

Creative Bay of Plenty

Te Puna Memorial Hall
Art Installation
Artist Brief

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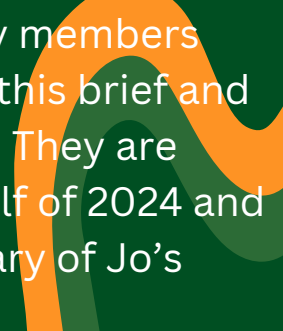
KEY INFORMATION

- Te Puna Memorial Hall window installation opportunity, Tauranga Moana
- Lead by Te Puna Hall Project Committee with support of Creative Bay of Plenty
- Permanent installation
- Expression of Interest Call Out 2024
- Open to emerging and established artists
- Paid commission
- Design and installation due by November 2024

OVERVIEW

Jo Gravit, a key member of the Te Puna community, with her passing, made a pledge and commitment to the Te Puna Memorial Hall a sum of money in 2023, to support the creation of an installation in the high windows at the very front of the Hall. She expressed the wish that the community should be involved in the commissioning and ultimate installation of the work. Jo's vision was to create a space of coloured light that (by day and by night) expressed the environment and landscape of Te Puna in a non-representational way. This is because of the importance placed, in a memorial hall, on continued acknowledgement of Te Puna's history, landscape and community; but also because the construction and conservation of the work itself will depend on ongoing appreciation of it, and some careful maintenance as the years go by.

A volunteer project group of community leaders and family members was formed shortly after Jo's death. They have developed this brief and have requested expressions of interest in response to that. They are hopeful that the artwork itself to be made in the second half of 2024 and the final work installed in the hall possibly on the anniversary of Jo's death, December 2024.



THE BRIEF

This is a call for Expressions of Interest (EOI) to apply for this exciting opportunity to design and create a permanent installation for the upper windows of the Te Puna Memorial Hall, Te Puna, Tauranga.

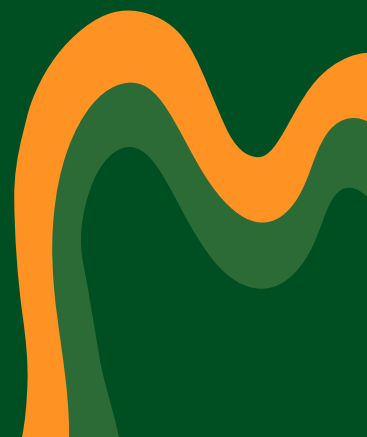
We invite you to submit an EOI to be considered as one of a short-list of artists who will be paid to create an art submission for this particular commission. We ask all artists to send through your artist CV, profile, articles and links and any images of your artwork.

We encourage artists or collectives to think about and respond to Jo's vision of expressing Te Puna and the surrounding environment and landscape. Consideration of Te Puna's cultural history and community is encouraged.

We are working towards a meaningful partnership with mana whenua, Pirirākau hapū, to fulfill our obligations to Te Tiriti o Waitangi and to be guided by the community who hold the histories and narratives of Te Puna, Tauranga Moana.

We encourage the short-listed artists to be open to the idea of recording the creation of the installation (by way of seminars and possibly workshops) for educational and archival purposes.

**IP - Intellectual Property of the art concepts will be maintained by the artists.*



THE SITE



Te Puna Memorial Hall

3 Te Puna Road, Te Puna 3176, Tauranga Moana

Hall History

The original hall was built in 1922 as a community effort to memorialise those who served, and who ended their lives, in what was then known as the Great War. Sadly, this became known as the First World War, 1914-1918, and was followed by World War II, 1939-1945. The names of all the men from Te Puna who went to both wars are listed on the granite plaques mounted in the foyer. Many of their families live in Te Puna today. The land for the first hall was donated to the district by the Armstrong family and the hall itself was built by master builder David Borell, assisted by volunteers from the area who donated labour and materials. A government grant for war memorials that were also community assets was also a big help. The hall was opened in an important ceremony on 22 November 1922 with the plaques being unveiled by Mrs Tangitu and Mrs Armstrong. The present hall is sited as close as possible to that of the old hall, which was taken down to make way for a roundabout to replace a dangerous intersection on State Highway Two.

Ref: <https://tepunahall.nz/history-2/history/>

KEY DATES

- Open Date for EOI Expression of Interests: **Thursday 13th June 2024**
- Close Date for EOI Expression of Interests: **Friday 28th June 2024, 5pm**
- Shortlist of Applicants Notified: **July 2024**
- Art Installation Submissions Due: **End of July 2024**
- Successful Artist Notified: **August 2024**

**Dates are subject to change pending EOI submissions*

ABOUT US

Beth Bowden – Project Convenor

Ian Duncalf – Chair, Te Puna Hall Committee

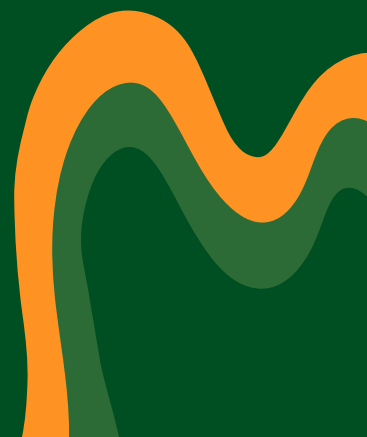
Ian Thorn – Architect and Technical Advisor

Rawiri Kuka – Pirirākau Contact

Jonathan Gravit, on behalf of Jo's children

Support

Arohanoa Mathews - Ngā Toi Māori Navigator on behalf of Creative Bay of Plenty | Te Waka Auaha Toi. CBOP is the umbrella organisation for arts, culture and creativity in Tauranga and the Western Bay of Plenty. We support and advocate for the growth of arts, culture and creativity due to their significant contribution to the vibrancy and wellbeing of communities, as well as their positive impact on economic growth and prosperity.



EXPRESSION OF INTEREST PROCESS

Phase One (Opens 13th June - Closes 28th June 2024)

The selection process is as follows:

Expression of Interest:

- Full Name; Contact Email; Phone; Address; A description of the idea and how the work will respond to the brief; Proposed materials, construction, and scale; Estimated cost to complete the work (please include transport if any); Links to articles/writings of your art or you as an artist

Please attach the following:

- A recent Bio and Summary of the artist/collective's current practice - CV (include your connection to Te Puna/Tauranga Moana if any)
- Up to 3 digital images of previous work

HOW TO APPLY - Refer to next page

Phase Two (Artists notified July - Closes 31st July 2024)

Short List Submissions:

- Visual image of proposed Installation

**Please send short-list submissions to:
arohanoa@creativebop.org.nz**

HOW TO APPLY

Please submit all proposals via the online application form linked below.

For queries please contact:
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We look forward to receiving your expression of interest.

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