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10-26 FEBRUARY 2017

**AUCKLAND PRIDE PARADE
SATURDAY 25 FEBRUARY
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A close-up photograph of two hands clasped together. The hand on the left is painted with vibrant rainbow colors, transitioning from red at the wrist to blue at the fingers. The hand on the right is a natural skin tone. The background is blurred, showing hints of other people and colors.

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A very warm welcome to the fifth annual Auckland Pride Festival and Parade!

I'm proud to say that – with more than 80 events – the 2017 Festival is our biggest to date! Throughout February, we will showcase the many and diverse talents of the Rainbow communities of Tāmaki Makaurau, and Aotearoa at large, as well as some breathtaking international acts.

The 2017 Festival commences with the Dawn Ceremony and the welcome return of The Auckland Pride Gala on Friday 10 February, and culminates with the spectacular Auckland Pride Parade and PROUD Party on Saturday 25 February.

The theme for this year's Auckland Pride Parade – *Pride and Progress: The Carnival Continues* – recognises the ongoing journey for our communities, and the need for continued change. We seek to engage and support our progressive voices, and we hope that the messages and meanings within this Festival will help us all to share ideas, open minds and connect people.

In my view, Auckland Pride's role is to reflect the different needs, perspectives and views of our communities, and to provide safe spaces to celebrate our achievements and talk about our issues. The Festival does this through an incredibly varied range of events, from theatre and literature to sporting tournaments, drag cabaret to debates and discussions, even gardening and pets.

There wouldn't be an Auckland Pride Festival were it not for the energy, passion and creativity of the many organisers and producers who develop and deliver the events. They need our support to thrive and to continue producing quality queer content, so I encourage you to get amongst it and support what's on offer.

As the saying goes, "He aha te mea nui o te ao? He tāngata! He tāngata! He tāngata!"

I'd like to acknowledge the support of our amazing Festival and Parade partners and sponsors. Auckland Tourism, Events and Economic Development has been a constant support since Auckland Pride's inception. The Ponsonby Business Association provides a fabulous 'strip' as the backdrop for our Parade. And huge thanks to Fletcher Building, ANZ and NZME who have once again helped to build the stage and shine the spotlight that enables this Festival and Parade to happen.

Thank you, in particular, to our small Auckland Pride team and their devoted teams of volunteers. Through their efforts, a small budget goes a long way to deliver a fantastic event for everyone.

I'm hugely excited for Auckland Pride 2017 to start, and to get to as many events as I can! I hope to see you there.



Kirsten Sibbit
Chair, Auckland Pride Board



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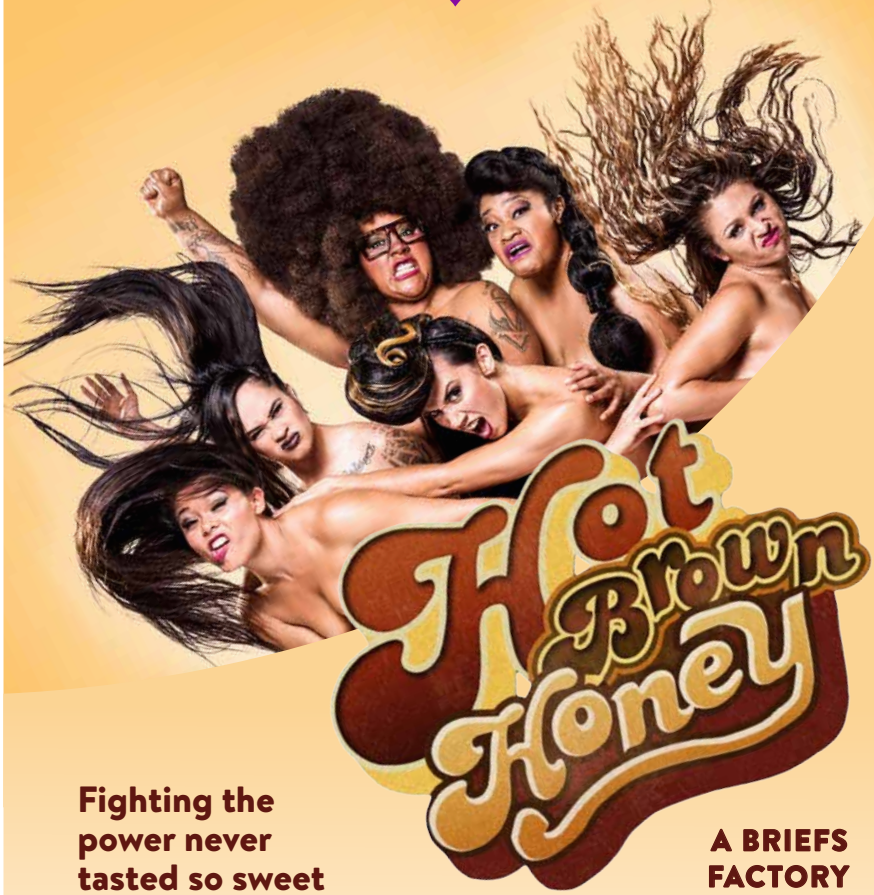
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THE AUCKLAND PRIDE GALA 2017

After a one-year hiatus – and in response to overwhelming public demand – The Auckland Pride Gala returns to the glamorous environs of Q Theatre on Queen Street for the official champagne cork-popping opening of Auckland Pride 2017!

The Auckland Pride Gala is a best-of-the-fest black-tie extravaganza, showcasing the most dramatic performances and devastatingly talented performers whose full-length works feature within the Auckland Pride Festival programme – plus a pantheon of guest appearances from rainbow community icons.

In keeping with Auckland Pride’s kaupapa of progress and change in 2017, this year’s Gala will be hosted by New Zealand’s beloved trailblazing transgender politician and superstar Georgina Beyer – accompanied by the voice of a new generation, respected young Fa’afafine performance artist, community worker and Auckland Pride Board member Jaycee Tanuvasa.

This completely unique and magical occasion will commence with a moving pōwhiri from Ahakoa Te Aha, and features special appearances from heroic dancer and choreographer Michael Parmenter; multimedia all-star Mika; and award-winning show-stopper Jay Chasland performing with Auckland’s rainbow community choir, GALS.

Outspoken performers from the 2017 Auckland Pride Festival programme will include Eli Matthewson from

The Great Auckland Pride Debate and *Bear New Zealand Week Comedy Night*; Rock & Speir; Coven; Cole Meyers from *Same Same But Different*; Eddie Elliot from *Intuition* for *Aroha ’17*; as well as enticing excerpts from *CAMPING*, *Legacy Project 4*, *Pardon Me Alan Turing*, *Ze: Queer As Fuck* – and more to be announced!

This year’s Gala is directed by Borni Te Rongopai Tukiwaho from Te Pou Theatre – a community-focused facilitator of safe spaces for authentic, empowering storytelling – who also directed the popular trans-musical *People Like Us* during last year’s Auckland Pride Festival.

The 2017 Auckland Pride Gala is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for the LGBTIQ+ people of Auckland to show up, show off and show their love for the remarkable Georgina Beyer, who has been a shining light for progress and the physical embodiment of change in our communities for so long.

You can make a difference. Join the movement and feel the love at The Auckland Pride Gala 2017.

“Well that was a hell of a good night.” – GayNZ.com

WHEN Friday 10 February, 8pm
WHERE Q Theatre
TICKETS A Reserve \$65, B Reserve \$45, C Reserve \$35
BOOK www.qtheatre.co.nz or 09 309 9771



AUCKLAND PRIDE DAWN CEREMONY

E rau rangatira mā, nau mai, haere mai.

Join tangata whenua and the Auckland Pride Board at the top end of Western Park on Ponsonby Road, from 6am on Friday 10 February, as we welcome the new dawn and the beginning of Auckland Pride 2017!

Featuring guest speakers and performances from Ahakoa Te Aha, including karakia and the call of the kaikaranga and pūtātara.

In the light of the new day, this ceremony seeks to reconnect our spirits to Tāmaki Makaurau, blessing all those who participate in and around Auckland Pride 2017 with a safe and meaningful time.

E kore e ngaro, he takere waka nui. We will never be lost, for we are the hull of a great canoe!

Stay afterwards for a cup of tea and scones, then embark on your day feeling spiritually and physically refreshed.

WHEN Friday 10 February, 6am (rain or shine)
WHERE Western Park
TICKETS FREE
www.aucklandpridefestival.org.nz

THE AUCKLAND PRIDE GALA

Hosted by Georgina Beyer and Jaycee Tanuvasa

The Official Opening of Auckland Pride 2017
Showcasing the Best of the Festival with Special Guests including Michael Parmenter

FRIDAY 10 FEBRUARY, 8PM **Q THEATRE**
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ENDING HIV BIG GAY OUT

New Zealand’s biggest harbourside celebration of rainbow diversity is back!

The 2017 Big Gay Out is brought to you by Ending HIV. We can end new HIV transmissions in New Zealand by 2025 by continuing our love for condoms, testing more often, and embracing new tools.

Direct from the US, this year’s headline artist on the Durex Main Stage is acclaimed singer and songwriter Parson James!

An amazing line-up of local acts includes Openside, Lavina Williams, Jimmy Moore & Cas.D, Charlotte Yates, ANJI, Buckwheat, Miss Ribena, Suzanne Paul, Aziz Sa’afin, Cindy of Samoa and more!

The Big Gay Out Marketplace will feature more than 100 stalls, with information, locally produced and specialty products, and an abundance of food, snacks and refreshments.

The Dance Zone returns with more space, a larger bar, more platforms to dance and more performances. The legendary Urge Bear Garden is also back with a big bar and shady chill-out zone. Bar areas are R18.

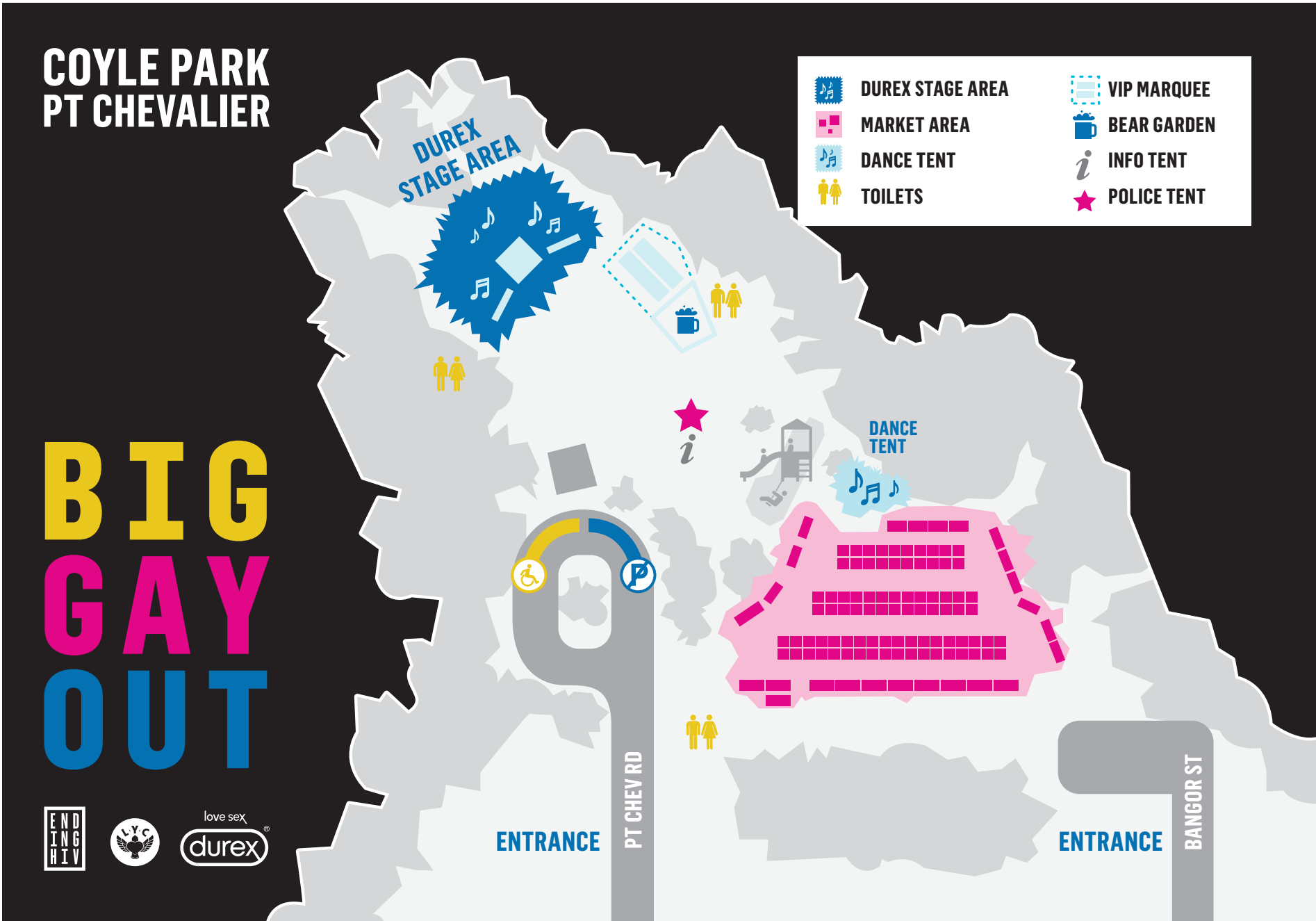
Catch the air-conditioned Family Bar Party Bus to Coyle Park and avoid the hassle of finding a car park. The Party Bus will shuttle back and forth from Family Bar, stopping at the corner of Richmond and Ponsonby Roads, every 20 minutes from 11.30am to 8.00pm.

The Ending HIV Big Gay Out is organised by the team at the New Zealand AIDS Foundation. Please make sure you donate on the day!

WHEN Sunday 12 February, midday–7pm
WHERE Coyle Park
TICKETS FREE
www.biggayout.co.nz

DUREX MAIN STAGE LINE-UP

12.00pm	Official Welcome & Blessing
12.05pm	Ahakoia Te Aha
12.25pm	L&P Project
12.45pm	ANJI
1.15pm	Mr Gay New Zealand intros
1.35pm	The Diamonds
2.05pm	Charlotte Yates
2.30pm	The Pop Tarts
2.50pm	Lavina Williams
3.45pm	Tuhoi Henry
4.05pm	Jimmy Moore & Cas.D
4.35pm	Limelight Cabaret
4.50pm	Ahakoia Te Aha
5.10pm	Parson James (USA)
5.45pm	Mr Gay New Zealand announced
5.55pm	Openside
6.40pm	Cindy of Samoa
7.00pm	Close



AUCKLAND PRIDE PARADE

AUCKLAND PRIDE PARADE 2017

PRIDE & PROGRESS: THE CARNIVAL CONTINUES

E kore e ngaro, he takere waka nui. We will never be lost, for we are the hull of a great canoe.

Join us on Ponsonby Road at 7.30pm on Saturday 25 February for the largest and loudest carnival of change and diversity in Aotearoa New Zealand! With over 50 entries, the Auckland Pride Parade will be the highlight of Auckland Pride 2017.

The Parade commences at the north end of Ponsonby Road, near the Tole Street intersection, before progressing south along Ponsonby Road, and ending just past Western Park.

A spectacular showcase for our Rainbow communities (Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender, Takatāpui, Fa’afafine, Intersex, Queer), this year’s Auckland Pride Parade is all about progress and movement.

The 2017 Parade will celebrate our most outstanding social changes and cultural achievements – but also turn the spotlight on issues that obstruct our march towards full equality.

Together, we will commemorate the great work of the past. Together, we will party in the present. Together, we will move forward into the future!

Road Closures and Parking

Ponsonby Road will be closed to traffic from 4pm to 11pm. Parking restrictions apply from 3.30pm on Ponsonby Road and adjoining roads.

Ponsonby Road will be closed to cars from 4pm – but your fabulous feet are still welcome! Come early, support the local retailers, and enjoy free and fun pre-Parade entertainment all along the Ponsonby strip from 5.30pm.

Public Transport

Getting to the Auckland Pride Parade shouldn’t be a drag. Leave your car at home and catch public transport. All bus services will be operating to a normal Saturday service. Minor route changes are in place. The Inner Link will be operating via Wellington and Pitt Streets. For more information check: www.at.govt.nz/bus-train-ferry

Disability Access

A wheelchair accessible area at the side of the Rainbow Auckland Grandstand will be available to view the Parade. Space is limited, so please arrive early.

There is no allocated parking available in the area – however, there is a drop off option. If the driver of the car is mobility impaired, limited car parking will be available on Hopetoun Street between Ponsonby Road and Hereford Street. This can be accessed via the Hopetoun/Hereford Street barrier.

For your Safety

Please keep behind the barriers and only cross the road at the designated areas. Do not cross the road once the Parade commences.

Standing on awnings and verandas at any time within the designated area is prohibited under Auckland Council bylaws.

Please refrain from bringing glass to Ponsonby Road.

Be sure to drink lots of water throughout the afternoon to stay hydrated, especially when getting ready for the Auckland Pride Parade for a few hours in the hot sun.

Sunscreen is a good idea if you’re going to be out in the sun for any amount of time. There are many pharmacies and retail outlets along Ponsonby Road if you run out.

For any Lost & Found items, including children, please speak with one of our Auckland Pride Parade Crew, or visit the Lost Kids marquee next to the Rainbow Auckland Grandstand in Western Park.

Should you require medical assistance, representatives from St John Ambulance will be located at the beginning, middle and end of the Auckland Pride Parade route.

In the event of an emergency, please notify the nearest Auckland Pride Parade Crew member, or a uniformed security guard, who will have direct access to Auckland Pride Parade Operational Headquarters. Otherwise, call 111 and help will be dispatched immediately.

Alcohol Free Event

In cooperation with Police and Auckland Council, this event is alcohol free. The current liquor ban on Ponsonby Road will be strictly enforced. If you fancy a wee tipple, we suggest that you visit one of the many fabulous bars and restaurants along Ponsonby Road.

Rubbish and Recycling

Recycling stations will be set up along Ponsonby Road.

Please use the correct bins provided for rubbish and recycling. For safety reasons, please refrain from bringing glass to Ponsonby Road. Make a positive difference.

Hawkers

No buskers, hawkers, or unauthorised sellers of goods, are allowed on Ponsonby Road and the surrounding streets.

Postponement

There is no rain date for the Auckland Pride Parade. If it’s not possible to run the event on Saturday 25 February, the Parade will be cancelled. Listen to ZM (91.0 FM) for details.

