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Olympic alumni

Congratulations to alumnus Mahe Drysdale who won Gold in the men's single sculls on Saturday.

You can read more about alumni and current students competing at the Olympics on the University website.

[Read more about our Olympians](#)



Mahe Drysdale is lifted on the shoulders of the silver and bronze medalists, photo courtesy of [London 2012](#)

Liggins Couture Car Boot Sale

Designer clothing, shoes and bags will be up for grabs at this fundraising event for the Liggins Institute Trust. The sale is on Thursday 20 September at Team McMillan BMW in Newmarket.



[Read more and buy tickets](#)

Golden Graduates luncheon

Distinguished Professor Brian Boyd is guest speaker at our popular Golden Graduates event. Presenting 'The Storytelling Animal' Professor Boyd will consider what benefits fiction offers us and how it helps shape individual minds and societies.

Performance this year is from Uo8 - an all male octet that specialises in close harmony a cappella music.

[More about Golden Graduates](#)



Guest speaker Professor Brian Boyd

Events Calendar

15 Aug: Wellington Alumni and Friends Reception

23 Aug: Golden Graduates Luncheon

4 Sep: New York Alumni and Friends Reception



Join guest speaker Dr Jennifer Curtin at our event for alumni and friends in New York. Hosted by Vice-Chancellor Professor Stuart McCutcheon.

6 Sep: Boston Alumni and Friends Reception

13 Sep: Washington Alumni and Friends Reception

[View other alumni events](#)
[View all University events](#)

2012 Alumni Appeal



Every year, alumni support helps provide our students with life-changing opportunities.

[Read more and make a gift](#)

Our Far South

Our Far South is a Morgan Foundation project aimed at raising New Zealanders' awareness of the area south of Stewart Island.

Experience Canada





The project highlights the reasons why this area is of such value and outlines the threats it is under and the opportunities it holds.

[Visit the Our Far South website](#)



Through International Experience Canada, you can apply for a temporary work permit to travel and work in Canada for up to one year.

Come to the information evening in Auckland on August 8 to find out more.

[More about the IEC event](#)

AUEA Dinner 22 September

This annual black tie dinner from the faculty of Engineering is a unique opportunity to network with former classmates, colleagues and faculty staff.

[Read more and purchase tickets](#)



Education Open Evening

Whether you're starting on your new career, or looking at advancing your skills the Faculty of Education is a great place to start.

[Find out more at the Open Evening on 14 August](#)



Weta Workshop Narnia sculpture

Highly collectable Weta Workshop sculpture from The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe, signed by Richard Taylor, is being auctioned on TradeMe to raise funds for The University of Auckland Society.

[View the auction](#)



Celebrating Margaret Mahy 1936-2012

The Faculty of Education in conjunction with the Storylines Children's Literature Trust will host a special tribute to children's author Margaret Mahy.

Saturday 11 August at 2.30 pm, Auckland Town Hall.

All are welcome (free entry)

[Read more about the Margaret Mahy event](#)





An evening with Sir Andrew Motion

The Auckland Museum, The University of Auckland and the Auckland Writers & Readers Festival join together to present one of the world's foremost poets in Auckland. The evening will be hosted by Emily Perkins.

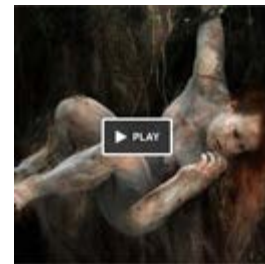
[More about the event](#)



New Zealand Global Women Forum

The Global Women Forum is a unique opportunity to challenge your thinking about the trends and burning issues influencing New Zealand Inc. Alumnae speaking at the event include Dr. Monique Faleafa (pictured above) and Sarah Kennedy.

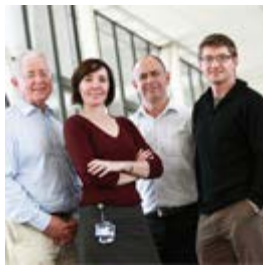
[More about Global Women Forum](#)



Vincent Ward Kickstarter

Renowned New Zealand filmmaker Vincent Ward is seeking funds via Kickstarter to exhibit at the Shanghai Biennale. See Robin Williams and Taika Waititi show their support.

[View the Kickstarter campaign](#)



Predicting recovery after stroke

In work that may revolutionise rehabilitation for stroke patients, researchers from the University and the Auckland District Health Board have shown it is possible to predict an individual's potential for recovery of hand and arm function after a stroke.

[More about the research](#)



Book of the month: *At the White Coast*

Janet Charman (UoA alumna)
Published by AUP
PB, \$24.99; UoA Alumni Price \$21.25
An award-winning poet traces, in gritty lyrics, telling details and biting word play, the OE pilgrimage of the many generations of Kiwis to alight at the white coast.

[About the AUP alumni discount](#)

[Download the order form](#)



Mike Rann lecture

Former South Australia Premier and visiting Senior Research Fellow Mike Rann presents a free public lecture 'Reinvigorating our Cities'.

[More about the lecture](#)

Professor Elizabeth McKinley's inaugural lecture - 22 August

The Faculty of Education is hosting Professor Elizabeth McKinley's inaugural lecture Equity and excellence in Māori educational research on Wednesday 22 August. Professor McKinley (Ngāti Kahungunu, Ngāi Tahu) is a Professor in Te Puna Wānanga and the Director of Starpath Project at The University of Auckland.

[More about Professor McKinley's lecture](#)

Postgraduate Research Request

Alicia Tutbury is undertaking a Masters thesis in the area of Applied Organisational Psychology, looking at whether early or concurrent work experiences of recent graduates effects subsequent career outcomes. If you are a recent graduate from a New Zealand university, please click on the link below to see whether you meet the criteria. To thank you for your time, Alicia is offering an incentive to participate: a random prize draw for a mystery night away for two people, worth \$100!

[Take the survey](#)

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