

TUIA 250 WHITIANGA STREET ART FESTIVAL

A Mercury Bay Art Escape project for the Tuia 250 Te Whanganui O Hei (Mercury Bay) commemorations

Michael Smither. Bread & Butter Gallery. 26 Albert Street. A prominent New Zealand artist, Michael's mural derives from his boat series of paintings and screen prints. Michael is the patron artist of Mercury Bay Art Escape. www.michael-smither.co.nz

Dave Fowell. Mercury Bay Pharmacy Monk Street side. Dave is a sculptor and painter and has exhibited works in both genres in New Zealand (at Eggsentric, Flaxmill Bay) and Italy. He is an accomplished portrait painter. Instagram @ [dave_fowell_art_work](https://www.instagram.com/dave_fowell_art_work) Ph.021138966

Flox and Trustme. Service Lane on Monk Street between The Cave and Town Hall. Flox and Trustme are working in collaboration in Whitianga but both have separate outstanding reputations on the national and international street art scene. They recently worked together on a mural in Riverton using spray paint and with the extensive use of stencils. Flox : www.flox.co.nz : Trustme : www.rossliew.com

Peter Nicholson. Albert Street, Plaza side on Mainly Casual and also on the southern side of Soldiers Memorial Park. Peter is well known for his murals in Whitianga, the Waikato and Bay of Plenty. He enjoys depicting historical scenes and his 2 murals included in the Festival illustrate HMB Endeavour and Whitianga Wharf in 1890.

Monique Rush. Blacksmith Lane. Hammer Hardware. Monique's inspirations come from nature, Kiwiana and landscapes. She is continually experimenting with new mediums and teaches art in her studio space. www.mercurybay-artescape.com/monique-rush

Charles and Janine Williams. Service Lane Blacksmith to Taylors Mistake. Charles and Janine have created murals throughout Aotearoa (New Zealand) & around the globe. Their creative practise shows their passion for featuring cultural designs with native/endemic life which connect us to the whenua (land), koreoro (stories) & the tangata whenua (local people). www.charlesjaninewilliams.com

Pauly B. Coghill Lane on the side of Subway. Pauly B is an artist based in the Waikato, who has painted extensively in the Central North Island. Pauly's murals engage with their locations, responding to history, local communities, and how surrounding spaces are used. Pauly is the cofounder of the Boon Street Art Festival in Hamilton. www.paulyb.co.nz

Caitlin Moloney. BNZ . 70 Albert Street. Caitlin is primarily a ceramic artist from Coromandel town and transfers her vivid colours and patterns to her large murals. Her mural for Whitianga references the part fish played in guiding the early navigators to Aotearoa. www.caitlinmoloney.com

Anne Bowden. Mosaic signs for 'Ladies' and 'Men' will be installed at the entrances to the planned renovation of the public toilets in Blacksmith Lane. This renovation is due for completion at the beginning of July. www.mercurybay-artescape.com/anne-bowden



Yellow rectangle: Festival Mural

Green dot: Café, Restaurant & Festival supporting business

This map shows the sites of murals being created, or recently completed during the Festival. At the completion of the TCDC town upgrade there will be more public art added to the central Whitianga township area. A new guide will be available with full details of all the artworks so you can enjoy a walk through the town to view the installations.