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12TH – 13TH

SEPTEMBER 2026



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Welcome

Nau mai, haere mai

Find the art, find the South Coast over the weekend of 12–13 September! Come and wander through the studios of more than 50 artists across Ōwhiro Bay, Island Bay, and Berhampore. Be it painters, photographers, filmmakers, ceramicists, weavers, storytellers, young artists from local schools or exhibitions in local churches and halls, the creativity of the South Coast is sure to inspire you. Follow your curiosity as you browse, linger over coffee, duck into a gallery, or pop into a shop.

Close the weekend with ticketed live music at St Hilda's Island Bay Anglican Church, led by Norwegian-born, Island Bay-based singer-songwriter, Hanne Jøstensen, whose sound draws on her South Coast home.

We're a small, dedicated, voluntary team bringing you the flagship project of the South Coast Business and Promotions Association, and we've loved every minute of bringing this art weekend to life. Thank you to Wellington City Council and our generous sponsors, and to you, for supporting local artists and local business.



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My favourite time of day
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Our Lady's Home of Compassion

PHOTOGRAPHY / GLASS

 2 Rhine Street
Island Bay



Discover Our Lady's Home of Compassion in Island Bay, where John Drawbridge's stained-glass artworks fill the Chapel with a carefully composed harmony of light and colour. Created in collaboration with Struction Group Ltd, the architecture and art together shape a deeply tranquil, contemplative space. We are also hosting the evocative photography of Chris McKeown in our gallery – an enriching encounter of art, spirit and place. Cloister Cafe will be open for coffee and treats.

Thirty-minute tours will take place on:

SAT 12 Sep – 10am, 1pm, or 3pm | **SUN 13 Sep** – 3pm

The chapel will be open from: 2pm – 4 pm on Sun 13 Sep

compassion.org.nz

Chris Mckeown

PHOTOGRAPHY



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2 Rhine Street
Island Bay



I love photographing the incredible landscape and sky of Aotearoa New Zealand, and also shoot fashion, family and corporate events, specialising in capturing poetry, music and dance. My images have been nominated for awards, published in magazines, and bought as calendars and fine art prints. I also offer courses on the intersection of awe, compassion, night sky photography and leadership.

chrismckeown.photography

St. Sava Serbian Orthodox Church

ICONOGRAPHY



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75 The Parade
Island Bay



Although large numbers of Serbian settlers have been living in New Zealand since 1948, it wasn't until 1967 that the inaugural Saint Sava Church Community was established. In 1968 the Community bought the former Catholic Church in Island Bay and Father Dušan Kuridža was appointed as the first parish priest. After repair and renovation of the temple, the Divine Liturgy was for the first time served in front of the farthest Altar from the Motherland on 14th September 1969. Since that time, the Serbian community has been gathering in Saint Sava's church preserving Serbian tradition and culture.

Jabella Pottery

JACINDA BRANDLEY
CERAMICS



4

76 The Parade
Island Bay



I create wheel-thrown ceramics inspired by the natural landscape of the coast – simple pieces in earthy tones that reflect sea, stone, and land. My small-batch homewares are designed for everyday use; making by hand has always been part of who I am, and I love creating functional objects that become part of people's homes. Each piece is made to be used, loved and lasting.

 @ja_bella_pottery

Nicole Miller

PHOTOGRAPHY AND
IMMERSIVE STORYTELLING



5

Island Bay
Presbyterian Church
88 The Parade
Island Bay



My photographs and artworks explore the beauty and diversity of seaweeds and marine life along Wellington's coast. From abstract black-and-white studies of giant kelp to vibrant underwater scenes, my work captures the textures, movement, and light of the ocean's hidden forests. Through these images, I hope to inspire wonder and deepen people's connection to the marine world.

exploreyourcoast.co.nz/wellington

 @nicole.miller.nz

Edith Diggle

PAINTING



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Island Bay
Presbyterian Church
88 The Parade
Island Bay



I'm an artist working in a variety of mediums with subjects that include landscapes, seascapes, bush scenes and birds. I like to capture the essence, evoking a sense of calmness, a place from which to stand, observe, and feel recharged and inspired. This has resulted in many commissions.

