

Auckland Heritage Festival 2013 celebrates our history and heritage with over 200 events across the region. The festival will kick off with a public open weekend at Shed 10, Queens Wharf on 28 & 29 September.

Pick up a Heritage events booklet at our next meeting, from the library (spare copies also at Mill Cottage), or check out the programme online. Below is a selection. Events listed on these pages are free unless cost details

are given. Also, please note if booking is required.

## WEST AUCKLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY events:

**A Western Walk in the Park Series** - featuring the exhibition: *A Kauri Passed This Way,* (open Mondays & Saturdays, 10am-3pm) & three walks.

Twin Streams Walk: 28 September, 7 October A flat 2km walk showcasing the history of Henderson's 'Twin Streams' and the sawmill, featuring Henderson's Mill dam site, Falls Hotel, Tui Glen and Cranwell's Delta. Colonial Picket Walk: 5 October: A walk that

contrasts the development of the early Lincoln fruitgrowing Estate together with colonial religion and politics.

<u>Corbans Winery Walk</u>: 30 September, 12 October: a walk focusing on the pioneer wine-making at Corban Estate, including unique concrete wine-vats, the Tank Farm and iconic Still building.

Walks: 10am-12pm. **Booking required.** Tel: 838 1599 or 027 662 9292. Email: mountier@kol.co.nz

Venue: Mill Cottage, 35 Sel Peacock Drive, Henderson

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## 50 Years of Fashion

This fashion exhibition displays the styles commonly worn by New Zealand women throughout the decades from the 60s through to today.

**Date:** 28 September - 13 October during shopping hours **Venue:** LynnMall, 3058 Great North Rd, New Lynn

## Remains of the Clay: Walking Tour of New Lynn

Join Robyn Mason for an insight into New Lynn's clay industry that provided bricks for Auckland's buildings, sewer pipes and crockery for the country. **Date:** 9 October - 11 October. **Venue:** Meet in Memorial Square, outside New Lynn Memorial Library **Booking required**. Phone: 09 301 0101 Ext 42 7505 Email: Raewynn.Robertson@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

Waters of the West: Historic photographs of Auckland's West Coast: Local History Librarian, Raewynn Robertson will give a presentation of historic photographs of the Manukau Harbour and the West Coast.

**Date:** 1 October. **Venue:** Titirangi Library. 11am-12pm. **Date:** 4 October: **Venue:** West Auckland Research Centre, Waitakere Central Library. Henderson. 11am-12pm.

## Te Henga Pillow Lavas & Volcanic Crater Guided Walk

Take a beach walk, led by geologist Bruce Hayward, to see spectacular pillow lavas and an eroding crater, formed 18 million years ago by the Waitākere volcano. **Date:** 13 October. 9.30am-12pm **Vanue:** To Honga (Bothells Boach) carpark

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## God Willing and Weather Permitting

Enjoy a ferry trip from the CBD to Hobsonville Point, learning about the use of the sea, harbours, estuaries and rivers in days before modern transport. **Date:** 5 October. **Venue:** Catching the ferry from Pier 4, Downtown Auckland travelling to Hobsonville Point **Cost:** \$10 adults, \$5 children, \$25 family group (two adults and two children). **Booking required.** Website: www.aucklandtransport.govt.nz/heritagefestival

## Historic Hobsonville: Heritage Images

Local history librarian Raewynn Robertson presents heritage images of Hobsonville from the West Auckland Research Centre's photograph collections. **Date:** 8 October.

**Venue:** John Lawson Room, Massey Library, cnr Don Buck Road and Westgate Drive, Massey



#### Two events presented by Sandra Coney

#### **On the Radar: The story of Piha's WW2 Radar Station Date:** 1 October. 6-8pm **Venue:** Glen Eden Library

# **Booking required:** <u>protectpihaheritage@xtra.co.nz</u>, or tel. 09 3567074

Based on her new book, Sandra Coney tells the untold story about a city under threat and how radar protected it. It is also the story of some startling discoveries that are internationally credited with laying the foundations of the science of radio astronomy.