WHEN Saturday 25 February, 7.30pm (no rain date)
WHERE Ponsonby Road, Ponsonby
TICKETS FREE
www.aucklandpridefestival.org.nz

RAINBOW AUCKLAND GRANDSTAND

Rainbow Auckland will again host the official Grandstand area in Western Park, so you can experience all the spectacular sights and sounds of the 2017 Auckland Pride Parade from the best seat in the house!








The Rainbow Auckland Grandstand is the ultimate location for viewing the 2017 Auckland Pride Parade. The grandstand seating boasts premium sightlines of the event, and enables you to party the evening away in style and comfort – together with great friends, food stalls and beverages, and all the amenities you could want for an entertaining and enjoyable Parade experience.

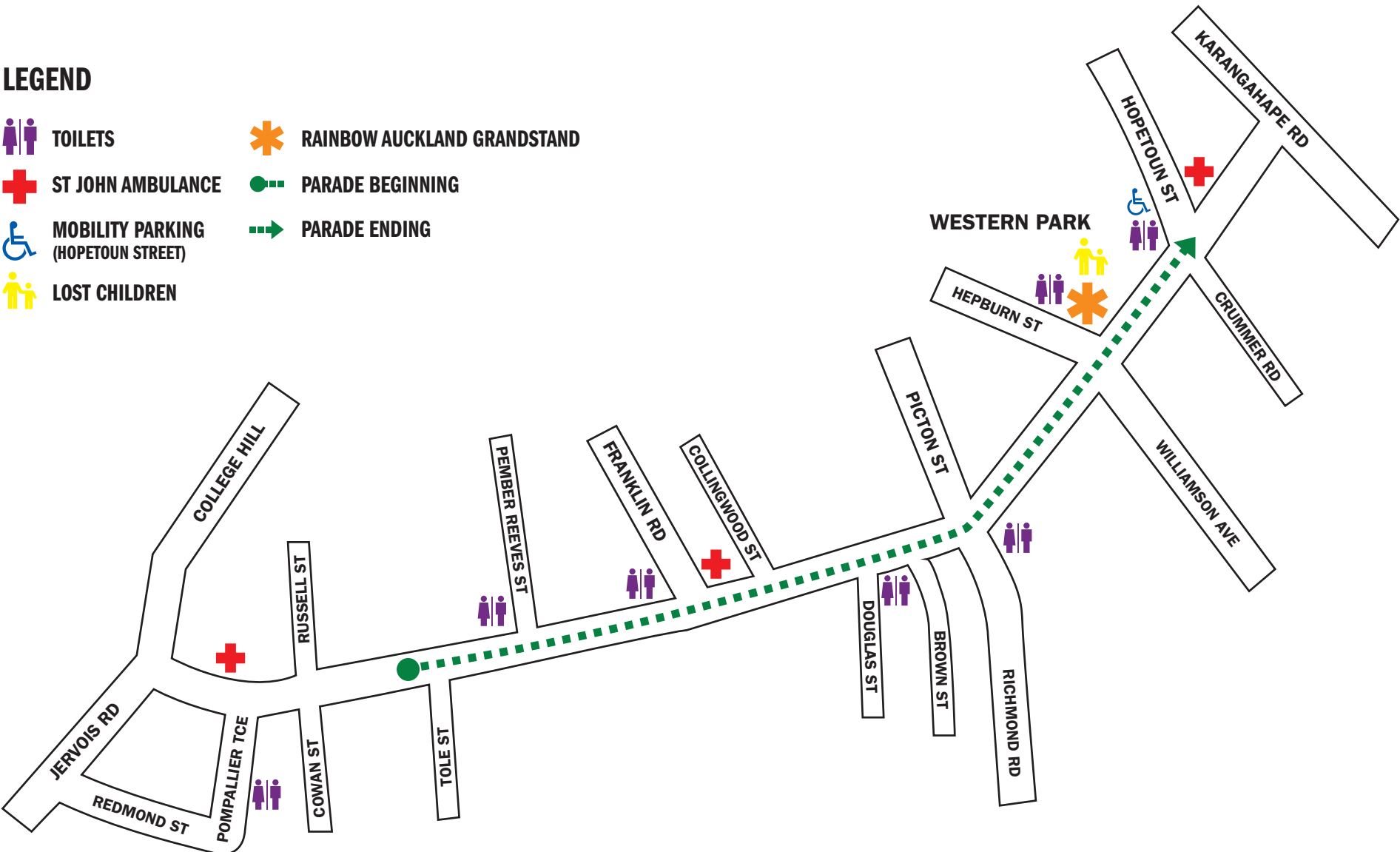
Our celebrity MC will lead a fantastic pre-Parade entertainment line-up, then guide you through the more than 50 fabulous float entries taking part in the 2017 Auckland Pride Parade itself.

Following the Auckland Pride Parade, stay on and enjoy the unique open-air party atmosphere in Western Park.

WHEN Saturday 25 February, 5.30pm–11pm
WHERE Western Park
TICKETS Adult \$65.00, Members \$60.00
BOOK www.eventfinda.co.nz or 0800 289 849
www.rainbowauckland.org.nz

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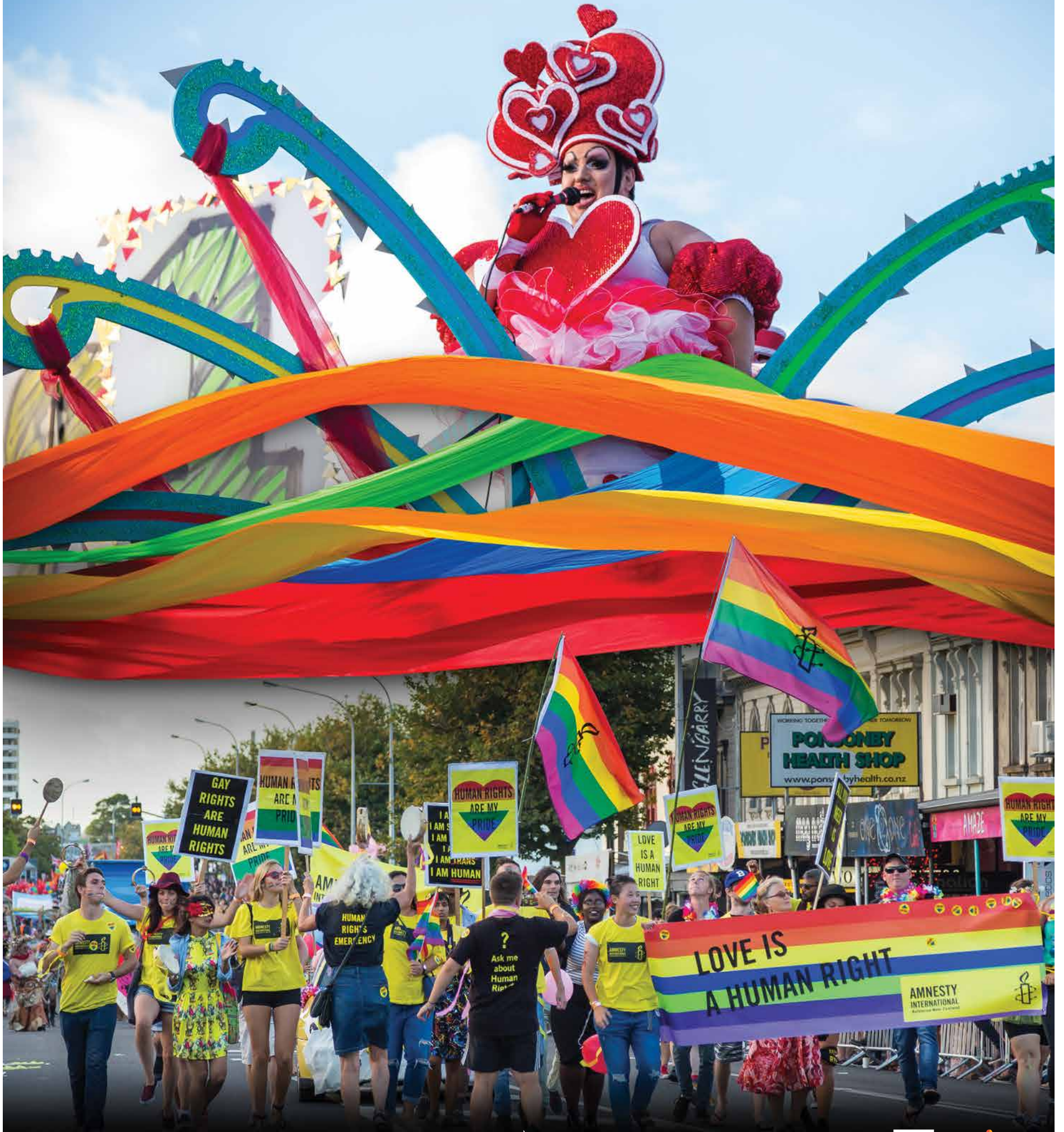
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THE AUCKLAND PRIDE PARADE

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THE CARNIVAL CONTINUES SAT 25 FEB, 7:30PM



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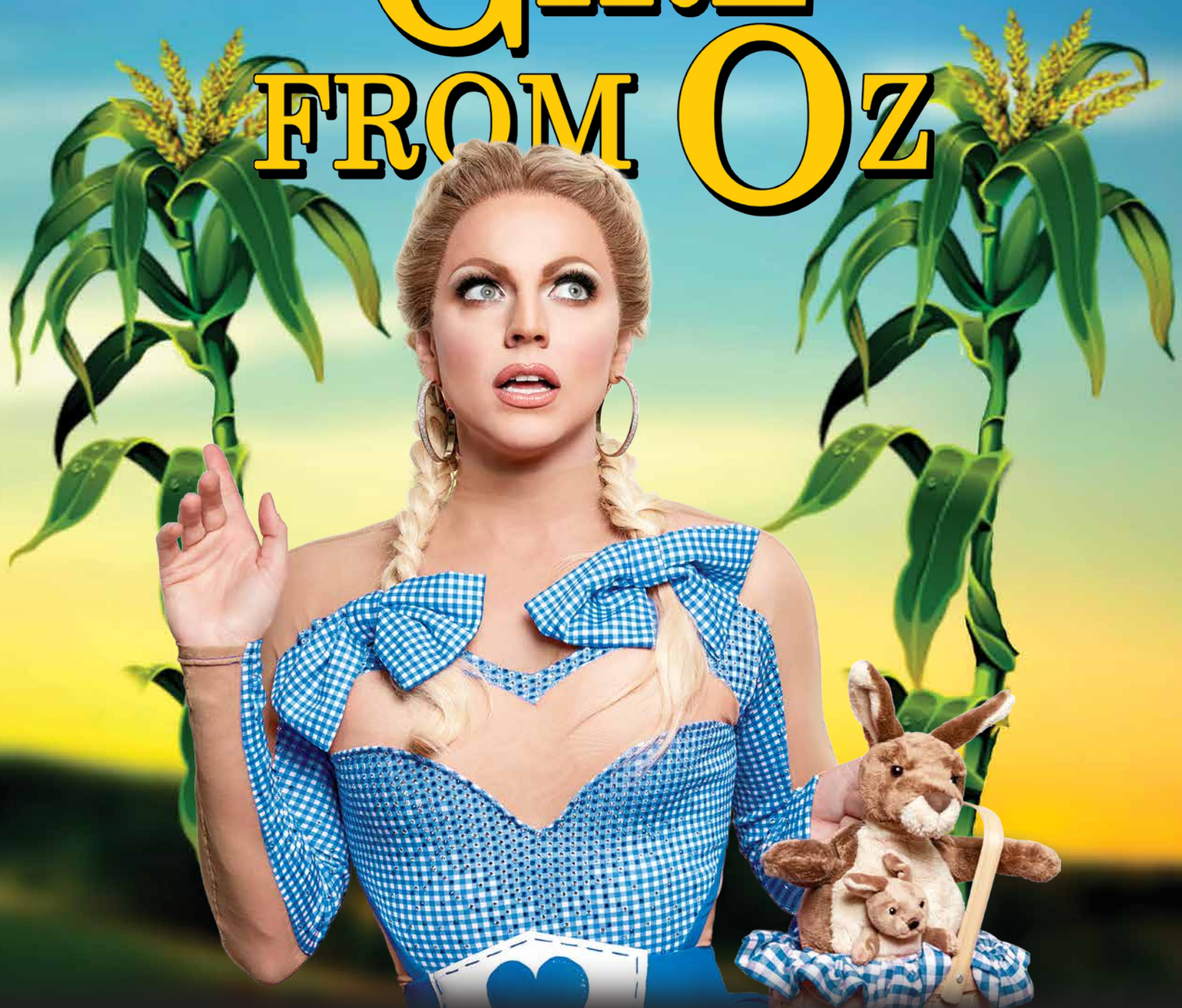
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PROUD 2017
THE PARTY ON GALATOS STREET

Auckland Pride’s official closing celebration goes global in 2017, with an international cast of party superstars jetting in from LA, Melbourne, and London!

Featuring the first ever New Zealand performance by SEXSHOOTERS, direct from London and pants down the hottest DJ duo on the planet! David Hart and Claudio Girardi have worked dance floors in the world’s largest clubs and parties with their notoriously high-energy, sexually charged, uplifting Tech, Tribal and Progressive House sound.

Also coming to Auckland for the first time, Melbourne-based DJ and sneaker freak YO! MAFIA will be spinning her signature genre-smashing mash-up of Hip Hop, R&B, Electro, House, Cock Rock, Booty Bass and everything in-between!

And our third New Zealand virgin is none other than the immaculate Courtney Act! Flying in from Los Angeles, the star of *RuPaul’s Drag Race* will be performing the main show at PROUD 2017.

Following the Auckland Pride Parade on Ponsonby Road, continue around the bend to K’ Road – the heart of Auckland’s queer nightlife – for the biggest LGBTIQ+ party of the year, incorporating all levels of the indoor Studio super-club, plus an outdoor Galatos Street party.

The party entrance will be located at the East Street end of Galatos Street. Auckland Transport is closing Galatos Street especially for PROUD 2017, enabling the creation of a large and luxurious outdoor space with chill-out couches and ottomans, local DJs and performers, food stalls, late-night surprises and large-scale projections courtesy of the FAFSWAG Arts Collective.

Meanwhile, inside the Studio main room, New Zealand’s most sought-after VJ will be live-mixing visuals on massive MonstaVision LED Screens. Studio will be operating at full service, with six different bars available throughout the night.

With a local DJ line-up that includes Dick Johnson, Jordan Eskra, Karn Hall, James Leuii, Creamy Mami and Samuel Holloway – and with much, much more to be announced – PROUD 2017 will be legendary!

WHEN Saturday 25 February, 10pm–4am
WHERE Studio + Galatos Street
TICKETS Adult \$55
BOOK www.eventfinda.co.nz or 0800 289 849
R18 – licensed venue
www.aucklandpridefestival.org.nz

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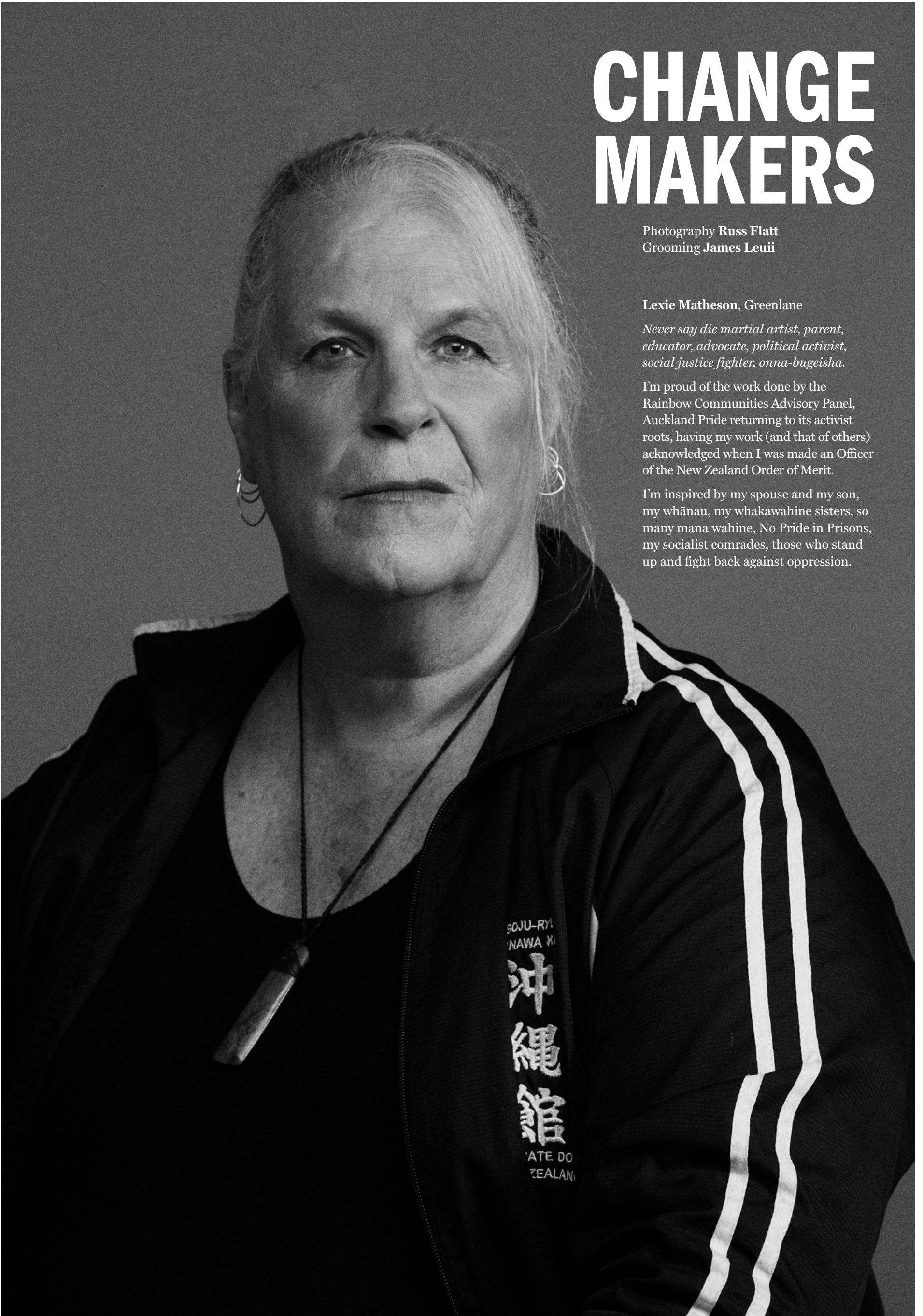
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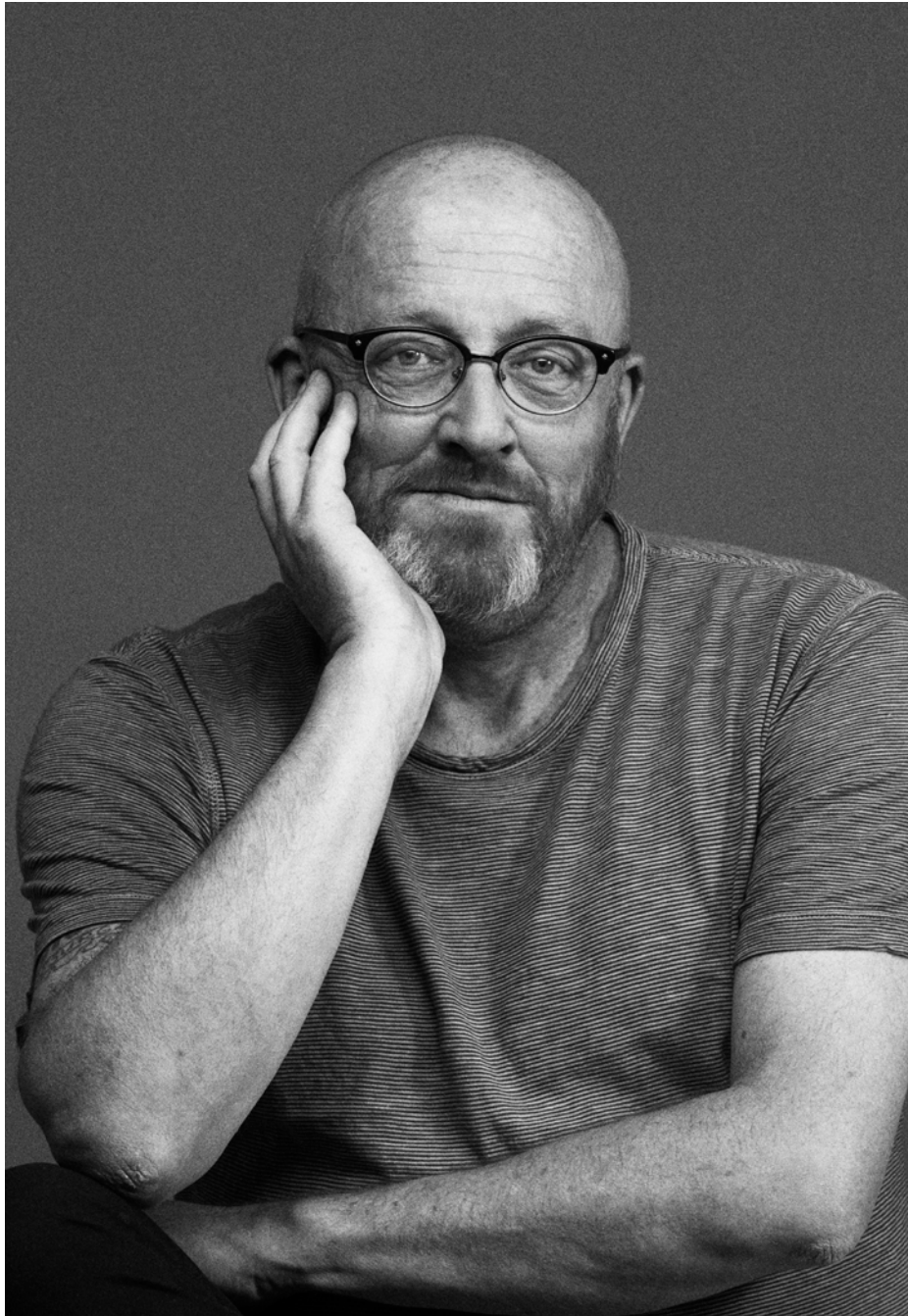
Lexie Matheson, Greenlane

