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Dear {FIRST_NAME},

Many congratulations to all our recent graduates. You can join the celebrations at the free [Graduation Gala](#) concert at Auckland Town Hall on May 9.



Latest edition of *Ingenio* online

Articles in the latest edition of *Ingenio* include a look at what academic and student life was like in the decades before the Second World War and how attending The University of Auckland is a tradition for some families that spans several generations.

[Click here to read all the articles on the Alumni & Friends website.](#)

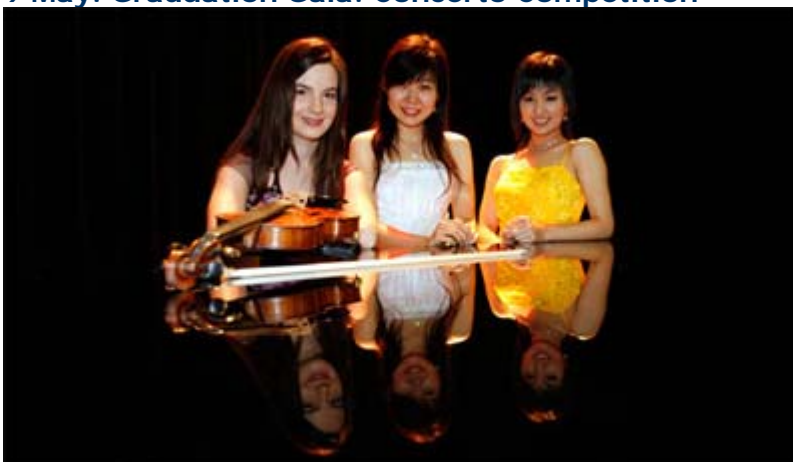


Win tickets to the Auckland Writers and Readers Festival

A highlight of Auckland City's cultural calendar, the Festival brings together acclaimed writers and thousands of readers in a long weekend of innovative programming. The festival organisers have generously donated tickets to three events for us to give away.

[Find out more and enter the competition on the Alumni & Friends website.](#)

9 May: Graduation Gala: Concerto Competition



The second annual Graduation Gala Concerto Competition is gearing up to be as sensational as the first, which drew an extraordinary response from its capacity audience.

→ Upcoming events

9 May
[Graduation Gala Concert](#)

14-18 May
[Auckland Writers and Readers Festival](#)

12-16 May
[Postgraduate information week](#)

14 May
[J.R.R. Tolkien and C.S. Lewis: Friendship, Religion and Fantasy](#)

20 May
[London alumni & friends reception 2008](#)

21 May
[Earth and Fire: The History and Development of Japanese Ceramics](#)

22 May
[New York alumni & friends reception 2008](#)

22 May
[Merlin's Magic Circles: 'Stonehenge and the Preseli Bluestones'](#)

4 June
['George Bush Doesn't Care About Black People': Hip-Hop, Race and Popular Responses to Hurricane Katrina in the United States](#)

→ Book of the month



The University of Auckland:
The First 125 Years. By
Nicholas Reid. PB; RRP
\$39.99; Alumni price

The concert will be conducted by Harry Lyth, a distinguished visitor from Berlin, and features solo performances by School of Music virtuosos Wendy Huang (piano), Amalia Hall (violin) and Hao Chen (piano).

The concert begins at 7:30pm on 9 May at the Auckland Town Hall. Admission is free.

[Click here for more information](#)

All Distinguished Alumni lectures now on line

The final three lectures from the 2008 Distinguished Alumni Speaker Series have been uploaded to the alumni and friends website.



CK Stead

'One thing leads to another'

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Dr James Church

'20 years in the wilderness...'

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Lynette Stewart

'Removing barriers and creating opportunities'

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Faculty of Arts free public lectures

All alumni and friends are invited to the upcoming free public lectures hosted by the Faculty of Arts.

May 14: J.R.R. Tolkien and C.S. Lewis: Friendship, Religion and Fantasy

Edward James, Professor of Medieval History at University College, Dublin

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May 15: Our earliest tool making ancestors: the evidence from Africa

J.W.K. Harris, Professor of Anthropology, Rutgers State University of New Jersey

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May 21: Earth and Fire: The History and Development of Japanese Ceramics

Kelvin Bradford, leading international artist & authority on

\$33.99; UoA Society price \$31.99

This richly illustrated book celebrates The University of Auckland's 125th jubilee, telling the university's story from the days of its first few pupils studying in a rented, disused courthouse and goal to the present when almost 40,000 students attend classes on four main campuses across the city.

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May 22: Merlin's Magic Circles: 'Stonehenge and the Preseli Bluestones'

Timothy Darvill, Professor of Archaeology in the School of Conservation Sciences and Head of the Centre for Archaeology, Anthropology and Heritage at Bournemouth University, England

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June 4: 'George Bush Doesn't Care About Black People': Hip-Hop, Race and Popular Responses to Hurricane Katrina in the United States

Fanon Che Wilkins, Associate Professor in African American History and Culture at the Graduate School of American Studies, Doshisha University.

[More details](#)

Alumni & Friends Events in London and New York

The London and New York events are coming up on 20 and 22 May respectively. There is still time to register. We look forward to celebrating The University's 125th Jubilee and the success of local Alumni with you.

[Click here for more information and how to register.](#)

Alumni Scholars Tee Off

The 2008 Alumni Scholars and the new Alumni Scholars Advisor are on par for a fruitful year after the Alumni Relations team and the existing Alumni Scholars officially welcomed them at an informal evening of pizza and mini golf on 10 April.

[Click here to read about the event and find out more about Alumni Scholarships.](#)

Until next month,

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