## Our Boys: Researching Your Local WW1 Roll of Honour Date: 30 September. 6-8 pm,

**Venue:** Whare, Level 2, Auckland City Library, **Booking required:** email Elaine.stephenson@auckland council.govt.nz. Phone 09 301 0101 With the centenary of WW1 starting in 2014, local communities are being encouraged to research the lives of the names on local cenotaphs and Rolls of Honour. This talk will draw on Sandra Coney's work researching the life stories of the 49 men listed on the Roll of Honour on Lion Rock, Piha. Sandra will describe how she went about her own research and what she has learned, helping others gain the skills and identify the resources to do similar research. A research template will be made available to participants.

#### Whau Images: New Lynn Then and Now

A display of images showing the impact of the Whau River on New Lynn's development **Date:** 28 September - 13 October **Venue:** New Lynn War Memorial Library

#### McCahon House Heritage Walks and Talks

During the 1950s well-known New Zealand artist Colin McCahon lived in French Bay Titirangi. Come enjoy two talks, one on Titirangi life in the '50s and the other with Peter Simpson on McCahon's work featuring kauri. **Date:** 6 October. 11am-12pm **Venue:** McCahon House, 67 Otitori Bay Road, French Bay, Titirangi. **Booking required. Email:** mccahon@mccahonhouse.org.nz **Website:** <u>www.mccahonhouse.org.nz</u>

#### Open Day at St Ninians of Avondale

Discover one of Auckland's oldest cemeteries located at St Ninians Hall in Avondale, this year celebrating 140 years. The tour also takes you inside the interior of this historic church.

**Date:** 5 October. 9am-4.30pm. Cemetery Tour: 10am. **Venue:** St Ninians Church Hall, 17 St Georges Road, Avondale

#### Conversations on Avondale, 1930-40s, 1960s-70s

Lisa Truttman will facilitate a "storytelling" conversation with Arthur Milner on Avondale during the 1930s-1940s and Sheelagh Weldon during the 1960s-1970s. **Date:** 6 October, 4-5pm **Venue:** Avondale Library

#### Blockhouse Bay - Going about it's business: A historical view of local businesses

Discover the history of Blockhouse Bay's businesses with photo displays exploring the decades. Enjoy the village walk, and visit 28 historic sites and murals. **Date:** 28 September - 13 October

**Venue:** Blockhouse Bay Community Centre, 524 Blockhouse Bay Rd, Blockhouse Bay Community Library &

## Blockhouse Bay Historic Photograph Display

**Date:** 1 October, 10am-2pm **Venue:** Armanasco Historic Homestead, 578 Blockhouse Bay Road

#### **Onehunga** Carnegie Library

Come and celebrate the one hundred and first birthday of the historic Onehunga Carnegie Library with a delightful high tea, held every day. **Date:** 28 September - 13 October **Venue:** The Library Café, 55 Princes Street, Onehunga **Cost:** High Tea \$20 per person. **Booking required**. **Phone:** 636 7292. **Email:** info@librarycafe.co.nz

## Kupe Sites: Landmarks of a great voyager

Celebrate the great Polynesian voyager Kupe's connections with New Zealand in this Te Papa touring exhibition.

**Date:** 28 September - 13 October **Venue:** Voyager Maritime Museum, Cnr Quay and Hobson Streets, Viaduct Harbour **Cost:** Free to Auckland residents.

## From Te Weiti to the Wade - How a river shaped a community

A visual journey down a river that has been known at different times for its rafts of timber, beachside recreation and the smuggling of rum. **Date:** 28 September - 29 September. **Venue:** Silverdale Pioneer Village, 15 Wainui Road, Silverdale

#### Historic Kaipara Waterways

A photographic exhibition from the Harold Marsh Heritage Collection (early 1900s) illustrating the Kaipara's importance for travel, food, recreation & sport. **Date:** 28 September - 13 October **Venue:** Albertland Museum and Heritage Centre, Library Plaza, Memorial Park Wellsford **Cost:** \$5 adults, \$1 children

#### "Armed. Ready. And waiting..." Short Film Launch

Ever wondered what all those old concrete structures dotted around coastal Auckland were all about? This short film gives us a glimpse into the impressive WWII defence network and the citizens that manned them. **Date:** 12 October. **Venue:** Barracks Building, summit of North Head Historic Reserve, 18 Takarunga Road, Devonport. Following the launch at 1pm, the film will screen continuously until 4pm, then daily in the Fire Command Post from 8.30am to 4pm. Tours of North Head also available: www.forts.org.nz