Never say die martial artist, parent, educator, advocate, political activist, social justice fighter, onna-bugeisha.

I'm proud of the work done by the Rainbow Communities Advisory Panel, Auckland Pride returning to its activist roots, having my work (and that of others) acknowledged when I was made an Officer of the New Zealand Order of Merit.

I'm inspired by my spouse and my son, my whānau, my whakawahine sisters, so many mana wahine, No Pride in Prisons, my socialist comrades, those who stand up and fight back against oppression.





Aych McArdle, Auckland City

Human rights defender and social change maker.

Last year, I was really honoured to take part in the International Service for Human Rights' 'Human Rights Defenders Advocacy Programme' in Geneva and participate in the 32nd United Nations Human Rights Council. Since I have been home, I've had the opportunity to work with a global alliance of activists coordinating advocacy in support of the creation of a mandate at the UN for an Independent Expert on SOGI (Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity) issues. There were several votes to establish the mandate and several votes to try and undo the mandate. But we did it! This now means we have someone at the table consistently advocating for our communities around the world. Bring on 2017!

Michael Stevens, Freemans Bay

Friendly, but with strong views. Loves a debate.

In 2017, I'd like to see greater visibility of our communities in all areas of life – TV, advertising, two women walking down the street holding hands, in Parliament. Visibility is vital for change. If we can't see ourselves reflected in the world around us, we don't count. And we need to be visible to the rest of the world for them to understand we exist.

I'm proud of the widespread uptake of the Rainbow Tick. Hearing from employees that it has made a difference in their workplace humbles me.

I'm inspired by those early activists whose work started this all. People like Magnus Hirschfeld. They're often unknown by today's activists, but they sowed the seed long ago.

Cissy Rock, New Lynn

Energetic, driven creator of possibilities with a huge marshmallow heart.

Far too many people don't have enough to live on. Income is at the centre of a lot of issues – poverty, housing, health, justice. I mean, every kid needs to be able to go on school camp, no parent wants to worry about a birthday invite because they can't afford a present, artists need to be able to paint and gardeners garden.

I would love to see a Universal Basic Income. I reckon it would allow people to be able to participate in their communities.

I am inspired by everyday people who step up. It's easy for people to think they don't make a difference and be very apathetic. I think about the person years ago who paid for my shopping when my card was declined. That restored my faith.



Kirsty Ashleigh, New Lynn

Rogue.

I am part of a number of groups – Asians Supporting Tino Rangatiratanga, Racial Equity Aotearoa, Pacific Panther Network and Tāmaki Housing Group.



Sonya Apa Temata, Kingsland

A strong wahine is one who feels deeply and loves fiercely. Her tears flow as abundantly as her laughter. A strong wahine is both soft and powerful, she is both practical and spiritual. A strong wahine in her essence is a gift to the world.

My passion is for indigenous health, LGQTBI/Pasefika Rainbow space, social justice, equity and equality, advocacy and activism, that expands over 20 years.

The issues that are most important to me are the impact of colonisation, globalisation, climate change and historical influences with its global implications on our whenua, our moana and iti tangata.

Often it takes just a small collective or community to remind us all of the reality of the issues that we are currently fighting for and against.

Peter Wells, Greenlane

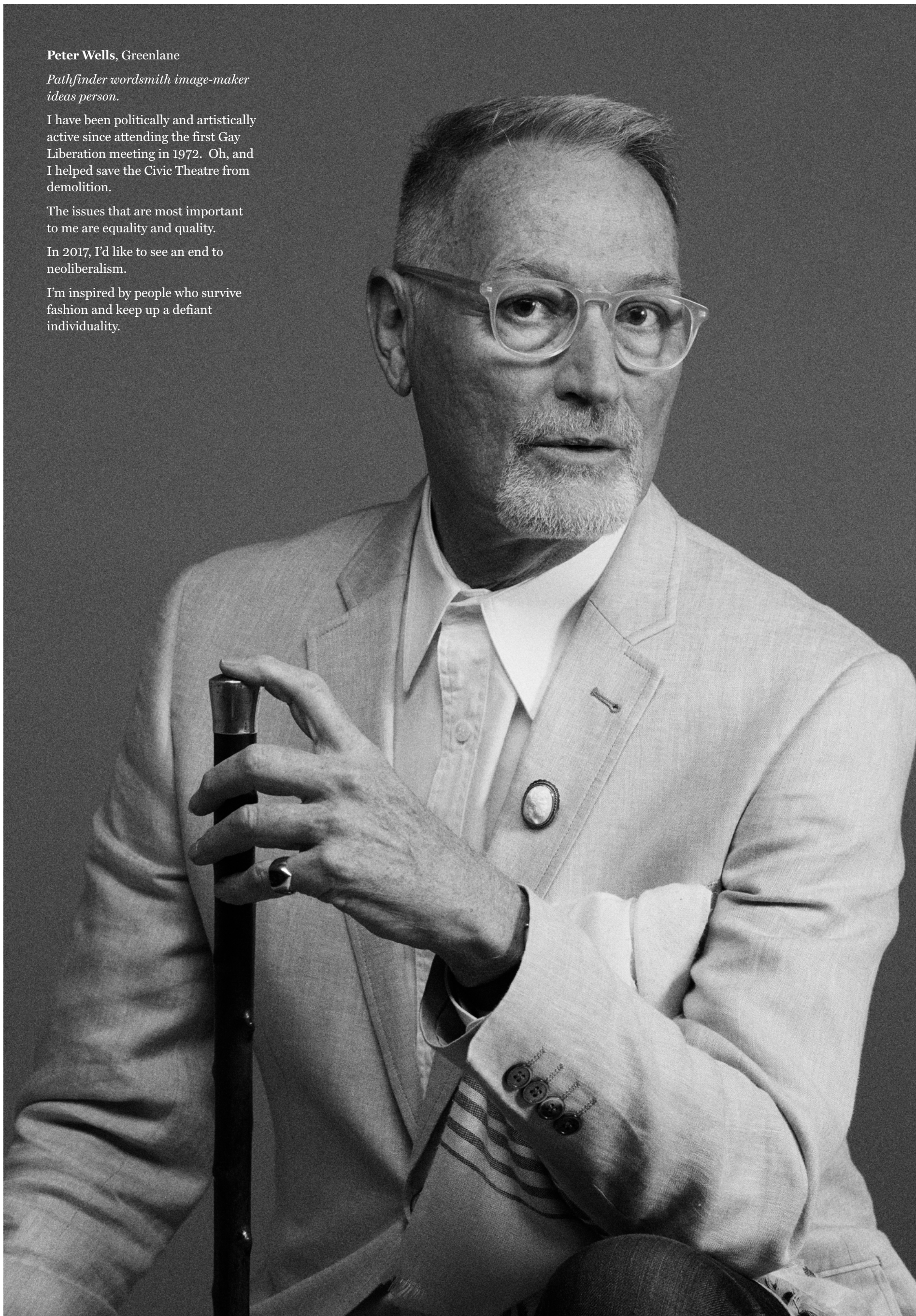
*Pathfinder wordsmith image-maker
ideas person.*

I have been politically and artistically active since attending the first Gay Liberation meeting in 1972. Oh, and I helped save the Civic Theatre from demolition.

The issues that are most important to me are equality and quality.

In 2017, I'd like to see an end to neoliberalism.

I'm inspired by people who survive fashion and keep up a defiant individuality.





Dean Buckley, Auckland City

I am profoundly deaf and New Zealand Sign Language is my first and unique language. I am also myself gay and proud.

There is a lack of connection between the deaf and hearing LGBT communities. We, as the Deaf Rainbow LGBT group, are trying to work on building connections and partnerships with the hearing LGBT community.

I would like to share our unique language and culture with the hearing LGBT community. The hearing LGBT community is very small – so is our deaf LGBT community!

I must say that my mum inspires me, because she is an excellent role model and always stands up for me regardless.

Sophie Sills, Ponsonby

I am a queer feminist cisgender Pākehā woman that likes gardening.

I run a website called levelplayingfield.org.nz that aims to challenge homophobia in sport. I am the Co-Chairperson of RainbowYOUTH, working to support queer and gender diverse young people. I am also an educator with Rape Prevention Education, where we go into high schools to teach young people about consent and healthy relationships.

I want every young person to come out of the schooling system knowing that their gender identity, sex, or sexuality is valid and awesome, and I want their peers to know that, too.

I'm inspired by Serena Williams. She faces so much racism in her sport, but she just takes it all in her stride and beats everyone at everything.

Mohammed Aatir Abbas Zaidi, Bucklands Beach

Caring, passionate about social issues and loving. Really sensitive, straight up and very masculine, very feminine and very gender fluid.

For me, LGBTQI+ rights related to POC including Asians, Muslims and refugees are highly important. We have a growing number of immigrants with a culturally diverse population. It is fascinating to see how culture develops our sexual and personal identity. For me, it is important to cater to LGBTQI+ people belonging to collectivistic culture.

I am associated with EquAsian, a social support group for Asian LGBTQI+. I have worked with Red Cross refugee support network and helped a family settle into New Zealand. My full-time work involves working with young adults with Autism.

In 2017, the social change that I'd like most to see is acceptance! Whether it is related to the LGBTQI+ community or related to religion, race or colour.



Tanu Gago, Mt Wellington

I'm an artist of Samoan ancestry and I identify as an openly gay male. I'm the product of a loving family and a rich cultural identity that embraces me fully and completely. This is my privilege and something I never take for granted in my creative life.

I want to see Moana LGBTIQ peoples empowered through self-determined destinies and not stifled by a system that continues to implement administrative violence, marginalization through funding, and prescriptive solutions to a community that clearly have diverse needs. It's tired, it doesn't work, and we're enabled through our cultural customs and social realities to know what will work for us. Trust that and back the hell up already.

I'm really invested in creating fertile conditions that allow current and future generations of Moana LGBTIQ peoples to not only exist and have a place of standing, but to also thrive and flex their potential.



Zakk d'Larté, Kingsland

Self-driven and motivated to make a difference.

When I was at high school, I wasn't allowed to bring my partner of four years to the Ball with me. Instead, it was suggested that him and I attend with girls and hang out after entering the venue. I refused to go unless I could bring him, but to no avail.

Two years later, I received a hand-written letter from a student thanking me for my perseverance, as he was able to take his boyfriend that year. This was the first time I felt like I had made a real difference, and it ignited a passion in me.

In 2017, the change I'd most like to see is The Gender Revolution. Watching the world open up to the transgender movement has been fantastic. I am very much looking forward to seeing this push of gender-fluidity and androgyny flourish.

Dr. Huhana Hickey, Papatoetoe

I'm a passionate believer in social justice, I'm a fighter and determined to see things through.

The most important issues to me are inequity, homogeneity, discrimination of any kind, homelessness, medicinal cannabis being legal, and to see gender diversity recognised in law.

I belong to a lot of networks, but I do most of the actual work solo. Such as the backpacks that my partner and I make up for the homeless.

I am a member of Medicinal Cannabis Awareness New Zealand and Not Dead Yet Aotearoa, where we advocate for the voice of disabled rights to be recognised in the euthanasia debate.

I am an advocate at times around homelessness and disability, and moderate several groups on Facebook.

Rya Jaycee Tanuvasa, Mangere

Jaycee is a creative artist, producer of big energy, love and laughter. Jaycee is refreshingly real about conventional beauty standards, gender diversity, sexuality and empowerment.

I'd love 2017 to be a year of open and compassionate minds. I want society to come together without the fearful boundaries of the hierarchy systems, for racial and gender equality. Creating a safer world!

I am most proud of my self-discovery. Walking in your truth can be extremely scary, but all the things I have done successfully in my personal life and career would have never come about if it wasn't for knowing who I am, and of course, the support of my loved ones. I always look forward to finding out new things about myself as time flies, and allowing myself to make mistakes and continuously grow from them.

Charlie Tredway, Mt Roskill

Passionate, caring, honest, resilient, vibrant, and more than a little fiery to top it all off.

Stigma insidiously silences the voices of People Living with HIV and our right to live openly with dignity. It makes the prospect of testing, and taking ownership of your health, really daunting for a good number of people. It makes disclosure really challenging, and it all stems from outdated misinformation, ignorance and fear, which often go hand-in-hand with new transmissions of HIV.

In 2017, that goddamn CD4 threshold needs to go. It is an outrage that HIV+ people have to wait until their immune system is sufficiently compromised before they can start treatment. Starting effective treatment early has long-term health benefits for PLHIV, and viral suppression to undetectable levels helps stop new transmissions of HIV. We can't afford to fall behind the rest of the developed world in our response to things like this.





LEGACY PROJECT 4
A KALEIDOSCOPE OF QUEER STORIES

Change the existing narrative and experience a kaleidoscope of bite-sized queer stories with *Legacy Project 4*. Written, directed and performed by an exciting bunch of Auckland’s up-and-coming voices, these are our stories to celebrate, to provoke and to uncover our distinct perspectives on modern queer experiences.

Each year from open call submissions, we select six scripts for their development potential to curate into this showcase of fresh kiwi work. By encouraging all corners of our diverse queer community to share their stories, we hope to support these future storytellers to shape their own unique narratives on stage.

Stories of love and connection, of family and friendship, of empathy and rejection that reveal the experience of being part of the queer kiwi community. We all have a role to play in passing along our stories and legacy to the next generation by examining the lives that have come before us to better understand our place within our wider community.

WHEN Tuesday 14 – Saturday 18 February, 6.30pm
WHERE Loft, Q Theatre
TICKETS Adult \$20, Concession \$15
BOOK www.qtheatre.co.nz or 09 309 9771
Contains some strong language and sexual themes
www.legacyproject.co.nz



LOUD & QUEER
BREAKING BOUNDARIES

They’re not this year’s trend and they’re not your niche market. They don’t earn enough to give a shit about your GAYTMs. They’re angry, they’re in love, and they’re about to get messy as fuck.

Loud & Queer is a no-holds-barred performance poetry/theatre project exploring the complex realities of queer and trans identities in present day Auckland.

Written and performed by Dominique DeCoco, Teddy Mason, Joni Nelson, Manu Vaea and Nate Villanueva – using movement, theatre, multimedia and comedy – let this dynamic ensemble obliterate everything you thought you knew about spoken word poetry.

We are interested in the connects and disconnects of our communities’ stories. We want to find out what happens when a brown trans person from South Auckland tells their story in concert with a white cis queer woman from the North Shore. We aim to unearth startling intersections through poetic collision.

WHEN Tuesday 14 – Friday 17 February, 9pm
WHERE Studio, Basement Theatre
TICKETS Adult \$20, Concession (Unwaged, Student, Senior, Equity) \$15, Cheap Wednesday \$15
BOOK www.iticket.co.nz or 09 361 1000
Contains references to suicide and drug use, and sexually explicit themes



HOT BROWN HONEY
AUCKLAND LIVE AND BRIEFS FACTORY

Fighting the power never tasted so sweet!
Steeped in the Word of the Mother and packing a potent punch of Hip Hop Politics, Hot Brown Honey will make you laugh until you cry, clap until your hands bleed, and shake every part of what your mama gave you.

