

From 'The Big Idea' Website. www.chchcreative.co.nz is a new website showcasing Christchurch self-employed creatives affected by the Christchurch earthquake. Christchurch has a wealth of talented and hard-working freelance creatives. Due to the earthquake on February 22nd, work flow is at a stand still as local clients focus on re-establishing their businesses. People around the country have asked the Christchurch design community what can they do to help. And the answer is – please, send us work! To maintain our community, we need to maintain our livelihoods. To do this we need to keep creating work and generating income. www.chchcreative.co.nz aims to give those outside of Christchurch a way to help. The site provides a database of Christchurch-based freelancers so that companies from other cities

may be able to supply the much needed projects that will keep us going through this difficult time. We ask if you have excess work, or a job that would suit one of the designers in the database then please get in touch directly and talk with them about how they can meet your needs. If you are a self-employed creative in Christchurch please submit your details to the database by providing a 100 word profile of yourself, a link to your portfolio and contact details.

Thank you for your support – together, we keep the creative community flourishing in Christchurch. For further information on the site contact: Alec Bathgate of Bathgate Design at alecbathgate@gmail.com Stephen McCarthy of McCarthy Design: stephen@smccarthy.co.nz.

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Newsletter

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Supporting Christchurch Post-Quake



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We simply can't issue our first newsletter of 2011 without offering our condolences to any of you who have lost friends, family or colleagues in the recent Earthquake.

In such a time of physical and emotional shock, words seem meaningless. Comprehending the devastation and disruption to so many lives is beyond mind-boggling. However, Canterbury is a strong province

with a heart of solid pioneering spirit and pride in our City. I have no doubt that Christchurch will pick up and carry on, not only physically, but emotionally with a stronger spirit and will to succeed.

Without doubt, our Artists will record, examine and interpret the many processes of post-quake healing we are yet to go through, and the results may well help us all heal.

ArtWeek Festival 2011

October 2011 will be the 30th Anniversary of the celebration that has become ArtWeek. The Malvern Community Arts Council has plans for a festival to celebrate the wonderful attributes of our tightly knit community. Be sure to keep an eye out for the events that may appeal to you and your family....



Maree White Interactive Painting Course



10am-2.30pm
Sat 30 April
Sun 1st May
Tues 3rd May
Wed 4th May

Maree White is a very talented painter with exceptional skills in blending and composition. Her works are immaculately finished with seamless brushwork and tonal control.



Maree exhibited very successfully with us in October 2010, and we felt she had a wonderful manner and a particular aptitude for teaching.

[Maree White Interactive Painting Course 2011](#)

We asked Maree to tutor a workshop for us, and what has transpired is an interactive painting course where the public can visit the Gallery and watch Maree teaching.

This allows a quality teacher to constructively assist our local artists AND share her knowledge

with the community at large.

This 'interactive' style has proven very successful in inspiring a personal connection between the artist and viewer - intensifying the potential for 'non-art-lovers' to appreciate and 'demystify' the process of self-expression.

The course is open to anyone of any painting skill, but you MUST be prepared to have people watching as you are taught.

Places are limited to 10.
\$150 per person,
payment upon
Registration.

Closing Date: WHEN SPACES FILL UP!

Please place your name on the waiting list if you miss out, as we may have another course later in the year. Ph Anna Norris 021 227 3216 or email: mcac@clear.net.nz



Arts Council Events



'The Legend Returns'

A double act starring
Helen Moulder and Rose Beauchamp
7.30pm Darfield Recreation Centre
May 5th - ONE NIGHT ONLY!

Watch Good Films Locally



Art house films from around the world are shown monthly by the West Melton and District Film Society. A full list of the films scheduled for 2011 can be downloaded from the web-page below:

www.nzfilmsociety.org.nz/westmelton.htm

The WMFS provides the opportunity to see interesting and thought provoking films in a relaxed, local and social (coffee and a 'slice' afterwards) environment without the inconvenience and expense of traveling to Christchurch. New members are welcomed; Subs are \$70 per double, \$40 a single for the year. Contact wmfilmsoc@xtra.co.nz or ring 03-3181-761 for further details.

Next Exhibition: **Evolution - Canterbury Graduates**

Opening 10am, Sat 2nd - Thurs 28th April

**Bianca van Leeuwen, Nicole Burke, Jane Bowman,
and Louise Clarkson.**