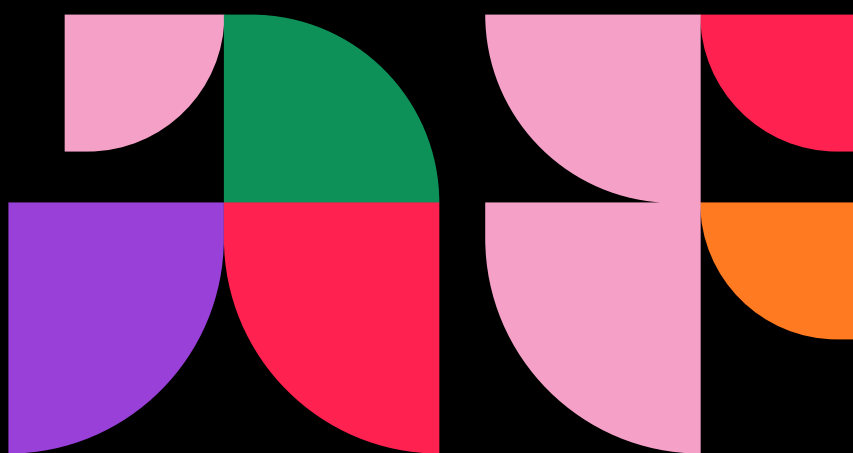




AUCKLAND ARTS FESTIVAL

5—22 o MAEHE • MARCH 2026

Festival Artists Guide

Nau mai ki Te Ahurei Toi o Tāmaki!

Te Ahurei Toi o Tāmaki Auckland Arts Festival is a melting pot of shared experiences, whakaaro, live entertainment and kōrero every March. For the love and vibrancy of Tāmaki Makaurau, we celebrate the best of arts and culture, for the people of this diverse city, by artists doing incredible things from Aotearoa and around the world.

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[@aklfestival](#)

TikTok:

[@aucklandartsfestival](#)

Tupu te toi, ora te toi, whanake te toi, Ko te toi i ahu mai i Hawaiiki

**The words of the second Māori King, Kiingi
Tawhiao encourage us to**

Grow the arts, grow the excellence

Give life to the arts and excellence

Develop the arts and excellence

**Those which have been handed down
through the generations.**

**Nau mai ki Te Ahurei Toi o Tāmaki 2026
Welcome to Auckland Arts Festival 2026.**

Thank you for being an integral part of our celebration of our city in full colour. For 18 days and nights we invite our audiences to see our city in a new light and you are at the centre of making our city shine.

We welcome you to beautiful Tāmaki Makaurau Auckland and thank you for joining us to share your stories with our audiences. The history of Auckland Arts Festival goes back 75 years when we were the first Festival in the Asia/Pacific region. Annually, for 18 days in March, we invite audiences to immerse themselves in a vibrant tapestry of arts, culture, and community. Whether they are discovering the city for the first time or rekindling a love for its hidden gems, there's something for everyone. We hope you will fall in love with Tāmaki Makaurau through the lens of arts and culture too! This Festival celebrates world-leading international artists alongside our local world-class creatives, gracing some of the most cherished and iconic venues in our city — many for the first time.

Aotearoa New Zealand is built on a partnership with Māori who are tangata whenua, the first people of this land. In Tāmaki Makaurau Auckland we live within the rohe (tribal boundaries) of Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei, Marutūahu, Waiōhūa ki Tāmaki and Tainui waka. The first language of Aotearoa is Te Reo

Māori which we celebrate in our festival through Toitū Te Reo, where the language can be seen, heard and spoken in all spaces and places.

Auckland is the home of many peoples, histories and backgrounds. People have travelled to this place from across the oceans throughout the centuries, making Tāmaki Makaurau a city of diverse cultures and languages.

The visual representation of the festival through our brand, articulates our key elements of fun, festivity, inclusivity, and respect and the maunga, moana and iwi icons embedded in the design remind us of the unique place that is Tāmaki Makaurau. We hope you have a chance to explore this great city we love and to visit some of the maunga (mountains), moana (oceans) and to meet some of the iwi (people).

We are proud to partner with Performing Arts Network New Zealand (PANNZ) to welcome many national and international industry guests during the PANNZ Arts Market. In the Festival's first week, leading arts practitioners from across Aotearoa will take centre stage, showcasing their work to the world.