These phenomenal women defiantly smash stereotypes, remix the system and dare to celebrate our similarities and differences in an explosion of colour, culture and controversy.

Hot Brown Honey is unapologetically fierce, serving up an audacious platter of dance, poetry, comedy, circus, striptease and song. With set, lighting, music and costumes to rival Beyoncé at Madison Square Garden, it’s political theatre like you’ve never seen before.

“Smashing the patriarchy has never seemed quite so much fun.” – The Guardian
“A fierce, infectious joy and commitment to social justice.” – Sydney Morning Herald

WHEN Tuesday 14 – Thursday 16 February, 8pm
Friday 17 February, 7pm + 9.30pm; Saturday 18 February, 7pm
WHERE ASB Theatre Stage, Aotea Centre
TICKETS A Reserve \$62, B Reserve \$57, Under 30 \$39
Group discounts available for tables of 6 or 8 people
BOOK www.ticketmaster.co.nz or 0800 111 999
R16 – contains nudity, strong language and political themes



ROLLING THE R’S / HIT THE WALL
F.C.C.

The producers of *Puzzy*, *Wild Dogs Under My Skirt* and *Club Paradiso* proudly present a provocative play reading double-bill to celebrate Auckland Pride.

In *Rolling the R’s* by R. Zamora Linmark, young Filipino student Edgar has more trouble trying to roll his r’s and lose his Filipino accent in 1970s Honolulu than he does with his sexuality.

Arts Laureate Anapela Polataivao (*Wild Dogs Under My Skirt*) will direct *Rolling the R’s*, with a cast that includes comedians James Roque and David Correos.

In *Hit the Wall* by Ike Holter, the Stonewall riots of 1969, known as the birth of the modern gay rights movement, vividly come to life.

Emerging from a Steppenwolf Theatre initiative, *Hit the Wall* features a disparate group of characters who all intersect on that fateful night.

Celebrated director Shane Bosher (*Angels in America*) helms a cast which includes Chris Parker (*Hudson & Halls Live!*) and Keith Adams (*Auckland Daze*).

WHEN Sunday 19 February
Rolling the R’s, 1pm; Hit The Wall, 3pm
WHERE TAPAC – The Auckland Performing Arts Centre
TICKETS Koha/Donation



“ZE”: QUEER AS FUCK!

MICHELLE/RYAN

A solo genderqueer, kinky, femmesexual, polyminded, gay-divorcee, comedic odyssey through the real life of Michelle/Ryan.

“Ze” (a gender neutral pronoun) rips the bandage away from zir puritanical American upbringing in a multi-layered and international coming out process. Along the way, ze discovers a beloved community that at times is just as ridiculous and pigeonholed as the one ze’s left. Michelle/Ryan both uses and parodies the labels meant to help an individual embrace their truth in a modern world desperate for definition.

“Ze” confronts stereotypes both within and without in a Pride-worthy celebration that exposes the complex tension between being authentic to oneself and belonging.

“Journeys its audience through a world of labels unlike ever before.” – Montreal Rampage

“A raw and incredibly intimate journey that should be compulsory viewing for the fainthearted, the timid, the binary-obsessed, the religiously-driven... it may well change your life.” – Theatreview

WHEN Tuesday 21 – Saturday 25 February, 6.45pm
WHERE Vault, Q Theatre
TICKETS Adult \$25, Concession (Senior, Student) \$20
BOOK www.qtheatre.co.nz or 09 309 9771
R18 – contains coarse language, explicit sexual descriptions and glitter



PARDON ME ALAN TURING

THE RANGATAHI SEASON

On the 24th December 2013, computer pioneer and codebreaker Alan Turing was given a posthumous royal pardon. On the 25th May 1895, Oscar Wilde was convicted and sentenced to two years’ hard labour for the same crime: gross indecency. But where is his pardon? And where is the pardon for the other seventy-five thousand men convicted under the same law?

An eccentric Alan Turing, a flamboyant Oscar Wilde, and their modern day prince, meet across the centuries to ask those very questions. They are joined by a host of other colourful characters in this rollercoaster political comedy with bite, written by Stephen Lunt and directed by Patrick Graham.

The real question to be asked though, can the slate ever be truly wiped clean?

WHEN Tuesday 21 – Saturday 25 February, 7pm
WHERE Te Pou Theatre
TICKETS Adult \$24, Concession \$18
BOOK www.iticket.co.nz or 09 361 1000
Contains adult themes

www.tepoutheatre.nz

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Tickets available soon: www.ry.org.nz

We're on the hunt for some choice items to auction off on the night, with all proceeds going to RainbowYOUTH. Businesses or individuals with items they'd like to donate can get in touch by emailing the team at [RY: info@ry.org.nz](mailto:info@ry.org.nz)



CAMPING
PARKER AND SAINSBURY

After its sell-out season in the 2016 International Comedy Festival, Parker and Sainsbury’s cult-hit comedy *CAMPING* is coming back to Auckland.

Les and Fleur are a middle-aged couple bored as hell with each other. Francis and Connie are newly-weds morbidly afraid of intimacy. They’ve double booked a romantic camping retreat in the middle of nowhere. As a storm brews outside, cocktails are shaken, catfights ensue, tantrums are thrown and deep sexual desires bubble to the surface like the lovers’ jacuzzi.

In the tradition of the *Carry On* films and *The Rocky Horror Picture Show*, *CAMPING* is New Zealand’s very own new camp cult-hit! Chris Parker and Thomas Sainsbury (*Hauraki Horror*, *The Opening Night Before Christmas*) have penned over-the-top kiwi melodrama stuffed with sexual innuendo, psychedelic salads and plenty of campy puns.

Starring Kura Forrester (*Perplex*), Chris Parker (*Hudson & Halls Live!*), Thomas Sainsbury (*Super City*) and Brynley Stent (*Funny Girls*).

WHEN Wednesday 8 – Saturday 11 February, 8pm
 Tuesday 14 – Thursday 16 February, 8.30pm

WHERE Loft, Q Theatre

TICKETS Adult \$30, Concession \$25, Group 6+ \$20

BOOK www.qtheatre.co.nz or 09 309 9771
 R16 – contains sexual content and bad language



DRAG BINGO
PRIDE EDITION

Join us for an evening of laughs with your delightful and delicious hostess Tess Tickle.

Presented by SKYCITY and Green Broccoli Events, Drag Bingo promises to be an evening of unbridled fun, complete with ridiculous drag numbers, hilarious drag queen antics, special guest DJ Steven Oates, chances to win fabulous prizes for your dance moves, and much, much more!

One of the first things you learn at Drag Bingo is that if you can’t take being picked on, you keep your mouth shut. Yes, this is Bingo, the game of blue-haired grandmas and church basement fundraisers – but Tess Tickle brings High Camp, with a special guest on Saturday, and her regular ball boy Jared on Sunday.

You can buy a single ticket or a table of up to 8 people. Each ticket will include six games of Bingo, and there will be plenty of opportunities to purchase more games and dobbers on the night.

WHEN Saturday 18 February, 6pm
 Sunday 19 February, 4pm

WHERE Twentyone, Level 3, SKYCITY Auckland

TICKETS Adult \$30

BOOK www.iticket.co.nz or 09 361 1000
 R20 – game responsibly



ROCK & SPEIR
GOODBYE 16, GOING ON 17

The comedy duo Cissy Rock and Anne Speir give us a characterful show that sizes up the year that was and the one that will be, accompanied by special guest singer Karen Kahurangi.

Pamalala and Skye look toward the turbulent future of their Women’s Protest Choir. Bruce and Andrew continue to be inundated with requests for sperm. Brand new characters wait in the wings.

Rock is a community facilitator and producer of lesbian events; Speir, a tall feminist well known for her witty 90s persona Dolores Clitoris. Expect irreverent humour with dollops of silliness!

The Tiny Theatre seats 30, so bookings are advised to avoid disappointment. Garnet Station Café, Restaurant & Bar is open before and after shows, serving wood fired pizzas, tapas, organic wine and craft beer.

WHEN Friday 17 February, 8pm
 Tuesday 21 February, 7.30pm

WHERE Tiny Theatre, Garnet Station

TICKETS Adult \$20, Concession (Senior, Student, Unwaged, Equity) \$15

BOOK www.garnetstation.com or 09 360 3397



I’M AN APACHE ATTACK HELICOPTER
MICHELLE/RYAN

“I’m gender non-binary!” “I’m a black white woman!” “I’m a reincarnated dragon!” “I’m from an alternate dimension called heaven!”

Where is the line?

We laugh nervously, overwhelmed by the daily onslaught of new labels and politically correct identity politics, and afraid of the hair-trigger defenses of hyper individualists... millennials in a minority of one. But maybe there’s a great deal more to laugh at than the non-conventional.

Ren (Michelle/Ryan), the genderqueer performance artist of the well-honed autobiographical theatrical comedy “*Ze*”: *queer as fuck!* takes these subjects head on with self-deprecating humour in a rotating comedy set about how we’re all humouring what makes each of us ridiculous.

WHEN/WHERE Tuesday 21 February, 9pm, Garnet Station
 Wednesday 22 February, 9pm, The Thirsty Dog
 Friday 24 February, 9pm, The Actors’ Program Studio

TICKETS Koha
 R-18 contains politically correct jokes and jokes about political correctness, some coarse language, and descriptions of sexuality

www.michellelunicke.com



ALL-STARS GALA FUNDRAISER

AROHA '17 FESTIVAL OF IDEAS

For one night only, New Zealand comedy, pop music and cabaret giants come together to raise money for suicide prevention at mid-town's hottest new restaurant and nightclub, Halo.

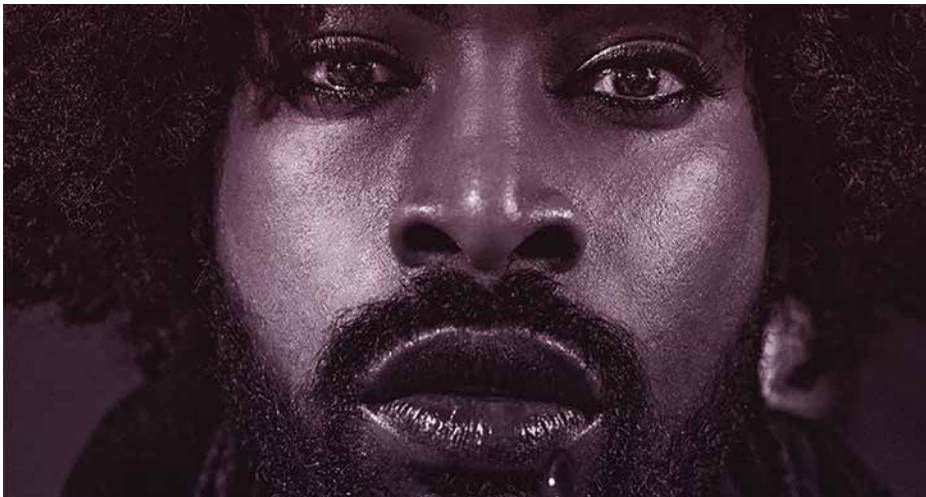
Enjoy an evening of entertainment, laughs, sing-a-longs, dinner and cocktails, starring Megan Alatini, Mike King, Mika Haka and friends.

Mike King is a comedy legend, with a sly political savvy that will have you in fits of laughter. Megan Alatini's sultry vocals will bring the room to a standstill. Mika will be premiering music from his new album *Swimming with Sharks*, with guest dancers Zouk Art.

From TrueBliss to The Nutters Club, these seasoned entertainers will put their celebrity to good use to raise funds for the important suicide prevention programmes of Mike and Mika's two charities – Key to Life and Mika Haka Foundation.

Start the evening with a complimentary glass of bubbly on arrival, enjoy the cabaret performances, then dance and party the night away. Halo will also have dinner booths and private rooms available, with a portion of all bookings going to charity.

WHEN Saturday 18 February, 8pm
WHERE Halo Bar & Restaurant
TICKETS Adult \$40, Student \$20
BOOK www.iticket.co.nz or 09 361 1000
R18 – licensed venue



NYC HOUSE PARTY IN MT ROSKILL

AROHA '17 FESTIVAL OF IDEAS

"It is what it is, and it ain't what it ain't."

Experience the underground and non-conformist alternative performance styles of New York and Auckland. Original works, spoken truths and political questioning for exploring minds, with voguing and breaking on vinyl floors among the wrecked cars. Check it.

Direct from Harlem, New York City, cyber-soul artist GypjaQ is our Master of Ceremonies, bringing LOVE and UNITY to Puketāpapa Mt Roskill.

Supporting the vibes: spoken word revealing dark truths from Jasper Powell; mōteatea by Mokoera Te Amo; boundary-smashing raw honesty from actor and poet Liam Jacobson; and world champion beat-boxer King Home Boy.

With food from Lance's Kitchen, an outdoor DJ, makeshift lounges and mannequin wastelands. Drop your baggage and come as your authentic self.

WHEN Wednesday 22 – Thursday 23 February, 7pm
WHERE Mika Haka Studio
TICKETS Adult \$10
BOOK www.iticket.co.nz or 09 361 1000
R15 – contains adult themes
www.mikahakafoundation.co.nz



COURTNEY ACT

THE GIRL FROM OZ

Star of *RuPaul's Drag Race* and *Australian Idol*, Courtney Act will appear in New Zealand for the very first time during Auckland Pride with her brand new show, *The Girl from Oz!*

The Australian you're tolerating slightly more than Iggy Azalea, Courtney Act takes you over the rainbow and down under in a sizzling new show that's chock full of hits and high notes, from Peter Allen to Men At Work, Xanadu to AC/DC, and Kylie to Sia!

Courtney Act is a pop culture star for a new generation that's beyond labels. In 2016, she released her debut EP, *Kaleidoscope*, featuring studio collaborations with Sam Sparro and the Scissor Sisters' Jake Shears. Her single releases have entered the Billboard, ARIA and iTunes charts and her videos have racked up over 12 million views.

"Coy, funny, sexy, classy, and thoroughly up-beat... Courtney is something fresh and inspiring." – Manhattan Digest

"Yes, children, this queen can truly sing!" – Out Magazine

WHEN Friday 24 February, 8pm
WHERE Q Theatre
TICKETS General Admission \$37.50, + VIP Meet & Greet \$25
BOOK www.qtheatre.co.nz or 09 309 9771
www.courtneyact.com



IMPOSTAR: WHO DOES HE THINK HE IS?

JASON CHASLAND

After successful seasons at Theatre Royal (Nelson), BATS, Circa Theatre (Wellington), and the Stella Adler Theatre in Los Angeles, award-winning New Zealand performer Jason Chasland brings his solo musical cabaret show to Auckland Pride!

Impostar is a supercharged 70-minute trip down memory lane, telling the heartfelt story of a young boy growing up fabulous on a farm in the Wairarapa and learning what it is to just be yourself.

With impeccable accuracy for impersonations, Jason intricately weaves all your favourite showstopping hits through his heart-warming story to deliver over thirty impressions of Broadway divas, contemporary icons and rock legends – chopping and changing so fast it'll leave you gasping for air and squealing with delight as you recognise your favourite stars.

An exhilarating evening of Judy Garland, Julie Andrews, Liza Minnelli, Barbara Streisand, Aaron Neville, Chubby Checker, Elvis Presley, plus many more, *Impostar* provides a moment for everyone, making this one-man tour de force a must see!

WHEN Saturday 11 – Saturday 18 February, 7.30pm
WHERE Vault, Q Theatre
TICKETS Adult \$25, Concession (Senior, Student, Equity) \$22.50
BOOK www.qtheatre.co.nz or 09 309 9771



FEMSLICK
FAFSWAG

FEMSLICK is a series of vignettes set against underground Vogue Culture in New Zealand. Flexing urgency and vitality, this world is dripping in body politics, culture vultures, urban aesthetics and lots of Banji realness.

Told through movement, soundscape and urban material culture, this devised work scrutinises redundant gender norms and tired cultural codes with vivid and timely responses that pull no punches. Unpacking the complexities of queer brown bodies as they navigate cultural and social space in real time.

Synced to the rhythmic pulse of a Vogue Ball, this work connects its audience directly into its advocacy of self-defence, self-love and self-preservation. Don't expect to remain sedated and docile like passive voyeurs. It's not that kind of party. *FEMSLICK* stays fucking up the patriarchy, one Caucasian space at a time.

Directed by Akashi Fisiinaua, with styling by Jasper Powell, featuring Cypris Afakasi, Falencie Filipo, Akashi Fisiinaua, Gabriel Halatoa, Moe Laga, Jaydess Nand, Jacob Temata and Jaycee Tanuvasa.

FEMSLICK is produced by FAFSWAG Arts Collective and funded by Creative New Zealand.

WHEN Tuesday 14 – Friday 17 February, 6.30pm
WHERE Studio, Basement Theatre
TICKETS Adult \$20, Concession (Unwaged, Student, Senior, Equity) \$18,
 Cheap Wednesday \$10
BOOK www.iticket.co.nz or 09 361 1000
 R18 – contains mature content and strobe lighting
www.fafswag.com



TAKA HAKA: POI EDITION
AHAKOA TE AHA KAPA HAKA

Hosted by Ahakoa Te Aha to promote Māori culture during Auckland Pride, this workshop will give the participant an insight to the origins of the poi.

We will look at the traditional uses of the poi, and how it's used in modern times. Participants will be guided through the process of making their very own poi using the modern resources of wool, plastic and foam.

After creating their poi, participants will be invited to learn a basic routine of poi actions. These simple drills are used within many haka groups to centralise their focus and get them ready for the tasks ahead.

This workshop is open to all who wish to strengthen their knowledge and understanding of Māori culture. Kai will also be provided.

WHEN Saturday 18 February, 10am
WHERE RainbowYOUTH Drop-in Centre
TICKETS Koha/Donation



SEA CHANGE
WET HOT BEAUTIES

A metamorphosis of mermaids! A war cry of water ballerinas! A flotilla of femininity! Trilogy presents the award-winning Wet Hot Beauties in *Sea Change*, a splash-tacular water ballet at the Parnell Baths championing grrl power!

More than 80 water ballerinas create a dazzling aquatic kaleidoscope, built on an emotional narrative based on profound transformation. Drawing from deeply personal experiences, *Sea Change* explores through dance the roles women play in today's society. The work challenges the demands and expectations placed on modern women, as well as celebrates their resilience, courage and power. Set to a pumping sound track of legendary divas, *Sea Change* aims to entertain, inspire and uplift, and illustrates how community and belonging can set us all free.

