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## Farewell and thanks

As this is my last @auckland as Director, may I thank all alumni and friends for your interest in, and support of Alumni Relations and Development activities over the last ten years, and wish you all a very happy Xmas and New Year, 2013.



Kind regards,

John Taylor  
Director, Alumni Relations and Development

## Events Calendar

**28 Feb:** [Auckland Live 2013](#)

**1 Mar:** [Distinguished Alumni Awards Dinner](#)

**21 Mar:** [Law Reunion - Class of 1988, 25th Anniversary](#)



We're pleased to welcome Law alumni of the graduating class of 1988 to be a part of the Law reunion celebrating 25 years since graduation.

[View all University events](#)

## Auckland Live! 20/20 Vision

Finlay Macdonald hosts this year's Distinguished Alumni in a fast paced, forward looking discussion about success, politics, art, wine and more.



[Read more and buy tickets](#)



All tickets sold go in the draw to WIN a six bottle case of Goldie wine.



## Distinguished Alumni Awards 2013 - 1 March

Vice-Chancellor Professor Stuart McCutcheon and The University of Auckland Society are pleased to invite all alumni and friends to a dinner to recognise the significant contribution made by distinguished alumni in their respective fields.

[Read more about the Dinner](#)

[Buy tickets](#)



## Royal visit

November 12 was an exciting day for those in the University community who had the opportunity to welcome the royal visitors: His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales and the Duchess of Cornwall.



*Dr Mark Sagar discusses his research with the Prince of Wales*

[More about the royal visit](#)

**Prime Minister's**



### AUP design award

Alumni-owned designers Alt Group have won an award at the Australian Design Biennale for the Auckland University Press identity and branding.

[See more on the Biennale website](#)

### Awards for Literary Achievement announced

Auckland University Press is honoured to have published all three of the 2012 recipients of the Prime Minister's Awards for Literary Achievement, announced last month in Wellington.



*Albert Wendt, CNZM*

[More about the Awards](#)

### Science prize for University researcher

Dr James Russell has won the 2012 MacDiarmid Emerging Scientist Prize for his research - an innovative combination of ecology, statistics and genetics to prevent rats and other mammalian pests invading predator-free islands.



[Read more](#)

### First International Pasifika Early Childhood Education (ECE) Conference

This is the first time in the history of the Faculty of Education that such a gathering has been called.



Join us in Auckland, 30 January to 1 February 2013

[More about the Conference](#)

### Major scholarship for Quartet

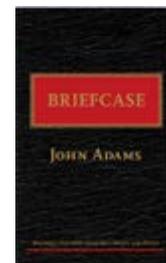
The Rothko Quartet - formed only five months ago - has won a \$50,000 international scholarship to travel and perform in the UK.



[More about The Rothko Quartet](#)

### AUP Book of the month: *Briefcase*

John Adams (Alumnus: Law; Creative Writing) Published by AUP PB, \$24.99; UoA Alumni Price \$21.25



This superb, disordered 'novella' in legal documents won the 2012 NZSA Jessie Mackay Award for Best First book of Poetry.

[More about \*Briefcase\*](#)  
[Download the AUP discount form](#)

The Society Executive Committee thanks all its members for their support this year and wishes everyone a safe, sunny and festive holiday period.

Registration deadline for Society Christmas function/AGM has been extended to Friday 7th December.

[Click here to register](#)

Personalised invitations to attend the Distinguished Alumni Awards Dinner on Friday 1 March 2013 will be posted to Society members shortly. Don't forget that members can attend the Dinner and Auckland Live! 20/20 Vision: Fast Forward Thinking at discounted ticket prices and can sit together.

[Read more and buy tickets](#)



*Old Government House, venue for this year's Christmas event*

[Find out more about The University of Auckland Society](#) [Join the Society](#)

### Great reviews - Goldie Wines

Read about some timely new reviews of Goldie wines mentioned in last month's *@auckland*. If you are buying wine for Christmas, the wines are terrific value and orders support the University.

[More about the reviews](#)



### Made in NZ

*Made in NZ* by Chris Mirams and Ross Land is a beautiful coffee table book that salutes successful New Zealanders (including many University of Auckland Alumni and Staff) from the full gamut of New Zealand society. Ross Land has created captivating portraits of each subject, while Chris Mirams has written thought-provoking and insightful chapters on each person.

Alumni Relations has a free copy to give away. To enter the competition email [alumni@auckland.ac.nz](mailto:alumni@auckland.ac.nz) by 14th December. Include your name, contact details and *Made in NZ* competition in the subject header to go in the draw to win a copy.



### Training Dietitians for Today and Tomorrow

The University of Auckland is pleased to be offering the Master of Health Sciences in Nutrition and Dietetics from 2013. The Programme involves 2 years of full time study. It will be taught by dietetic experts and clinicians and informed by internationally recognised researchers. "We envision course graduates will be skilled in patient-centred care,



clinical reasoning and evidence-based practice," says  
Dr Clare Wall, Academic Director.

[Read more about the new Programme](#)

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