

october

13 Wed

Grahame Sydney: Life & Vision

Open at the front desk

Free

Sponsored by The Dominion

Meet J&J Trevelyan, co-curator and author of *Grahame Sydney: Life & Vision*, for a floor talk and tour of the exhibition.

Art Tick 2009 Live Performance

Open at the front desk

Free

The Richard Noyes / Nick Rarte combo followed by an experimental sound performance from Simon King.

14 Thurs

What is the Future of Heritage Trees in Wellington City?

Open

Free

Arboretum Dieter Steingass evaluates the condition of our heritage tree stock.

16 Sat

Art in the Morning

8.30am at Niles Cafe

Friends \$10, Public \$10

Book by 12 March

Organised by the Friends of City Gallery

Breakfast and tour through *Grahame Sydney: Life & Vision* with Dr Pamela Gerrish Nunn.

17 Sun

Poor-Racer — One Day Sculpture commission by Thomas Hirschhorn

A new sculpture work that will last for just 24 hours

Starting at midnight on Saturday 10 October

This remarkable sculpture will be created especially for Wellington by international artist Thomas Hirschhorn, and will form part of the New Zealand-wide One Day Sculpture series.

20 Wed

"Bitterwee" is the Glamour of Contemporary Art

10.30am

Friends \$12, Public \$12

See and reflect in Niles from 10am

Organised by the Friends of City Gallery

A discussion with Jonathan Smart — Churchill Fellow, freelance writer and owner of Christchurch's Jonathan Smart Gallery.

23-24 Sat & Sun

CINEMA: Sierra Leone's Refugee All Stars

Open at the front desk

Free

This dramatic, award-winning film follows a band of musicians as they rise from the ashes of war and inspire a nation to believe in the healing power of music. Written by Zach Niles and Barker White, the film tracks the journey of the Refugee All Stars — a band formed by the displacement of its members from their homes during the brutal, decade-long civil war in Sierra Leone. Part of Race Relations Week.

27 Wed

Six Miles Warren

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Free

Sponsored by The Dominion

Join Dr Rodney Wilson as he discusses the lifetime achievements of leading New Zealand architect, Sir Miles Warren.

november

3 Wed

Mates and Lovers: A History of Gay New Zealand

Open

Free

Sponsored by The Dominion

Author and historian Dr Chris Brickell discusses his book, which is based on the view that same-sex relationships are largely written out of New Zealand's national story.

Lech Majewski: Blood of a Poet

7.30-8pm

Free

Noted Polish-born artist, filmmaker, poet, and stage director Lech Majewski discusses and shows video excerpts from his highly acclaimed video art installation *Blood of a Poet*, which comprises thirty-three pieces — each one a sumptuous and striking poem. Majewski was honored in 2006 with a full retrospective of his film work at MoMA (New York), the highlight of which was the world premiere of *Blood of a Poet*, later included in the 52nd Venice Biennale and exhibited at many major galleries.

Lech Majewski's visit is made possible by the department of Theatre and Film Studies at Victoria University, where he is taking up residence as a Victorian Fellow.

9 Tues

Demonstration with Japanese Fine Wood Craftsman Kenji Soda

10am - 4pm at Massey College of Creative Arts

Free

Pop in and see this step-by-step demonstration of Kenji Soda's unique wood construction and metal hinge-making processes. For information telephone: (04) 343 8085.

10 Wed

Crafting Beauty in Wood: Fine Wood Craftsman Kenji Soda

Open

Free

Sponsored by The Dominion

An illustrated presentation and floor talk with Kenji Soda, recognised as one of Japan's leading artists in traditional woodcraft, metal and lacquer techniques. His sophisticated works combine modern design with traditional skills.

17 Wed

Doc Ross: Shift

10.30am

Friends \$12, Public \$12

See and reflect in Niles Cafe from 10am

Organised by the Friends of City Gallery

Photographer Doc Ross gives an illustrated talk on the shift in his photographic style.

20 Sat

Art In The Morning

8.30am at Niles Cafe

Friends \$10, Public \$10

Book by 15 November

Organised by the Friends of City Gallery

Breakfast and tour of *Miles: a life in architecture* with architectural historian Jenny May.

23 Tues

Rita Angus: Modern Woman and New Zealand Artist

Open

Free

Sponsored by The Dominion

Julia King examines how Rita Angus and her fellow female artists contributed to the development of early modernism in New Zealand.

24 Wed

CINEMA: Lovely Rita: A Painter's Life

Introduced by Director Gaylene Preston

Open

Free

Sponsored by The Dominion

Rita Angus stood uncompromisingly alone among those in her generation. This film tells her story — a life previously surrounded by secrecy.

2010 events calendar

december

8 Wed

Heirloom — Fashion Inspired by Rita Angus

Open

Free

Sponsored by The Dominion

Laurie Foon, of New Zealand fashion house Starfish, presents this exclusive, modelled preview of its Heirloom winter collection. A key inspiration for this collection is Rita Angus's unique palette and interpretation of New Zealand landscapes. Ticket price includes complimentary champagne on arrival. Cash bar available.

15 Wed

Courage and Connection in the Works of Colin McCahoon

Open

Free

Sponsored by The Dominion

Peter Shaw, art writer and curator of the Fletcher Trust Collection, explores Colin McCahoon's powerful perceptive connections, his isolated position as a conscientious objector, and the ways in which this influenced his art.

18 Sat

Art In The Morning

8.30am at Niles Cafe

Friends \$10, Public \$10

Book by 14 May

Organised by the Friends of City Gallery

Breakfast and talk about *Keeping Time* with curator Peter Vengrove and a guest artist.

22 Wed

CINEMA: Lovely Rita: A Painter's Life

Open

Free

Rita Angus stood uncompromisingly alone among those in her generation. This film, directed by Gaylene Preston, tells Rita Angus's story — a life previously surrounded by secrecy.

29 Wed

Julian Dashper: Untitled

Open

Free

Julian Dashper: Untitled, 2007 - 8

(the last 15 seconds of the last Venice Biennale)

Sponsored by The Dominion

Auckland-based artist Julian Dashper discusses this sound recording. Currently playing in the Gallery's Subsonic programme, it was made standing outside the main gates of the Biennale as it closed.

City Gallery Wellington

We have a range of daytime and evening events for individuals, families and groups, including lectures, floor talks, films, workshops and performances. All events are held in the Adam Auditorium and are free, unless otherwise stated.

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