

2018 ROTORUA AUTUMN EVENTS GUIDE



REGULAR EVENTS

ROTORUA NIGHT MARKET

Every Thursday, 5pm - 9pm
Tutanekai Street, between Hinemoa & Haupapa Streets

Experience the family-friendly atmosphere full of vibrant entertainment, ethnic eateries and boutique-style shopping.

Free
@RotoruaNightMarket



ROTORUA FARMERS MARKET

Every Sunday, 9am - 1pm
Te Manawa, Tutanekai Street

With a wide range of fresh, local produce, speciality foods and live entertainment, there's something for everyone!

Free
@RotoruaFarmersMarket



ROTARY MARKET

Every Saturday, 6am - 1.30pm
Kuirau Park

A fantastic array of fresh produce, delicious food, second hand goods and homemade crafts.

Free
@KuirauMarket

SOUNDSHELL MARKET

Every first and third Sunday in the month, 9am - 3pm
Village Green, Rotorua Lakefront

A fun market filled with crafts, collectables, jewellery, clothing, plants, books and much more.

Free
07 332 5782

MUSIC AT THE BAND ROTUNDA

Every Sunday until 18 March 2018, 1pm - 3pm
Band Rotunda, Government Gardens

Bring along a deck chair and lay back to enjoy a great range of music and entertainment in a beautiful setting.

Free
@CreativeRotorua



UKEBOX

Sunday 18 March 2018, Sunday 15 April 2018, Sunday 20 May 2018, 3pm
Te Rūnanga Tea House

Rotorua Museum and the Thermaleles present a fun ukulele jam session.

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rotorua.museum.co.nz



LUNCHTIME WITH LYNDA

Every weekday, 12pm - 2pm
Rotorua Library Te Aka Mauri, 1127 Haupapa Street

Watch tutorials and lectures on a range of topics from Lynda.com on the big screen.

Free



HE PĪ KA RERE – ADVENTURERS

Every Thursday, 10.30am - 11.30am
Rotorua Library Te Aka Mauri, 1127 Haupapa Street

Under fives take flight in these fun, developmental sessions including storytime, songs, movement and craft.

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HE PĪPĪ PAOPAO – FIRST STEPS

Every Wednesday, 10.30am - 11.15am
Rotorua Library Te Aka Mauri, 1127 Haupapa Street

Under twos take their first steps to a world of literacy and wellbeing with movement and massage between baby and parent.

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POUTŪTERANGI MARCH

TE ARAWA KAPA HAKA REGIONAL COMPETITION

Friday 2 - Saturday 3 March 2018
Rotorua Energy Events Centre

Roopu fiercely 'haka it out' to represent Te Arawa at Te Matatini National Kapa Haka Festival.

Tickets start from \$10
ticketmaster.co.nz

CHILDREN'S WEEKEND 2018

CELEBRATING CHILDREN AROUND THE WORLD

Saturday 3 March 2018, 10am - 3pm
Various locations in Rotorua CBD including Children's Art House, The Arts Village, Te Rūnanga Tea House, Band Rotunda, Village Green, Rotorua Library Te Aka Mauri, Rotorua Aquatic Centre

Grab your event passport and enjoy a wide range of free international activities celebrating children.

REDWOODS CHILDREN'S DAY

Sunday 4 March 2018, 1.30pm - 4.30pm
Redwoods, Long Mile Road

From art to music, stories to forest adventures, there is something for everyone!

Free
rotorualakescouncil.nz/childrenswweekend



NZ POWER BOAT RACING NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Saturday 3 - Sunday 4 March 2018, 9am - 5pm
Blue Lake, Tarawera Road

See the fastest race boats in New Zealand competing at speeds of up to 180mph.

\$10 per car, door sales only
nzpb.com

COPTHORNE ROTORUA OFF ROAD HALF MARATHON

Sunday 4 March 2018, 9am - 2pm
Waipa Mountain Bike Park, Waipa Mill Road

Watch the competitors in action as they walk and run through the scenic forest trails.

