



Dear {FIRST\_NAME},

The [Distinguished Alumni Speaker Series](#) began on Monday night with a free public lecture by Emeritus Professor C. K. Stead at the Maidment Theatre. The series runs until Monday 10th March. We hope that you get the chance to join us and fellow alumni at one of these inspiring events.



### Elam fine arts graduates come full circle

Some of the most prestigious graduates from The University of Auckland's Elam School of Fine Arts will come together for the 2008 opening show of the George Fraser Gallery.

[Read more on the Gallery website](#)



### Inspiring Stories

We're always grateful to those alumni who take the time to send us profiles and short biographies. Recently, we've heard from:

[Dr John H Peat](#), renowned Orthodontist who returned to the University of Auckland after retiring to study the Arts.

[Saul Holt](#), (pictured) law graduate who has recently accepted a prestigious senior role with the Victorian Department of Justice in Melbourne.

and [Senthil Balan Danapalan](#), graduate from the Business School who has had a very successful, award winning business career in Malaysia.

### Host International Students to Dinner

Have you ever considered inviting two or three international students to dinner one evening?

The Alumni Host Family Programme matches international students of The University of Auckland with Auckland Host families, with the aim of enhancing the students' experience at Auckland University.

[Find out more details on the alumni website](#)

### → Upcoming events

6 March  
["Removing Barriers and Creating Opportunities" : Lynette Stewart lecture](#)

6 March  
["The Role of Women in the Legal Profession" : Justice Lowell Goddard lecture](#)

7 March  
[Distinguished Alumni Awards Dinner](#)

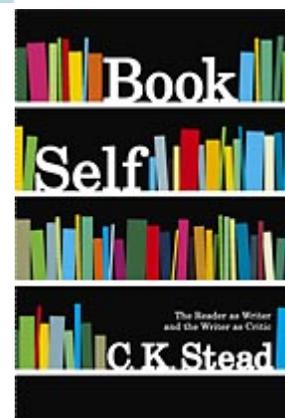
10 March  
["Finding and Funding..." Professor Carrick Chambers lecture](#)

11 March  
[Sir Douglas Robb Lecture: "The origins and history of the multiversity"](#)

13 March  
[Sir Douglas Robb Lecture: "The multiversity and democratic dilemmas"](#)

18 March  
[Sir Douglas Robb Lecture: "'A Thyestean banquet of claptrap': Culture and the soul of the multiversity"](#)

### → Book of the month



**Bookself: The Reader as Writer and the Writer as Critic.** By CK Stead. PB; RRP \$39.99; Alumni price \$33.99.



Gloria Neale (Host Family) with Christina Macleod; Canadian, Kirk Paulsen; United States



### ***La Bohème* Special offer for Auckland Alumni**

The NBR New Zealand Opera would like to offer UoA Alumni a chance to attend their fresh and stylish new production of *La Bohème* in Wellington and Auckland at a very special price.

[More details](#)



### **Competing pressures on the modern university**

Universities' concerns about measuring up to international standards will be among the issues addressed in the 2008 Sir Douglas Robb Lectures at The University of Auckland.

Professor Sheldon Rothblatt, a renowned historian of British, European and university history from the University of California, Berkeley, is delivering three lectures on "The Uses of the University revisited" starting on 11 March.

[Read more about the 2008 Robb Lectures](#)



### **An hour with Professor Joseph Stiglitz**

Nobel Prize winner and Fulbright alumnus Joseph Stiglitz is one of the world's leading economists and public intellectuals. He is widely acknowledged as an inventive, original and provocative thinker.

Join Joseph Stiglitz in conversation with international journalist Rod Oram for an hour of insightful and lively discussion.

[Get the lecture details on the Business School website](#)

In this latest collection of critical writing, CK Stead takes the reader on a personal journey, from his earliest discovery of poetry as a young man to his experiences on the literary trail over the last few years.

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### **New Entertainment Books**

Purchase your new 2008/2009 Entertainment Book now... it is the best Book ever.

The University of Auckland - Alumni Relations is raising funds by selling the 2008/2009 Entertainment Book. Selling for \$65, a portion of the proceeds from the sale of the Entertainment Books will help fund Alumni Relations.

[Read more on the Alumni website](#)

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Until next month,

The Alumni Relations Team  
The University of Auckland  
[www.alumni.auckland.ac.nz](http://www.alumni.auckland.ac.nz)

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