

Join the party at your local library to celebrate 150 years of Christchurch City Libraries.

Events are FREE, however some require booking. Check details here and online at library150.com



Akaroa

Birthday Cake

Celebrate Christchurch City Libraries' 150th birthday and have some cake - on us!

When: 5th August, from 11.00am

Bishopdale

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Bishopdale Pottery Group - working display

Come and see our local potters at work and learn about the ancient craft of pottery at our display.

When: 5th August, 10.30am - 3.00pm

Central

Christchurch City Libraries - Official Birthday Event

Join us to officially mark our 150th birthday and enjoy some birthday cake - on us!

Where: Ground Floor
When: 5th August, from 11.00am

Mad Hatter's Tea Party with Natural Magic

Join the Mad Hatter, Alice and friends for a tea party and a traditional Punch and Judy Show with Natural Magic.

Where: Centre for the Child
When: 8th August, 1.30pm - 3.00pm

Family Entertainment

Olden Days Pre-School Story Time

Our storytellers share stories, poems and songs from the past

Where: Centre for the Child
When: 13th and 20th August, 10.30am - 11.00am

One FifTEA - with Live Music from Rosa Shiels

Come on a trip down memory lane at our special afternoon tea.

Where: Ground Floor
When: 9th August, 3.00pm - 4.00pm

Live Music To Celebrate 150 Years - Fire Thief

Fire Thief AKA guitarists and vocalists Patrice Harrex, Rob Tate and Allan Robertson present a live set of originals not to be missed.

Where: Ground Floor
When: 1st August, 2.00pm - 3.00pm

Author Talk - Richard Till

Join Richard for a delightful culinary trip celebrating Kiwi cooking.

Where: Ngā Pounamu Māori Centre, 2nd floor
When: 16th August, 2.00pm - 3.00pm

Books I've Loved, Books I've Loathed - Author Panel

Writers Fiona Farrell, James Norcliffe and Victor Rodger will be talking about books they've loved or loathed. Chaired by Morrin Rout.

Where: 2nd Floor
When: 12th August, 7.00pm - 8.30pm

Poetry Workshop with Frankie McMillan

Christchurch poet and writing teacher Frankie McMillan offers help with poetry writing.

Where: 2nd Floor
When: 29th August, 10.00am - 12.00 noon

Bookings essential, phone 941-7923

Book Launch - Frankie McMillan's 'Dressing for the Cannibals'.

Join poet Frankie McMillan and musician Marcus Winstanley in launching Frankie's new collection of poetry *Dressing for the Cannibals*.

Where: 2nd Floor
When: 20th August, 5.30pm - 6.30pm

Poetry Reading - Frankie McMillan

Hear Frankie McMillan read from her new collection of poetry *Dressing for the Cannibals*.

Where: 2nd Floor
When: 21st August, 12.30pm - 1.30pm

Live Music To Celebrate 150 Years - Helen Webby

Principal harpist of Christchurch Symphony Orchestra, Helen will perform a programme of traditional Irish and Scottish music on Celtic harp.

Where: 2nd Floor
When: 8th August, 11.00am - 12.00 noon

Live Music to Celebrate 150 Years - Ariana Tikao

Ariana combines English chants and mōteatea (traditional Māori chants) with the rich sounds of taoka pūoro (traditional Māori instruments) to create an ethereal sphere you won't want to leave.

Where: Ngā Pounamu Māori Centre, 2nd floor
When: 29th August, 2.00pm - 3.00pm

Zinefest

A zine is a small, self-published magazine. Zinefest is an open day to design and create a zine, talk about zines, and/or deposit zines. Free photocopying credit given to participants.

Where: 2nd Floor
When: 22nd August, 11.00am - 3.00pm

Email is Easy/Internet Exploration Workshop

Learn the basics of using email and the internet. Please bring the email address of a friend or family member so that you can send your first email.

When: 18th August, 10.00am - 12.00pm
Bookings essential, phone 941-7923

Introduction to Computing: Focus on Word Documents Workshop

One session introduction for beginners.

When: 18th August, 10.00am - 12.00pm

Explore your Family History

Start your family history search at this workshop.

