



the
Charlotte
MUSEUM
Te Whare
Takatāpui-Wāhine
o Aotearoa

Kia ora,

Welcome to our final monthly newsletter of 2024! Thanks to everyone who came to the museum and supported us this year. We had loads of fun with you all this year, from artists talks to a pool hall and lovely nights of live music. We couldn't do it all without our lovely community there too keep us afloat.

We aim to find as many events as possible throughout Aotearoa but to stay up to date be sure to check out our [website](#) and [social media](#).

The Charlotte Museum Te Whare Takatāpui-Wāhine o Aotearoa is a safe inclusive space open to everyone, including our lesbian sapphic communities, our takatāpui, rainbow+queer whanau and friends and our allies.



We would like to thank all those that were able to contribute during GiveOUT Day this year. Your support enabled us to reach more than our funding goal! These much needed funds will be put to good use keeping us operating.

On Going Donation and Support.....

We are reaching out to ask you to please consider supporting the museum on a regular basis. We are struggling in a challenging funding environment that is under pressure with this change in government. And these issues will be ongoing for the foreseeable future.

We are pivoting to find ways to ensure our sustainability by mobilising all our people and resources - that means asking you for active financial support.

If you are able to help please follow this link to set up a payment.

[Donations and Payments](#)

Events At The Charlotte Museum
Te Whare Takatapui-Wahine o Aotearoa



Final First Thursdays for 2024

Movie Night at the Museum - Thursday 5 December

For our final first Thursdays of the year we will be hosting a movie night. Join us and get cozy while we watch xmas lesbian dramas unfold with Happiest Seasons!

Happiest Seasons - Abby, a lesbian, plans to propose to her girlfriend, Harper, in front of Harper's family members. But she is in for a shock when she learns that Harper is yet to come out to her parents.

Auckland Pride Festival 2025

We have a number of scheduled events (see below) with our Pride feature an amazing exhibit by Tui Hubson.

Save the Dates for Pride

The Charlotte Museum Pride events schedule

This is just the beginning, stay tuned for more events with us as we fill up pride month with loads of Sapphic fun.

February 1st 4:30PM-7:30PM Tui Hobson exhibition opening

[Tui Hobson](#) is a sculptor and carver whose mahi reflects her Cook Island and European heritage. This exhibit celebrates Tui's 25yr artistic

February 22nd 2PM-4PM Artist Talk with Tui Hobson

An opportunity to dive into the mind of the artist behind the exhibition as Tui walks the exhibit, discussing pieces in the show.

February 6th First Thursdays for Auckland Pride.

The first 'First Thursdays' is a special Pride edition and we will be joining the market and festivities up on the street.

February 7th Dyke Bingo

Ditch the dry classic bingo for our version, instead of G43 or B13 we'll have "First date turns into weekend together" or "having the same Dr. Martins as your partner". Come for a laugh, a drink and a great time spent with our inclusive community.

February 14th 40+ Mix and Mingle

Join us this Valentine's 'Gay Day' for our 40+ mix and mingle. We totally adhere too the 'age is but a number' mantra but we also know it can be nice to see more of yourself at events. Come as a group or with a friend, come as a single ready to mingle, or with your partner and friends looking for a fun to hang out, or just on your own to meet other welcoming Lesbian Sapphic folks.

February 16th BIG GAY OUT

This event speaks for itself, stop by our stall this year to be showered in Lesbian Sapphic themes and chat to us about our mahi and buy some merchandise!.

Tāmaki Makaurau Auckland



Rainbow Auckland end of year celebration

Friday 6th December at The Auckland Museum

A fabulous evening at the iconic Grand Foyer at the **Auckland War Memorial Museum** as we celebrate the end of the year in style! Prepare for a music, food, and fun night as we celebrate our community. The event will open with a mihi whakatau at 7.30 pm. Don't miss out on this opportunity to connect with friends old and new in a vibrant and inclusive environment. Let's make some unforgettable memories together at this special event!

For more info and tickets head over to the event page [here.](#)



FLIRT

Saturday 14 December 9PM-2AM at Phoenix Cabaret

It's Christmas and it's time to be flirty....

Dance, mingle, and meet new people at this lesbian club night.

Get your friends together. Celebrate, connect, and have fun in a safe and inclusive environment. Flirt is a Womxn's only event.

Lesbian / Queer / Non-Binary / Transgender Inclusive

Grab your [tickets here](#) before they sell out!



Theta Project's Summer Sunday Social Series

December 8th Sweat Shop Brew Kitchen 7 Sale Street

Get ready to kick off the summer season with Theta Project's Summer Sunday Social! We're thrilled to launch a **free** (free entry between 3–4pm), monthly Sunday session that brings together our beautiful LGBTQIA+ community on the perfect outdoor deck at Sweatshop.

Starting Sunday 8 December, join us on the second Sunday of every month from 3–7 pm (or later!) for the ultimate Sunday Session vibes.

For more info check out Theta Projects site for this and other events throughout Auckland.

