

EXPRESSIONS

Whirinaki

Expressions Arts & Entertainment Centre

VENUE HIRE



WELCOME



EXPRESSIONS WHIRINAKI ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE is an exquisitely modern building in the Wellington Region and is a truly spectacular venue for a memorable daytime or evening event. With its spacious and dramatic foyer bounded by a glass façade, galleries with a stunning range of exhibitions, a state of the art theatre, and a huge recreation hall, Expressions is adaptable for any event.

Our impressive spaces have been designed to be flexible and are perfect for performing art events, corporate events, lectures and conferences, cocktail parties, weddings and seated dinners, as well as sporting events and public expos.

We offer a range of venue hire options at competitive prices - from the intimate spaces of the foyer to the grand hall and theatre to private exhibition viewings. Whether you're holding a conference, a public meeting, providing corporate training, hosting a business dinner or giving a presentation, Expressions can meet your needs. Ask us how we can help you host a memorable event.

OUR TEAM

We have a dedicated and passionate team who will make your event the best it can be. With creative flare and logistic insights we are here to meet your needs and take care of all the details.

THE LOCATION

Expressions Whirinaki is situated in the heart of the Upper Hutt's civic and cultural precinct, right next

door to H2O Xtream and beside the Council Buildings/Library. We are just 30 minutes from Wellington at 836 Fergusson Drive, Upper Hutt. We are also a five minute walk from Upper Hutt railway station, and on the main bus route.

CAR PARKING

There is a public carpark behind Expressions, with space for up to 180 vehicles. Some are all day and some have two hour parking limits.



UPPER HUTT i-SITE

Expressions Whirinaki is also the home of the Upper Hutt i-SITE. This means that we can help you with any transport, accommodation or leisure activities associated with your event. If you need a group accommodation booking...let us do it for you. Have a free afternoon put aside as part of conference? Let us direct you to what the Hutt Valley has to offer.

BOOKING

To enquire about venue availability and arrange a site visit, please call or email.

Phone: 05 527 2168

bookings@expressions.org.nz

GILLIES GROUP THEATRE



This state-of-the-art, tiered theatre is ideal for performances, seminars and projection-based entertainment.

Our fully fitted out theatre allows for great flexibility to accommodate a wide variety of events including theatrical performances, seminars, presentations and much more. A warm, intimate space with good natural acoustics and easy to use facilities enables you to ensure the focus remains on the presentation.

Overall stage dimensions

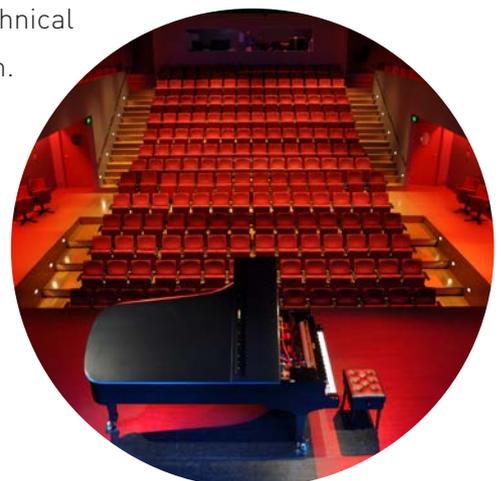
Stage width and wings	19.6 m
Stage width to average leg settings	12.4 m
Stage depth front to rear	11.1 m
Stage depth to FOH curtain line	9 m
Stage width with closed proscenium	8.1 m
Stage width with open proscenium	12.2 m

Capacity

212 seats, wheelchair spaces are available

Our theatre has the latest technology, air conditioning, comfortable seating and can be hired alone or in conjunction with other spaces. In addition the seating can be converted to accommodate 40 tables. The theatre is situated on the upper level of the building and can be accessed via stairs or public elevator. The theatre has a full WiFi service available via Café Net for conferences.

Any booking in the theatre comes with an experienced technical production team.



theatre rates



Here are our standard hire rates. If it looks like this won't work for you, please get in touch, we can always try to work something out.

Commercial Hire

- This includes full use of green room, dressing rooms and use of full lighting, except data projector and Grand Piano.
- If speciality rigging or sound is required then pricing is on application.
- A pre-event set up day is charged out at \$175 per day.
- Includes a technical manager for five / ten / fifteen hours, a FOH manager for three hours and two ushers.

Community Hire 1

For ticketed, not for profit community group events

- Includes full use of green room, dressing rooms, use of a pre-focused and set up standard lighting rig, 1 x cabled microphone and a black back drop at full stage point or half stage point.
- If speciality rigging/sound is required then pricing is on application.
- No charge for pre-event set up day.
- Includes a technical manager for five / ten / fifteen hours, a FOH manager for three hours and two ushers.

Community Hire 2

for non-ticketed/free/by donation not for profit community group events

- Includes full use of green room, dressing rooms and use of a pre-focused and set up standard lighting rig, 1 x cabled microphone and a black back drop at full stage point or half stage point.
- If speciality rigging/sound is required then pricing is on application.
- No charge for pre-event set up day.
- Includes a technical manager for five / ten / fifteen hours, a FOH manager for three hours and two ushers.

	Commercial Hire	Community Hire 1	Community Hire 2
Morning 8 am to 1 pm (5 hours)	\$350	\$220	\$150
Afternoon 1 pm to 6 pm (5 hours)	\$480	\$280	\$280
Evening 6 pm to 11 pm (5 hours)	\$500	\$330	\$330
Full day 8 am to 6 pm OR 1 pm to 11 pm (10 hours)	\$750	\$500	\$500
Full day and night 8 am to 11 pm (15 hours)	\$950	\$640	\$640



Our on-site caterers Limelight Café are our preferred suppliers and offer several catering options, with exquisite food at adorable prices.

Their professional in-house catering team, from the renowned Silverstream Retreat can cater for any group requirements. Being based on site means it's all very easy. The Silverstream Retreat have catered for hundreds of weddings, large scale business awards, Government dinners, cocktail parties, intimate meetings, as well as school camps, so regardless of your budget or dietary requirements, Limelight Café can offer you a package to suit every group.



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