

Expressions Arts and Entertainment Centre

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See you soon!

Expressions Arts and Entertainment Centre is opening in September 2003.

The community's vision of a multi-purpose arts and recreation centre is becoming reality. The new building adds an art gallery and 200-seat theatre, along with hospitality areas, to the existing Civic Hall. Expressions has been designed with flexible spaces that can be adjusted depending on the event and numbers of people attending.

You can book now!

We're easy to find, located between the Upper Hutt City Council building and H²O Xstream, at 836 Fergusson Drive.

You can use our website www.expressions.org.nz to keep current on the progress of the building and upcoming exhibitions and events. Please contact us if you have any suggestions or feedback.

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Current Events

**We are right on schedule!
You can book now!**

**Opening
September 2003!**

Opening events

Contact us to take part in opening celebrations during September and through our opening season!

Staff Vacancies

Part time operations manager, weekend and holiday receptionist and curator positions close 19 May 2003.

Cafe

Café tenders close 19 May 2003. Announcement soon!

Volunteers wanted

Join our volunteer programme and have fun while making a positive contribution to our community.

Foyer contributions

Orongomai Marae is creating a carving to stand in the Rotary Foyer. Clubs interested in contributing art works to the Rotary Foyer please feel free to contact us.

Technicians Certification programme

Lighting and sound technicians, mechanists and stage managers must register urgently to be included in our Technicians certification programme.

Friends of Expressions - Take your seat!

Our *fundraisers*, the Friends of Expressions, have the seat sales campaign in full swing. Contact the Friends on 527 2180 to support Expressions and secure your lasting memento.

Upper Hutt City Council

As *owner of the building*, Council has been busy seeking naming rights sponsors for the venue. We already have the Rotary Foyer, an announcement will be made soon about a national company that has signed naming rights for the Theatre.

Expressions Arts and Entertainment Trust (Operating as Expressions Arts and Entertainment Centre)

As *operators of the Centre*, our vision is for an inspired community celebrating expression.

Lady Beattie... a heart for the city

Philip Bentley... celebrating success

Joy Bullen... involving everyone

Barry Houston... a catalyst for growth

Bryan Jackson... a great place to live

Tom Leckie... a strong and vibrant community

Nicola Meek (Chair)... expressing who we are

Peter Richardson... helping raise standards

Our Spaces

You can book now!

Rotary Foyer

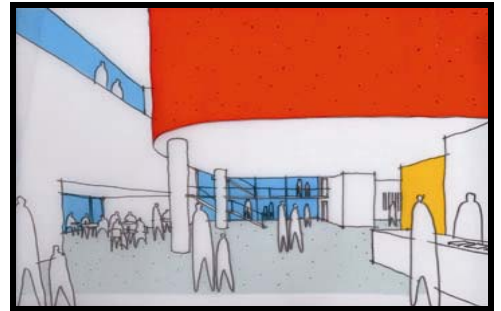
- striking glass frontage
- elevated ceiling
- rich totara floor
- linked to the café and decked outdoor courtyard

suitable for

- social events • displays • weddings • business dinners • cocktail functions • community gatherings • interactive exhibitions • as a meeting point

Catering for 40 to 200 guests, Rotary Foyer can be hired separately or in conjunction with the theatre, the hall or the café.

A sophisticated entertaining and exhibiting space...



...more than an entrance

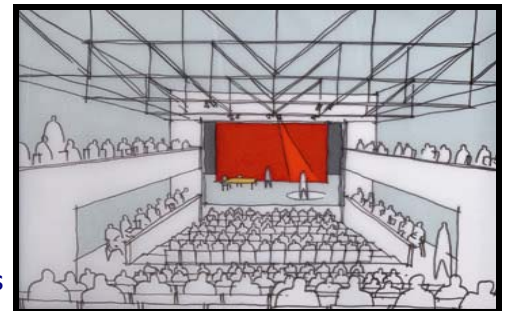
Theatre

- seating 200 or 40 at tables and 84 seated
- comfortable seating of superb quality and appearance
- proscenium arch stage with sprung floor
- fully air conditioned
- the latest in theatre lighting and sound equipment
- well appointed change, green room and star facilities
- upper level location linked to an outdoor sculpture court

suitable for

- theatrical, musical and dance performances • multi-media events • lectures • product launches • cabarets • celebrations • public programmes

Visual intimacy and acoustic excellence unite...

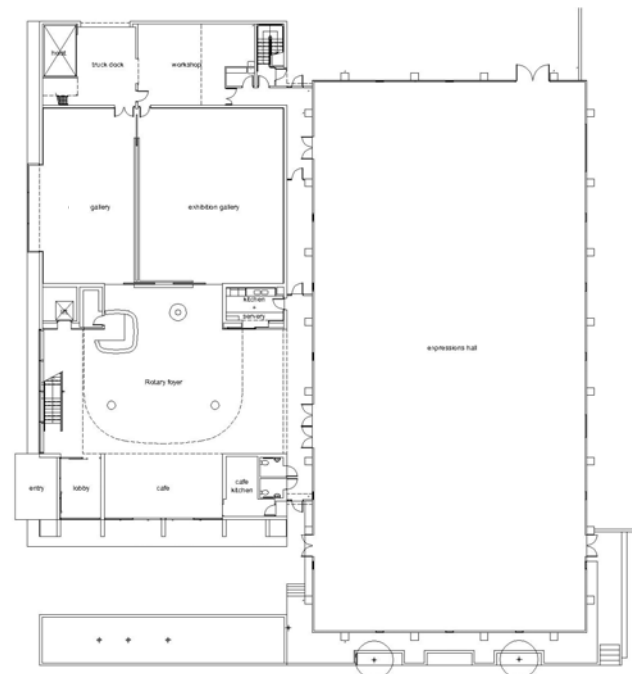


...one of Expressions' most vibrant spaces

Exhibition spaces

- fully programmed public gallery hosting a variety of creative and artistic exhibitions to reflect, challenge, and inspire the community
- second gallery with exquisite, original, New Zealand-made creative gifts on sale
- Rotary Foyer hosting selected local exhibitions with an interactive focus
- public education programme to complement exhibits

We're more than an arts centre...



...there's something for everyone!

Expressions Hall

The former Civic Hall is now an integral part of Expressions.

- large sport and recreation hall (22m x 45m)
- highly praised wooden sprung floor
- catering to 800 seated, 1120 standing or 500 at tables
- new moveable stage

suitable for

- sports activities • wedding receptions • balls and dances • trade shows • community celebrations • prize givings • cabarets

Café café operator to be announced soon!

- Our café will offer wonderful food, excellent coffee, an assortment of teas, delicious wines, even a catering service should you need one to add that special touch to your function.
- Come in and indulge yourself – it's a great place to just sit, to catch up with friends, to take pleasure in a leisurely brunch, to grab that needed coffee...

...express yourself, be inspired, celebrate, unwind



Book now!

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