Free to watch
eventpromotions.co.nz/rotorua-off-road-half-marathon

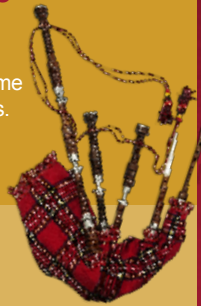


NZ PIPE BAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

Friday 9 - Saturday 10 March 2018
Rotorua International Stadium

Enjoy the best of New Zealand pipe bands as they come together to compete for the title of National Champions.

Ticket prices apply, door sales only
nzpipebands.org.nz



TUMMY & TOTS EXPO

Saturday 10 March 2018, 10am - 5pm
Distinction Rotorua Hotel & Conference Centre

Everything relating to pregnancy, babies, children under 5 and family life.

\$5, buy tickets at the door
tummyandtots.co.nz

ROTORUA PARKS WEEK

Saturday 10 - Sunday 18 March 2018
Various Rotorua parks

Check out the wide range of free events on offer celebrating our parks.

Free
rotorualakescouncil.nz/parkweek



EXHIBITIONS: 'HERE AND NOW' AND 'FLUID EXPLORATIONS'

Saturday 10 March - Saturday 14 April 2018
Mon - Fri: 9am - 4.30pm, Sat: 10am - 4pm, Closed: Sun/Pub Hols
The Arts Village, 1240 Hinemaru Street

Two solo exhibitions by local artists Sophie Perry (Mosaic Gallery) and Tabitha Ramsay (Cottage Gallery).

Free
artsvillage.org.nz



CRAIGS INVESTMENT PARTNERS MOONRIDE

Saturday 10 March 2018, 10am - 10.45pm
Waipa Mountain Bike Park, Waipa Mill Road

Check out these awesome riders in the iconic Moonride!

Free to watch
eventpromotions.co.nz/rotorua-moonride



MARY POPPINS – A BROADWAY MUSICAL

Sunday 11 - Saturday 24 March 2018
Rotorua Energy Events Centre

Experience the spellbinding magic of Mary Poppins in this supercalifragalistic family favourite.

Tickets start from \$29
ticketmaster.co.nz
@MaryPoppinsRotorua



ROTORUA MUSEUM CRAFT REVIVAL CAFÉ – MACRAMÉ

Tuesday 13 March 2018, 5.30pm
Te Rūnanga Tea House

Join the Craft Revival Café crew and learn how to macramé. Enjoy wine and nibbles with like-minded crafters.

\$15, eventfinda.co.nz
rotorua.museum.co.nz



TECH SIMPLE TALK: GPS - THE TECHNOLOGY BEHIND GLOBAL POSITIONING

Thursday 15 March 2018, 6pm - 7.30pm
Rotorua Library Te Aka Mauri, 1127 Haupapa Street

Massey experts explain technology in simple terms - understand the link between cell phones, GPS and global positioning.

\$5, bookings required
rotorualibrary.govt.nz



CRANKWORX

Saturday 17 - Sunday 25 March 2018
Skyline Rotorua Gravity Park

Crankworx brings feats of two-wheeled magic to Rotorua as mountain bikers from around the world compete in a range of thrilling events.

Ticket prices apply
crankworx.com/rotorua



NATIONAL SECONDARY SCHOOL WAKA AMA CHAMPIONSHIPS

Monday 19 - Friday 23 March 2018
Blue Lake, Tarawera Road

Watch the best New Zealand secondary school teams paddle it out to win the championship.

Free to watch
wakaama.co.nz



PASIFIKA FUN DAY

Saturday 24 March 2018, 10am - 3pm
Village Green, Rotorua Lakefront

Come along and experience an afternoon of grassroots dance, music, arts, crafts and food with Pasifika communities in Rotorua.

Free
@RotoruaPacificIslandsDevelopment

TE HUI AHUREI A TŪHOE

Friday 30 March - Sunday 1 April 2018
Rotorua International Stadium

A celebration of Tūhoe where descendants join together on the stage and sporting fields.