E rere tonu ana ngā mihi maioha ki te kāhui hāpai, ki ngā kaiwhakangahau, ki ngā tūao hoki i ā koutou tautoko i te kaupapa whakahirahira nei. Whakanuia! We call Aotea Square our home base for the 18 days so come meet us and our audiences at the Festival Garden. We'd love to catch up over a cup of tea or cheeky tippie. Together, let's create unforgettable memories and revel in the vibrant energy that defines Tāmaki Makaurau.

Nā mātou, nā

Te whānau o AAF

Te Reo Māori

Te Ahurei Toi o Tāmaki Makaurau Auckland Arts Festival recognises the importance of te reo Māori, the Indigenous language of Aotearoa New Zealand. Some general phrases to guide you are:

Hello	Did you know?	Good
⋮	⋮	⋮
Kia ora		Kei te pai
—		—
Tēnā Koe	Kia	E pai ana
⋮	Ora	—
●		Ka nui te ora
⋮	— means —	⋮
How are you?	Thank you	Bye
⋮	⋮	⋮
Kei te pēhea koe?	— as well as —	Hei konā
—	Hello	—
E pēhea ana koe?		Haere rā!
—		(speaker stays)
Kei te aha koe?		—
		E noho rā
		(speaker leaves)

A guide to pronunciation:

To hear the correct pronunciation, visit reomaori.co.nz/pronunciation

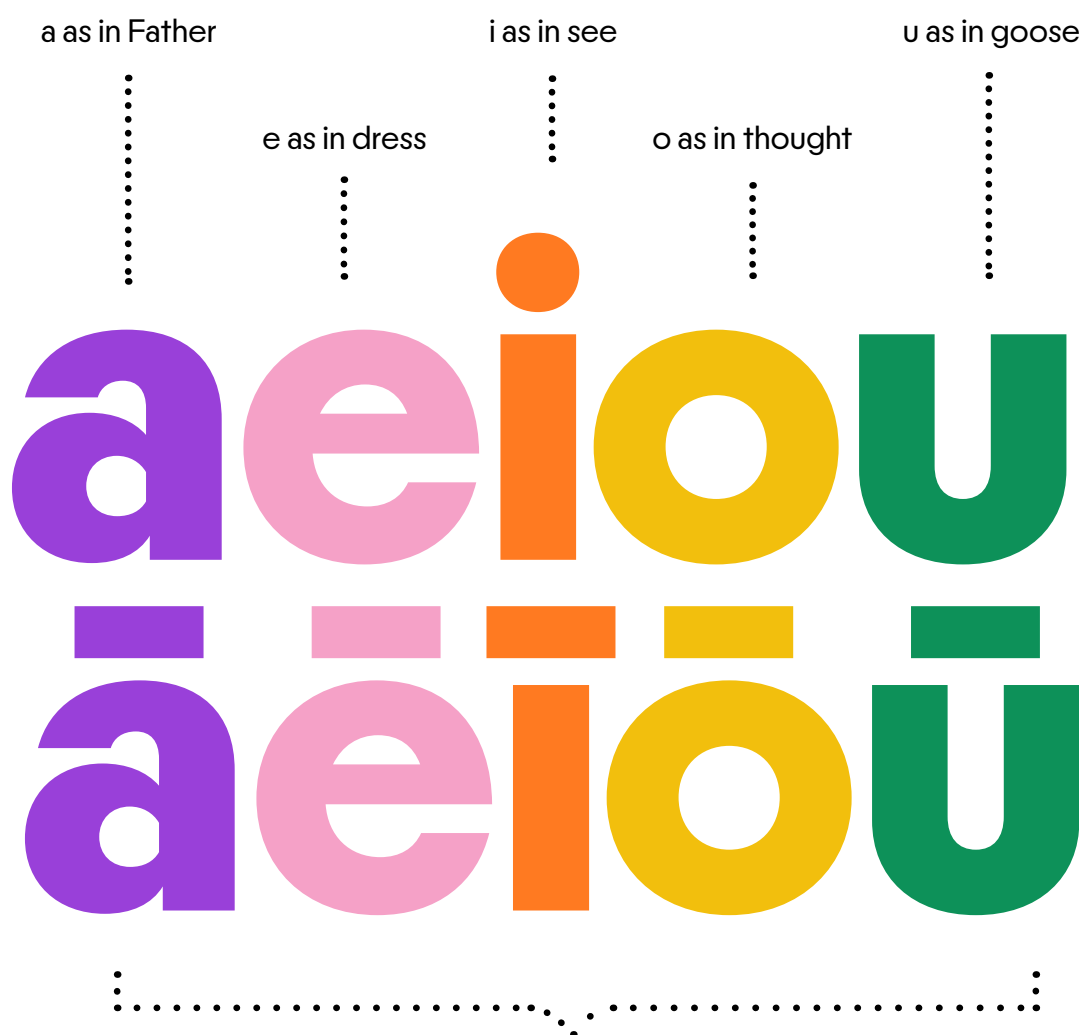
Te Aka Māori Dictionary

Te Aka Māori Dictionary is a great resource for finding te reo Māori translations for English words and it's more reliable than Google. If you'd like to learn more, please feel free to speak to us about how to best approach te reo Māori in speeches or in conversation.