I'm a past president and life member of Titirangi Painters, member of NZ Academy of Fine Arts and Watercolour New Zealand Inc.

Wellington Weavers

FIBRE ARTS



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Island Bay
Presbyterian Church
88 The Parade
Island Bay



We are a group of handcrafters dedicated to fibre craft, involving handspinning, handweaving, knitting, natural dyeing, and much more.

Christine Strang

PAINTING



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I paint with acrylics: landscapes, figures and abstract. I have exhibited in three solo shows and dozens of group shows, as well as contributing to the arts through projects like the CNZ funding committee. My paintings are either very bright, or dark colours. I was lucky to attend The Learning Connexion programme when it was in Island Bay some years ago.

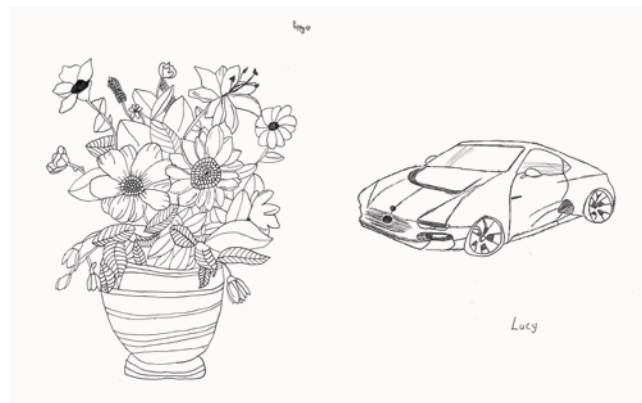
Kororā Berhampore School Art

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"I'm immensely proud of the students in Kororā at Berhampore School who have chosen to explore the art of drawing with me this year. The mastery of tools and their fine tuned observation skills, demonstrate skills way beyond their years. It's a delight and privilege for me as I give them new provocations and see them rise to the challenge with the confidence to use their own voices. Watch this space, there's so much more to come". Paul Forest

Paul Forrest is a local artist based in Newtown and has been working with Kororā at Berhampore School and with Newtown School students for the last 5 years with the help of sponsorship from The Real Art Roadshow and the Dayal Govan Family Trust.

Emma Smith

MIXED MEDIA



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COUCOU
145A The Parade
Island Bay



Emma Smith is a Wellington based illustrator & mural artist. She's known for her whimsical window displays at Iko Iko. If you love exploring Wellington's top spots, you're bound to come across her work.

steerillustrations.com
[@steerillustrations.com](https://www.instagram.com/steerillustrations.com)

Nicola Jackson

PRINTMAKING



11

19 Volga Street
Island Bay



I am an award winning artist and printmaker, using a combination of screen printing, acrylic, ink and collage, which expanded on my previous career as a textile designer. I am inspired by mark making and an intense love of colour. My prints have been bought by leading companies including Marc Jacobs, Disney and Calvin Klein and can be found at selected galleries across New Zealand.

nicolajacksonart.com
[@nicolajackson_art](https://www.instagram.com/nicolajackson_art)

Nicola Shuttleworth

POTTERY



12

27 Freeling Street
Island Bay



I have been a potter for more than twenty years, making functional ware to hold and to use and enrich our daily experiences with our friends and family. I love making stacks, groups and individual pieces using similar forms with warm, natural coloured glazes. Inspired by early New Zealand studio potters, I work with a variety of NZ stoneware clay, blending wild clay and making my own glazes.

www.nicolashuttleworth.co.nz

 @nicola.maker



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South Coast Studios at Dub Hub



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163A The Parade
Island Bay

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South Coast Studio is delighted to team up with Dub Hub for this year's South Coast Arts Trail. Alongside paintings from JoElle's popular *Watercolour at the Watering Hole* workshops, you'll find work by South Coast Studio students, many exhibiting publicly for the first time. Artwork is for sale, and we'd love you to leave a comment in the visitors' book. Please join us for a closing celebration on 30 September from 5:30 to 7:30pm.

