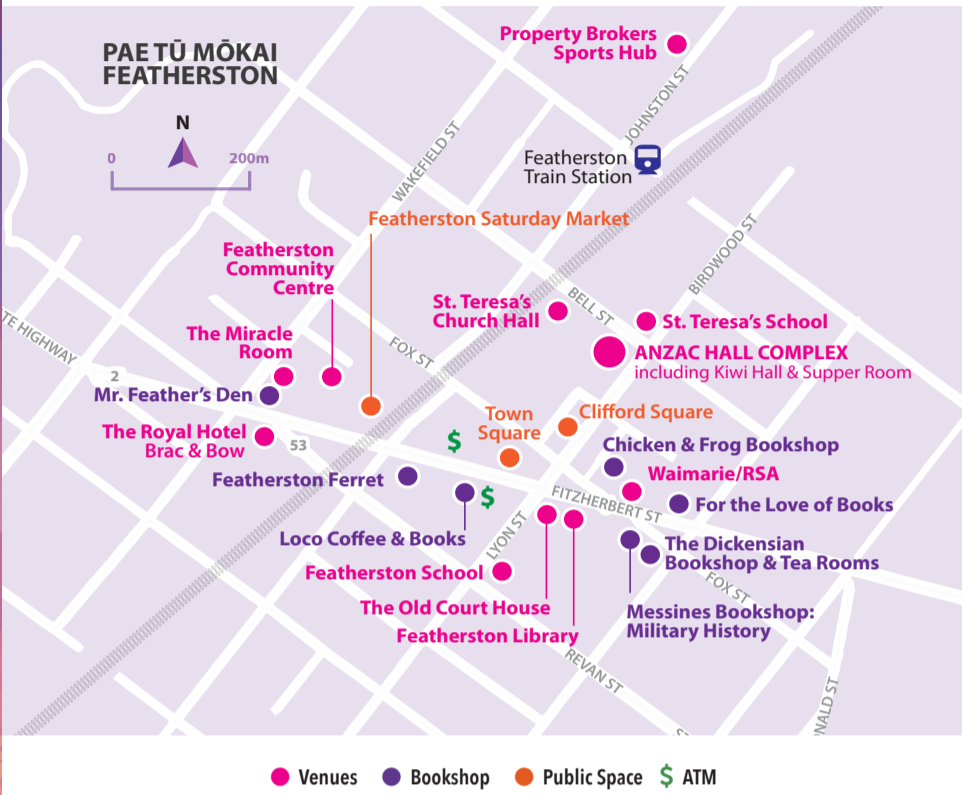


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● Venues ● Bookshop ● Public Space \$ ATM

Where events are not sold out beforehand, there will be door sales. Discounts for students and seniors with ID will be available for general events. For full details about all our events (including links to eventfinda.co.nz for purchasing tickets and any last-minute programme updates or additions) as well as bios on our presenters, visit booktown.nz



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Featherston Booktown Karukatea Festival

A festival of books, storytelling & ideas

Author talks. Panel discussions. Craft of the book workshops. Children's events. Second-hand, new & collectable books for sale.

10-12 JUNE 2022
Festival Weekend Programme

8-10 JUNE 2022
Young Readers Programme

Welcome from the Chair of the Featherston Booktown Trust

Kia ora koutou

Welcome to the seventh Featherston Booktown Karukatea Festival – where we celebrate books, storytelling and ideas. And welcome to vibrant and welcoming Featherston/Pae Tū Mōkai – Aotearoa New Zealand's only Booktown.

This year, our highly popular Festival features 50 events and hosts 100 presenters and literary provocateurs, and 18 booksellers.

A warm welcome to our booksellers – including Featherston/Pae Tū Mōkai's seven bookshops. They are the heart of the Featherston Booktown Karukatea Festival.

Featherston Booktown belongs to the Featherston community, many of whom generously volunteer their time and talents to ensure the Festival's success. And it also belongs to all those who love books, reading, storytelling and ideas – and who take delight in the artefact and craft of the book.

I'd like to thank sincerely our sponsors, donors, supporters, friends and volunteers – Featherston Booktown couldn't happen without your generous support.

A heartfelt "huzzah" to our Operations Manager, Mary Biggs, and her wonderful team. Thanks too, to the tireless and dedicated Featherston Booktown Board of Trustees – Liz Mellish, Noelle McCarthy, Cheryl Gallaway, Mary McCallum, Lesley Christian, Craig Linkhorn, Dave Adams and Darrin Goulding. We also recognise and celebrate our Patron, Joy Cowley, and Founding Kaumātua, Lincoln Gould.

Enjoy the 2022 Featherston Booktown Karukatea Festival!