Whakahuatanga | Pronunciation

Oropuare | Vowels

There are five vowel sounds in Māori. They can be pronounced 'short' or 'long'. The long vowel is marked with a macron.



When the vowel is long, with a macron above it,
say the vowel twice as long

Oropuare | Vowels

When two different vowels are together they either retain their basic sounds and are pronounced one after the other or they 'glide' from one vowel to the other vowel to make a different sound we call a diphthong.

Examples of common diphthongs are *ai, ae, au, ou, oe, a*.

ai oe
ae au
au ao

Orokati | Consonants

There are 10 consonants, they are:

h k m n ng
p r t w wh

ng as in singer
...

...

wh as in film

The r sound is created when the tip of the tongue briefly touches the top of the mouth behind the teeth.



AKE AKE AKE
A FOREVER LANGUAGE
KIA KAHĀ TE REO MĀORI



TE TAURA WHIRI
I TE REO MĀORI
MĀORI LANGUAGE COMMISSION

reomaori.co.nz



Toi Tū Teo Reo programme

Te Ahurei Toi o Tāmaki Auckland Arts Festival has been proud to demonstrate its commitment to te reo Māori through the delivery of programmes under Toitū Te Reo, a component of Tuia Te Muka Kōrero, The Auckland Festival Trust's Māori Strategy. The aim of our plan is to ensure that te reo Māori is seen and heard throughout the Festival.

Look for the harekeke icon on our [brochure](#) or browse aaf.co.nz/toitu-te-reo to explore the shows within the Toitū Te Reo kaupapa.

Pōwhiri

Pōwhiri, a formal Māori welcome ceremony, is a special part of the Festival's manaakitanga (hospitality, kindness, generosity, support) towards visiting artists and ensures that visitors are welcomed in a truly cultural manner.

Three artist pōwhiri are scheduled for **Wed 4**, **Wed 11** and **Wed 18 March** during the Festival. They **start at 11.00am (roughly 90 minutes)**. The meeting place is the front of the Spiegeltent, Aotea Square.

One of our cultural leaders will give you an introduction to the process and will speak on your behalf during the formalities. You will be asked to sing a waiata (song) to support the speaker. It will be a call and response waiata, the words are as follows:

Tēnā koutou, e ngā iwi
I tuku nei i ngā mihi
Nō reira rā, e hoa mā
Kia ora rā koutou katoa.

Greetings to you, the people of this land
Who have bestowed a welcome to us all
Therefore, new friends
We return the greetings.



🎵 [Click here](#) or scan the QR code to listen to a recording of the waiata to learn ahead of your arrival.





Aotearoa New Zealand

A great way to promote the correct pronunciation of the language is to say place names correctly in daily conversation.

It takes a bit of effort at first, but it won't be long before it becomes second nature!



Learn how to say New Zealand's longest place name:

**Taumatawhakatangihangakōauaua
Tamateaturipūkākāpikimaunga
horonukupupōkaiwhenuakitanatahu**

Useful Information

Visitor Information Centre

Visitor Information Centres in NZ are called 'i-sites'. In Auckland, the i-site is located down the bottom of Queen St at 188 Quay St.

They provide information on things to do in Auckland and travelling in New Zealand.

New Zealand Weather

It is late summer in New Zealand during March.

The sun is very strong here, so if you're planning on going out to enjoy the weather make sure you use a high UV sunscreen (and recommend SPF50+), wear a sun hat and wear sunglasses, as you can burn very quickly.

There are a lot of sun showers in Auckland, so having a rain jacket is wise, and it gets cold in the evenings.

Wi-Fi

There is free Wi-Fi available in all venues and in every Festival-booked hotel.

There is free internet use at the [Central City Library](#) (44-46 Lorne St, 2 minutes from Aotea square).

Some public areas and cafes also have free Wi-Fi. Do not use sensitive information on public Wi-Fi.