Where: Aotearoa New Zealand Centre, 2nd Floor
When: 13th August, 1.00pm - 3.00pm

Fendalton

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Olden Days Pre-School Story Time

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When: 4th August, 10.30am - 11.00am

One FifTEA

Come on a trip down memory lane at our special morning tea. Light entertainment will be provided by local quintet, *Twisted Brass*

When: 8th August, 11.00am - 12.00 noon

Live Music to Celebrate 150 Years- Caroline Joy

A regular on the Christchurch gig scene, Caroline Joy entertains with her take on well-known pop songs and not-so-well-known originals. Caroline plays the piano to accompany her voice, with extra depth coming from the sultry backing vocals of Nikki Jerard.

When: 15th August, 11.00am - 12.00 noon

Halswell

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Hornby

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Olden Days Pre-School Story Time

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When: 12th August, 10.15am - 10.45am

Live Music to Celebrate 150 years - Shane RDU

Shane, RDU-FM DJ/mixologist, is a master audio experimentalist. His repertoire includes electro, soul, hip hop, downbeat, funk, house, drum and bass, breaks and wiggly bits.

When: 8th August, 11.00am - 12.00 noon

Linwood

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When: 5th August, from 11.00am

Birthday-Themed Pre-School Story Time

Our storytellers share stories, poems and songs from the past.

When: 6th August, 10.00am - 10.30am

Over 60's One FifTEA

Come on a trip down memory lane at our special morning tea.

When: 31st July, 10.30am - 12.00 noon

Visitor's Book

My Library come and write or draw in our visitors book. Share your library stories.

When: All Day - June/July/August

Live Music to Celebrate 150 Years - Craig Smith

Popular children's performer, Craig Smith will perform a delightful mix of music for the young and old in his signature folk style.

When: 8th August, 11.00am - 12.00 noon

Live Music to Celebrate 150 Years - Anneka Thwaites

Christchurch singer-songwriter, Anneka Thwaites pairs elements of folk, country and rock with intimate vocals and reflective lyrics.

When: 15th August, 11.00am - 12.00 noon

Lyttelton

Birthday Cake

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When: 5th August, from 11.00am

Live Music to Celebrate 150 Years - Carmel Courtney

Carmel Courtney, popular local singer-songwriter will captivate audiences with her own brand of alternative jazz-inspired music.

When: 15th August, 11.00am - 12.00 noon

Olden Days Pre-School Story Time

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When: 25th August, 11.00am - 11.30am

New Brighton

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When: 11th August, 10.00am - 10.30am

One FifTEA

Come on a trip down memory lane at our special morning or afternoon tea.

When: 27th August, 3.00pm - 4.00pm

Library Discovery Trail Quiz

Hunt for information about the library to answer this quiz. Prize draw for all entries on 1st September.

When: 1st August, all day

8 - 12 years old

Live Music to Celebrate 150 Years - Hugh Campbell & Jon Hooker

Come and watch the incredible talents of acoustic guitarists Hugh Campbell and Jon Hooker.

When: 8th August, 2.00pm - 3.00pm

Papanui

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Parklands

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Redwood

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Shirley

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When: 5th August, from 11.00am

Retro Bingo Night in the Library

Get out your flares and fake eyelashes for our Retro Bingo Night. Bingo followed by supper- 70's style.

When: 27th August, 7.00pm - 9.00pm

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When: 18th August, 10.30am - 11.00am

South

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Olden Days Pre-School Story Time

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When: 20th August, 11.00am - 11.30am

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When: 8th August, 2.00pm - 3.00pm

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When: 29th August, 2.00pm - 3.00pm

Spreydon

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When: 5th August, from 11.00am

Live Music to Celebrate 150 Years - Craig Smith

Popular children's performer, Craig Smith will perform a delightful mix of music for the young and old in his signature folk style.

When: 17th August, 3.00pm - 4.00pm

Olden Days Pre-School Story Time

Our storytellers share stories, poems and songs from the past.

When: 7th August, 10.30am - 11.00am

Sumner

Birthday Cake

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When: 5th August, from 11.00am

Olden Days Pre-School Story Time

Our storytellers share stories, poems and songs from the past.

When: 19th August, 11.00am - 11.30am

Upper Riccarton

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When: 5th August, from 11.00am

Olden Days Pre-School Story Time

Our storytellers share stories, poems and songs from the past.

When: 10th August, 9.30am - 10.00am

One FifTEA

Come on a trip down memory lane at our special morning tea.

When: 5th August, 11.00am - 2.00pm

Local Craft Groups - Open Day

Come and meet the community groups that use our community room.

When: 3rd August, 11.00am - 2.00pm

After School Movie Mania - Community Room

Relax after school with a movie and popcorn.