southcoaststudionz.com

facebook.com/southcoaststudionz

Andy Spain

PHOTOGRAPHY
AND MIXED MEDIA



14

42 Tiber Street
Island Bay



I'm an award-winning photographer, working with architecture and the urban environment for more than twenty years.

andyspain.nz

Michael McCormack

PAINTING



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Empire Cinema
214 The Parade
Island Bay



I am a painter and my work is inspired by what I see around me.

michaelmccormack.co.nz

 [McCormackStudioGallery](https://www.facebook.com/McCormackStudioGallery)

Wanda Lepionka

CRAFTINC.FILMS
FILMMAKING



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Empire Cinema
214 The Parade
Island Bay



A series of 16 short documentaries filmed across the South Coast in 2025, in the studios and galleries where local artists work, and inside places of worship whose art and architecture are woven into the fabric of this community.

FRI. 11 September Opening Night

Drinks and nibbles 5:30pm Screening 6:15pm

SAT. 12 September 1.00pm – Screening + Q&A with filmmakers

SUN. 13 September 11.00am – Screening + Q&A with artists

More details and to buy tickets: empirecinema.nz
craftincfilms.com

Kees Busch

PAINTING AND PRINTMAKING



17

12 Mersey Street
Island Bay



I have been painting for about seventeen years, using acrylic paint on a fine canvas. Detailed abstract symbols in strong colours are features of my pictorial language. I'm attempting to wrap abstract form and colour around that which is emotional and invisible; dreams, memories, hopes, and deceptions. My latest work is an analysis of the physical and emotional forces at play within a marriage.

 [@keesartist](https://www.instagram.com/keesartist)

Penny Wyatt

MIXED MEDIA, PAINTING



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The Creative Itch
Garage Studio
2 Melrose Road
Island Bay



Penny says "I paint gestural and expressionist land/seascapes, and portraits, slathering paint on thickly. Portraits quench my urge to stare and connect. I paint urgently, faces of people I love, those I miss, and those who vex me".

 @pennywyatt64

Brighid Jamieson

MIXED MEDIA, PAINTING,
PRINT MAKING, WOODWORK



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The Creative Itch
Garage Studio
2 Melrose Road
Island Bay



I enjoy immersing myself in the beautifully messy worlds of charcoal, paint, and clay.

With a background in psychology and community development, my work explores themes of connection and reflect on our sometimes complicated relationships with ourselves, one another, and the world we share. I have exhibited widely and my work can be found in selected stores around NZ.

 @jammyb_art

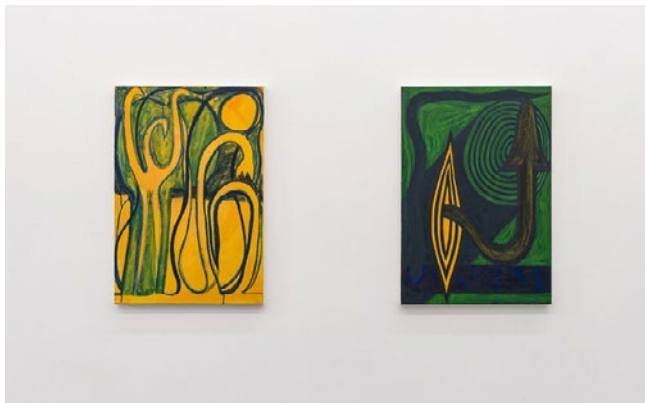
Rosa Allison

PAINTING



20

181 Melbourne Rd
Island Bay



Born in Ōtautahi Christchurch, I studied at Ilam School of Fine Arts and later at the Royal College of Art in London. My recent exhibitions include *Viriditas* at Melanie Roger Gallery, *Flying Dreams* at Page Galleries, and *The Witches Herbarium* at Chamber Gallery. My practice is deeply rooted in my connection to gardening and a fascination with plant histories – particularly herbalism and its intersections with feminism and the legacy of the witch trials.

 @rosa_allison_

Island Bay Kindergarten

MIXED MEDIA



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100 Melbourne Rd
Island Bay



We are exhibiting art that has been produced by Tamariki aged 2–5 years old.

