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Dear alumni & friends,

After much deliberation, we're pleased to announce the recipients of the 2008 Distinguished Alumni Awards. Visit the alumni and friends website to [find out who the recipients are](#) and to [read more about the DAA dinner](#).

Also, this month we'd like your feedback and ideas about the alumni website. We're about to embark on a redesign of the site and want to consult with the alumni community as an initial step. We would greatly appreciate it if you could help us by [completing a short 5 minute online survey](#). Alternatively, you can [email our web manager Dave Taylor](#) with your suggestions. All respondents will enter a free draw to win a copy of the [AUP book of the month](#).



Spring edition of Ingenio now online

Stories in the latest edition include an article on ground breaking research that offers indisputable evidence that early Polynesians voyaged as far as South America and news of the University's 125th Jubilee celebrations.

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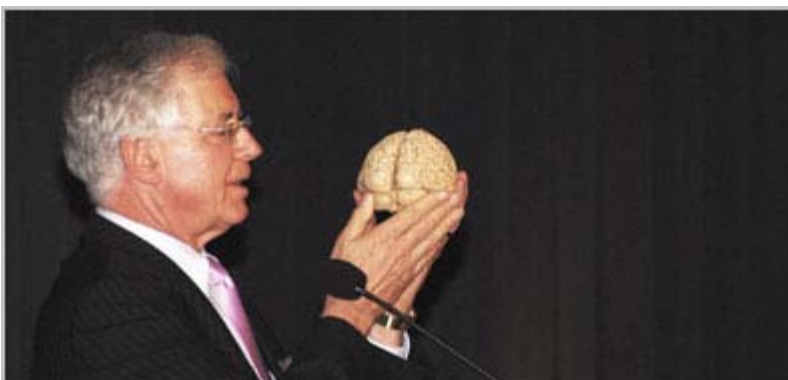


Predicting melanoma spread

A UoA postgraduate student has developed an online tool that can help doctors in the fight against skin cancer, as reported in leading medical journal *Lancet Oncology*.

[Read more on the University website](#)

Golden Graduates keep brains switched on



→ Upcoming events

10-11 November

[Elam Open Days](#)

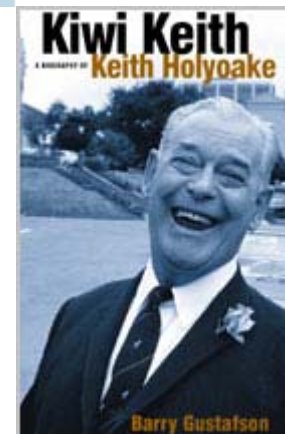
16 November

[Bruce Jesson Lecture: Union relevance in Aotearoa in the 21st Century](#)

13 December

[Accident compensation forum: Forty Years on - a Celebration of the Woodhouse Report](#)

→ Book of the month



Kiwi Keith: A Biography of Keith Holyoake by UoA alumnus Barry Gustafson

Sir Keith Jacka Holyoake profoundly shaped New Zealand politics in the 20th century. His almost unequalled length of service as Prime Minister and his dominance of the political scene and transformation of New Zealand during the 1960s make him one of the most remarkable figures in our history.

[Go to the AUP website](#)

[Get the 15% alumni discount](#)

At this year's Golden Graduates reception, Professor Richard Faull captivated the audience with his lecture on neurogenesis, illustrating how adult human brains make new cells.

"Keep your brains switched on," he told alumni. "That's the environment that stimulates new brain cells and it's critical for life."

[Read more about the event](#) and [view a selection of photos in our online gallery.](#)



Factsheets in other languages

Our International alumni have told us how difficult it can sometimes be to explain to employers, family, friends and intending students just how good a university their alma mater is. In response to this, we have produced flyers in six different languages designed to assist our International graduates.

[Download the flyers as PDF documents](#)



Record number of Theology PhDs

Four PhDs from the School of Theology were conferred this spring, a big achievement for the smallest school in the University.

[Read more](#)

Elam Open Days - Sat & Sun 10-11 November



Studio Mock-Up by Erica Van Zon (Cat from Breakfast at Tiffany's, I shot Andy Warhol Brillo Box with Studio lighting) mixed media

Staff and students from the Elam School of Fine Arts are gearing up for Elam Open Days 2007, an annual, weekend-long art extravaganza showcasing the selected works of more than 120 final year undergraduates and postgraduates.

The exhibition celebrates the talent of some of New Zealand's most promising and established artists.

[Get event details on the University website](#)

Union relevance in Aotearoa in the 21st Century

Laila Harre, National Secretary of the National Distribution Union will deliver this year's Bruce Jesson lecture on November 9th. For 20 years unions have been engaged in

→ New careers service



Employers give you a reason to come home

Track Me Back is a new careers service from a commercial partner. It's designed to keep kiwi graduates and professionals who are overseas informed of what leading companies can offer in terms of career and salary when they head home.

[Go to the Tack Me Back website](#)

→ Website survey



Help us to improve the alumni & friends website

We'd like to hear your view on the alumni and friends website. Help us to improve it by completing this five minute survey and you could win a copy of the AUP book of the month.

[Complete the survey online](#)

→ Latest headlines

8 November
[New champion to fight breast cancer](#)

6 November
[Faculty of Education staff support schools implementing New Zealand Curriculum](#)

2 November
[Valuable scholarship taking Auckland graduate to Oxford](#)

29 October

a struggle for relevance - relevance to both workers and the wider social and economic environment in which we organise. This lecture will look at possible futures for the union movement and the potential and need for workers to organise industrially and politically.

[Get lecture details on the University website](#)



Accident compensation conference

An all-day forum on December 13th honours Sir Owen Woodhouse for his monumental contribution to New Zealand and celebrates the 40 years of influence of his 1967 Royal Commission Report *Compensation for Personal Injury in New Zealand*.

[Read more and register on the University website](#)

Are you overseas? Do you have a N.Z. student loan? You could win up to \$300 Icebreaker clothing by answering a few questions.

Colmar Brunton, an independent research company, has been commissioned to carry out research on the effectiveness of communications about student loans.

Your answers will be treated in complete confidence by Colmar Brunton. No one outside the research team will be able to identify any individuals from the survey.

[Complete the 5-10 minute survey online](#)

Until next month,

The Alumni Relations Team
The University of Auckland
www.alumni.auckland.ac.nz

[Call to raise quality in New Zealand's software industry](#)

24 October
[Greening our ski slopes](#)

18 October
[Technological vision rewards school students](#)

18 October
[Mentor scheme brings school students and scientists together](#)

18 October
[Music student named National Young Performer of the Year](#)

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