Ngā manaakitanga

Peter Biggs, Chair
Featherston Booktown Trust, Registered Charity: CC52369

WEDNESDAY 8 JUNE

Hints for a New Writer with Joy Cowley

11:00 AM - MIDDAY, Greytown Library. \$15

Joy Cowley, our very own world-famous children's writer, discusses with Dan Keane, from Wairarapa Library Services, the highs and lows of being an author and offers some tips for aspiring writers.

FRIDAY 10 JUNE

Featherston Booktown Opening Night:
Supported by Creative New Zealand

The Fish'n'Chip Supper

Doors Open: 6:15 PM - 9:30 PM, Anzac Hall. \$40

After a warm welcome from Mana Whenua Kaumātua Paora Ammunsun and children from Featherston schools, tuck into our famous Fish'n'Chip Supper. MC Liz Mellish will guide us through the evening - which includes a speech by Witi Ihimaera, one of Aotearoa New Zealand's most distinguished and prolific writers, making his first appearance at Featherston Booktown.

Late Nite Lit: Moana Leota and Her Band - Poets Before Me

10:00 PM - 11:00 PM, Kiwi Hall. \$15

Singing sensation Moana Leota and her band celebrate how poetry results in music that is rich, raw and relatable. Think of *Hallelujah* by Leonard Cohen, *Redemption Song* by Bob Marley and *River* by Joni Mitchell.

Campfire Tales R13 (1)

10:00 PM - 11:00 PM, The Royal Hotel. \$20 (includes a free zine, a glass of mulled wine or hot chocolate)

Come warm your bones by the fire as we chill you with a selection of sinister tales from Kiwi horror authors, including Cassie Hart, Denver Grenell, Tabatha Wood and Daniel Eady. Produced by Beware the Moon Productions

📖 Artefact of the book sessions
★ Rangatahi/focused on youngsters

SATURDAY 11 JUNE

Who's on the Couch?

9:00 AM - 10:00 AM, Kiwi Hall. \$15

Witi Ihimaera considers "the world I'm in as Māori, not European". In conversation with Peter Biggs he discusses how this has helped him create imaginative new realities that have resulted in some of Aotearoa New Zealand's most outstanding fiction.

The Lighthouse Princess with Illustrator Rose Northey ★

9:00 AM - 10:00 AM, St Teresa's School. FREE

Join award-winning illustrator Rose Northey for a reading of *The Lighthouse Princess* by Susan Wardell. Get involved in spotting penguins, butterflies and chocolate fish, and dress up – maybe as a princess or fisher boy. Ask Rose how she paints a story into life and have a go yourself. Supported by the South Wairarapa District Council.

Celebrating the Joy of Fandom with the One Room Fan Museum ★

10:00 AM - 1:00 PM, Back of the Anzac Hall, entrance via Birdwood Street. KOHA

It's 20 years since *The Lord of the Rings* was turned into hit movies right here in Aotearoa New Zealand. If you're a fan, go to the next level and indulge in some dress-up fun with your kids, take in some mini re-enactments, and reminisce with a brilliant fan movie – a "perfect record of amazing times".

Off the Page

10:10 AM - 10:50 AM, Dickensian Bookshop. KOHA

Spend 40 minutes experiencing the full wonder of Aotearoa New Zealand literature when extracts from books by our cherished authors, including Witi Ihimaera, Patricia Grace and Elizabeth Knox, leave the page and come to life. Performed by Matthew Stajen and James Ladanyi. Devised and produced by James Ladanyi.

Book Binding Workshop 📖

10:30 AM - 12:30 PM, St Teresa's School. \$30

Robyn Ramsden shows you how to make a 4th century Nag Hammadi codex. Her design is reusable and the leather will last long after you fill your notebook, but with her written instructions you can make your own at home.

AROUND FEATHERSTON THROUGHOUT THE WEEKEND

Featherston Saturday Market
Saturday 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM,
33 Fitzherbert St

Featherston Menzshed Squirrel Market
Saturday 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM,
Featherston Town Square

Booksellers Stalls 📖
Saturday & Sunday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM,
Anzac Hall

Country Tea & Cakes
Saturday & Sunday 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM,
Supper Room, Anzac Hall Complex

Booktown Busers
Saturday & Sunday, Various Times & Places

Sign the Hand-Made Featherston Booktown Visitors Book 📖
Saturday & Sunday 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM,
Supper Room, Anzac Hall Complex

Exhibition of Megan Campbell's Paintings at The Ferret Bookshop
Saturday & Sunday, 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM,
The Ferret Bookshop

Mini Fell Engine Is On Track ★
Saturday & Sunday 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM,
Clifford Square (weather permitting)

Children's Treasure Trail on the Main Street ★
Throughout the weekend, pick up
entry forms from bookshops and library

Collected Rockstars of South Wairarapa Art and The Busking Poet, David Merritt 📖
Saturday & Sunday 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM,
The Miracle Room, Wakefield Street

The Old Court House Art Gallery: Exhibition - The Art of Books 📖
Saturday & Sunday, 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM,
The Old Court House