Wet Hot Beauties are an all inclusive, body positive water ballet company with a tradition of producing community-focused, feel-good water ballets both in the pool and at the beach. Wet Hot Beauties' previous shows, *Sirens* and *Swan Song*, were sold out, critically acclaimed crowd favourites.

"A mesmerising performance... a true celebration of the female form." – Theatreview
"If you haven't yet experienced the Wet Hot Beauties then I recommend you do, they have something really special going on." – Theatre Scenes

WHEN Tuesday 21 – Sunday 26 February, 9pm
WHERE Parnell Baths
TICKETS Adult \$40, Concession (Seniors, Students) \$30
BOOK www.iticket.co.nz or 09 361 1000
www.whbs.co.nz



INTUITION / MENDES
AROHA '17 FESTIVAL OF IDEAS

A dance double-bill on the closing night of Aroha '17, premiering contemporary works by rising Māori choreographers and performers – *Intuition* by Eddie Elliott, and *Mendes* by Kasina Campbell.

Intuition is "an attempt at sense (a word I keep referring to around improvisation)," says Eddie Elliott. "Perhaps the first obvious tool inside a creative exploration – but is there a pattern to our intuition? Intuition invokes something instinctive, there is speed and desire to understand."

Mendes "interprets myself discovering a new part of my genealogy, channeling the love that has created me," says Kasina Campbell. "A journey through my whakapapa to present day, aspiring to clutch the hands of my foregone ancestors."

WHEN Friday 24 February, 7pm
WHERE Māngere Arts Centre – Ngā Tohu o Uenuku
TICKETS Adult \$20, Concession (Senior, Student) \$5
BOOK www.iticket.co.nz or 09 361 1000
www.mikahakafoundation.co.nz



GALS SINGS AT THE GALLERY

Guided by new conductor Nick Forbes, Auckland’s Gay and Lesbian Singers will delight with repertoire highlights, old favourites and new songs in one of the city’s most fabulous acoustic spaces.

Singing in the refurbished Auckland Art Gallery is a treat for audiences and choirs alike. Every year, this popular event fills to overflowing. So bring a friend and experience joyous, uplifting, late-morning singing and entertainment.

WHEN Sunday 19 February, 11am
WHERE Auckland Art Gallery Toi o Tāmaki
TICKETS FREE
www.gals.org.nz



DYKES ON MICS

Dykes on Mics has long been an outspoken part of Auckland’s lesbian cultural fabric. A women’s only space where lesbians perform and magic happens. A place to contribute, a place to belong.

Every month at Westmere’s Garnet Station, the lesbian community gathers and the magic of open mic unfolds, sometimes like a magnificent swan, other times like a cake stuck in a tin.

For Auckland Pride 2017, *Dykes on Mics* will welcome the public and showcase our most talented lesbian performers. We’ll be passing the mic to anyone who wants to get up and share their talent – whether through music, poetry, comedy, spoken word, or anything else!

We shall take over the rotunda and put on a show in Henderson’s Falls Park, which was gifted to the lesbian community in 2009 by then Mayor Bob Harvey, and was home for nine years to the popular *Heroes Out West* event. So bring a picnic and join in!

WHEN Sunday 19 February, 4pm–6.30pm
WHERE Falls Park
TICKETS Koha



THE NANNAS AND THE POPPAS

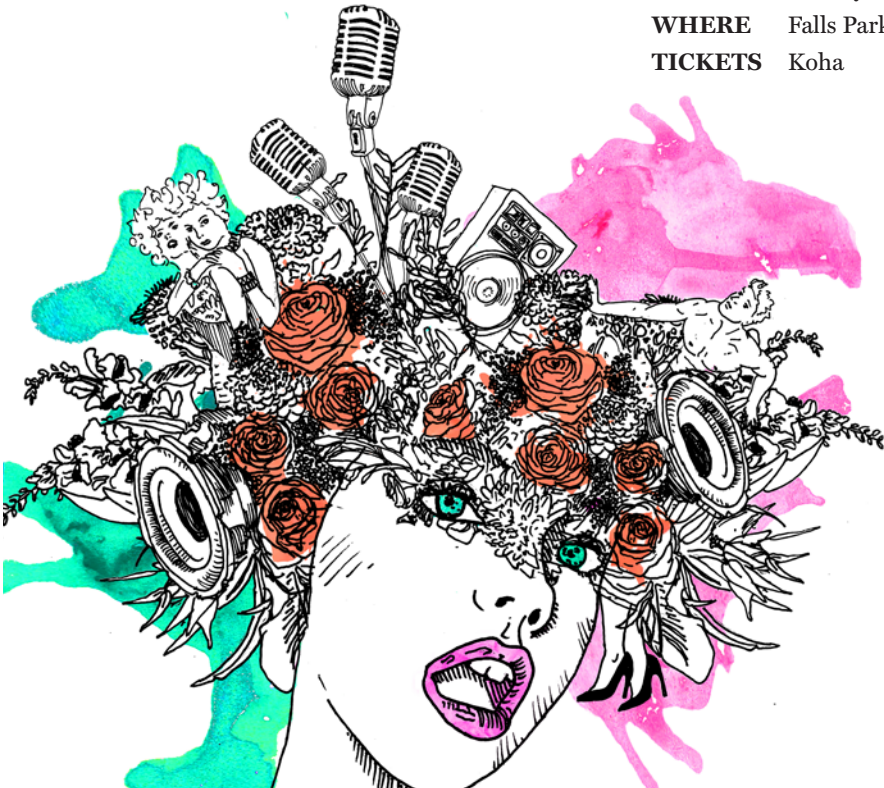
From the creative minds behind Blackbird Ensemble, comes a new show that explores our future selves – the selves that now prefer comfort over fashion, velcro over laces, and the long story over the short. These old folks have journeyed far, and have come back to impart their wisdom to you through song.

The Nannas and the Poppas are a rogue band of geriatric rockers from the year 2067.

When their retirement village’s mini-van accidentally circled the Panmure roundabout too many times, a rip in the space-time continuum was opened, and its elderly occupants were transported 50 years into the past. With this newfound gateway to their youth, the musicians decided to relive their glory days and take to the stage for one last hurrah.

Performing all the hits, with a new take on classics from Celine D, to MJ, to Queen B herself, they’ll be sure to get you doing the Nanna twist in the aisles.

WHEN Tuesday 21 – Saturday 25 February, 6.30pm
WHERE Loft, Q Theatre
TICKETS General Admission \$25
BOOK www.qtheatre.co.nz or 09 309 9771
R16 – contains haze and strobe lighting
www.blackbirdensemble.com



NEW NORMAL

New Normal is your mini-music-festival for Auckland Pride with an all-LGBTIQ+ artist line-up.

Featuring Randa, rapper and alternate beat maker who has played the Big Gay Out, opened for Grimes, and won 2014’s VNZMA Critic’s Choice Award; WCB, Sydney-based ambient trip-hop singer-songwriter Will Barling, whose recent EP launch drew comparisons to James Blake; NIKOLAI, non-binary performing artist with an expectation defying sound; DJ Molly, regular tunes spinner at Lick and Little Easy; with more to be announced.

Supported by Rainbow Auckland and The Golden Dawn, New Normal is your chance to experience the best established and emerging LGBTIQ+ musicians and DJs and dance until your feet hurt.

Music brings people together. New Normal is an all-inclusive all-night event where everyone is invited.

WHEN Friday 24 February, 8pm–1am
WHERE The Golden Dawn – Tavern of Power
TICKETS Door \$15
R18 – licensed venue
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TAKE ME TO THE RIVER
RUSS FLATT

In 2015, photographer Russ Flatt won the Wallace Arts Trust Vermont Residency. He spent his time in the US photographing men and women outdoors, nude, in beautiful landscapes that reminded him of New Zealand bush.

“I met the subjects via Craigslist”, Flatt writes. “I asked for models of any race, age, body type or gender, and the images were a response to a Utopian/Arcadian ideal. This is what we could have, and be, without the influence of modern culture and materialism. At the same time, the photographs felt like an extension of my 2014 *Cruising* series. What are the people in the images doing? Who or what are they waiting for? And might they be there for anonymous encounters?”

Significantly, Vermont’s public nudity law states that while “public disrobing” is illegal, it is perfectly legal to be naked in public, “if you are naked when you leave your home”.

Take Me To The River was created during a period that coincided with the Orlando gay nightclub shootings and the US presidential campaign’s charged political rhetoric.

WHEN Friday 10 February – Saturday 4 March
Tuesday–Friday 11am–6pm, Saturday 11am–3pm
Opening, Friday 10 February, 6pm–8pm
WHERE Tim Melville Gallery
TICKETS FREE
www.timmelville.com



Image Jordana Bragg, *What intimidates you?*

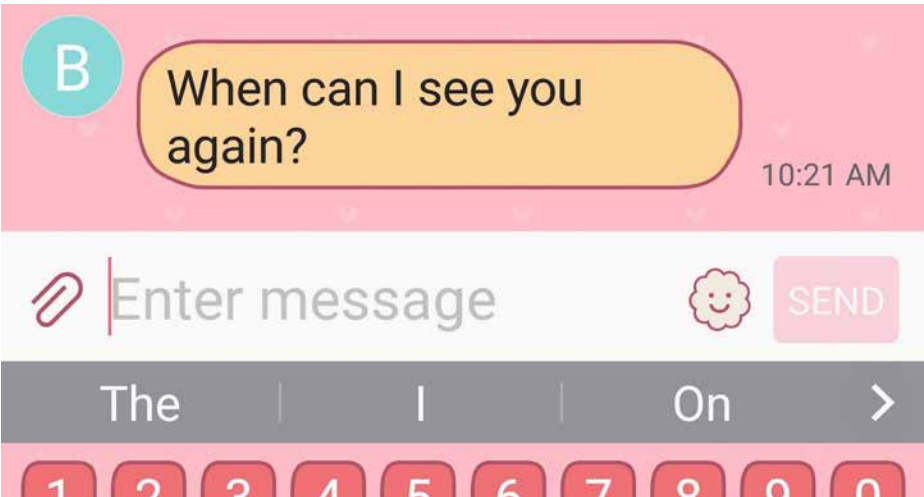
I HATE YOU, I HATE YOU, I HATE YOU,
BECAUSE I DON’T HATE YOU; I LOVE YOU...
ARTSPACE NZ + MICHAEL LETT

I hate you, I hate you, I hate you, because I don’t hate you; I love you... is an off-site project co-organised by Artspace NZ and Michael Lett Gallery on Karangahape Road as part of Auckland Pride’s visual arts programme. Featuring work by Jordana Bragg, Xun Cao, Juliet Carpenter, Fiona Clark, Ary Jansen, Paul Johns, Sorawit Songsataya, Pati Solomona Tyrell, with a contribution from No Pride in Prisons.

Today “hate” is visibly injected into everyday politics, and racist, misogynist, homophobic, and sexist arguments bombard publics. From the Orlando massacre to the gay bashings in Nigeria, Police violence in Istanbul’s Pride Walk to the clash between Police and No Pride in Prisons protestors during Auckland’s Pride Parade, this project acknowledges the victims of hate, supporters of radical love and global activist contributions from LGBTQA organisations from all over the world.

Breaking free of the enclosure of the gallery space, the project intends to penetrate into the everyday life of the city, developing intimate conversations between visitors, hosting venues and participating artists.

WHEN Saturday 11 – Sunday 26 February
WHERE Karangahape Road, Newton
TICKETS FREE
www.artspace.org.nz



WHEN CAN I SEE YOU AGAIN?

When Can I See You Again? offers a public invitation into a private, contemplative space. This multimedia, multicultural, multi-regional exhibition of emerging artists explores female sexualities, desire, power, and safe spaces.

The collectively curated gathering attempts to build “a community of resistance” (bell hooks). A “central location for the production of a counter-hegemonic discourse that is not just found in words but in habits of being and the way one lives”.

Women’s voices and bodies are privileged in new works created by Ana Te Whaiti, Jamie Berry, Kerrie Van Heerden, Luisa Tora, Molly Rangiwai-McHale, Sangeeta Singh, and Tasi Su’a.

Opening Night event on Thursday 16 February at 6pm, with a free bus to and from Fresh Gallery Ōtara, picking-up outside Family Bar on Karangahape Road.

WHEN Thursday 16 February – Saturday 25 March
Tuesday–Friday 10am–5pm, Saturday 8am–2pm
Opening Night, Thursday 16 February, 6pm
A Weaving Circle artist discussion, Saturday 4 March, 10.30am
WHERE Fresh Gallery Ōtara
TICKETS FREE



THE WINDOWS ARE ALIVE

Throughout Auckland Pride 2017, K’ Road retailers and eateries will host pop-up installations and thought-provoking conversations by artists from and connected to Auckland’s Rainbow communities.

The Karangahape Road Business Association is proud to welcome you to K’ Road throughout Auckland Pride. Our strip is one of the most colourful in town, and has a special place in the hearts of Auckland’s Rainbow communities.

Check the K’ Road website for meeting points and maps.

WHEN Saturday 11 – Sunday 26 February
WHERE Karangahape Road, Newton
TICKETS FREE
www.kroad.com/pride



CRUISING WONDERLAND

SEAN COYLE

Cruising Wonderland is a body of work concerned with articulating new queer perspectives. It invites the converted and unconverted to cruise at leisure through an installation of staged photography and diorama that focuses on sites of homophobic violence in New Zealand and Australia.

Between 1906 and 1911, in Tamarama, Sydney, there existed the largest open-air amusement park in the southern hemisphere – Wonderland City. The site of this failed colonial endeavour had previously been known as The Pleasure Gardens. From the mid-twentieth century, the area became a popular ‘beat’ (a site for men cruising for sex). During the 1980s, it was the site of an epidemic of homophobic violence, with gangs of youths entertaining themselves through the blood sport of ‘poofter bashing’. During this period, a number of men were thrown from the surrounding cliffs to their deaths.

These works emerge brightly from a dark metaphorical void. They are memorials to queer suffering.

WHEN Tuesday 14 February – Sunday 2 April
Tuesday–Friday 10am–3pm, Saturday–Sunday 8am–5pm
WHERE The Pah Homestead, TSB Bank Wallace Arts Centre
TICKETS FREE
www.tsbbankwallaceartscentre.org.nz



MAKE SPACE: THE VISIBILITY PROJECT

FAFSWAG

FAFSWAG Arts Collective and Love Life Fono Trust present an exhibition that speaks to civic identity and what this looks like for indigenous LGBTIQ people of colour – a resilient community vital to the cultural fabric of Aotearoa’s civic landscapes.

Pacific artists have been commissioned to develop new site-specific digital works curated for public screening over four evenings in the final week of Auckland Pride. Selected parts of Auckland’s Central Business District will light up with large scale projection and public activation.

Featuring works by Sione Monu, Akashi Fisiinaua, Pati Solomona Tyrell, Jermain Dean, Moe Laga, Jaycee Tanuvasa and more, the project seeks to raise awareness of indigenous LGBTIQ communities through digital story-telling. All communities are welcome to this free programme of public art events.

Please join us in celebrating the unique voices of these exciting new artists, exploring the things that make this city truly diverse, at a time where visibility is our Pride.

WHEN/WHERE Tuesday 21 February, 8pm–10pm, Silo Park
Wednesday 22 February, 8pm–10pm, Basement Theatre
Thursday 23 February, 8pm–10pm, ST PAUL St Gallery, AUT
Friday 24 February, 8pm–10pm, Artspace NZ
TICKETS FREE
www.fafswag.com



WE DON'T HAVE TO BE THE BUILDING
INTIMACY STAGES / ACTIVE EMPATHY

SIAN TORRINGTON

We Don't Have to Be the Building was made to commemorate the 30th anniversary of Homosexual Law Reform, and looks at the past, present and future of queer female sexualities and activism.

This show features drawings and sculptures from *We Don't Have to Be the Building* – as well as a new work, *Intimacy Stages / Active Empathy*, of which you can be a part!

Sian invites lesbian, bisexual, queer, femme, butch, takatāpui wahine, trans*, and female identified people to participate in an embodied project on our sexuality, offering appointments in which she will draw whatever the participant offers.

Large-scale posters of *We Don't Have to Be the Building* will also be popping up around town during Auckland Pride!

WHEN Tuesday 21 – Saturday 25 February
Tuesday–Thursday 9am–7pm, Friday 9am–5pm, Saturday 9am–4pm
Drawing Appointments: email siantorrington@gmail.com
WHERE Studio One, Toi Tū
TICKETS FREE
Contains naked bodies and sexual content



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AROHA '17 FILM FESTIVAL

AROHA '17 FESTIVAL OF IDEAS

Mika Haka Foundation presents a diversity-themed, dual-cinema film festival for Aroha '17 and Auckland Pride, hosted by Jay Tewake and YouTube sensation Kris Fox.

From submissions of human rights and diversity based short films from New Zealand and around the globe, rangatahi Māori and mentors have selected 20 short films from six countries for this year's line-up.

The two-cinema, two-part short film programme includes the world premiere of *In The Morning*, starring Keisha Castle-Hughes; a *Fever Dreams* programme, incorporating innovation in sci-fi, animation and native activism; and a *Hero* programme, exploring fresh ideas around queer gender and diversity.

The main features are psychological thriller *The Unbidden* (2016, USA), a film by Quentin Lee, featuring music from Mika, Siche Zhang and Alan Jansson; and the Aroha '17 awards finalists.

Join us for a red carpet experience with celebrities, half-time performances by Empress and King Home Boy, and pop-up exhibits from Mana Mannequins.

WHEN Wednesday 15 February, 6.30pm
WHERE Event Cinemas Broadway
TICKETS Standard Entry \$20
BOOK www.iticket.co.nz or 09 361 1000.
R15



ALTERNATIVE

TAKATAPUI FILMS

An alterNATIVE afternoon of Takatāpui LGBT Two Spirit film screenings at the Auckland Art Gallery, presented as part of Auckland Pride 2017.

The approximately 70-minute programme of new Māori, Pasifika and Canadian indigenous short films on a Two Spirit LGBT Takatāpui theme will screen at 1pm and 3pm.

Curated by Leo Koziol (Ngāti Kahungunu, Ngāti Rakaipaaka) of the Wairoa Māori Film Festival and Howard Adler (Anishinaabe) of the Asinabka Film & Media Arts Festival of Ottawa, Canada.

Join us as we explore dimensionalities of gender, sexuality and culture amongst Māori, Pasifika, and global indigenous peoples!

Nau mai! Nau mai! Haere mai!