When: 4th August, 3.15pm - 5.00pm

5 - 12 years

South Learning Centre

Coffee and Computers

Come in and try out our music, art, photographic software, explore Google Earth, have a play on our computers whilst enjoying a cuppa with fellow learners.

When: 3rd August, 9.00am - 10.30am

5th August, 9.00am - 10.30am

Drop In Explore, Play and Learn

Come in and try out our music, art, photographic software, explore Google Earth and enjoy exploring on our computers.

When: 3rd August, 11.00am - 12.30pm

4th August, 1.00pm - 3.00pm

5th August, 11.00am - 12.00 noon

6th August, 11.00am - 12.30pm

7th August, 10.30am - 12.30pm

Family Reading Workshop

So you want to know what to read and where to find it? Join us to discuss books and explore helpful websites.

When: 11th August, 6.30pm - 8.00pm

Adults and children over 7 years

Bookings essential, phone 941-7923

Tram Stop - Cathedral Square

Story Time

Popular storyteller, Liz Weir, will delight children with stories aboard the tram.

When: 14th August, 10.00am - 10.30am

14th August, 10.00am - 11.00am

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Christchurch Art Gallery

YouTubing the Library | Sponsored by The Press

Check out the film-making talent of the finalists in our 150th anniversary YouTube competition. Winners for each category announced.

For more information go to:

www.library150.com/competitions

Where: Philip Carter Family Auditorium

When: 7th August, 7.00pm - 9.00pm

Bookings essential, phone 941-7923

Literary Shorts with Kate De Goldi, Gavin Bishop and Sally Blundell

The judges of the One-Day Short Story Competition read their favourite short stories from the past 150 years, plus the winners of the One-Day Short Story Competition are announced.

Where: Philip Carter Family Auditorium

When: 19th August, 6.00pm

Brought to you by Christchurch Art Gallery, The Cultural Precinct, The NZ Society of Authors *and* Christchurch City Libraries.

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Art Gallery and Cultural Precinct

One-Day Short Story Competition

Judged by Kate De Goldi, Gavin Bishop and Sally Blundell, this story-writing competition is open to two age-groups. Winners will be announced on Wednesday 19th August.

For more information go to:

www.christchurchartgallery.org.nz/Events/August

When: 2nd August

Brought to you by Christchurch Art Gallery, The Cultural Precinct, The NZ Society of Authors *and* Christchurch City Libraries.

Sponsored by The Press.

Christchurch Town Hall

The Day My Library Went Psycho - Andy Griffiths

Best selling Australian author and funny man, Andy Griffiths entertains.

Where: Limes Room, Christchurch Town Hall

When: 12th August, 10.30am

12th August, 1.30pm

12th August, 6.30pm

8-14 years. Bookings essential, phone 941-7923

Our City O-Tautahi

Shelved Memories Exhibition

Take a peek at some of the Library's treasures from our last 150 years.

For more information go to: www.ccc.govt.nz/OurCity/

When: 5th August - 8th October

The Day the Library Went Psycho

Lots of laughs and inspiration in three shows only from top Australian children's author, Andy Griffiths.

Wednesday 12th August
Limes Room, Christchurch Town Hall
See listing for session and booking details.

Kiwi Cuisine with Richard Till

Celebrate Kiwi cooking with local celebrity chef Richard Till

Sunday 16th August
2pm, Central Library

See listing for session details



Join local authors and book lovers, Fiona Farrell, James Norcliffe, Victor Rodger and Morrin Rout for a passionate literary discussion

Wednesday, 12th August, 7pm
Central Library *See listing for session details*



Mad Hatter's Tea Party

A delightful trip down the rabbit hole with Alice and friends. *Performance by Natural Magic.*

Saturday, 8th August, 1.30pm
Centre for the Child, Central Library
See listing for session details

One FifTEAS

Tea anyone? Books, tea and yummy treats come together at our morning and afternoon teas.

July - August

See library listing for dates and times.

Shelved Memories

Take a peek at some of the Library's treasures from our last 150 years.

25th August - 8th October

Our City O-Tautahi

See listing for session details

YouTubing the Library

★★★★★

Screening Awards Night!

Check out the winning entries from our local film making talent.

7th August, 7pm
Art Gallery Auditorium



Birthday Parties

Soak up the party atmosphere at your local library on our official birthday.

Wednesday 5th August

See your local library listing for details.



For bookings or more information
Phone (03) 941 7923

For Library locations visit
christchurchlibraries.com

E whakanui ake ana Ngā Kete Wānanga-o-Ōtautahi



Anniversary Events Guide



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