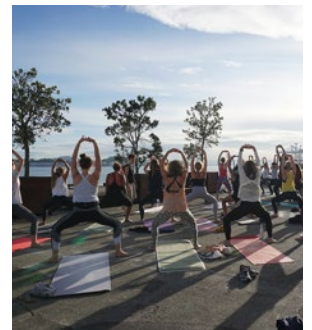
Go down the rabbit hole with one of literature's most beloved heroines. *Bruce Mason Centre, Takapuna*

SRAM TOUR DE RANGES
SAT 11 JAN, 6AM
From \$70

Cycle 110km, 65km or 30km on the most remarkable roads in Auckland. *Clevedon A&P Showgrounds*

SUNRISE YOGA
15 JAN - 5 FEB, WED
7AM-8.15AM FREE

Refresh your senses, centre yourself and start your day off right. *Queens Wharf, City Centre*



CHINESE NEW YEAR
FESTIVAL & MARKET DAY
SAT 18 JAN, 9.30AM-
4PM FREE

Welcome the Year of the Rat with entertainment, food stalls, kids' activities and more. *ASB Showgrounds, Epsom*

DRAWING CLUB
22 JAN, 19 FEB & 18
MAR, WED 5PM-7PM
FREE

Social figure-drawing sessions with models, still-life backdrops and music. *Queens Wharf, City Centre*

MORNING PEOPLE ON
QUEENS WHARF
31 JAN & 28 FEB, FRI
6.30AM-8AM
FREE

Start your day dancing to uplifting beats on the water's edge. *Queens Wharf, City Centre*



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**13-24
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**CHRISTMAS
LIGHTS**

8PM-11PM

Enjoy festive fun for all ages.
This year featuring an outdoor ice skating rink!*

**OPENS 21
DECEMBER**

**MACHINE
MAKERS**

Lift, slide, spin and build your way
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* Ice skating sessions are separately priced. See website for details.

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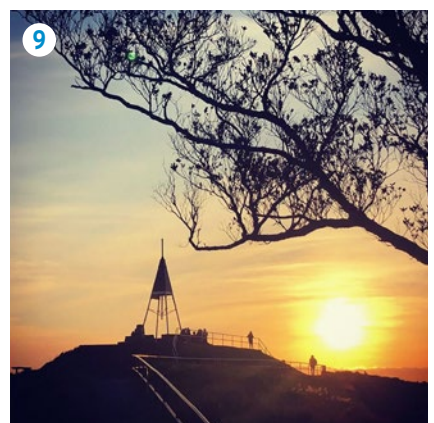
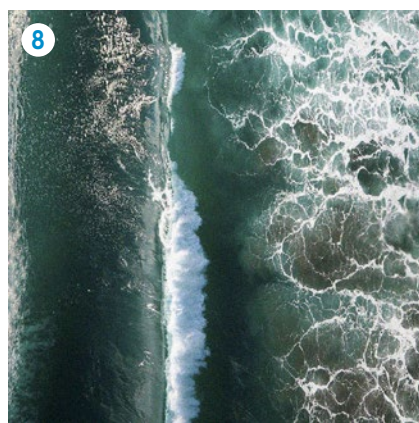
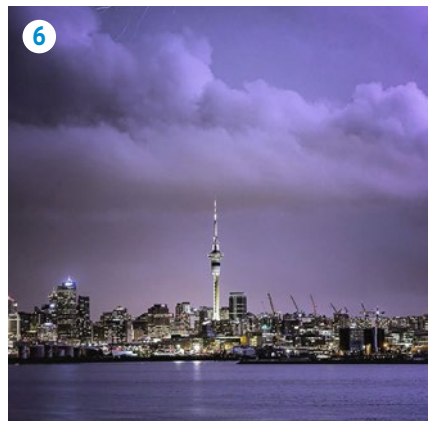
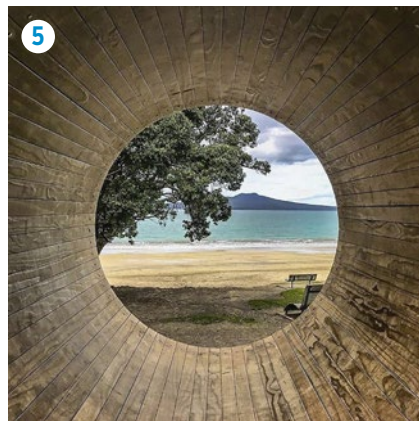
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