

JULY events

2025 WHAT'S ON IN THE ARTS

SOUTHLAND ARTS TRAIL



1 – 2 NOVEMBER 2025

CALLING ALL ARTISTS!

The Southland Arts Trail is coming.
1 & 2 November 2025.

Are you a maker, creator or artist living in Gore, Tapanui, Riversdale, Winton or anywhere in the wider Murihiku/Southland region?

We want to put you on the map – LITERALLY!

We're looking for artists to open their studios, sheds, workshops, or even kitchen tables to the public. Whether you're a painter, sculptor, ceramicist, textile artist, printmaker, photographer or multi-disciplinary creator – this is your moment to shine. Participation is free, and we welcome both emerging and established artists. If you've ever wanted to share your artistic journey, this is the perfect opportunity. The Arts Trail offers a unique opportunity to share your creative space, connect with fellow artists and art lovers, showcase your work, and maybe even make some sales along the way.

LET ART LOVERS & CREATORS UNITE

- You'll Get
 - A dedicated artist profile on the Arts Murihiku website
 - Inclusion in our printed trail brochure
 - Promotion in local newspapers and social media
 - The chance to be part of a regional celebration of creativity

We have a sign up form online. Make the call, we'd love to hear from you.
Visit www.artsmurihiku.co.nz, email us at kiaora@artsmurihiku.co.nz, or call 021 027 37315

EVENTS HAPPENING AT WHARE TAUPUA, YOUR COMMUNITY ARTS SPACE

STOP-BY & STITCH
TUE'S | 11AM | FREE

DROP IN IMPROV THEATRE SPORTS
WED'S | 7PM | \$15

ROCK-UP & WRITE
THU 3, 17 & 31 | 11-1PM | FREE

JUMP-IN & JOURNAL
THU 3, 17 & 31 | 11-1PM | FREE

DROP-IN & DRAW
THU 10 & 24 | 11-1PM | FREE

ARTS MURIHIKU NO STRINGS ATTACHED
Violin cases reimagined plus a selection of artwork from our community.
EXHIBITION | 1 – 12 | DAILY | FREE

HAZEL SMITH – SANCTIFYING THE FOG
Pencil & ink on recycled paper + mixed media.
EXHIBITION | 1 – 26 | DAILY | FREE

ART 4 ART SAKE
Celebrating the courage, determination, and creativity of stroke survivors.
EXHIBITION | 15 – 26 | DAILY | FREE

NEW session! AFTER SCHOOL ART SPACE!

A new programme just for the younger art creators out there. Space to explore, be inspired, and enjoy.

Tamariki (9–13yrs)
TUE 1 & 15 & 29 JULY | 3:30 – 4:30 PM

Rangatahi (14–18yrs)
TUE 8 & 22 JULY 3:30 – 4:30 PM



WHARE TAUPUA//
Community Arts Space
34 FORTH STREET, INVERCARGILL

OPENING HOURS:
10-4PM TUESDAY – FRIDAY
10-2PM SATURDAY
PH 021 027 37315
WWW.ARTSMURIHIKU.CO.NZ

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AUDITION SKILLS, TV ADS & FILMS, UTILIZE YOUR VOICE, EMPOWER YOURSELF TO FACE YOUR FEARS

DATES: SATURDAY 05 JULY, SUNDAY 13 JULY, SATURDAY 19 JULY, SUNDAY 27 JULY
TIMES: 1:30-4:30PM
COST: 3 HRS, STUDENTS 12YRS+ SENIORS \$25, ADULTS \$45

ARTS MURIHIKU LOCATION: 34 FORTH ST, INVERCARGILL
REGISTRY EMAIL: ENJOYMENTCOACH@GMAIL.COM
EARLYBIRD DISCOUNT \$5 OFF REGISTER 3 DAYS BEFORE

MIHARO ART EXHIBITION
TUE-FRI | OPEN 10AM - 4:30PM
MIHARO



GROWING PAINS
13 JUNE – 19 JULY
WED-FRI 11-4PM & SAT 11-3PM
Growing Pains is a collaborative and interactive exhibition between painter Maisie Chilton and ceramic artist Anna Zhai.
ART ATTIC GALLERY
43 TAY STREET INVERCARGILL
<https://www.facebook.com/artatticgallery>

SETTING THE TABLE & HANDPICKED
10 MAY- 22 JUNE | DAILY | FREE
Shining a light on identity, storytelling, and the evolving nature of public collections.
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EUAN MACLEOD – FLUX
SAT 10 MAY – SUN 13 JULY
10AM-4.30PM | FREE
EASTERN SOUTHLAND GALLERY, GORE



SALSA AND BACHATA CLASSES
TUE 10 JUNE – THUR 2 OCT
7.30PM | FREE



GET FOLKED
FRI 4 | 7PM | \$5
A night of heartfelt music, originals, covers, and traditional favourites.
SOUTHLAND MUSICIANS CLUB

FIRST FRIDAY
FRI 2 | 5-7PM | FREE
Mark your calendars and join us in the Grand Foyer.
CIVIC THEATRE INVERCARGILL



SIP AND PRINT – UNLEASH YOUR CREATIVITY WITH 3D PRINTING
THUR 10 | 4-6PM | \$75 Chamber members, \$125 guests
SOUTHLAND BUSINESS CHAMBER

LIVE MUSIC FROM RYAN ISAACS
FRI 11 | 6.30PM | FREE
ASCOT PARK HOTEL



RIVERSDALE ARTS MIXED MEDIA EXHIBITION



EASTERN SOUTHLAND EMBROIDERERS' GUILD -BIENNIAL EXHIBITION
19 JULY – 10 AUGUST
EASTERN SOUTHLAND GALLERY, GORE

SERIOUSLY VALUABLE ART
19 JULY – 14 SEPTEMBER
"This is a subversive and radical exhibition, perhaps only possible in provincial Aotearoa New Zealand. It argues that art needn't be expensive to be beautiful, important and life-enhancing."
EASTERN SOUTHLAND GALLERY GORE

MID-WINTER MARKET
SAT 19 | 9-3PM | FREE
INVERCARGILL CENTRAL



MLT HOKONUI FASHION DESIGN AWARDS
25-26 | 6.30PM
TICKETS ON SALE FROM 9 JULY
TOWN AND COUNTRY STADIUM GORE

OPEN MIC NIGHT
THU 31 | 6.30PM | FREE
Anyone welcome to arrive, sign up and play a song!
SOUTHLAND MUSICIANS CLUB

