



Rotary Club of Christchurch South Inc.

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## # 32 for 05 March 2025

5/03/2025	Jamie Hanton	Toi Ōtautahi – bringing together the city's creative stories
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### Toi Ōtautahi – bringing together the city's creative stories

#### Moemoea Vision:

*'to be known as New Zealand's best place to live and create, where the arts activate Ōtautahi Christchurch and creative exploration defines who we are'.*



Jamie Hanton is one of the Community Arts Advisors for the Christchurch City Council, who helps implement the Toi Ōtautahi Arts Strategy for the city.

He started as a writer reporting about artist's life and work.



Jamie, now an employee of the CCC, looks after the arts and wellbeing spaces and is involved in the Te Ora Auaha network. He takes a lead in looking after artists in community residences and commissions art work for the city.

He co-leads Summer Theatre something that many of us have enjoyed in Hagley Park. He said that he is bringing creativity into everyday lives.

In 2005 Jamie started Gallery Quentin Frost in High Street a space for emerging artists. His work has taken him to Venice to organise the New Zealand Pavilion and to Taipei a sponsored trip through Creative New Zealand.

Supporting the arts to include artist's health and wellbeing is the main part of his work. Creative professionals are still earning considerably less than other New Zealand wage earners with a median income of \$37000. Creative professionals often have to support their income with other work. Jamie said that due to the low demand for their services, artist's chances of getting work was low.

Strategies for Arts and Creativity have been developed.

They are:

- Over 200 individuals and organisations attended workshops across the city and provided written submissions during the first phase of engagement in 2018.
- An overriding theme of the consultation was a collaboration, with a sense of what could be achieved together following the 2010 – 2011 earthquakes.
- What emerged was a new kind of partnership strategy, co-created and to be co-owned with the arts sector and major funding agencies, including: Creative New Zealand, Christchurch NZ, Rata Foundation and Mana Whenua.

Jamie spoke about Capability Development: where there are opportunities for art, music and dance workshops; Resourcing: where spaces for work are made available as well as Access and Awareness of all the Arts.

There is Public Funding for the Arts through the Ministry of Culture and Heritage, New Zealand Lotteries Commission, Creative New Zealand and Local Government. Jamie and other Art Advisors provide specific and general funding advice across a number of fund providers to strengthening communities and enable events and festivals to take place.

Many new spaces are being developed in Christchurch. The Museum is undergoing a revamp and will open in about 3 years time. The new Court Theatre on the corner of Colombo and Gloucester Street is due to open on 3 May 2025. Many new spaces have been or are being developed for stories.

Thank you Jamie for your very informative talk and for your work making Christchurch a city where creative stories are being brought together.

*Thanks to Viv for the report and photos.*

## Upcoming Meetings

12/03/2025	Sara Mackenzie	Our Collaboration & Achievements with Bali Rotary – International Committee Sara Mackenzie
19/03/2025	Orana Park Visit	A Lyon - Orana Park Visit Vocational Committee
26/03/2025	Robin Palmer - Professor of Law	An Overview of the University of Canterbury Forensic Brainwave Analysis Project (2016 to 2022)

- **MARCH WALK/LUNCH – THURSDAY 20 MARCH**

Here are the details for our walk and lunch on Thursday 20 March 2025.

**When:** 10:30am Thursday 20 March

**Where:** Warren Cres, Hillmorton, off Halswell Road. Meet between numbers 100 and 102 Warren Cres, by the wooden Canterbury Park Sign

**Walk:** The Wetlands at Wigram Basin - Walk on the track then explore the Community Sporting facilities at Canterbury Park

**Lunch:** 12:00 at The Old Vicarage Halswell

If you are keen to walk and have lunch or just join us for lunch, please let Viv know. [vivmellis@gamil.com](mailto:vivmellis@gamil.com) Mobile: 0274903161

- **John Taylor Walkway**

Saturday 12th April 2025  
10 -12pm BBQ lunch afterwards.

- **Street Appeal Dates:**

Aviva  
May 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>

**Or**

May 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>.

New World, St. Martin's.

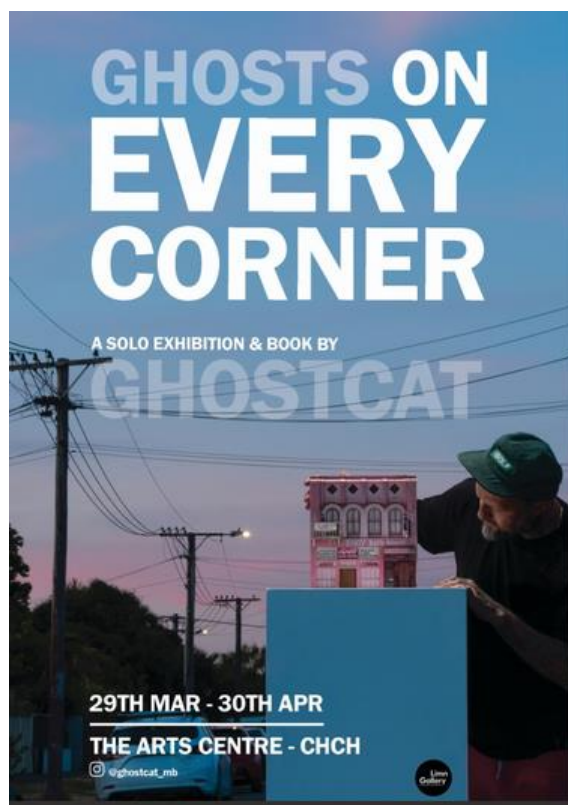
This date will all be confirmed nearer the time of the appeals.

- **Dates for the Pink Ribbon Street Appeal for 2025** – 17-18 October 2025.

## Notices:

- We sadly record the passing of much loved and admired Club member, John Wylie. John transferred to our club in 1971 and was Club President in 1996 -97. His council on Rotary and Club matters was greatly respected. His fundraising skills were legendary and he was instrumental in establishing our major annual chicken litter fundraiser. John's debilitating health in recent years meant that he was greatly missed in the Club environment.

Our deepest condolences go out to Julie and family.



## Duties:

Duty	12-Mar-25	19-Mar-25	26-Mar-25
Cash Desk	A McCully	#N/A	G Dockrill
Cash Desk	D Peterson	#N/A	H Garlick
Reception	V Ellis	#N/A	S Mackenzie
Speaker's Host	G Bailey	#N/A	V Ellis
Grace	G Bailey	#N/A	V Ellis
International Toast	V Ellis	#N/A	S Mackenzie
Thanks to Speaker	A McCully	#N/A	G Dockrill
Quote for the Week	D Peterson	#N/A	H Garlick
Speaker Reporter	M Opie	A McKinnon	A McCully
Sergeant	M Bruce	#N/A	D Buist

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The link to club Facebook pages is

<https://www.facebook.com/ChristchurchSouthRotary/>

## **Reminders:**

### **APOLOGIES**

Record your apology at the Reception Desk at a prior meeting, OR

email: [chchsouthrotary@gmail.com](mailto:chchsouthrotary@gmail.com) before 11.00am Wednesday.

You will get a reminder a couple of days before the meeting re apologising and to advise if bringing a guest.

**Emergency apologies** to Alan McKinnon (021 142 7668)

**OR**, Club Secretary Viv Ellis (027 490 3161)

**DUTIES** If you are unable to carry out your allocated duty, it is YOUR responsibility to arrange a substitute.

### **LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

**Please advise all leave of absence of 3 or more weeks to the Secretary, by email or in writing.**