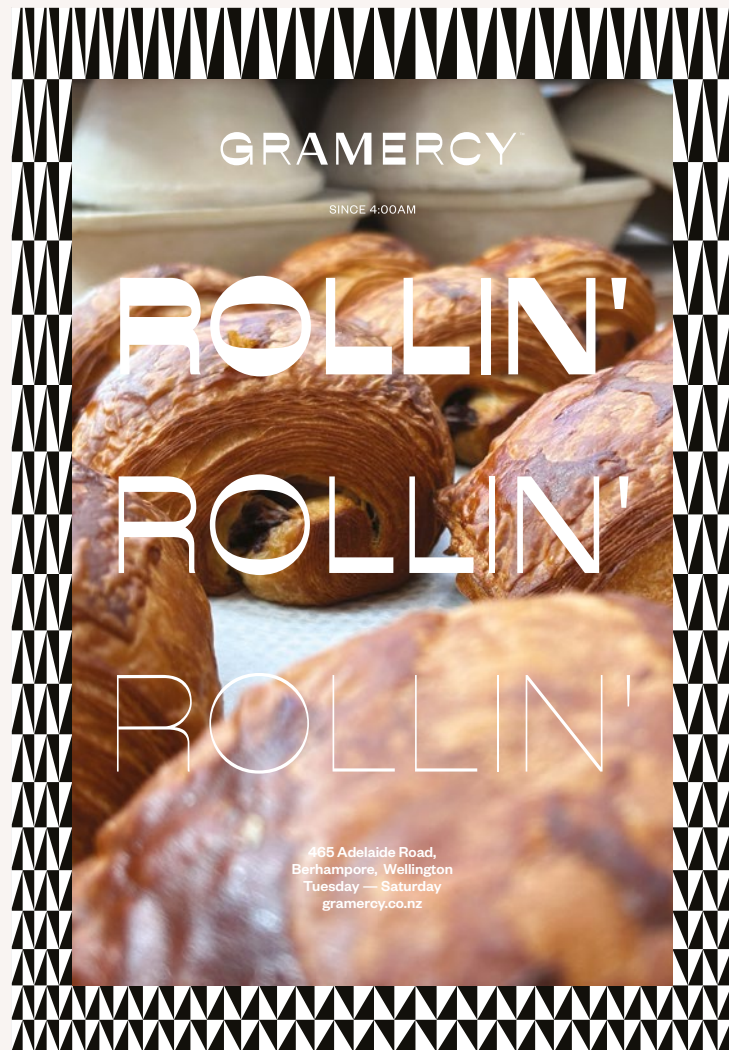


islandbaykindergarten



— Empire Cinema & Eatery —

214 The Parade, Island Bay
empirecinema.nz
04 939 7557



Carrie Carey

PAINTING AND PRINTMAKING



22

31 Ribble Street
Island Bay



By creating unique imagery of special places in Aotearoa, I am hoping to inspire others to enjoy and explore the taonga that is often on our doorstep. My dad and aunt were a huge influence growing up, both were passionate gardeners sharing their love of nature and life. Connecting people and place is at the heart of my practice.

carriecarey.com

 [@carrielynnecarey](https://www.instagram.com/carrielynnecarey)

Sarah Nightingale

PRINTMAKING AND MIXED MEDIA



23

31 Ribble Street
Island Bay



I am an art therapist and printmaker, who enjoys the process as much as the product. I like to experiment with mixed print processes and have been doing this since discovering screen printing at art school in Liverpool. I am still captivated by the magic of what emerges and the occasions when it all comes together keep me going until the next time.

 [@sarahnightingaleart](https://www.instagram.com/sarahnightingaleart)

Dan Wilkinson

PAINTING AND MIXED MEDIA



24

30 Severn Street
Island Bay



The South Coast has incredible land forms that are constantly changing with the ever shifting light, allowing the sky and sea to be a fascinating melody of colours that interact in visual harmony. This has been a source of inspiration since I began as a student at The Learning Connexion in 1999, and continues to influence my practice as an artist and senior tutor.