Mobile Phones

There are three main mobile phone companies in New Zealand: [2Degrees](#), [Spark](#) and [One NZ](#). If you would like a New Zealand number, you need to get a Sim card from one of these companies. Best option is to buy a Travel Sim.

Spark and One NZ have kiosks at the airport where they sell Sim cards. Otherwise in the CBD, the location of stores are as follows:

- 2Degrees is located at 187 Queen Street
- One NZ is located at 128 Queen Street
- Spark is located at Commercial Bay, a mall on the corner of Queen and Customs St.

Telephone

To call New Zealand from an international number dial +64 plus the area code (without the zero), followed by the phone number. For Auckland the area code is 9.

To dial international numbers from New Zealand, dial 00 or use the + sign followed by the country code, area code (without the zero) and then the phone number. If a number starts with 0800 it is a free call.

Currency Exchange

Looking to purchase NZ dollars? You can try:

No! Currency/Western Union

175 Queen St

Open: Mon-Sat 7.30am – 8.30pm;

Sun 8.30am–7.30pm

Keeping Safe

It is generally not advisable to walk alone at night in the central city regardless of gender. Keep to well-lit and populated areas and travel with a friend. Alternatively, it is safest to catch an Uber, taxi or scooter to your destination.

Smoking/Vaping

Cigarette smoking and vaping is against the law inside any public building including hotels, in theatres and on stages.

Drugs

Marijuana, synthetic cannabis, chewing tobacco, amphetamines, opiates and hallucinogens are illegal in NZ. There are heavy penalties. Please be wise.

Alcohol

You cannot consume alcohol in public (e.g. on the street or in parks). You can buy alcohol at Supermarkets and Liquor stores until 9pm.

Border Security

New Zealand has very strict Biosecurity on the border. Make sure you don't bring Fruit and Veges off the plane as if you don't declare it, it's an instant \$400 fine!

Travel & Transport

For information on local buses, ferries and trains please read through brochures inside your artists bags or visit [Auckland Transport's](#), there is a useful 'Journey Planner' function.

To and From Auckland Airport

Auckland Festival will provide transfers to and from the airport during the Festival. For arrivals and departures before or after the festival, [SkyDrive](#) bus operates a scheduled service between 5:00am and 10:30pm to and from the airport.

The express bus departs from 102 Hobson St (SkyCity). Tickets cost \$20 one way per adult and can be purchased online or on the bus using PayWave. Travelling to the airport can take between 45 minutes and an hour, allow more time if travelling in peak hours.

Buses

Useful buses in the city are the 'Link' buses which take you to all the main attractions and sights of Auckland. They are sorted into colour:

- The Red City Link bus travels around the city centre and Viaduct/Wynyard Quarter
- The Green Inner Link bus travels around the inner city and city suburbs.
- The Blue Tāmaki Link takes you to the beaches (Mission Bay and surrounds)
- The Orange Outer Link bus takes you to the Auckland inner suburbs.

All these buses can be caught from the city centre. Aucklanders use an AT (Auckland Transport) Hop card for bus, ferry and train commuting. The buses all now take PayWave card (for the same price as the AT Top bus card). Costs start from 70c, to get the beaches (Blue link) costs \$4.45 one way (10% less offpeak).

Driving

You can legally drive in New Zealand for up to 12 months with a current driver's licence from your home country or with an international driving permit, although if your licence is not in English you will need an English translation.

Motorists drive on the left-hand side of the road. The road rules are similar to the UK and Australia. It is easiest to book a car online. There are several car-hire companies, as well as the normal international companies of [Avis](#), [Hertz](#), [Europcar](#) based in Auckland:

- [Jucy Rentals](#) 0800 399 736 (freephone)
- [GO Rentals](#) 09 918 2533
- [Thrifty Rentals](#) 0800 73 7070 (freephone)

Ferries

Auckland has a fast and reliable ferry service run by [Fullers](#) which travels to the North Shore (Devonport, to get to Takapuna Beach), Waiheke Island and to other Hauraki Gulf Islands daily. All ferries depart from the Ferry Terminal at 99 Quay Street (at the end of Queen St) where you can also buy your tickets before you board.

Taxi Companies/Uber

Taxi ranks can be found around the city including Wellesley Street West, outside Sky City on Federal St, Customs Street East and Durham Street West.