Ticket prices apply, ticketmaster.co.nz
tuhoe-ahurei.com



MELT, FESTIVAL OF CHOCOLATE

Friday 30 March - Monday 1 April 2018
Kuirau Park, with supporting events around the city

Four days of chocolate powered indulgence over Easter weekend! Vendors, demos, events, competitions, activities for kids & lots more!

A mix of free and ticketed events
meltrotorua.co.nz



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PAENGAWHĀWHĀ APRIL

THE GREAT ROTORUA MUSEUM EASTER EGG HUNT

Sunday 1 April 2018, 9am - 5pm
Kuirau Park

In conjunction with Melt, Festival of Chocolate. Grab an entry form, find all the clues and bring back to The Hits marquee when you are finished to collect a prize.

Free
rotoruumuseum.co.nz



DAVID TRUBRIDGE BEAUTY MATTERS

Thursday 19 April 2018, 6.30pm
Rotorua Library Te Aka Mauri, 1127 Haupapa Street

Internationally renowned furniture designer explores our relationship with the natural world. Check out Trubridge's ground breaking art installations in Rotorua Library Te Aka Mauri.

\$5 per person, bookings required
rotorualibrary.govt.nz

OPEN TRANS TASMAN TOUCH TEST SERIES

Friday 27 - Sunday 29 April 2018
Rotorua International Stadium

The New Zealand and Australian men's, women's and mixed teams will battle it out as they represent their countries.

Free to watch
touchnz.co.nz



RADIX NUTRITION XTERRA ROTORUA FESTIVAL

Saturday 7 April 2018, 8am - 7pm
Blue Lake, Tarawera Road

A range of events to inspire people to get out and be active in New Zealand's great outdoors.

Free to watch
xterra.co.nz



SIR WIRA GARDINER TALKS ABOUT THE BATTLE OF TAKROUNA - WW1

Thursday 19 April 2018, 5pm
Council Chamber, Rotorua Lakes Council

Hear about Haane Manahi, the Battle of Takrouna and its aftermath from Lt Col (Rtd) Sir Wira Gardiner KNZM.

Free
rotoruumuseum.co.nz



HARATUA MAY

NEW ZEALAND MUSIC MONTH

1 - 31 May 2018
Range of venues around Rotorua

Celebrate New Zealand music in a wide range of events hosted around Rotorua.

Some ticket prices may apply to certain events
creativeRotorua.org.nz



MUKA YOUTH PRINTS

Sunday 8 April 2018, 11.30am - 4pm
Te Rūnanga Tea House

A unique concept allowing children (5-18 years) to independently view art in an 'adult free' space.

Free to view, \$75 to purchase art
rotoruumuseum.co.nz



THE EXTRAVAGANZA FAIR

Saturday 21 - Sunday 22 April 2018, 9am - 5pm
Village Green, Rotorua Lakefront

A unique market including arts and craft, food, music, circus shows, tiny homes and kids games.

Free
extravaganza.co.nz



SUPER RUGBY: GALLAGHER CHIEFS V JAGUARES

Friday 4 May 2018, 7.35pm
Rotorua International Stadium

Super Rugby returns to Rotorua as the Gallagher Chiefs take on the Jaguares from Argentina in what will be a passionately contested match.

Ticket prices apply, ticketdirect.co.nz
chiefs.co.nz



ROTORUA MUSEUM CRAFT REVIVAL CAFÉ - EMBELLISHED DARNING

Tuesday 10 April 2018, 5.30pm
Te Rūnanga Tea House

Join the Craft Revival Cafe team for wine and learn how to do embellished darning.

\$15, eventfinda.co.nz
rotoruumuseum.co.nz



THE ART OF REMEMBERING TE PŪ O TE MAHARA

Saturday 21 April - Saturday 26 May 2018
Mon - Fri: 9am - 4.30pm, Sat: 10am - 4pm, Closed: Sun/Pub Hols
The Arts Village, 1240 Hinemaru Street

An exhibition of finalist entries from students who created artworks based on a Rotorua person who served in the Great War.

