



Maidment re-opens - ticket give away

Work to repair the fire-damaged Maidment Theatre has finished ahead of schedule. The theatre will re-open on July 11, with its first play, Auckland Theatre Company's *The Heretic* opening on July 18.

We have two tickets to give away to the play which stars Jennifer Ward-Lealand as an opinionated scientist whose climate change skepticism soon lands her in hot water: she gets death threats from Sacred Earth Militia, is at odds with her anorexic Greenpeace daughter, and is eventually suspended by her faculty boss and former lover.

"An absolute corker, funny and touching... A play on the side of life and optimism." - *Daily Telegraph*

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Alumna wins Fulbright Scholarship

University of Auckland history graduate and tutor Leilani Tamu has been awarded the 2013 Fulbright-Creative New Zealand Pacific Writer's Residency.



The 30-year-old former diplomat, magazine columnist, Pacific historian and poet will spend three months at the University of Hawai'i at Manoa where she will work on a second book of poetry and prose, called Cultural Diplomacy.

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Albert Wendt appointed to The Order of New Zealand

Albert Wendt (aiga Sa-Tuaopepe of Lefaga and aiga Sa-Patu of Vaiala), Emeritus Professor of English at The University of Auckland and acclaimed writer, painter and poet, has been made a member of the Order of New Zealand in this year's Queen's Birthday Honours List.

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Donating for cancer

Fletcher Construction has donated \$35,000 to match the efforts of a team of University staff who are cycling in New Zealand's inaugural Ride to Conquer Cancer challenge.

Professor Mark McKeage, leader of the University 'Drug Runners' cycling team (pictured below) says the donation is "a huge boost which will help the team get new members on board too".

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World class athletes receive golden support

Seventeen students have been selected as the first recipients of the University's Mahé Drysdale Sports Support Fund.

Among the seventeen recipients are 2012 Olympic silver medallist and [recent European champion](#) Peter Burling and 2010 NZ Commonwealth Games athlete and current NZ women's high jump champion, Elizabeth Lamb.



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Auckland University Press Moving Sale

Auckland University Press are shifting their books to the Craig Potton warehouse in Nelson, and are having a moving sale with 50% off a bunch of favourites until 14 July!

Stock up with great poetry, history, biography and art books for the long winter nights ahead or buy for Christmas early.

Check out the sale books in the AUP online store.

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Countdown to Winter Lectures

The countdown is on to the 2013 Winter Lecture Series; *Charms and harms of natural medicines* which begins with Distinguished Professor Margaret Brimble's lecture on 23 July.

This year's Winter lecture series speaks to popular interest in natural medicines, and real concerns over their quality, safety and efficacy.



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Events Calendar

- 15 Jul [Sydney Alumni and Friends Reception](#)
- 16 Jul [Melbourne Alumni and Friends Reception](#)
- 7 Aug [Wellington Alumni and Friends Reception](#)

Yangjang Group, Shu Tu Tong Gui

The current exhibition by the international artist collective, Yangjiang Group, *Calligraphy and Scratching Leading to the Same Thing* (2013) is on at the George Fraser Gallery as part of the 5th Auckland Triennial, until 11 August.

The direction of the Group's work is driven by Chinese classical philosophy, the traditions of Chinese calligraphy, and notions of social transformation.

A Chinese tea ceremony, supported by Elam School of Fine Arts students, will be performed in the gallery from 2-3pm, Tuesday and Saturday using Waiariki spring water.

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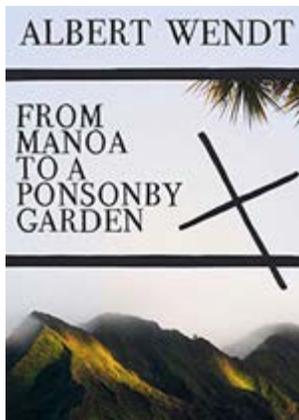


Wine of the month: Goldie Marlborough Pinot Gris 2012

Brand new to the Goldie range. Excellent intensity and freshness in this delightful wine. It has delicious pear and floral aromas with a hint of spice in the lush palate. Cellar door price is \$29/btl but only \$24 /btl if bought by the case (12 bottles) via the Auckland Campus Store using the Alumni and friends button.



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Book of the month: *From Manoa to a Ponsonby Garden*

Professor Emeritus Albert Wendt ONZ
Published by Auckland University Press
PB, RRP \$24.99; [UoA Alumni Price \\$21.25](#)

'Artfully artless, these are poems that effortlessly turn us into old friends of Wendt's, eager to catch up on the latest news of his domestic doings.' - Hugh Roberts, NZ Books

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[Careers survey](#)

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History of Research at The University of Auckland

Find out about the history of our research. This video features interviews with Distinguished Professor Jane Harding, Emeritus Professor Raewyn Dalziel, Emeritus Professor Ranginui Walker and Emeritus Professor Dick Bellamy. Film and music by students of The University of Auckland.

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[O'Rorke Hall 65th Reunion](#)

Next year marks the 65th anniversary of O'Rorke Hall. All former residents are invited to a Reunion event on November 27, 2014.

Make sure you keep your contact details updated to receive further information about the event. Or if you'd like to find out more about what is planned, please contact Annalise Davidson - ororkehall@auckland.ac.nz



Society News: Salon Series begins

The exciting new Society members only Salon Series of events starts with 'Poetry in Focus' on July 17. We are delighted to have secured Emeritus Professor C.K.Stead, Paula Green and Grace Taylor (*pictured left*) for this first session which will be chaired by Renee Liang.

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Society News: Mayoral Debate

Leading Mayoral candidates will debate the big issues facing the future of Auckland on 4 September. Society members will have the opportunity to attend a VIP reception in the Owen G. Glenn Foyer before the debate.



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Society News: Free events for Society members

Society members who live outside Auckland can now attend selected alumni and friends events free of charge.



This includes our Wellington event at Te Papa on 7 August. Contact Rachel Jefferies by Friday 26 July to register (email alumni-events@auckland.ac.nz or phone 09 923 3566).

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