

ARTSENTA

Pānui /Newsletter

Pēpuere / February
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Hoki mai anō! Welcome back!

Kia ora koutou, welcome back to Artsenta and your creative community. Artsenta staff had a really good tidy up at the end of last year including painting the gallery area. We're all looking forward to an awesome year of creativity and there's some great events and projects coming up which I encourage everyone to get stuck into. Throughout 2025 we will be preparing for next year's 40th celebrations. We'll keep you posted on the developments. Lastly, a big warm welcome to Lisa, our new staff member who will be leading our ceramics area. Lisa brings lots of skills and experience and it's great to have a full team once again. Mauri ora.

Paul McLellan-Smith

Market Day Fun!

Artsenta celebrated another successful Market Day with 13 artists participating. We had an array of arts and crafts from handmade jewellery, to dry point etching prints, to cute crocheted animals!

"It was so great to be a part of Artsenta Market Day. I loved seeing all the other artists' work displayed and I picked up some great pieces for Christmas gifts and myself. I also love talking to other market goers about the dry point etching process and what goes into making a print. It gave me such a confidence boost that so many people liked my work and even purchased them for their friends and their homes."

Fiona



End of Year Shenanigans 2024

On Wednesday the 18th of December, Artsenta hosted another successful *End of Year Shenanigans* event. Compared to the previous year, we had twice the number of performers take part. They treated the audience to poetry and musical items, which included an impressive array of original songs. It was great to see the mix of experienced performers, and first-time debutants take to the stage to share their talent and charisma.

Stephen's reflection:

"I am always impressed by the multitude of talent displayed at the Artsenta concerts. As for me, I seem to have a hankering for soulful ballads with hopeful endings, as was the case with John Denver's, "Leaving on a Jet Plane." I hope you enjoyed!"

Artists' Voice 2025

Artists' Voice champions artist issues at Artsenta and meets every month. The artist members from 2024 have all reconfirmed for 2025, which is awesome. A big thank you to the artists — we appreciate all your hard work and contributions to our community.

Any artist can raise an issue with Artists' Voice or use the Suggestion Box in the kitchen. Stay tuned to find out more details from Artist Voice in the next newsletter!

Artsenta group show coming up

at the Otago Art Society!

May 5th - 16th

Change of Wednesday hours

From February we will be opening from 12 noon on **Wednesdays**. This change is needed to ensure we can provide the best service possible to artists. It will allow staff more time for planning events, projects, outings (and our 40th), training, professional development, amongst other things. We are mindful this affects some artists and we thank you for your understanding.

Artwaves Radio Show

We are excited to get back on the "Artwaves" at OARFM – 105.4FM every other Wednesday @ 2pm. This year we are planning to recreate our jingles with fresh ideas from our artists.

We are looking forward to bringing our artists' musical selections, poetry readings and all the latest news from Artsenta. Wherever creativity is happening in & around Artsenta we will tell you all about it!!! If you'd like to get involved please talk to the staff.



Em-PAW-rium

Artsenta Fringe Festival Exhibition
@ Artsenta's Pop Up Gallery from the
13th - 21st March.

Opening 2pm on **Thursday 13th.**

Everything about the animals we love!

Lizzette's Pop-Up Exhibition:

To Tatou Haerenga

Join us to celebrate the incredible multi-media artist Lizzette! From paintings, to sculptures, to weaving, to plenty of mixed media works it's a show you cannot miss! Lizzette has been composing waiata for the opening too.

Opening on **Monday 14th April** at 2pm at Artsenta's Pop-Up Gallery. It will be on display until the **25th April.**

A big welcome to Lisa, our new Arts Facilitator.

Tēnā koutou, I am looking forward to connecting with you all and sharing the joys of making with clay. I'm a very curious person and I love learning. My most recent project is teaching myself furniture upholstery. Some of my passions are being in nature, gardening, dancing and music.



Lisa in the Pottery Corner.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Pēpuere/February

6th - Closed - Waitangi Day.

12th - Closed - Staff training day.

19th - Marae Trip - Artsenta Closed.

Māehe/March

13th - *Em-PAW-rium* opening @ 2pm.

13th - 21st - Fringe Exhibition:

Em-PAW-rium.

24th - Closed - Otago Anniversary.

26th Artsenta Concert.

Āperira/April

14th - Lizzette's Pop-Up opening @ 2pm.

18th - Closed - Good Friday.

21st - Closed - Easter Monday.

25th - Last day of Lizzette's Pop-Up.