Free
rotoruumuseum.co.nz



54TH ROTORUA MARATHON

Saturday 5 May 2018, 8am
Finishes at Rotorua Energy Events Centre

Cheer on runners as they complete the iconic 42km loop around Lake Rotorua.

Free to watch
rotoruumarathon.co.nz



GIANT 2W GRAVITY ENDURO - RACE 4

Saturday 14 April 2018, 7.30am - 6pm
Holiday Inn Rotorua, 10 Tryon St

Adventure, challenge, adrenaline and thrill-seeking - everything people love about the sport of mountain biking.

Free to watch
2w.co.nz



ROTORUA MUSEUM ACTIVITY TRAIL

Saturday 14 - Sunday 29 April 2018
Government Gardens

Collect the clue sheet from the iSite, explore Government Gardens and learn more about the history of the area in this fun activity trail.

Free
rotoruumuseum.co.nz



ROTORUA DANCE FESTIVAL

Saturday 21 - Tuesday 24 April 2018
Rotorua Energy Events Centre

Check out talented performers in a range of dance styles such as ballet, jazz, hip hop, contemporary and musical theatre.

Free to watch
rotoruacompetitionsociety.org.nz/rotorua-dance-festival

WW1 ROTORUA DISTRICT FIELD OF REMEMBRANCE

Public consecration ceremony on Wednesday 18 April 2018, 5pm
Crosses will remain up until Sunday 29 April 2018
Cenotaph, Government Gardens

Marking the anniversary of the Gallipoli landings by ANZAC troops on 25 April 1915, each of the crosses represent a soldier from the Rotorua District who lost their life whilst serving during World War One.

ANZAC DAY - DAWN SERVICE

Wednesday 25 April 2018, 5.45am
Ohinemutu

Te Arawa Māori Returned Services League parade and dawn service to honour fallen soldiers.

ANZAC DAY - CIVIC MEMORIAL SERVICE

Wednesday 25 April 2018, 9am parade, 9.30am service
Southern Trust Sportsdrome, Queen's Drive

To join the ANZAC commemorations gather at Memorial Drive to join the parade leading to the Civic Memorial Service.

Free
rotorualakescouncil.nz

ROTORUA MUSEUM CRAFT REVIVAL CAFÉ - CROCHET

Tuesday 8 May 2018, 5.30pm
Te Rūnanga Tea House

Learn the revived art of crochet while enjoying wine and nibbles with other craft lovers.

\$15, eventfinda.co.nz
rotoruumuseum.co.nz



ROTORUA CAREERS EXPO

Tuesday 15 May 2018, 10am - 2.30pm & 4pm - 6pm
Wednesday 16 May 2018, 9am - 2.30pm
Rotorua Energy Events Centre

Visit the Rotorua Careers Expo to find out about all the great career options available to you, and the education, training, and employment pathways to help get you there!

Free
@RotoruaCareersExpo

THE ARTS VILLAGE OPEN DAY

Saturday 19 May 2018, 10am to 12pm
The Arts Village, 1240 Hinemaru Street

Come down to find out more about arts, art groups, information and activities at The Arts Village.

Free
artsvillage.org.nz



The ARTS VILLAGE

HOLIDAY ART ACADEMY

16 - 20, 23 - 24 and 26 - 27 April, 9am - 3pm
The Arts Village, 1240 Hinemaru Street

These school holidays kids will enjoy a range of art programmes for 8 to 12 year olds.

\$25 per child per day
artsvillage.org.nz

The ARTS VILLAGE



ROTORUA LAKES COUNCIL

AROUND TOWN

Around Town Rotorua - everything in one place: Live music & concerts, markets, family activities, clubs, sports games, business networking and more. This free app for both Android and Apple is your guide to what's happening in Rotorua.