 [@wilkinson_creative](https://www.instagram.com/wilkinson_creative)

Margaret Crisp

FIBRE ART



25

Wellington South
Baptist Church
284 The Parade
Island Bay



I find the somatic practice of knitting very relaxing and enjoy the dopamine hit from the visual progress. I make hats, cardigans, and jerseys for preschoolers. I learned to crochet about 8 years ago because I was conscious of the environmental waste from the short-lived commercially available dishcloths. Cotton dishcloths are still my crochet passion today!

Kimberley Sheridan Owen

FIBRE ART



26

Wellington South
Baptist Church
284 The Parade
Island Bay



I create mixed media embroidery art and handbound books.

ksheridanart.com

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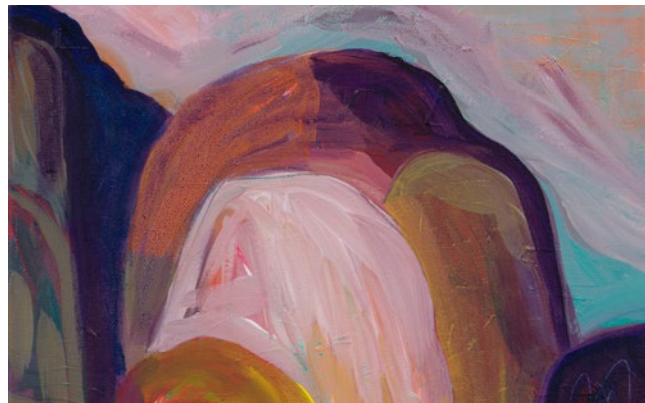
Emma Prestidge

PAINTING



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Wellington South
Baptist Church
284 The Parade
Island Bay



I am a colourist and textile fanatic. I love wearing and painting with vibrant hues, mixing subject, print, and pattern. My work is inspired by holidays, the sky and Wellington hills, childhood memories, and my life-long love of flowers. I have a Masters in Fine Arts and my work is held in private collections throughout New Zealand and internationally.

emmaprestidge.com

 [@emmaprestidgestudio](https://www.instagram.com/emmaprestidgestudio)

Sean Syman

CARVING AND SCULPTING



28

Wellington South
Baptist Church
284 The Parade
Island Bay



I am a carver working primarily with deer antler, wood and bone. I find the process of carving meditative, using hand tools to feel the form of a piece as it develops. I enjoy working in the style of Japanese netsuke, making small pieces that are a pleasure to be held, and which inspire people to connect with their sense of childlike joy and wonder.

symanwoodcarving.com

Island Bay School

MIXED MEDIA



29

Wellington South
Baptist Church
284 The Parade
Island Bay



Come and explore a wonderful collection of art by Island Bay School students! Investigating the theme of *kaitiakitanga*, the children have experimented with pottery, painting, and printmaking, using celebrated artists Robyn Kahukiwa and Wi Taepa as their muses. We can't wait to share our work with you!

islandbay.school.nz

Hanne Jøstensen

SINGER-SONGWRITER

30 St Hilda's Church
311 The Parade
Island Bay



THE LIGHTHOUSE

Hanne Jøstensen

ST HILDA'S CHURCH
SUNDAY 13 SEPTEMBER 7PM
DOORS OPEN 6PM

Buy your tickets via humanitix.com
and undertheradar.co.nz

Wellington South Coast singer-songwriter Hanne Jøstensen's delicate and stirring songs carry a beautiful sense of intimacy, stillness and emotional depth. Her intricate second EP 'The Lighthouse', released in autumn 2026, reached #10 on the Aotearoa Album chart and spent three weeks in the top 20. The stunning body of work navigates her unique upbringing on a tiny Norwegian island, woven into modern day life on Aotearoa's wild south coast. Hanne will be joined on stage by her talented musicians.