- [Blue Bubble Taxis](#) 0800 228 294
- [Auckland Co-Op Taxi](#) +64 (0) 9 300 3000
- Uber download the [Uber app](#)

E-Scooters & E-Bikes

There are a range of E-Scooters and E-Bikes available for rent around the city. The companies operating in Auckland [Lime](#) and [Flamingo](#). They all use their own apps that you can download from an app store, or Lime scooter uses the [Uber app](#).

Places to Eat & Drink

Whether you're looking for a quick drink, or some delicious kai, we can recommend the following places to eat & drink while you're in town.

Festival Venues

Auckland Live

Kiri Te Kanawa Theatre, Herald Theatre (Aotea Centre) Spiegeltent and Festival Garden (Aotea Square), Auckland Town Hall and The Civic

ASB Waterfront Theatre

138 Halsey Street

Q Theatre

305 Queen Street

Central

Grand Millennium Hotel

Restaurants and bars, 2mins walk from Aotea Sq
71 Mayoral Drive, Cnr Vincent Street
Open daily

Tanuki Japanese Sake Bar

319 Queen Street, Auckland
Open: Wed–Sun, 5.00pm–late

My Bar

112 Durham Street East
Open: Mon–Sat, 3.00pm–late

Mezze Bar

9 Durham Street East
Open: Mon–Wed, 8.00am–late;
Sat–Sun, 10.00am–late

Mojo Coffee

Mojo Vulcan Lane

Corner Vulcan Lane & O'Connell St

Mojo Wyndham

66 Wyndham St

Basement Theatre Bar

Lower Greys Avenue
Open: Tue–Sat, 5.00pm–late.
Hub of the local theatre community.

Burger Fuel

291 Queen Street
Open: Sun–Thu, 8.00am–10.30pm
Fri & Sat, 9.00am–12.00am

Uptown

Coco's Cantina (italian)

374 Karangahape Road
Open: Tue–Sat, 4.00pm–late

Acho's (Japanese Tacos)

309 Karangahape Road
Open: Tue–Sun

Bar Magda (Modern Filipino-Kiwi)

25b Cross Street
Open: Mon–Sun, 5.00pm–late

St Kevin's Arcade

Address: 183 Karangahape Road

Bestie Café (Café)

Open: Mon–Fri, 7.30am–2.30pm
Sat–Sun, 8.30am–2.30pm

Gemmayze Street (Lebanese food)

Open: Tue–Sat 6.00pm till late

Public Bar/Double Whammy (Live music)

183 Karangahape Road
Open: Mon–Thu, 5.00pm–10.00pm
Fri & Sat, 5.00pm–4.00am; Sun, 12.00pm–8.00pm

Waterfront

Britomart District

Waterfront, around Tyler St and Galway St.

If you're looking for something a little fancy, there are many options in the Britomart district. We recommend [Ima Cuisine](#) (Middle Eastern, 53 Fort St). For Brunch, check out [Amano](#) (Italian, 106 Tyler St).

Commercial Bay

A modern mall beside Te Komititanga Square (Lower Queen St). There are lots of food options and price ranges, as well as great clothes shops. [Ahi](#) is highly recommended but pricey, and the foodcourt is well priced and too good to be called a food court.

[Go-chu](#) (Korean) is great and has lovely views.

Ponsonby & Grey Lynn

Ramen Takara

272 Ponsonby Road
Open: Tue–Thu, 12.00pm–2.30pm,
5pm–9.30pm; Fri–Sun 12.00–9.00pm

Le Vietnamese Kitchen

107 Ponsonby Road
Open: Mon–Sun, 11.30am–10.00pm

Ponsonby Central

Filled with a variety of restaurants and bars, Ponsonby Central features a wide range of international cuisines.
Open 7 days, 7.30am–11.00pm

Doe Donuts

356 Great North Road
Open: Wed–Fri, 8.00am–2.00pm
Sun, 8.30am–2.00pm

Artist Discounts

Present your Artist Pass to access Artist Discounts at the following places:

Bestie Café

- 1 free hot drink when ordering menu food

My Bar

- 10% discount on drinks

Gong Cha Lorne Street

- Buy 1 get 1 free voucher in artist welcome bags

Coco's Cantina

- Various drinks specials on different days and \$17 pizza any time before 8:30pm Tuesday to Saturday

Bar Magda

- 15% discount to artist who opt for one of our set menus, applicable to the whole table
- 10% discount for anything else. Bookings will be recommended especially if they have dietary restrictions

The Frog Bar

- 10% discount for artists across all items

Auckland Live

- 10% discount at Townhall and Terrace Bar
- 20% discount at the Container Bar and Spiegeltent Bar

Q Theatre

- 10% discount on food and beverage

Bernie's Picks

Our Artistic Director, Bernie, has curated a special map of her favourite places to eat & drink, as well as a parks and spots to visit during the Festival.

