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To our esteemed artists

Our Annual Matariki exhibition will be opening on Friday 10 June at 6pm, and is once again being curated by our wonderful Jeanine Clarkin.

Waiheke is this year's location for the overall Auckland region's Matariki Dawn Launch which will take place on Waiheke on June 18 and be centred around the Pou at the Waiheke Library, just adjacent to the Gallery.

The events will begin with a Dawn Karakia attended by The Mayor and other Auckland dignitaries.

The Gallery has been invited to be intrinsically involved with this event, which will profile Ngati Paoa as Iwi.

The theme for the Gallery's exhibition is Te Ahi Ka, translated as Continuous Occupation or Keeping the home fires burning

Te Motu Araihoa, also known as Waiheke Island like most of Aotearoa has had a fascinating and sometime turbulent history with various occupations over time including, although not limited to Ngati Hako, Te Arawa, Nga Puhi, Taranaki, with Ngati Paoa maintaining current Manu Whenua with many from Nga Hau e Wha who have made it their home of recent years.

As an artist of descent who has links back to Waiheke, or as one who currently resides here,

we invite you to participate in this year's significant Matariki exhibition at the Waiheke Community Art Gallery.

We would like the exhibition to include painting, printmaking, weaving, sculpture, ceramics,

drawing, carving and sculpture. We also plan to have screening space for contemporary film works.

In addition we will be inviting our local schools to participate.

We welcome your participation and involvement.

Please make a note of the following dates.

Friday 29 April Confirmation of participation

Monday May 9 Images of work required for inclusion in the gallery newsletter and media advertising.

Monday May 30 Works required at the Gallery

Friday 10 June Exhibition Opening

Saturday 18 June Auckland Region Matariki Opening Dawn in the Artworks Courtyard – Events at the Gallery begin at 10am and

conclude with Jeanine Clarkin Fashion Showcase at 11am.

Monday 4 July Exhibition Closure

A reminder to please confirm participation in the exhibition by 29 April to either myself or to Jeanine.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Regards

Linda Chalmers Director

Jeanine Clarkin Curator