<https://linktr.ee/hannejostensen>

📷 @hannesongs



Ruth Copeland

ESPLANADE ARTS
SCREENPRINTING

31 St Hilda's Church
311 The Parade
Island Bay



I am a screenprint artist and my work reflects the drama and awe of rock and ocean.

esplanadearts.co.nz

Dee Warring

PAINTING AND PHOTOGRAPHY



32

St Hilda's Church
311 The Parade
Island Bay



I am a prolific painter working from figurative to abstract and in different styles. My art is colourful, expressive, surreal, emotive, dreamlike and deliberately ambiguous. My current focus is on expressive abstract. I am also a photographer who sees how light transforms the banal and everyday into something of beauty and wonder.

deesartwork.com

 DeeWarring  @deewarringart

Jeannette Troon

PAINTING



33

St Hilda's Church
311 The Parade
Island Bay



I believe that creativity is the foundation of our wellbeing as a community, and value both making art and experiencing the art of others. As an artist I work mainly with oil paints, exploring figurative subjects, landscapes, sometimes pets, with a nostalgic lens that may evoke your own memories of family and times past.

 @jeannettetroon_artist

Helen Williamson

PAINTING



34

St Hilda's Church
311 The Parade
Island Bay



My painting celebrates colour, layered forms, and intuitive mark-making that captures the energy and emotional resonance of landscapes, plants, and occasionally – animals. Sitting somewhere between representation and abstraction, my work invites viewers to connect with familiar subjects in new ways. I hold a Bachelor of Design, have exhibited widely and have work in collections in NZ and the USA.

helenannestudio.com

 [@helenwilliamson_paint](https://www.instagram.com/helenwilliamson_paint)

Miriam Tong

MIXED MEDIA, PEN AND INK



35

St Hilda's Church
311 The Parade
Island Bay



I draw houses, gardens and special places, capturing the details that make a place truly feel like home. This year I have expanded my Neighbourhood Lines collection, which celebrates Wellington's distinctive streetscapes and heritage buildings. My new A3 art print, showcasing Island Bay, will be released at the South Coast Arts Trail.

 [@miriamtongart](https://www.instagram.com/miriamtongart)

Alison Hogg

MIXED MEDIA, PRINTMAKING
AND PAINTING



36

St Hilda's Church
311 The Parade
Island Bay



My work is an exploration of printmaking and painting using both canvas and paper, alongside printing inks and other media, dovetailing my fine art printmaking experience and art practice. It is hands-on, responsive and human. I have lived on the fantastic blustery South Coast for 20 years, having previously spent time in the UK where I gained my Fine Art degree in Printmaking.

 @alisonhogg_art

Judith Maxim

PAINTING AND PRINTMAKING



37

St Hilda's Church
311 The Parade
Island Bay



I love experimenting with pattern and colour and am always looking to simplify form. My work uses a range of mediums including watercolour, ink and sometimes oil. I was introduced to woodblock printmaking at The Learning Connexion and have continued from there. This year my work will showcase my experiments using Tetra Pak.

JudithMaximArt.co.nz

 @maxim.judith

Noon Kasemsan

PAINTING



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St Hilda's Church
311 The Parade
Island Bay



I have been painting for 17 years and am largely self-taught, shaped by evening classes and community art schools across Christchurch, Auckland, Nelson, and Wellington. My work is led by colour, atmosphere, and the shifting play of light and shadow—sunlight on a wall, a drifting line at dusk. I paint not just what I see, but what lingers: fleeting, felt moments translated into form and tone.

 [@noon.kasemsan.art](https://www.instagram.com/noon.kasemsan.art)

Katie Williams

PAINTING



39

St Hilda's Church
311 The Parade
Island Bay



I have always made a living in Graphic Design and Advertising but am revisiting my first love of art. I majored in print making at art school, and consequently, aspects of this discipline often appear within my work. Currently my work focuses on what I can best describe as flow of energy, playing with curves, light and colour.

katiwilliams.co.nz

Rose Dryland

PAINTING



40

St Hilda's Church
311 The Parade
Island Bay



I enjoy capturing the beauty of nature through oil, pastel, and watercolour. Spending time outdoors – running, hiking, and exploring is a big part of my life and gives me constant inspiration. Through my work, I want to share my love of nature and encourage others to slow down and notice the small things in the natural world around us.