WHEN Saturday 11 February, 1pm and 3pm
WHERE Auckland Art Gallery Toi o Tāmaki
TICKETS FREE
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www.aucklandartgallery.com



WEST OF EDEN

LITTLE RED HEN PICTURES

An exclusive Auckland Pride screening and red carpet premiere of *West of Eden*, a New Zealand feature film by Alastair Riddell.

Forbidden love. Bitter revenge. A family torn apart.

This is the story of Billy and Tom, two young men who fall in love in 1960s rural New Zealand. They believe in honesty and truth, but neither will be accepted by society if they stay true to themselves. A tinderbox of deceit and malice emerges as Billy discovers that he is not the only one fighting his desires and hiding his demons.

Inspired by a true story, *West of Eden* is a beautiful film, sumptuously wrapped in nostalgia and bristling with drama. Step back in time and become immersed in the passion and tension of a forbidden love.

Experience the glitz and glamour of opening night, with VIP access to mix and mingle with cast and crew, raise a glass of bubbly and enjoy this beautiful movie.

West of Eden will be released at Rialto and select cinemas from 9 March 2017.

WHEN Wednesday 22 February, 6.30pm
WHERE The Vic
TICKETS VIP Lounge \$45, General Admission \$25
BOOK www.thevic.co.nz or 09 446 0100
www.lrh.co.nz



MEMORABLE MOVIES

BOUND

Gina Gershon and Jennifer Tilly nearly set the screen on fire in *Bound* (1996), a clever, female-powered twist on the standard mob caper film.

Corky, a tough female ex con, and her neighbour Violet, begin an intense affair and concoct a scheme to steal millions of stashed mob money and pin the blame on Violet's psychotic gangster boyfriend Caesar.

Directed by the Wachowskis, the sex scenes were choreographed by feminist writer and sex educator Susie Bright.

Preceded by a surprise gender-bender performance, plus erotic poetry from Severity George.

WHEN Saturday 11 February, 8pm
WHERE Tiny Theatre, Garnet Station
TICKETS FREE

MEMORABLE MOVIES

BEAUTIFUL THING

In *Beautiful Thing* (1996), shy Jamie and athletic Ste are teen boys who live near each other in the London projects.

Both boys think they could be gay, and finally explore their feelings when Ste is allowed to stay over at Jamie's place after an incident with his abusive father. There, the boys grow close and open themselves up to the idea of homosexuality, while Jamie's caring mother, Sandra, and quirky teen neighbor, Leah, offer much needed emotional support.

Preceded by *93%*, a coming out monologue written and acted by Hamish Annan, 2016 Short & Sweet Festival awards winner.

WHEN Saturday 18 February, 8pm
WHERE Tiny Theatre, Garnet Station
TICKETS FREE
www.garnetstation.com

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Fabulous Drag Shows from 1am
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PRIDE POETRY SPEAKEASY

Speak it, sing it, slam it, recite it, read it, perform it, hear it, laugh, cry, love it.

Same Same But Different and Auckland Libraries present the third Pride Poetry Speakeasy. Bring your original and/or favourite LGBTIQ poetry to share in a welcoming word-fest.

WHEN Wednesday 15 February, 5.30pm
WHERE Leys Institute Library Courtyard
TICKETS FREE



SAME SAME BUT DIFFERENT: OPENING NIGHT GALA

“They fuck you up, your mum and dad.”

LGBTIQ writers talk about memorable parents in fiction or in life – whether monsters, martyrs, martinets or miracles. As we age, do we understand more? Be prepared to laugh, cry, cringe or sigh.

Featuring Benjamin Law, Courtney Sina Meredith, Sam Orchard, Gina Cole, Ngāhuia Te Awekōtuku, Paula Boock, Philip Patston and Peter Wells.

Your host for the evening is The Women’s Bookshop supremo, Carole Beu.

WHEN Friday 17 February, 6.30pm
WHERE Sir Paul Reeves Building, Room WG126, AUT
TICKETS Adult \$25, Concession (Student) \$18
BOOK www.iticket.co.nz or 09 361 1000

VAL MCDERMID: WHY LESBIANS MAKE GREAT CRIME WRITERS

Skyping in from Scotland, Val McDermid, ace crime writer and author of the books behind the hugely successful television series *Wire in the Blood*, talks to Carole Beu about why lesbians (think Patricia Highsmith, Anne Perry and Val herself) make great crime writers, and what attracts them to murder, motive, deceit and justice.

WHEN Saturday 18 February, 9.30am
WHERE Sir Paul Reeves Building, Room WG126, AUT
TICKETS Adult \$17.50, Concession (Student) \$12
BOOK www.iticket.co.nz or 09 361 1000
www.samesamebutdifferent.co.nz



BENJAMIN LAW: ADVENTURES IN QUEER ASIA

Benjamin Law is best known in Australia as the author of the hilarious television series *Family Law*, which looks at a Chinese-Australian family through the lens of a theatre-struck gay son with a totally inappropriate mum.

He’s also the author of the much-acclaimed book *Gaysia – Adventures in Queer Asia*, in which he offers insights on LGBTIQ life in various Asian countries.

As Auckland becomes an increasingly Asian city, this astute and witty commentator talks about change, difference, acceptance and storytelling.

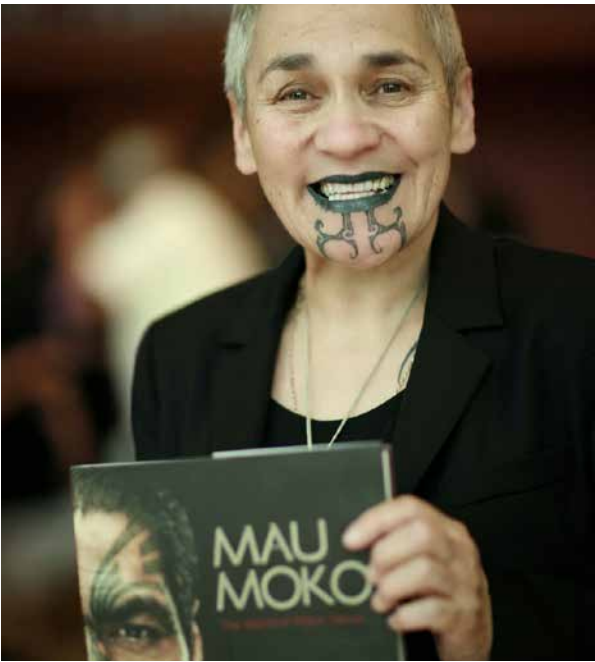
WHEN Saturday 18 February, 11am
WHERE Sir Paul Reeves Building, Room WG126, AUT
TICKETS Adult \$17.50, Concession (Student) \$12
BOOK www.iticket.co.nz or 09 361 1000

SHORTLAND STREET

Shortland Street has consistently pushed the envelope by introducing LGBTIQ characters into New Zealand’s most widely watched television drama. It’s been transformational and enlightening – and especially important given its vulnerable youth audience. How do they do it?

Producer Maxine Fleming, trans actor Tash Keddy, story-liner and one-time *Shortland Street* star Harry Dickinson, plus scriptwriter Cole Meyers, share the journey. Chaired by actor and *Shortland Street* casting director, Andrea Kelland.

WHEN Saturday 18 February, 1pm
WHERE Sir Paul Reeves Building, Room WG126, AUT
TICKETS Adult \$17.50, Concession (Student) \$12
BOOK www.iticket.co.nz or 09 361 1000
www.samesamebutdifferent.co.nz



MANA NGANGAHU: FEMALE WARRIOR

Ngāhuia Te Awekōtuku’s openness about being lesbian in the early 1970s was one catalyst for the gay liberation movement in Aotearoa New Zealand. She published the first openly lesbian fiction and has consistently broken barriers as a manu ngangahu: female warrior.

Her book *Mau Moko: The World of Māori Tattoo* (2007) won many awards, including the inaugural Ngā Kupu Ora Māori Book of the Decade. A highly respected academic, her most recent publication *E Ngā Uri Whakatupu: Weaving Legacies* (2015) is about the exquisite textiles of Dame Rangimārie Hetet and Diggeress Te Kanawa.

Memoirist Aorewa McLeod facilitates an hour with a lively, charismatic pathfinder still showing the way.

WHEN Saturday 18 February, 2.30pm
WHERE Sir Paul Reeves Building, Room WG126, AUT
TICKETS Adult \$17.50, Concession (Student) \$12
BOOK www.iticket.co.nz or 09 361 1000



TALKING QUEER, WRITING QUEER, SEEING QUEER

How do we think, how do we speak?

Urzilla Carlson, star of TV3's *7 Days* doesn't seem to have any troubles there. She is the author of *Rolling with the Punchlines*, her moving, self deprecating memoir.

She joins columnist, reviewer and poet David Herkt, and prize-winning author and wit Douglas Lloyd Jenkins, as they talk about writing for a broad audience from a queer perspective.

Michael Giacon, winner of the prestigious 2016 Kathleen Grattan Prize for his poetry sequence *Argento in no man land*, also joins them.

How does a gay sensibility influence what to say, what to intimate, when to be blatant and when to be silent? Chaired by Peter Wells.

WHEN Saturday 18 February, 4pm
WHERE Sir Paul Reeves Building, Room WG126, AUT
TICKETS Adult \$17.50, Concession (Student) \$12
BOOK www.iticket.co.nz or 09 361 1000



SPOKEN WORLDS

Queer and trans performance poets under 30 showcase their talents and truths in a creative kaleidoscope curated and hosted by Cole Meyers.

Expect the unexpected in a session that will be full of fun and imagination.

WHEN Saturday 18 February, 5.30pm
WHERE Sir Paul Reeves Building, Room WG126, AUT
TICKETS Adult \$17.50, Concession (Student) \$12
BOOK www.iticket.co.nz or 09 361 1000



SAME SAME BUT DIFFERENT: SATURDAY NIGHT SPECIAL

Story hour goes 21st Century.

Gina Cole reads from her stunning new book of short stories *Black Ice Matter*, which has got rave reviews.

Douglas Lloyd Jenkins is best known as a groundbreaking non-fiction writer on style. But now he's written a gay novel set amongst the architects and builders of an expansionary Auckland.

Sam Orchard's witty graphic novels are well loved.

Courtney Sina Meredith, an internationally recognised writer, reads from her highly praised *Tail of the Taniwha*.

The frequently hilarious Julie Helean has a new novel out, *We the Ones*.

Sit back, relax and dream away while our authors conjure up magic worlds. Chaired by Same Same But Different Festival Director Peter Wells.

At the end of the evening, the 2017 Wallace Arts Foundation Short Story Prize winner will be announced, and the winner will read their winning entry.

WHEN Saturday 18 February, 7.30pm
WHERE Sir Paul Reeves Building, Room WG126, AUT
TICKETS Adult \$25, Concession (Student) \$18
BOOK www.iticket.co.nz or 09 361 1000

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17th - 18th February AUT Campus, central Auckland
book at iTicket: www.iticket.co.nz/go-to/samesame-but-different





THE FUTURE OF WOMEN’S LEADERSHIP:
PRIDE WITHOUT PREJUDICE?

MARY DREAYER MEMORIAL LECTURE

When will a woman being a leader cease to be notable and a leader is just seen as a leader? What forces continue to make gender or sexuality remarkable features of a leadership style or leadership outcomes, but only if you are a woman or non-heterosexual? Are those forces diminishing or being replaced by something else?

The speaker for the fifth annual Mary Dreaver Memorial Lecture is Maryan Street.

Maryan Street was Head Girl at New Plymouth Girls’ High School and graduated from Victoria University in the 70s. She became a teacher, union leader, academic, President of the NZ Labour Party, industrial relations practitioner, MP, and Cabinet Minister in Helen Clark’s government. She currently leads the End of Life Choice/Voluntary Euthanasia Society of New Zealand.

“This lecture will take a political view of women in leadership roles from a personal perspective. After all, the personal is political,” states Street. “I will look at the contribution of women leaders in a range of fields, but predominantly in politics.”

WHEN Saturday 25 February, 2pm
WHERE Onehunga Community House
TICKETS Waged \$40, Unwaged \$25. Includes afternoon tea.
BOOK www.eventbrite.co.nz



THE GREAT AUCKLAND PRIDE DEBATE
GIRLS DO IT BETTER!

The boys are back in town!

In this special election year match-up, champions Team Jacinda Ardern will be challenged by Team Richard Hills in what promises to be a battle of the sexes like we’ve never seen before.

Recently elected Auckland Councillor Richard Hills will be joined in the red corner by Wellington Central MP Grant Robertson and comedian Eli Matthewson.

In the lavender corner, future Mount Albert MP Jacinda Ardern will be joined by Green MP Jan Logie and award-winning comedian Urzila Carlson.

Adjudicated and disciplined by *The Real Housewives of Auckland* superstar Gilda Kirkpatrick, these politically comedic monoliths will be debating the moot, Girls Do It Better!

Throw in MC Steven Oates with a bevy of celebrity judges, and you have a not-to-be-missed night of hilarity that also helps to raise funds for Positive Women.

WHEN Monday 20 February, 7.30pm
WHERE Galatos Live
TICKETS Adult \$30
BOOK The Women’s Bookshop, Garnet Station, Flight Centre K Road
R18 – contains offensive language and adult themes

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OUTSPOKEN
THE DIGITAL RAINBOW

Once upon a time there was no Internet, no smartphones and no Grindr! LGBTIQ people had to come together in social spaces like bars, clubs, parties and cruising joints. With the advent of technology and the Internet, we can now meet and connect without having to leave home. But has this newfound freedom had a positive or negative impact? Many people suggest there is now a lack of community, and bars and clubs around the world are closing their doors.

Presented in association with GayNZ.com, this panel discussion explores the effect of technology on the way we interact as individuals and as a community. We put this to our esteemed panelists, Anne Speir, Michael Stevens, Sarah Lambourne, Joe Rich, Jacquie Grant and MC Steven Oates.

Come early and order from Ika’s superb dinner menu. Bar and food available from 5.30pm. Entry by koha on the night – but capacity is limited, so bookings are essential.

WHEN Wednesday 22 February, 7pm
WHERE Ika Seafood Bar and Grill
TICKETS Koha/Donation
www.ika.nz



RAINBOW RIBBON MAKING

Come hang out with us at the RainbowYOUTH Drop-in Centre for an awesome night of rainbow ribbon making!

We'll have a few good chats, pull out the bean bags, order some pizza, and make some of our famous ribbons for RainbowYOUTH to use in fundraising.

Open to all ages, members, friends and whānau. If you've ever wanted to volunteer, but haven't gotten around to it, this is for you!

WHEN Tuesday 14 February, 6pm
WHERE RainbowYOUTH Drop-in Centre
TICKETS FREE
www.ry.org.nz/pride/



PUNCH & MUNCH

A relaxed social occasion for 16 to 24 year olds in the Tiny Theatre and garden, facilitated by experienced youth worker Laura Olsen.

Play some games, talk about some stuff, share some laughs and hopefully make some new friends. Then stay on for a bite to eat.

WHEN Sunday 19 February, 4pm-7pm
WHERE Tiny Theatre, Garnet Station
TICKETS FREE
www.garnetstation.com



PRIDE NIGHT AT RAINBOW'S END

Join RainbowYOUTH for the first ever Pride event at New Zealand's biggest theme park, Rainbow's End!

Opening exclusively for Pride Night from 6pm, enjoy all that Rainbow's End has to offer in an open, accepting and rainbow inclusive family environment.

From classic rides like the Pirate Ship, through to the brand new thrill-seekers-only Stratosfear ride, there's something for all ages – and all thrill thresholds!

Pride Night at Rainbow's End is a fundraiser for RainbowYOUTH, with a portion of each ticket sold going towards supporting their work in rural communities.

WHEN Saturday 18 February, 6pm-10pm
WHERE Rainbow's End
TICKETS General Admission \$43
BOOK www.ry.org.nz/rainbowsend
www.ry.org.nz/rainbowsend



KNOW WHO YOU ARE, BE WHO YOU ARE

RainbowYOUTH and Auckland Libraries are collaborating on an interactive exhibition that explores and celebrates the 28-year history of RainbowYOUTH.

Held in RainbowYOUTH's new Drop-in Centre in central Auckland, *Know Who You Are, Be Who You Are* features a variety of different audio interviews with past and present RainbowYOUTH members and staff. The interviews chart the history of the organisation, and are accompanied by archival photos dating back to the early 1990s.

Know Who You Are, Be Who You Are incorporates a series of posters devoted to different aspects of RainbowYOUTH's history and the experiences of members and staff. Visitors will get the opportunity to contribute their memories of RainbowYOUTH to the exhibition.

The exhibition will be open to the public throughout Auckland Pride during Drop-in Centre hours. Please be aware that RainbowYOUTH will be operating its usual services during this period.

WHEN Friday 10 – Friday 24 February
Monday-Friday, 11am-5pm
WHERE RainbowYOUTH Drop-in Centre
TICKETS FREE
www.ry.org.nz/pride/



RAINBOWYOUTH OPEN DAY

RainbowYOUTH is holding an Open Day at their new Drop-in Centre, located just off Karangahape Road – welcoming in the public, young people, and anybody in the community who works with young people.

The Open Day is an opportunity for everybody to visit, ask questions, and learn about the many different services that RainbowYOUTH offers. This event will be of special interest to school staff, counsellors, doctors, nurses and any other services that refer young people to RainbowYOUTH.

The RainbowYOUTH Drop-in Centre is a safe space for young people, with queer and gender diverse books and DVDs, a community wardrobe and much more. The Drop-in Centre will be hosting a number of different activities and events during Auckland Pride.

WHEN Saturday 11 February, midday-3pm
WHERE RainbowYOUTH Drop-in Centre
TICKETS FREE
www.ry.org.nz/pride/



AUCKLAND GAY WALK TO BIG GAY OUT

The Auckland Gay Walking Group invites you to our Big Walk Out before the Big Gay Out. The walk will be easy and suitable for all levels of fitness, taking in the sights of Point Chevalier and the Meola Reef Reserve.

According to Māori tradition, the fairy people lived there, and wanted to build a bridge across the water. It is still called a Fairy Bridge today.

The walk will take approximately one hour, and will finish in Coyle Park ready to start the Big Gay Out!

The Auckland Gay Walking Group has been part of our Rainbow communities since 2000. We are proud, easy going, diverse and inclusive.

WHEN Sunday 12 February, 11am
WHERE Meet on the corner of Point Chevalier and Meola Roads
TICKETS FREE
www.gaygroups.co.nz



RIDE WITH PRIDE

Arrive at the Big Gay Out in style! Join us as we cycle with Pride!

Starting from Britomart, enjoy a leisurely 90-minute ride through the city to Coyle Park.

