

1 Short Story Book Club Live!

BATS Theatre, 1 KENT TCE

Jesse Mulligan hosts Radio New Zealand's Short Story Book Club... Live! Join Jesse along with Tracy Farr and Elizabeth Heritage to discuss stories shortlisted from submissions. Submit your short story for consideration at shortstory@litcrawl.co.nz, details at litcrawl.co.nz

2 Bringing it all Back Home

Meow, 9 EDWARD STREET

Dylanophiles Jan Carson (Northern Ireland), Jeffrey Paparao Holman and Finn Johansson discuss, read and perform pieces from the Nobel Prize-winning songwriter, Bob Dylan.

3 Toby & Toby Live!

City Gallery, 101 WAKEFIELD STREET

Toby Manhire and Toby Morris bring their award-winning RNZ collaboration to the stage as Toby Manhire interviews guests while Toby Morris does live illustrations to commemorate the occasion and capture the conversations. Music by Toby Laing. Guests to be announced.

4 Wild

Bicycle Junction, 1 MARION STREET

Paul Stanley Ward, Bill Nelson, John Summers, Richard Hall, Harriet McKnight and Laura Williamson read their works exploring the wilderness and the reflections that come from adventuring beyond the confines of city life, and inhabiting a non-human world.

5 Shall We Take This Outside?

Six Barrel Soda, LEVEL 1, 1 EVA STREET

Steve Braunias and Paula Morris are going to get very heated about the state of book reviewing in Aotearoa. There to throw a spanner in the works or perhaps put his body on the line if things get really bad will be reviewer Danyl McLauchlan.

6 True Stories Told Live

Central Library, 65 VICTORIA STREET

This year's theme is Quiet Revolutions. Unscripted, unsupported by notes or powerpoints or cue cards, this is storytelling from the heart. Featuring: Makerita Urale, Witi Ihimaera, Hēmi Kelly, Renée, Lucy Revill, Rajorshi Chakraborti and Eamonn Marra. Supported by the New Zealand Book Council.

7 Poetry in and out of Translation

Hashigo Zake, 25 TARANAKI STREET

Revel in listening to poetry in Māori, Chinese, French and Scots with writers Maraea Rakuraku, Anna Jackson, Hui Luo and Harry Giles.

8 A Cocktail with LaQuisha

Crumpet, 109 MANNERS STREET

LaQuisha St Redfern talks with playwright Victor Rodger about life, writing and Wellington. Victor is an acclaimed writer of such plays as *Sons*, *Black Faggot* and *My Name is Gary Cooper*. LaQuisha is a performance artist, blogger, writer and much-loved Wellingtonian.

9 These Wild Nights

Ferret Bookshop, 175 CUBA ST

The *Starling* set returns, with six dazzling young writers. Nightmares, paper boats, rabbits and moons: hear work from the most recent issues of *Starling*, an online journal publishing the best poetry and prose by New Zealand writers under 25 years. Featuring Henrietta Bollinger, Leah Dodd, Sharon Lam, Olivia Nonoa, Yasmin Nouri and Zoe Higgins.

10 Doing Bad Things

Bowen Galleries, 39 GHUZNEE STREET

Five talented writers find in each other's work the extraordinary bad things that make their writing so good. Pushing form and imagery are writers Louise Wallace, Faith Wilson, Liz Breslin, Annabel Hawkins and Miria George. Supported by Bowen Galleries

11 A Stranger in Town

C Q Hotels, 223 CUBA ST

With the current state of world affairs, the migrant journey is an illuminating and vital story to be shared. In this session four talented writers will discuss their experiences migrating to New Zealand. Featuring Giovanni Tiso, Daniela Dragas, Diane Comer and Rajorshi Chakraborti.

12 My Mythology

Arty Bees Books, 106 MANNERS STREET

"It was a rainy night. It was the myth of a rainy night" — Jack Kerouac, *On The Road*.

Five writers offer up fragments of their own myth making. Gather round for readings that overlay the universe with fresh openings to new worlds. Featuring Lee Posna, Valerie Arvidson, Emily Perkins, Dan Rabarts, and Lee Murray.

13 Mimicry Moshpit

Caroline, 1 MANNERS STREET

Witness *Mimicry*, a local journal for emerging artists, cram a heinous number of writers into one messy moshpit of a set. Readings by Chris Tse, Mia Gaudin, Eamonn Marra, Ines Almeida, Sam Irwin, Nina Powles, Erik Kennedy, Ruby Mae Hinapunui Solly, Vincent Konrad.

