

Te Ramanui o Ruapūtahanga 121 High Street Hawera

Welcome to our November newsletter.

We very much value and appreciate your support as our gallery continues to develop and flourish.

In excess of 1000 people visited our gallery during our last exhibition 'Family Affair' which was a diverse mix of creative exhibits.

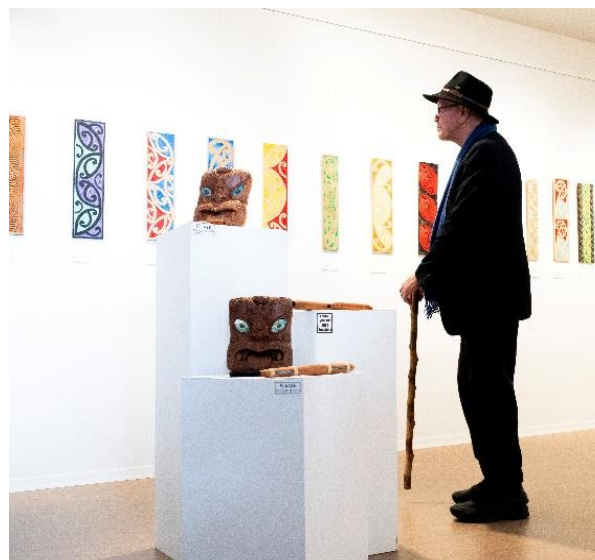
Te Kura a Matariki Whakairo exhibition

Te Kura a Matariki Whakairo exhibition opened on 3 November.



This marks the very first exhibition of *Te Kura o Matariki Whakairo*, and stands as a milestone for our people in Taranaki. The exhibition is an opportunity to share with our whānau, hapū, iwi, and wider community the vital work being done to revitalise the art of whakairo and strengthen our cultural foundations. At the heart of this kaupapa is the goal to equip our people with knowledge and carving skills that can serve future generations — enabling them to live, teach, and contribute to the cultural life of our marae, hapū, and iwi for years to come.

This exhibition has been brought to life with the guidance and support of kaiako (teacher), Meka Mauriri, and brings together a powerful collection of student projects that reflect deep engagement with te ao Māori — a space where tradition meets contemporary expression. From the hands and hearts of our ākonga, each piece tells a story of reconnection, growth, and identity



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COMMITTEE MEMBER PROFILE



Gail Thompson

I have lived in Mokoia for the last 20 years.

I have been involved with Lysaght Watt Gallery for approximately eight years, firstly as a committee members and then Curator for 2 years. I then spent two years as Liz's 'ladder climber' and now after a break, we are both back as you know – Liz as curator and me as ladder climber!

The 'volunteer roster' is now my responsibility also and I would like to thank you all for your help in keeping Lysaght Watt Gallery open and available to everyone.

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NEXT EXHIBITION AT Lysaght Watt Gallery - Dec 15 - 3 Jan 26

'X Stitching Time.'

30 + years of X stitching! . Gail Thompson – 'My very first real piece is in this exhibition.

Stitching gives me focus, quiet time and great enjoyment'

QUIRKY FOX GALLERY High Street, Hawera

4 Solo Shows: Rosella Paolini "Ladies of the Elements"
 Monika Mitkulta " Perennial Dream" in ink and water colour
 Maria Gordon 'A Childhood Forest" mixed media
 Roe Foote 'A matter of Life and Death" oils

GALLERY PATEA, Main Road, Patea

"Loving Local": Hawera Art Club exhibition on from 20 Oct to 16th Nov

"He Rakau": Bruce" Puruhi"Adrian presents art works from native timber depicting customary tools on
from Nov 19 to Dec 14th

VILLAGE GALLERY, Main Road, Eltham

In memory, Margaret Foley's pottery exhibition on from 28th Oct to 22nd Nov.

PERCY THOMSON GALLERY, Main Road Stratford.

"Splash:" NZ Watercolourists with guest artist Deb Clarke on from Oct 10th to Nov 16th

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