Bring your gaily/queerly decorated bike and join a group of cyclists on a fun ride through Auckland’s inner city suburbs, with a pit stop at Garnet Station in Westmere, before arriving at the Big Gay Out in Point Chevalier’s scenic Coyle Park.

No need to be a ‘serious’ cyclist – and lycra is optional! All bicycles must be roadworthy, with working tyres and brakes. The ride is entirely at your own risk.

WHEN Sunday 12 February, 11.45am
WHERE Meet outside Britomart
TICKETS FREE



MAKE A SPLASH WITH THE TAMS

Join the Team Auckland Master Swimmers at the Tepid Baths in downtown Auckland for a social swimming relay race – for serious swimmers and for those who would rather make a big splash!

Grab a few friends and head to the Tepid Baths after work. Pay a pool entrance fee at reception and come through to the lanes by the windows. Afterwards, join the squad for drinks and food at nearby Fokker Bros.

During Auckland Pride, people are invited to swim with the TAMS on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7pm at the Tepid Baths.

WHEN Thursday 16 February, 7pm
WHERE Tepid Baths
TICKETS Pool entry \$7

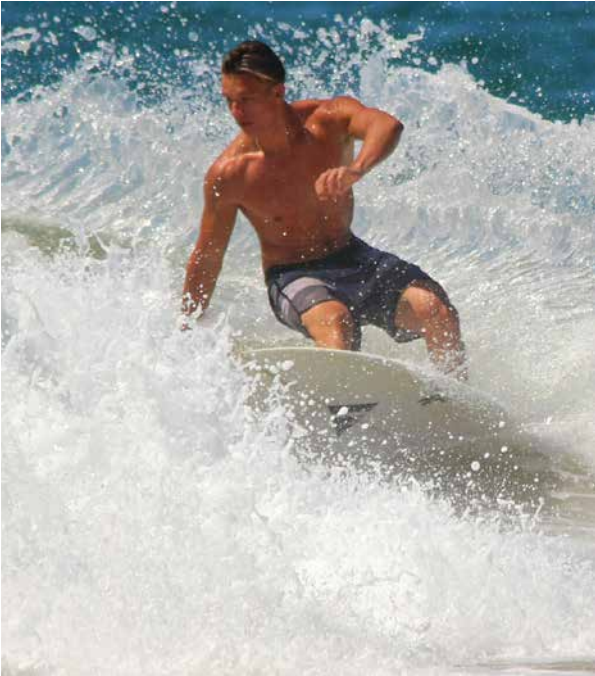


JX LIVE TOUCH TOURNAMENT

Grab your friends and work mates and form a team to play in this Social Touch Tournament at Auckland’s Victoria Park.

Brought to you by the JX Live Chargers, Total Touch Auckland and Proud to Play. Open to everyone. Registrations close 8 February, so get stepping!

WHEN Friday 17 February, 5.30pm–8.30pm
WHERE Victoria Park
TICKETS Team fee \$100
BOOK www.totaltouch.co.nz



PRIDE SURF SESSION

Join the Gay Surfers for a surf session at Piha Beach, followed by a shared lunch at a local beach house. Then some more surfing!

All welcome, with a spare board or two available, if you need to borrow one.

WHEN Sunday 19 February, 10am-midday
WHERE Piha Beach
TICKETS FREE



NZ FALCONS OPEN DAY

The NZ Falcons extend a warm invitation to the LGBTIQ and wider community for an afternoon of banter, brews and BBQs at the Ponsonby Rugby Club. Join us for the kick-off of a stellar 2017 season!

Whether you're a seasoned rugby fan, new to the sport, or a past, present or future teammate, this is a great opportunity to celebrate the continuing spirit of gay and inclusive rugby in New Zealand. Learn about the team, meet existing players and become a part of a growing legacy this year.

We are always looking for new players at the Falcons. It doesn't matter if you're a spring chicken or an old fox, whether you've never picked up a ball, or you're going to be the next All Black – we want you to join us!

A licensed bar, ample parking and food will be provided – plus a chance to win exciting prizes with each registration. So mark it down, scrub your boots and meet us on our home turf – because Saturday's a rugby day!

WHEN Saturday 18 February, 2pm–6pm

WHERE Ponsonby Rugby Club

TICKETS FREE

www.nzfalcons.org.nz



LABRYS WOMEN'S SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

Teams of all skill levels will compete for cash and prizes at the Metro Softball Club in this annual social softball tournament for lesbians, women and friends.

Back in 1998, two groups of New Zealand lesbian softballers, Auckland's Maidenz and Wellington's Amazons, joined forces to take a team to the Gay Games in Amsterdam. Close bonds were forged between the two teams and they created the annual Labrys Women's Softball Tournament to celebrate New Zealand lesbians and lesbian softballers.

Sporting prowess is not a must in this competition, with players of all abilities and sporting code backgrounds joining to have a laugh, some drinks, and a great day out on the field with friends.

The competition runs from 10am to 5pm, with teams guaranteed at least three games, and is followed by prize giving in the bar.

WHEN Sunday 26 February, 10am–5pm

WHERE Metro Softball Club

TICKETS Individual \$15, Team \$100

BOOK Registrations close Friday 17 February.
Email metrosoftballnz@gmail.com

www.metrosoftball.co.nz



PRIDE TENNIS TOURNAMENT 2017

Now in its fifth year, the annual Pride Tennis Tournament will be held at the new West End Tennis Club with its gorgeous view across Cox's Bay.

Bring your racket and a sense of fun! All levels will be catered for with 20-minute doubles matches in a round-robin format. No partners are required. You will be teamed up with players of approximately equal ability for each match.

There'll be great food and music, a cash bar, plenty of socialising and spot prizes – plus the Pride Trophy presentation for the overall winner. Come along to play or watch!

WHEN Friday 17 February, 6pm–10pm

WHERE West End Tennis Club

TICKETS Players \$20, Spectators FREE

BOOK Registrations close Friday 10 February
Email jenni.wickes@icloud.com

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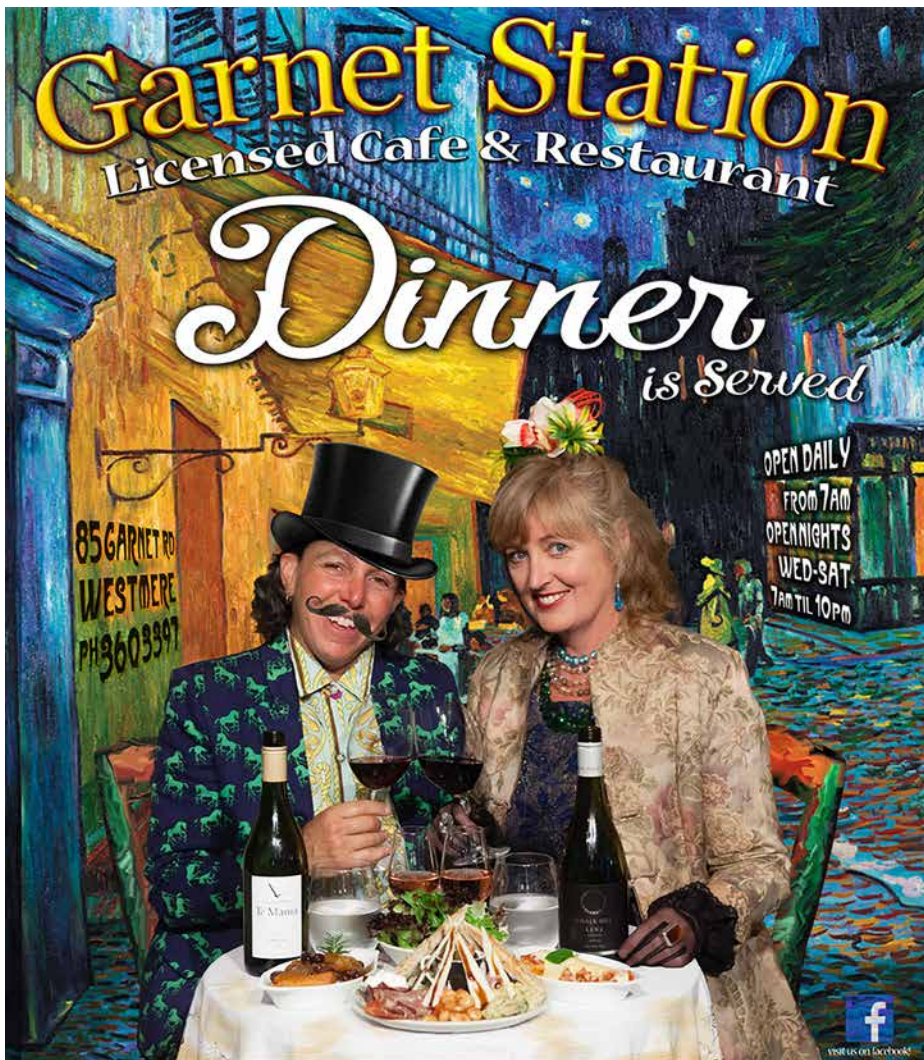
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WOOF! THE AUCKLAND PRIDE DOG SHOW

Putting the paws back in Ponsonby, it's Woof! – The Auckland Pride Dog Show – taking over Western Park once again with everything that is fluffy and furrribulous!

The catwalk becomes a dogwalk on this doggy-tastic day with MC Steven Oates, celebrity judges and prizes galore! Let your pooch put their best paw forward in their fanciest outfit. Categories include Best Dressed, Best Dog/Owner Look-a-Like, Biggest Dog, Smallest Dog, Best Talent/Trick and Best in Show!

Woof will be located in lower Western Park, not far from the tennis courts, with the closest road access via Beresford Street West and Howe Street. Register your pooch by 1pm, as we'll be hitting the dogwalk at 2pm sharp.

Proudly supported by Barkley Manor and VitaPet, each and every competition entry fee will be donated to the SPCA.

- WHEN** Sunday 19 February, 1pm
- WHERE** Western Park
- TICKETS** \$5 donation to the SPCA for each competition entry



HEROIC GARDEN FESTIVAL

The Heroic Garden Festival gives attendees exclusive access to some of Auckland's most prestigious and private gardens, all with a point of difference.

Heroic Gardens was started as a fundraising event for the Auckland City Mission's Herne Bay House, a facility that provided care and respite for people living with HIV/AIDS. Today, the festival supports Mercy Hospice Auckland in the same spirit with which the event was created.

Originally conceived to showcase gay and lesbian-owned gardens, the festival has grown to include the gardens of many other Hospice supporters as well.

Now in its 21st year, the 2017 festival features 22 diverse urban and country gardens across Auckland, including food producing and designer gardens, and new gardens open to the public for the first time. Unique to this festival is the opportunity to talk with the garden owners themselves.

This year's Heroic Garden Festival opens with a Heroic Garden Party on Friday 17 February at Bev McConnell's Garden of International Significance, Ayrles.

- WHEN** Friday 17 – Sunday 19 February, 10am–5pm
- WHERE** 22 private gardens across Auckland
- TICKETS** Weekend Pass \$50, Single Garden Pass \$10, Heroic Garden Party \$10
- BOOK** www.heroicgardens.org.nz or 09 376 7579
The Women's Bookshop, Time Out Books, Lahood Window Furnishings, Hair Mechanics, Davis Funerals, Mercy Hospice Shops and Kings Plant Barn stores





BEAR NEW ZEALAND TENT

Come get your registration pack and t-shirt from the Bear New Zealand Tent at the Ending HIV Big Gay Out.

A shady spot and chairs will be provided for those folks wanting to stay and enjoy the entertainment of the day.

WHEN Sunday 12 February, midday–6pm
WHERE Urge Events Beer Garden, Coyle Park
TICKETS FREE
R18 – licensed venue

FURRY BOLLIX

A relaxed atmosphere awaits at The Dog’s Bollix, which has become a haven for the Bear community.

Mix and mingle with the locals and meet and greet our guests from overseas. Hot food from 7pm.

WHEN Monday 13 February, 6pm
WHERE The Dog’s Bollix
TICKETS FREE



BEAR DRAG RACE & DIVAS DINNER

In the traffic-stopping Bear Drag Race, volunteer runners get their best drag outfit on to race down K’ Road from Coco’s Cantina to Caluzzi Cabaret! Free for spectators and competitors. The winner takes it all!

Then, be entertained by the crème de la crème of Bear Drag performers, and your hostess Miss Taro Patch, at the annual Bear Drag Divas Dinner. This event always sells out!

WHEN Tuesday 14 February
Bear Drag Race, 5pm
Bear Drag Divas Dinner, 7pm
WHERE Caluzzi Bar & Cabaret
TICKETS Dinner and show \$60
www.bearnewzealand.co.nz



BEARS GIVE BACK

Condom packing at the New Zealand AIDS Foundation.

Time to replenish all those condom and lube packs you’ve snaffled from all our friendly venues this week!

WHEN Wednesday 15 February, 4pm
WHERE New Zealand AIDS Foundation
TICKETS FREE

UNDERBEAR PARTY

Whip your gear off and celebrate the joy of being among a friendly group of Bears in your best pair of undies.

Music from superstar Urge DJ James Leuii.

WHEN Wednesday 15 February, 9pm–3am
WHERE Downunder
TICKETS Adult \$20
R18 – licensed venue



COMEDY NIGHT

It’s time to feed the Bears again! The hugely popular comedy show celebrating LYC Bear New Zealand Week and Auckland Pride is back at The Classic for the third year in a row!

Starring “The Capital’s Funniest Bear” Neil Thornton and an all-star line-up of New Zealand’s best LGBT and LGBT-friendly comics, including “the little gay rock-star of New Zealand comedy” Eli Matthewson, and some familiar faces from TV3’s *7 Days*.

Neil Thornton is a comedian from New York who tours all over New Zealand and the world. In the US, Neil was the producer of New York’s first all-bear comedy revue, *Funny. Furry. Fierce*, and *MAULED: The Bears of Comedy* at Provincetown Bear Week.

Eli Matthewson is a 2015 Billy T Award nominee, has featured on TV3’s *7 Days* and *AotearoHA*, and is a core writer and cast member of *Jono and Ben* and *Funny Girls*.

Always an incredibly side-splitting night, with pre-show drinks from 7pm. Bears have been known to suffer from hyperventilation, so bring a paper bag just in case.

WHEN Thursday 16 February, 8pm
WHERE The Classic Comedy Club
TICKETS Adult \$25
BOOK www.bearnewzealand.co.nz
R18



Photography Christophe Jamin

MR NEW ZEALAND BEAR 2017 COMPETITION

Who will follow Torrey as the new Mr New Zealand Bear?

Our annual event to choose the most talented and most congenial Bear to represent New Zealand at the Mr Australasia Bear 2017 competition.

The winner receives flights to Melbourne’s Southern HiBearnation in June.

WHEN Friday 17 February, 9pm
WHERE The Dog’s Bollix
TICKETS FREE
R18 – licensed venue
BOOK To enter, email alangranville@hotmail.com

WET FUR

Spa, sauna and complimentary pizza! What better way to kill an afternoon in your towel?

This is your chance to get to know your furry friends from LYC Bear New Zealand Week more intimately.

WHEN Saturday 18 February, 2pm
WHERE Centurian Sauna
TICKETS Adult \$17.50, Concession (Student) \$12
BOOK Bear NZ Pass \$15, Door \$25
R18

TRI-NATIONS 2017

After a one year break, Tri-Nations is back for our 7th unforgettable party – bringing together the best DJs from Australia, the US and New Zealand for one-night only!

Making his New Zealand debut is one of Australia’s most in-demand DJs, Richard Bolt. The big man promises big tunes with his unique brand of high energy beats.

Joining him are Everett Wayne (San Francisco) and local Urge legend Donald Bennett, keeping you glued to the dance floor until 4am.

The big finale of LYC Bear New Zealand Week is back! Grab your tickets early as we expect this event to sell out.

WHEN Saturday 18 February, 9.30pm
WHERE The Dog’s Bollix
TICKETS Adult \$30
BOOK www.iticket.co.nz or 09 361 1000
Marcello’s Caffé
R18 – licensed venue

www.bearnewzealand.co.nz

CLOSING BBQ

Kick back with a beer, a Bear and a BBQ sausage (bun optional), and enjoy a fond farewell to another successful LYC Bear New Zealand Week!

WHEN Sunday 19 February, 2pm
WHERE Shooters Saloon Bar
TICKETS Adult \$20
R18 – licensed venue
www.bearnewzealand.co.nz

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Open to all arse-playing men, from beginners to the extremely experienced. Party time starts with a 2pm optional discussion session with Jock Scott of Arse Class fame.

Kiwifist runs as late into the night as you want. Plenty of slings, plenty of men, private and public spaces, touch-up douche facilities, condoms and gloves. BYO toys and lube, or purchase on the premises.

WHEN Saturday 18 February, 2pm
WHERE Lateshift
TICKETS Adult \$30
R16 – extreme sexual content



CHAMPAGNE

Champagne is Auckland’s exclusive burlesque and striptease event for women only!

This is nude theatre at its best, showcasing some of New Zealand’s best female performers on a night like no other.

Get there early to secure a booth, or sit front row to view the seductive shows.

WHEN Saturday 18 February, 9pm–1am
WHERE 25 Cross Street
TICKETS Adult \$20
R18 – licensed venue and nudity



PIG

A private event with no dress code for those gay and bi men who enjoy the darker, heavier side to sex. Get here and get piggy! Or come and watch others doing it. Mild to wild – it all happens!

Held at the sexiest little cruise club in Auckland, with great equipment and facilities, including a cross, two slings, angled bondage wall and rack, chain-restraints, private rooms with beds, glory holes, a cast iron bath, plus screens playing dirty porn movies and a dark grope room.

WHEN Friday 24 February, 8pm–2am
WHERE Basement Adult Shop & Cruise Club
TICKETS Adult \$20
BOOK www.basementnz.com or 09 302 2250
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EQUASIAN CHEAT & TELL QUIZ NIGHT

Are you smarter than the 5th grader?

Join EquAsian for a night of quiz questions and rainbow mixing hosted by Cecilia Kang (Miss Queen Transsexual New Zealand 2016, Miss Gay Globe New Zealand 2015 and Miss Queen of the Badminton Court 2016) and Aatir Zaidi.

EquAsian Cheat & Tell Quiz Night will be interactive and full of entertainment and information about EquAsian, a social group that organises fun and inclusive events around Auckland for LGBTIQ+ people of Asian descent. There will be free henna temporary tattoos – plus a special performance by Asian drag diva, Empress!

Invite friends, whānau, allies – or your hot date! Come in a quiz team of four, or contact EquAsian if you want to join a team. Pick a funny name for your quiz team, charge up your smartphone for the Google cheat rounds, and prepare to have fun!