14 Cacophony of Voices

Bartley & Co, 56A GHUZNEE STREET

Is Aotearoa's GLAM (galleries, libraries, archives, museums) sector ready for robust criticism? *Tusk - Emergent Culture* founders, Matariki Williams and Nina Finigan, discuss with Courtney Johnston and Bridget Reweti the place of criticism, writing and the digital landscape as a means to create and occupy a free/radical space in an ever-shifting cultural environment.

15 Dress me, Christine

Hunters & Collectors, 134 CUBA STREET

Five stylish writers meet in one of Wellington's most iconic spots to read each other's work and describe live how the work of that writer translates into fashion. Featuring Tayi Tibble, Kirsten McDougall, Pip Adam, Sarah Webster and Jess Holly Bates.

16 Tourettes + Skyscraper Stan

Meow, 9 EDWARD STREET

Dominic 'Tourettes' Hoey and Skyscraper Stan entertain you with their tales of love, loss and madness. Though they work in different mediums both artists share a love of language and an unflinching critique of society.

*Ticketed event. Tickets at litcrawl.co.nz



17 Aotearotica

Meanwhile, LEVEL 2, 99 WILLIS STREET

Nestle in for readings from Aotearoa's steamiest new journal *Aotearotica*, featuring writing and art from New Zealand and beyond. Featuring Laura Borrowdale, as well as contributors Dylan Horrocks, Sarah Laing, and Monica Macansantos.

18 Essays

Bicycle Junction, 1 MARION STREET

Essayists share their favourite moments from within their own catalogues online and in print. Featuring John Paul-Powley, Charlotte Graham, Sarah Lang, Nadine Millar and hosted by Guy Somerset.

19 I'm making a sign!

Pegasus Books, CUBA MALL 204/LEFT BANK

Five writers read and discuss writing as protest and channeling their activism through the page. Hosted by Action Station's Marianne Elliott, and featuring Jeffrey Paparao Holman, Rhydian Thomas, Janis Freegard and Rachel Stewart.

Supported by the NZ Society of Authors Wellington branch

20 Songwriters

Alistair's Music, 215 CUBA STREET

Radio New Zealand's Nick Bollinger hosts songwriters in Wellington's most acoustically sympathetic venue, Alistair's Music. Featuring: Steve Abel, Jessie Moss and Finn Johansson.

21 OPA! Launch of Aukati

Potocki Paterson Gallery, 41 DIXON STREET

Celebrate with Michalia Arathimos for the launch of her novel, *Aukati* (Mākarō Press). Joining her is special guest Vana Manasiadis who will lead a lively conversation into what Greekness means in Aotearoa.

22 On the Soapbox: 4th Floor

Matchbox, LEVEL 1/166 CUBA STREET

Whitireia, they're terrific. They've got students. They've got tutors. And they're terrific. But some of them are bad writers who lie. So we're taking their lies and we're putting them in *4th Floor*. This year's theme: Alternative Facts. Feat: Johanna Knox, Jackson Nieuwland, Nicola Easthope, Wesley Hollis, Mary Little, Olivia Aroha Giles, and Helen Vivienne Fletcher.

23 Hamiltron

Slowboat, 183 CUBA STREET

"The best thing about Auckland is that it's close to Hamilton" — Steve Braunias. Writers read and regale with their tales in praise of that magical city, Hamilton. Featuring Faith Wilson, Essa Morris, Thomasin Sleight and Jesse Mulligan.

24 Crip the Lit II

C Q Hotels, 223 CUBA STREET

"Truth thrives in the margins" — Joachim Kalka. When disabled writers claim their voice and share their inner world, the parameters of what it means to be human broaden. Three authors provide insight into their lives, and, in doing so, introduce a new view of heritage, hospital beds and lunatics taking over the asylum.

25 Where Angels Fear to Tread

St Peter's, 211 WILLIS STREET

Four of New Zealand's favourite poets read in the beautiful St Peter's Church. Featuring Joy Cowley, Glenn Colquhoun, John Dennison and Eric Fairbrother. Be in for a spiritual experience.

AFTER PARTY 9:30PM

Meow, 9 EDWARD STREET

Come dance it out at the LitCrawl After Party where you can buy beers, books, get them both signed and maybe even get yourself a wee personalised poem... live music too!

Tickets at litcrawl.co.nz/after-party