[Check out the map here](#) and save it to your Google Maps to access it easily.

Supermarkets

New World Metro

125 Queen St, Auckland
Mon–Fri, 8.00am–9.00pm
Sat & Sun, 9.30am–8.30pm

Countdown Auckland Metro

19/25 Victoria St West, Auckland
Mon–Fri, 6.00am–7.00pm
Sat & Sun, 8.00am–7.00pm

Things to Do

Auckland War Memorial Museum

The Auckland Domain, Parnell, Auckland
Hours: Mon–Fri, 10.00am–5.00pm
Sat & Sun, 9.00am–5.00pm

Auckland Museum is the only venue in Auckland where visitors can experience a Māori cultural performance daily. Regarded as one of the finest museums in the Southern Hemisphere it is renowned for its unique collection of Māori and Pacific treasures. It is also a war memorial for the Auckland province. Entry is \$32 for International visitors.

After the museum walk across the field to the Domain Wintergarden glasshouse botanical garden.

Auckland Art Gallery Toi o Tāmaki

Corner Kitchener and
Wellesley Streets, Auckland
Hours: Mon–Sun, 10.00am–5.00pm

History, heritage and culture are brought to life at Auckland Art Gallery Toi o Tāmaki. Founded in 1888, it remains New Zealand's largest and most inspiring visual arts experience in Aotearoa New Zealand. Entry is FREE.

Auckland Free Walking Tours

89 Quay Street, Auckland
Hours: Various, check website

Enjoy walking? How about schooling up on Auckland's colourful history? Then slip on some comfy shoes and check out Auckland Free Walking Tours. Tours are 2 hours long, booking is recommended via their website. They request donation.

Self-Guided Walking Art Trail

You can do your own public art walk on the map, [here](#).

Entertainment

Indoor

The iconic [Sky Tower](#) is central for a visit (\$35 tickets online or \$40 in-person for an adult).

It's not the classiest of places, but if it's raining and you're looking for a Movie theatre or Bowling alley with Karaoke, you can find these ([Event Cinemas Queen St](#) and [Metrolanes](#), respectively) located beside Aotea Square at 291 Queen St.

There is also [Academy Cinemas](#), a boutique cinema beneath the Central Library on 44 Lorne Street. On Wednesdays they do \$5 Tickets, and they play both recent releases and retro films.

There are other movie theatres in Newmarket (outside of the CBD, an uber ride) where there is the [Westfield mall](#), [Event Cinemas Broadway](#) and [Rialto Cinemas](#), all located on Broadway. There is also a boutique cinema [Silky Otter](#) located in Ponsonby.

Alternatively, take the Blue Tāmaki Link bus to [Kelly Tarlton's Aquarium](#) (\$36 tickets online or \$45 in person for an adult).

Outdoor

Auckland boasts a large number of **parks and walks**. Many of them are former volcanos for any keen hill-climbers (e.g. One Tree Hill, Mt Eden Summit, or to really be in nature head over to Rangitoto Island on a ferry)!

There are also **central beaches**, Mission Bay (most popular with grass area, playground and shops), Kohimarama (nicest, good café and fish and chips), St Helier's (also multiple shops and cafes, less touristy than Mission Bay), These are

easy to bus to, just catch the Tāmaki Link bus from stop 7019 at 55 Customs St East (see 'Travel & Transport' for more info).

Our harbour beaches are very tidal so if you want to swim make sure it is not low tide. Note: not all our beaches are monitored by lifeguards, and our beaches are prone to rips. Check the beach water quality is safe to swim at, at [SafeSwim](#), as heavy rain can cause water pollution.

Alternatively, if you want to go for a swim in the CBD, the new [Karanga Plaza Harbour Pool](#) has opened on the steps of the Viaduct Basin.

If you have transport, **Piha beach** is approximately 45 minutes away from the CBD and popular for a wild and rugged, black sand beach experience. The **Waitakere Ranges Regional Park** is full of thriving native wildlife and holds over 250km of walking tracks. One of our favourite scenic spots, Kitekite Falls is a 2.7km 45min return walk on well-maintained easy track. Ensure you scrub your shoes at the sanitation station to stop kauri dieback.

If you have a day off, **Waiheke Island** is a great day (although pricey) trip via ferry. They have many vineyards and winery tours.