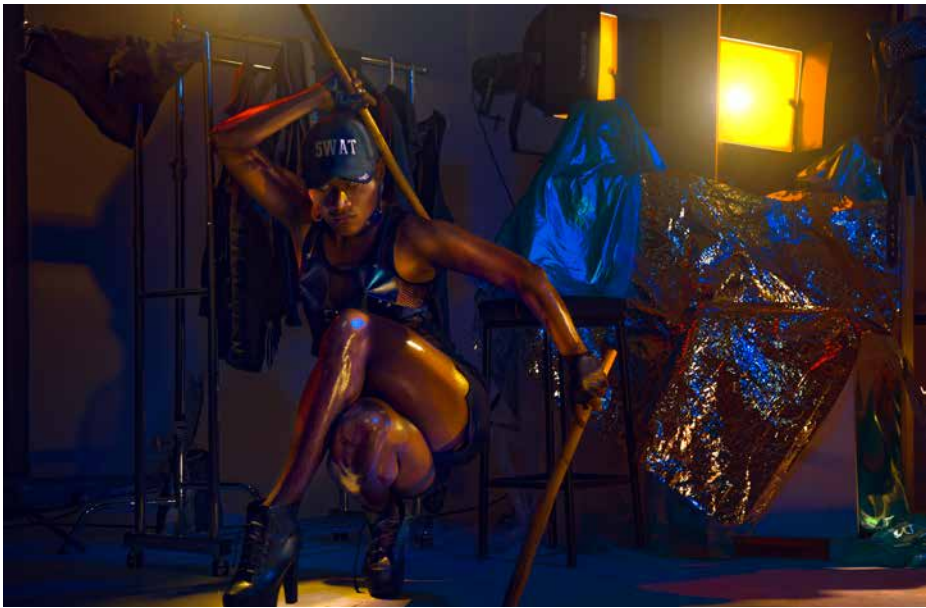
WHEN Saturday 11 February, 6pm

WHERE RainbowYOUTH Drop-in Centre

TICKETS FREE

BOOK To join a quiz team, email info@equasian.org.nz

www.equasian.org.nz



FEMSLICK VOGUE BALL

FAFSWAG

If you've ever lusted to walk a ballroom floor, this is your chance to flex. The culmination of the *FEMSLICK* season at Basement Theatre will see FAFSWAG host a live Vogue Ball at Family Bar. You know what's good.

Our first Vogue Ball for the year is bound to be a LIT-uation, so come through and kiki with the community. Featuring a set by DJ Reina and a House performance from the cast of *FEMSLICK* that will light up the judging panel. Your categories are: Soft and C*nt, Hand Performance, Runway, Sex Siren, Dramatics.

Come Fem, come slick, come however you like, just be sure to come correct. Get your tens, get this battle, get this money and get your life!

WHEN Saturday 18 February, 8pm–11.30pm

WHERE Family Bar

TICKETS Door \$10, Walkers \$5
R18 – licensed venue

www.fafswag.com



SHARE THE LOVE

It's a special evening to celebrate with your loved one, bring your bestie – or find new love! Couples and singles welcome.

This year, Valentine's Day coincides with the end of Chinese New Year, so the lane at Garnet Station will be strung with paper lanterns scrawled with crazy love poems.

We're handing the bar over to creative mixology duo and culinary whizzes Tanah Dowdle and Freddy Sy from Gourmet Joy – and they will dazzle you with their love potion cocktails and a seductive menu created especially for Valentine's.

Does smoked salmon and pink peppercorn pizza tease you up? Does molten cheese fondue with wood fired toasties for two get the magic flowing? Dive into a mascarpone, choc nugget and fresh strawberry dessert pizza, and drive your passions wild!

An indoor/outdoor event, served beneath love letters and fairy lights, with cool tunes to swoon to. Pop in for a sunset drink – dinner bookings essential.

WHEN Tuesday 14 February, 6.30pm–10pm

WHERE Garnet Station

BOOK www.garnetstation.com or 09 360 3397

www.garnetstation.com



OCEANIA BBQ

Love Life Fono Trust presents the Oceania BBQ for all our indigenous Rainbow communities of Oceania to connect and relax over food and drink, summer sun and good company.

Oceania BBQ is a free event that invites everyone to celebrate the closing of Auckland Pride 2017. Hosted in partnership with various communities, this day will bring people together to unwind and break bread.

A place to rest and connect, this community BBQ will feature some great activities, games and workshops for all people to get involved.

Refreshments will be provided and contributions are welcome. This is a shared lunch day, so bring a plate, something for the BBQ, and be sure to pack a picnic blanket, your swimsuit and some sunblock.

WHEN Sunday 26 February, midday–5pm

WHERE Ōrākei Domain

TICKETS FREE

TICKETING & VENUE MAPS

TICKETING INFORMATION

Tickets to Auckland Pride Festival events are sold by a variety of ticketing agents, each with differing booking fees and ticket processing charges. Prices for events listed in this programme are exclusive of these charges.

When tickets are booked in person, by phone, mail or internet, an additional cost may be incurred and will vary from a per-transaction charge to a per-ticket charge depending on which agent is selling the tickets.

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Metro Softball Club – Phyllis Reserve, 22 Phyllis Street, Mount Albert
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Coyle Park – Point Chevalier Road, Point Chevalier
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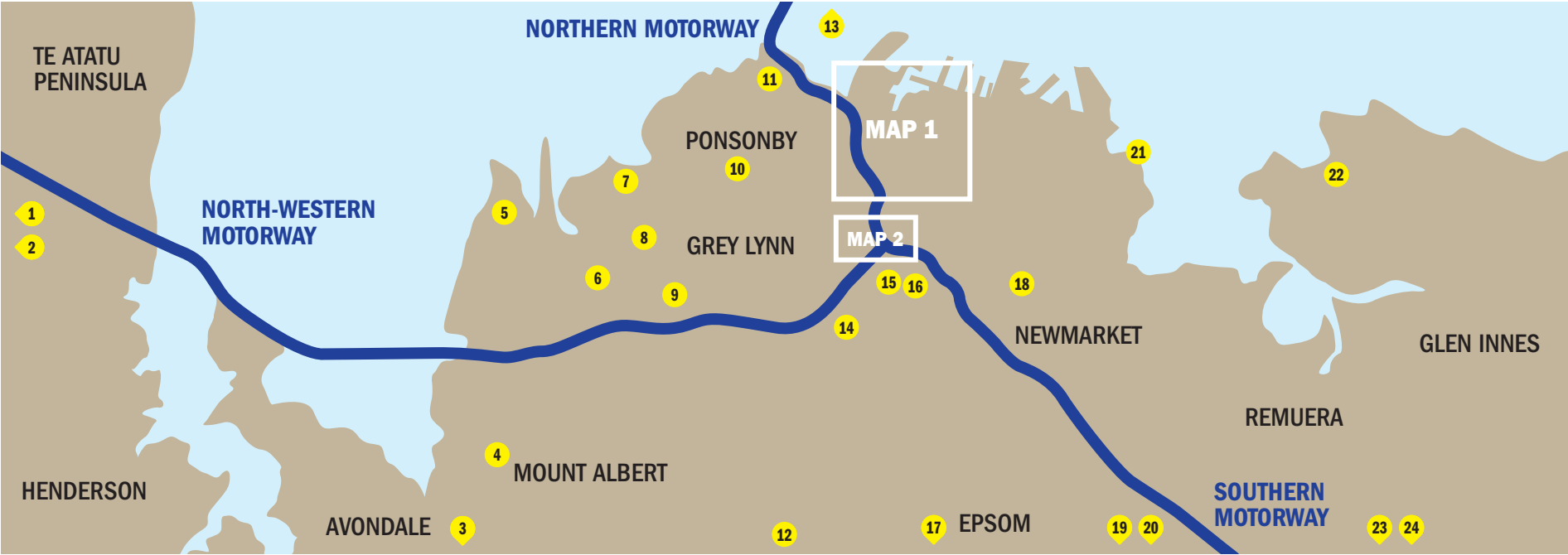
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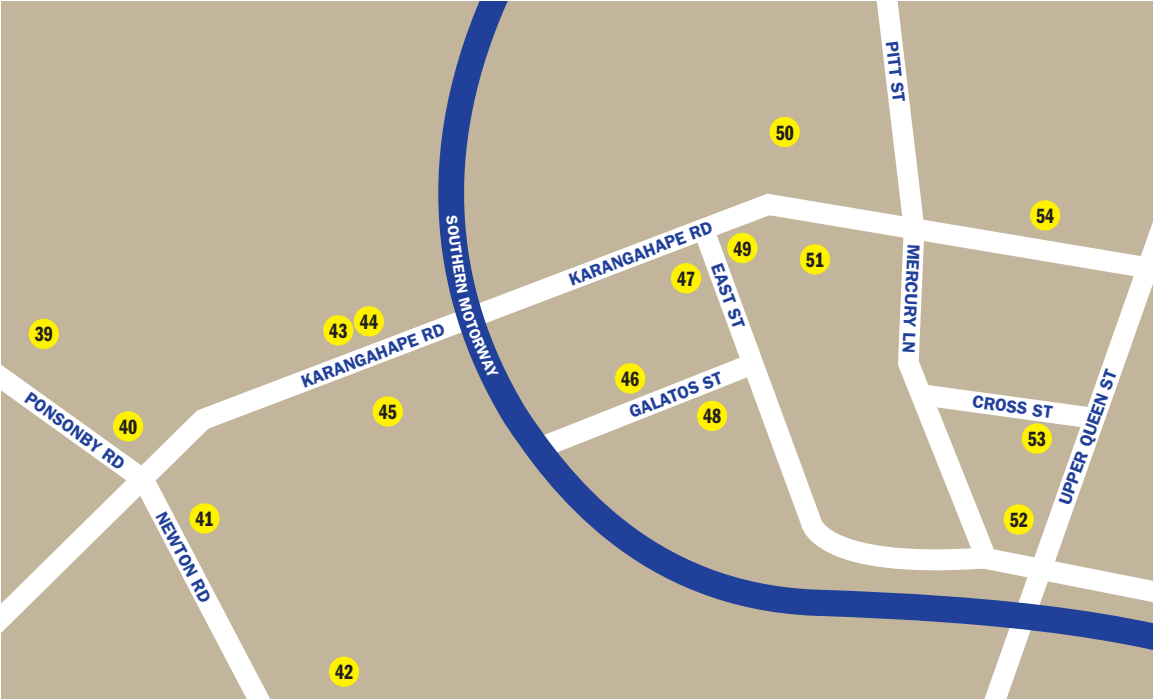
GREATER AUCKLAND MAP



MAP 1: CENTRAL CITY



MAP 2: NEWTON



PRIDE PLANNER

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MAJOR EVENTS	AUCKLAND PRIDE DAWN CEREMONY	Western Park	7	6am																
	AUCKLAND PRIDE GALA	Q Theatre	7	8pm																
	ENDING HIV BIG GAY OUT	Coyle Park	9			12pm														
	AUCKLAND PRIDE PARADE	Ponsonby Rd	10																7.30pm	
	PROUD PARTY	Studio + Galatos St	13																10pm	
THEATRE	LEGACY PROJECT 4	Loft, Q Theatre	24					6.30pm	6.30pm	6.30pm	6.30pm	6.30pm								
	HOT BROWN HONEY	ASB Theatre Stage, Aotea Centre	24					8pm	8pm	8pm	7 + 9.30pm	7pm								
	LOUD & QUEER	Studio, Basement Theatre	24					9pm	9pm	9pm	9pm									
	ROLLING THE R'S/HIT THE WALL	TAPAC	24										1 + 3pm							
	ZE: QUEER AS FUCK	Vault, Q Theatre	25												6.45pm	6.45pm	6.45pm	6.45pm	6.45pm	
	PARDON ME ALAN TURING	Te Pou Theatre	25												7pm	7pm	7pm	7pm	7pm	
COMEDY	CAMPING	Loft, Q Theatre	26	8pm	8pm			8.30pm	8.30pm	8.30pm										
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	DRAG BINGO: PRIDE EDITION	Twentyone, SKYCITY Auckland	26									6pm	4pm							
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CABARET	IMPOSTAR: WHO DOES HE THINK HE IS?	Vault, Q Theatre	27		7.30pm	7.30pm	7.30pm	7.30pm	7.30pm	7.30pm	7.30pm	7.30pm								
	ALL STARS GALA FUNDRAISER	Halo Bar & Restaurant	27									8pm								
	NYC HOUSE PARTY IN MT ROSKILL	Mika Haka Studio	27													7pm	7pm			
	COURTNEY ACT: THE GIRL FROM OZ	Q Theatre	27															8pm		
DANCE	FEMSLICK	Studio, Basement Theatre	28					6.30pm	6.30pm	6.30pm	6.30pm									
	TAKA HAKA: POI EDITION	RainbowYOUTH Drop-in Centre	28									10am								
	SEA CHANGE	Parnell Baths	28												9pm	9pm	9pm	9pm	9pm	9pm
	INTUITION /MENDES	Māngere Arts Centre	28															7pm		
MUSIC	GALS SINGS AT THE GALLERY	Auckland Art Gallery Toi o Tāmaki	29										11am							
	DYKES ON MICS	Falls Park	29										4pm							
	THE NANNAS AND THE POPPAS	Loft, Q Theatre	29												6.30pm	6.30pm	6.30pm	6.30pm	6.30pm	
	NEW NORMAL	The Golden Dawn – Tavern of Power	29															8pm		
VISUAL ARTS	TAKE ME TO THE RIVER	Tim Melville Gallery	30	6pm	11am			11am	11am	11am	11am	11am			11am	11am	11am	11am	11am	
	I HATE YOU, I HATE YOU, I HATE YOU...	Karangahape Road	30		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
	THE WINDOWS ARE ALIVE	Karangahape Road	30		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
	WHEN CAN I SEE YOU AGAIN?	Fresh Gallery Ōtara	30							6pm	10am	8am			10am	10am	10am	10am	8am	
	CRUISING WONDERLAND	The Pah Homestead	31					10am	10am	10am	10am	8am	8am		10am	10am	10am	10am	8am	8am
	MAKE SPACE	various	31												8pm	8pm	8pm	8pm		
	WE DON'T HAVE TO BE THE BUILDING	Studio One, Toi Tū	31													11am	11am	11am	11am	
FILM	ALTERNATIVE	Auckland Art Gallery Toi o Tāmaki	32		1 + 3pm															
	MEMORABLE MOVIES: BOUND	Tiny Theatre, Garnet Station	32		8pm															
	MEMORABLE MOVIES: BEAUTIFUL THING	Tiny Theatre, Garnet Station	32									8pm								
	AROHA 17 FILM FESTIVAL	Event Cinemas Broadway	32						6.30pm											
	WEST OF EDEN	The Vic	32													6.30pm				
LITERATURE	PRIDE POETRY SPEAKEASY	Leys Institute Library Courtyard	34						5.30pm											
	SAME SAME: OPENING NIGHT GALA	Sir Paul Reeves Building, Room WG126, AUT	34								6.30pm									
	VAL MCDERMID		34									9.30am								
	BENJAMIN LAW		34									11am								
	SHORTLAND STREET		34									1pm								
	MANA NGANGAHU: FEMALE WARRIOR		34									2.30pm								
	TALKING QUEER, WRITING QUEER...		35									4pm								
	SPOKEN WORLDS		35									5.30pm								
	SAME SAME: SATURDAY NIGHT SPECIAL		35									7.30pm								
DISCUSSION & DEBATE	THE GREAT AUCKLAND PRIDE DEBATE	Galatos Live	36											7.30pm						
	OUTSPOKEN	Ika Seafood Bar and Grill	36													7pm				
	THE FUTURE OF WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP	Onehunga Community House	36																2pm	
YOUTH	KNOW WHO YOU ARE, BE WHO YOU ARE	RainbowYOUTH Drop-in Centre	37	11am			11am	11am	11am	11am	11am			11am	11am	11am	11am	11am		
	RAINBOWYOUTH OPEN DAY	RainbowYOUTH Drop-in Centre	37		12pm															
	RAINBOW RIBBON MAKING	RainbowYOUTH Drop-in Centre	37					6pm												
	PRIDE NIGHT AT RAINBOW'S END	Rainbow's End	37									6pm								
	PUNCH & MUNCH	Tiny Theatre, Garnet Station	37										4pm							
SPORT & RECREATION	AUCKLAND GAY WALK TO BIG GAY OUT	Corner Point Chev. & Meola Roads	38			11am														
	RIDE WITH PRIDE	Meet outside Britomart	38			11.45am														
	MAKE A SPLASH WITH THE TAMS	Tepid Baths	38							7pm										
	JX LIVE TOUCH TOURNAMENT	Victoria Park	38								5.30pm									
	PRIDE SURF SESSION	Piha Beach	38										10am							
	NZ FALCONS OPEN DAY	Ponsonby Rugby Club	39										12pm							
	PRIDE TENNIS TOURNAMENT	West End Tennis Club	39								6pm									
	LABRYS WOMEN'S SOFTBALL	Metro Softball Club	39																	10am
PETS & GARDENS	WOOF!	Western Park	41										1pm							
	HEROIC GARDEN FESTIVAL	various	41								10am	10am	10am							
LYC BEAR NEW ZEALAND WEEK	FURRY BOLLIX	The Dog's Bollix	42				6pm													
	BEAR DRAG RACE & DIVAS DINNER	Caluzzi Bar & Cabaret	42					5pm												
	BEARS GIVE BACK	New Zealand AIDS Foundation	42						4pm											
	UNDERBEAR PARTY	Downunder	42						9pm											
	COMEDY NIGHT	The Classic Comedy Club	42							8pm										
	MR NEW ZEALAND BEAR 2017	The Dog's Bollix	42								9pm									
	WET FUR	Centurian Sauna	42									2pm								
	TRI-NATIONS	The Dog's Bollix	42									9.30pm								
	CLOSING BBQ	Shooters Saloon Bar	42										2pm							
PARTY & SEXUAL	KIWIFIST	Lateshift	44									2pm								
	CHAMPAGNE	25 Cross Street	44									9pm								
	PIG	Basement Adult Shop & Cruise Club	44															8pm		
PARTY & SOCIAL	EQUASIAN CHEAT & TELL QUIZ NIGHT	RainbowYOUTH Drop-in Centre	45		6pm															
	SHARE THE LOVE	Garnet Station	45					6.30pm												
	FEMSLICK VOGUE BALL	Family Bar	45									8pm								
	OCEANIA BBQ	Ōrākei Domain	45																	12pm

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