

EDUCATION at the Sarjeant Gallery Te Whare o Rehua Whanganui 38 Taupo Quay

Welcome!

We are pleased to announce that we will now be delivering our dynamic education programmes at our new premises at 38 Taupo Quay. This building will be our new home while work progresses on the redevelopment of the Sarjeant Gallery's Queen's Park building. For the first time we have a purpose built classroom that will allow us to provide an exciting learning experience for you and your students in a refurbished and earthquake strengthened building.

Our opening season of exhibitions by Jeff Thomson and Ans Westra offer many possibilities for stimulating practical sessions for both primary and secondary students.

We look forward to seeing you in our new space.

Best wishes

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Sarjeant Gallery Educators

TERM TWO: 24 May - 4 July, 2014

ANS WESTRA Whanganui - Our People 1960-2014

24th May - 20th July

Ans Westra is one of New Zealand's most respected and accomplished documentary photographers. This exhibition includes photographs taken by Westra in the early 1960s, the early 90s and most recently in late 2013 and early 2014 of the people of the Whanganui region.

Since arriving in the country from her native Holland in 1957, Westra has built an impressive archive documenting life in New Zealand; some of her earliest images are of Maori communities on the Whanganui River.

This exhibition allows students to see how times have changed and how their community has evolved over half a century.

Hands-on practical sessions:

Creative Words - Yr 5+

Exhibition tour and discussion followed by practical activity which will involve students working together to create a poetic response to Westra's photographs. Students will experience fun creative writing exercises and then create their own imaginative poetry.

Education Programmes/Services are **FREE!** and are funded by the **Ministry of Education Learning Outside the Classroom initiative (LEOTC) & Wanganui District Council**



Ans Westra

CORRUGATIONS: The Art of Jeff Thomson

24th May - 10th August

Famous for working with corrugated iron Jeff Thomson is known as 'the iron man of Australasia'. *Corrugations* is a significant exhibition celebrating three decades of his sculptural work.

Thomson makes his sculptures by moulding, shaping, cutting and printing corrugated iron. He has both national and international standing as a sculptor, completing many works including the giant gumboot in Taihape and an iconic HQ Holden station wagon (in the collection of Te Papa). You will see corrugated 'chooks', buildings, mailboxes, French knitting, doilies, and bouquets of flowers all made out of iron.

Exhibition curated by Penelope Jackson and toured by Tauranga Art Gallery



Rooster and Hen, 2002, collection of the Artist
Image: Rory Thomson



Dog, 2007.
Collection Jeff Thomson and Shona Cameron.
Image: Rory Thomson.

Hands-on practical sessions:

Your Own Little Red Hen! - Yr 1-4

Come and make a colourful sculptural chicken based on Thomson's corrugated chickens and the story *The Little Red Hen*.

Doilies - Yr 3+

Create your own stunning doily to go on the wall using paper and paint.

Funky Sculptures! - Yr 5+

Students create funky sculptures using card, staplers and glue guns. The sessions will focus on either Thomson's chickens or his corrugated floral bouquets.



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Get Your Mail! - Yr 7+

Create a groovy cardboard letter box topped its own with creature, flying machine or house!

"We do it our way" - Yr 9+

Students will participate in a fun interactive session in the exhibition space where they will work in small groups to creatively respond to an artwork by Thomson using a small box of mysterious objects provided by us.

PUANGA! - Yr 1+

24th May - 4th July

Come and celebrate the Māori New Year by making a beautiful paper flying kite. These kites really do fly! Kite flying was traditionally enjoyed during the appearance of Matariki and Puanga (Rigel) towards the end of May each year. Kites were also seen as a way for people to connect with the heavens.



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