Fitness

Les Mills Gyms

2 Britomart Place, Auckland CBD

Open: Mon–Thu, 5.00am–10.00pm;

Fri, 5.00am–9.00pm;

Sat & Sun, 7.00am–7.00pm

Auckland City, 186 Victoria Street West

Mon – Thu, 5.00am–10.00pm

Fri, 5.00am–10.00pm

Sat – Sun, 7.00am–7.00pm

Anytime Fitness

Level 6/10–14 Lorne Street, Auckland CBD

Open: 5.30am–10.00pm

City Fitness

Level 3, 239 Queen Street, Auckland CBD

Open: 5.30am–10.00pm

Tepid Baths

100 Customs Street West, Auckland CBD

Mon–Fri, 5.30am–9.00pm;

Sat & Sun, 7.00am–6.00pm

‘The Teps’ is an iconic part of Auckland’s history. Built over 100 years ago and refurbished in 2012, the Tepid Baths have two pools, spa, steam and sauna facilities. Entry is \$8.10 for pool, spa and sauna.

Yoga & Saunas

Sala Studio

2 Britomart Place, Auckland CBD

Open: Mon–Sun

Check website for latest timetable

Hum Yoga

18 Westmoreland Street West, Grey Lynn

Open: Mon–Sun

Check website for latest timetable

HIYOGA

Level 2, 125 Queen Street, Auckland CBD

Open: Mon–Sun

Check website for latest timetable

Auckland Yoga Academy

190 Federal Street, Auckland CBD

Open: Mon–Sun

Check website for latest timetable

Abundance Studio at City Fitness

Level 3, 239 Queen Street, Auckland CBD

Check website for latest timetable

Hana (Sauna)

18 Westmoreland Street West, Grey Lynn

Open: Mon–Thu, 8.30am–8.00pm

Sat, 8.30am–5.00pm; Sun 9.30am–6.00pm

Check website for latest timetable

Artist Discounts

Present your Artist Pass to access Artist Discounts at the following places:

Sala Studio

30% off All Energy class packs with the code ARTFESTIVAL, valid from now until March 22 (*T's & C's apply, memberships are not included*).

You can use this code on:

- All Energy Drop-In (single class, valid for 30 days from purchase)
- All Energy 5-Class Pack (5 classes, valid for 3 months from purchase)
- All Energy 10-Class Pack (10 classes, valid for 6 months from purchase).

These class packs give you access to all classes including Chroma, Reformer, Barre, Mat Pilates, Yoga, as well as saunas and contrast therapy. Any class is a single credit, a sauna is 2 credits and a contrast is 3 credits. With a 5 class pack you could do 5 classes, or 1 sauna and 1 contrast or 1 sauna 3 classes, etc).

We recommend booking classes in advance whenever possible.

How to use the code:

- Visit sala.studio and create an account
- Add your preferred class pack to your cart
- Enter the code ARTFESTIVAL at checkout to receive the 30% discount
- Be sure the discount has been applied before completing your purchase as we're unable to apply discounts retroactively

Please cancel or reschedule your class at least 12 hours in advance to avoid losing your credit. Late cancellations or no-shows will result in the class being deducted from your pack. We have a strict no late entry policy so please always ensure you arrive before class begins.

Hum Yoga

30% off with the code AAF30 (*T's & C's apply*).

This can be used at the online checkout for the 5, 10, and 20 Class Packs.

Festival Passes & Tickets

Artist Pass

On arrival you will be issued with an Artist Pass. Please wear it whenever you are at Festival venues as it authorises access to your venue and identifies you to venue and Festival staff.

Artist Passes allow artists to:

- Purchase advanced tickets to any performance* at Concession rates at the venue's box office.

*Excludes *Macbeth*, *Bluebeard's Castle*, *Waiora*, *St. Matthew's Young & Brilliant*, *In Your Neighborhood*, *Daniel Verstappen*, *WET*, *Sincere Apologies*, *Becoming Jeff Bezos*, and *Marmite & Honey*

Artist Tickets

Artist Pass holders are able to purchase one ticket for \$35 on the day of the performance in person (subject to availability) from the following locations:

- Aotea Centre Box Office
Inside Aotea Centre for all Festival shows,
Mon–Fri, 10am – 4pm, Sat–Sun, 12pm – 6pm
- At the performance venues
60–90 minutes prior to the performance

Artist tickets are available for:

- *La Ronde*
- *27 Club*
- *He Manu Tioriori*
- *Ten Thousand Hours*
- *Duck Pond*
- *Ihi. Wehi. Mana.*
- *Julia Bollock with Auckland Philharmonia*
- *Shanghai Symphony Orchestra*
- *ONO with Moana & The Tribe*

- *Music Portrait for a Humble Disabled Samoan*
- *The Butterfly Who Flew Into The Rave*
- *A Place in the Sultan's Kitchen*
- *The Visitors*
- *Werewolf*

Ticketing Agent Information

Full priced tickets to all shows can be purchased via Te Ahurei Toi o Tāmaki Auckland Arts festival website: aaf.co.nz. You can also book in person at the Aotea Centre Box Office, online or on the phone via Ticketmaster; or shows at the Q Theatre and ASB Waterfront Theatre can be booked directly at the venue

Ticketmaster

Ph: 09 951 2501

Online: ticketmaster.co.nz

In Person: *open at various times and/or 90 minutes prior to a performance*

Q Theatre

Ph: 09 309 9771

Online: qtheatre.co.nz

In Person: 305 Queen Street

Mon–Tue, 10.00am–4.00pm

(or show time, whichever is the latest)

Wed–Fri, 10.00am–6.00pm

(or show-time, whichever is the latest)

Sat & Sun, 60 minutes before performance only.

ASB Waterfront Theatre

Ph: 0800 282 849

Online: asbwaterfronttheatre.co.nz

In Person: 138 Halsey Street

Mon–Fri, 9.00am–5.00pm

(or show time, whichever is the latest)

Sat & Sun, two hours before performance only.

Medical Contacts

EMERGENCY

Police / Fire / Ambulance

Ph: 111

Non-emergency ambulance (St John)

Ph: 0800 785 646 (0800 ST JOHN)

Non-emergency police

Ph: 105

Healthline for general health
advice and information

Ph: 0800 611 116

After Hours Doctor (*One Health*),
122 Remuera Road, Remuera

Ph: +64 (0) 9 522 2800

Auckland City Hospital

Accident & Emergency Clinic
2 Park Road, Grafton, Auckland

Ph: +64 (0) 367 000

Doctor (*Queen Street Doctors*)
87 Queen Street

Ph: +64 (0) 9 309 2236
Open every day, 8.00am–5.00pm

Queen Street Physiotherapy

Level 4/87 Queen Street

Ph: +64 (0) 9 309 0822 / 0800 103 292
Open Mon–Fri, 7.30am–5.45pm

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**24/7 online or
in-clinic doctors.**

Download the app at
tend.nz or scan the QR
code to access video-
call consultations or
book to see a doctor
in-person.



Eat & Drink with our Festival Partners

Mojo Coffee

Mojo Coffee has kept the Festival team and artists energetic and helped us get through those long Festival days for more than 10 years.

You can taste their fine brews at their Wyndham St and Vulcan Lane cafes, all just a short eight-minute walk from Aotea Square.

Don't forget to take your vouchers and a friend!

Mojo Vulcan Lane

Corner Vulcan Lane & O'Connell St

Mojo Wyndham

66 Wyndham St

Feel free to give them a shout out [@mojocoffeenz](#) and tag us [@aucklandartsfestival](#)

Grand Millenium Hotel

As our Accommodation Partner, Grand Millennium Hotel hosts many of our Festival Artists and guests for AAF 2026. Just a short two minute walk from Aotea Square, they are perfectly located for pre-show dining, or snack any time of day.

Present your Artist Pass to enjoy discounted dining and drinking at their restaurants and bars.

See Places to Eat & Drink on page 12.

Code of Conduct

Auckland Arts Festival is committed to all our guests having an enjoyable and safe time while in Tāmaki Makaurau. To facilitate this, everyone is expected to:

- Treat others with respect and dignity
- Not be under the influence of alcohol or drugs when you are working
- Respect your venue, accommodation, Festival equipment, and the belongings of others
- Consider the environment whenever possible
- Take care of your own health and safety
- Ensure you don't cause harm to yourself or others
- Report any accidents or near-misses in a Festival venue to the Venue Manager
- Behave at all times in a professional manner that protects the good reputation of Auckland Arts Festival

Bullying, sexual harassment, abuse of others, discrimination and fighting at the Festival will not be tolerated. Be kind to others.

The Festival places great importance on the health and safety of all artists, crew, staff, volunteers and audiences. A safe environment requires everyone to work together, follow health and safety rules, and to cooperate with Festival staff at all times. Thank you!



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