Rainbow Women Social Night

Last Wednesday of every month

7pm – 9pm

4 Warnock St, Grey Lynn

\$1 – \$5 donation

[Come and join Sharon at the Auckland Women's Centre](#) for an evening of DVDs or games.

All queer, lesbian, bi, takatāpui, and trans women are welcome.

Trans women are women.

Feel free to just turn up, or if you'd like to chat beforehand you can contact

Sharon: rainbowwomenssocialnight@gmail.com



Dyke Hikes

Dyke Hikes are an Auckland, New Zealand based walking group for lesbians.

They have monthly walks on the first Sunday of every month.

Check out their [facebook](#) group for their monthly walk events.



Radiqal Community events

Radiqal is an active group for the queer community of all levels of fitness, promoting movement and joyful exercise. Check out their community activities calendar to jump into bouldering, swimming, walks and more! With Dyke Hikes every week and bouldering and coffee once a month Radiqal has loads on

offer to get you moving and socializing. Their community events can be found [here](#).

Tauranga



Queer Crafts

Dec 19 @ 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm Koha 159 17th Avenue

A meet up for all people who identify as LGBTQAI+, we are a warm community who meet to socialise, share our stories and learn from each other - all over doing crafts. Every third Thursday of the month.

Follow their [Facebook](#) page to keep up with their crafty meet-ups.

Wellington Te Whanganui a Tara



Speed Dating for Women Loving Women

December 5th POP Wellington

Celebrate love and connection at our Speed Dating event for women who love women! This is a unique opportunity to meet amazing women, forge new friendships, and discover potential romantic connections in a warm, inclusive, and supportive atmosphere. [Facebook event page.](#)



Fruit Cake

4th, 5th and 6th of Devcember at Fringe Bar

This December, come all ye faithful to The Fringe Bar, and get ready for a Drag Spectacular to wipe off that resting grinch face and jingle your bells! Event info is available [here](#), don't miss yet another incredible Smackntush event.



Formation

December 7th at Ivy Bar

Are you ready for the hottest new drag queens, drag kings & drag things that Wellington has to offer? Drag has exploded here in Aotearoa with new performers emerging every week and we're giving them the chance to show us their stuff. [Tickets and info.](#)



BIG QUEER NEW YEAR

December 31st from 9PM at Ivy Bar

Ring in 2025 with flair, fabulousness, and fierce performances at The Big Queer New Year celebration! Join us on December 31st at Ivy Bar & Cabaret for a glittering night of live drag shows, electrifying beats, and an unforgettable countdown to the new year.

[The event site](#) is filled with helpful event info, jump on over and get excited.

**Lesbian coming out meet-up @ LILAC Lounge,
level 2, 187 Willis St.**

A monthly event hosted at LILAC for women who have recently come out, or are thinking about coming out as lesbian, to meet in a relaxed and supportive social environment. Pass it on - let your friends know!

Held on the third Saturday of the month.



Femmes and Thems Comedy

A fire line-up of women, non-binary, & gender non-conforming funny folk.

Featuring the best non-male performers on the comedy scene joining forces to bring the funnies to your Friday nights!

Different line-up every month, something for everyone, produced by Wellington whirlwind woman Creatif Kate.

Follow [this link](#) for tickets event info and to clear your schedule for next months night of comedy!

Christchurch Ōtautahi



Ōtautahi: A Takatāpui Focused Space of Raranga Wananga Sunday 1 December - 11am - 3pm Tūranga 60 Cathedral Square

Join Ahi Nyx at her Marae in Pito one to create your kono to take home with you. Share and learn in the matauranga that is raranga and its tikanga. A safe space for all genders and identities to reconnect and explore the mental health benefits that flow from using our hands.

Register for this event [here](#).

Let us know about your events! Let us now about your communities places and spaces and groups so we can connect people up. Add to our notice board list!

We love to know about Rainbow events happening around Aotearoa and the world!

If you are involved in an event or project you think we'd like, please email us. Please be sure to let us know as soon as possible so we have time to include it in our newsletter and include as much information as possible. To tell us about your event, feel free to contact us via our [website](#) or using the button below.

Let Us Know

NAMES AND @'S OF SAPPHIC QUEER SPACES

FEEL FREE TO ADD TO THIS

EVENTS:

NAME	SOCIAL MEDIA	NOTES
QUEER AF	queer_af_nz	queer markets
Sapphic Sounds	sapphicsound	club + social events
CHURCH	church.club	queer club nights
Radical Movement	radicalmovement	queer movement events eg. rock climb, hikes etc.
Flirt Night	flirtnightnz	sapphic club night
Gingers POP UPS	@gingerspops	sapphic events
Queer Yarns	@QUEERYARNS (ig)	craft group, monthly meet up, crochets etc.
Rainbow Westies	rainbow-westies	social group and meet.

BUSINESSES:

NAME	SOCIAL MEDIA	NOTES
Spooky Ceremony	spooky-ceremony	queer gender neutral run barbert events
Sahana	@shannyszn	queer artist selling textile keychains + art

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