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Dear {FIRST_NAME},

There is a lot to be proud of this month, with University of Auckland graduates and staff well represented at the Auckland International Film Festival and on the Montana New Zealand Book Awards shortlist. Of course, we'd also like to congratulate final year student Anthony Boric on his recent All Blacks selection. Read on for more details of all these achievements and all the latest alumni news.



Student selected as All Black

Final-year Civil Engineering student Anthony Boric has been selected to play for the All Blacks. The 23-year-old found out he was in the All Blacks squad on 1 June when he heard his name read out on the radio.

[Read the full story on the Alumni & Friends website.](#)



Whangarei Alumni & Friends Reception - 6 August

Next month, we are heading up to Northland for our inaugural Alumni & Friends reception to continue our theme of celebrating alumni and our 125th jubilee. The reception will feature Distinguished Alumna Lynette Stewart and a performance by the NZ Trio.

[Get the event details.](#)

Honorary doctorates for illustrious pair



Honorary doctorates have been presented to Jenny Gibbs,

→ Upcoming events

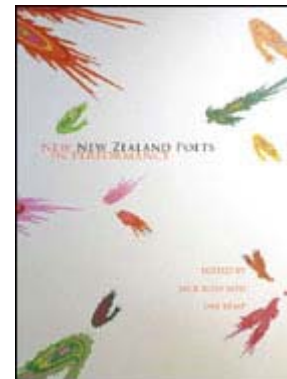
8 July
[Public lecture by Professor James K. Hoffmeier; New Light on the Exodus From Egypt and Recent Excavations in North Sinai.](#)

24 July
[Sydney Alumni & Friends reception](#)

6 August
[Whangarei Alumni & Friends reception](#)

9-10 August
[Sylvia Ashton Warner Conference](#)

→ Book of the month



New New Zealand Poets in Performance, edited by alumni Jack Ross and Jan Kemp. Paperback; 2 CDs; RRP \$44.99; Alumni price \$35.99

New New Zealand Poets in Performance celebrates the rich jangle of clashing ideas, voices and genders of our contemporary culture. It collects in book and on CD poems by 28 poets - who came to prominence from the 1980s onwards - notable for their variety, their fresh approaches to form and subject, and their distinctive but complementary voices.

[Go to the AUP website](#)

a major benefactor and patron of the arts, and to Professor Lord Robert Winston, a prominent British medical scientist and television presenter.

[Read more on the Alumni & Friends website.](#)

Hood Fellowships awarded

The Hood Fellowships, established in honour of former Vice-Chancellor Dr John Hood and generously supported with major funding from the Lion Foundation, allow for a rich sharing and exchange of academic expertise from all over the world.

In the latest round seven Hood Fellowships have been awarded, one to an outgoing academic and six to visiting scholars.

[Read more on the Alumni & Friends website.](#)



PM launches marine centre campaign

On 21 June, the Rt Hon Helen Clark launched a national and international campaign to raise funds to develop a South Pacific Centre for Marine Science (SPCMS), and announced a gift of \$4.5 million from the Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust.

[Read more on the Alumni & Friends website.](#)



University boasts record entries at International Film Festival

A record five films from The University of Auckland's Graduate Programme in Screen Production will be featured in next month's 40th Auckland International Film Festival. *Apron Strings* (pictured) will open the festival, where it will also make its world premiere. The feature film was written by FTVMS Screen Production Senior Lecturer Shuchi Kothari and Dianne Taylor, a graduate of and part-time tutor in the department.

[Read more.](#)

Auckland University Blues Awards



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[Aotearoa NZ Sound Archive, from which the recordings of the poets are drawn and which is partly held at The University of Auckland](#)

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A University of Auckland Blue is the highest cultural or sporting accolade that can be attained at university level.

In this 125th Jubilee year, the organisers are actively seeking to increase the number of applicants. Completed nomination forms need to be received by August 1st.

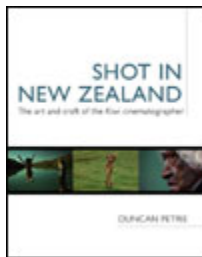
[Read more and download a nomination form on the AUSA website](#)

Informal NYC get together

New York Volunteer Alumni Coordinator, Rosena Sammi and Alumni Relations Manager, Amanda Lyne, would like to invite you an informal get-together in New York on 16 July.

The event will take place at PUBLIC in the back lounge.

[Read more on the Alumni & Friends website.](#)



University well represented in Montana NZ Book Awards shortlist

A book by a University of Auckland Film, Television and Media Studies professor has been selected as a finalist in the Montana New Zealand Book Awards. On the same shortlist, are five Auckland University Press books, more than any other publisher.

[Read about the Montana Awards here.](#)
[Read about the AUP discount for alumni.](#)

Alumni & Friends reception in Sydney

There is still time to register for the Sydney Alumni and Friends reception being held at the MCA on 24 July featuring Emeritus Professor Carrick Chambers and The Blackbird Strings.

[Read more and RSVP on the Alumni & Friends website.](#)

CK Stead to participate in Sylvia Ashton-Warner Conference

As part of the International Sylvia Ashton-Warner Conference in August, University of Auckland Emeritus Professor of English CK Stead will interview New York-City-based Robert Gottlieb of Knopf Publishing. Described by the Wall Street Journal as "the most influential book editor in the world", Robert Gottlieb was Sylvia's publisher and has run two of America's most prestigious publishing companies, Simon & Schuster and Alfred A Knopf. The interview will take place via satellite from the United

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