 [@rose.dryland.art](https://www.instagram.com/rose.dryland.art)

Juliet Best

STUDIO 4
PAINTING



41

4 Trent Street
Island Bay



My landscapes are inspired and shaped by the atmospheric, ever-changing light, dramatic coastlines, and vast horizons of Aotearoa. Hand-polished gold leaf is layered into sculptural impasto landforms, and combined with rich jewel tones to bring warmth, movement, and luminosity to each painting. My art explores connection, nature, and quiet beauty through texture, colour, and storytelling.

julietbest.co.nz

 [@julietbestart](https://www.instagram.com/julietbestart)

Gavin Griffith-Jones

PAINTING



42

43 Brighton Street
Island Bay



I spend a lot of time on and under the water. I am also fascinated by flight and skies. These perspectives and what I see here on the South Coast inspire me to paint – the wildlife, people, storms, ever-changing skies and seas; moments that will never be repeated. I work in acrylic on canvas and board. I began painting in 2020 during lockdown, something I had been thinking about for a long time.

 @gavingriffithjones

Zoë Isaacs

CERAMICS



43

30 Reef Street
Island Bay



I make functional ceramics to be used every day, and value simplicity and attention to detail in my work. After a recent study trip to Japan, I am increasingly interested in letting the materials lead the process.

zoeisaacs.com

Ōwhiro Bay School and Kindergarten

MIXED MEDIA



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96 Happy Valley Rd
Ōwhiro Bay



Step into the world of Ōwhiro Bay School and Ōwhiro Bay Kindy, our one learning community, as we explore The Buzzing of the Forest and show aroha for te taiao. Celebrating the connections between our awa, Papatūānuku, Tāne Mahuta and Tangaroa, our exhibition inspires curiosity, creativity and kaitiakitanga. Follow the signs from the front doors of Ōwhiro Bay School.

owhiro.school.nz

Pariwhero Gallery

ARTS HUB



45

174 Ōwhiro Bay Parade
Ōwhiro Bay



Pariwhero Gallery is an artistic hub for more than 20 artists and showcases a dazzling array of art – photography, sculpture, steam punk, ceramics, fabric art, painting and gifts. Gallery owner Debbie Rawson is a musician and photographer specialising in documentary, landscape, and portraiture.

pariwherogallery.co.nz

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Community Groups and Leaders

Our Lady's Home of Compassion – Sister Sue Cosgrove, Kirsty Prentice

St Sava Serbian Orthodox Church – Father Predrag Grubački

Island Bay Presbyterian Church – Helen Scobie and Nathan Parry

St Hilda's Island Bay Anglican Church – Rev. Mark Henderwood and Athena Richmond

Wellington South Baptist Church – Margaret Crisp

Curators

Jeannette Troon – St Hilda's Island Bay Anglican Church Exhibition

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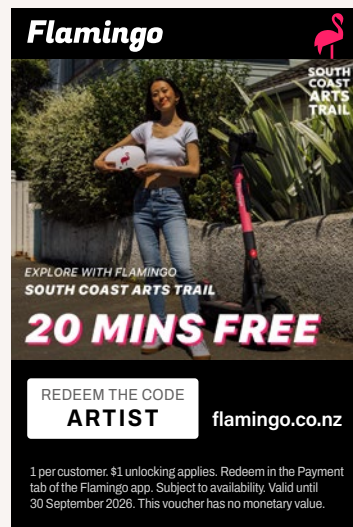
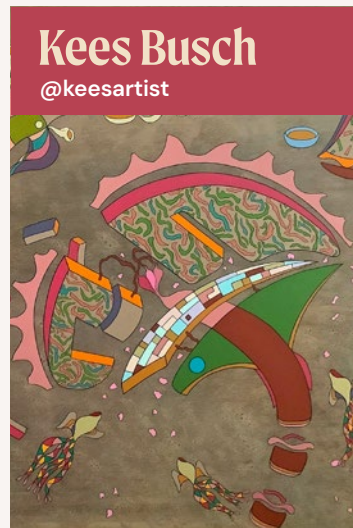
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Ōwhiro Bay School – Caitlin van Bellekom

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