

Puanga  
2017

Puanga ki Ruapehu  
Celebrations 2017

## UPCOMING EVENTS



### PUANGA WĀNANGA - FREE EVENT

**Sunday 11 June** Maungārongo Marae, 36 Burns St, Ohakune Time: **4pm pōwhiri**

This overnight wānanga is an opportunity for whānau and the community to learn about Puanga from a Ngāti Rangī and Whanganui perspective along with preparing ourselves for Maunga Karakia the next morning.

For more information and catering purposes, please contact the Ngāti Rangī Trust on (06) 385 9500 or 0800 NRANGI (0800 672 644) or email [events@ngatirangi.com](mailto:events@ngatirangi.com)

### MAUNGA KARAKIA- FREE EVENT

**Monday 12 June** Koro Ruapehu, Tūroa Ski Field Time: **5.45am**

Maunga Karakia is an opportunity for iwi and the Ruapehu community to come together to acknowledge and celebrate our maunga, Koro Ruapehu, remember loved ones and look forward to the times ahead. As local iwi, Ngāti Rangī lead this event which provides an opportunity to share our cultural traditions and knowledge of Puanga and our maunga with the wider community.

Buses are available and will be leaving from the following places: **Raetihi** - Dempsey Buses: **4.45am** **Ohakune** - Maungārongo Marae: **5am** Returning from the ski field at **8.15am**. For safety reasons, it is highly recommended to use the provided transportation.

For more information, book a seat on the bus and for catering purposes, please contact the Ngāti Rangī Trust on (06) 385 9500 or 0800 NRANGI (0800 672 644) or email [events@ngatirangi.com](mailto:events@ngatirangi.com)

### THE STAR LAB - FREE EVENT

**20-22 June** Ruapehu College/Raetihi Primary School

The Star Lab is an educational experience for tamariki available through the Ruapehu region's Early Childhood Centres, Kōhanga Reo, Kura and Primary Schools to learn more about Puanga/Matariki and the cosmos by looking at stars from a makeshift lab and through interactive activities.

For more information, please contact Ruapehu REAP's Mandy Hagley or Kaylene Crossan on (06) 385 8199 or email [ee@ruapehureap.co.nz](mailto:ee@ruapehureap.co.nz)

### EXPLORE PUANGA AND MORE AT TE MATA TOA - GOLD COIN KOHA

**27-29 June** National Army Museum, Te Mata Toa State Highway One, Waiouru

Session times: **9.30am – 11.30am** and **1pm – 2.30pm**

Puanga, Matariki, Te Tau Hou Māori; a time for remembering, reflecting and celebrating our unique Māori heritage in Aotearoa. Join the National Army Museum Te Mata Toa as we highlight the stories of our hōia Māori (Māori soldiers) who kept Te Reo Māori and Māori culture alive even when on the battle field overseas.

This interactive event consists of three workshops for children\* including viewing artefacts and hearing stories of hunting and preserving kai from WW1, exploring and learning the story of the 'Te Rau Aroha' truck that supported the 28 Māori Battalion at WW2 and explore ration pack cooking as our hōia do out in the field on exercise.

For more information and school bookings, please contact Mark Hays on (06) 387 6911 ext 207 or email [Mark.Hays@nzdf.mil.nz](mailto:Mark.Hays@nzdf.mil.nz) \*Programme suitable for primary school level and upwards

### PUANGA – STARS IN YOUR EYES TALENT QUEST - FREE EVENT

**Sunday 2 July** Raetihi Marae, Raetihi Ohakune Road, Raetihi Time: **12pm to 3pm**

Puanga – Stars in Your Eyes Talent Quest is a whānau and community event of fun, entertainment and whakawhanaungatanga celebrating Puanga, the Māori New Year. We are on the search for Ruapehu's up and coming stars. Whether you want to sing a waiata, tell a joke, do a dance or perform a little skit about Puanga, you can register now. There are heaps of prizes to be won. Food stalls available. There are three categories: **Tamariki, Open and Pāhake**.

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