ART IS A LIVING THING

***New Zealand Pacific Studio Artists’ Residency Centre 15th Anniversary Exhibition***

**ARATOI WAIRARAPA MUSEUM OF ART AND HISTORY**

**2 December 2016 – 15 January 2017**

Founded in 2001, New Zealand Pacific Studio is a year-round international residency centre at Mount Bruce. In celebration of its fifteenth year, the non-profit centre is mounting ART IS A LIVING THING, an exhibition at Aratoi Museum, the region's leading art museum. From now until 30 September 2016, NZPS invites ONE submission from each of its residents over the past 15 years. There will not be room to exhibit work from everyone, so there will be a selection process. A small catalogue will be published to coincide with the exhibition.

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Art is a living thing. It breathes. It moves. Sometimes it sings. It needs nourishment. It needs a community. New Zealand Pacific Studio works to provide a space where art – in whatever form – can live, and thrive. Over the past fifteen years, the five-acre facility at Mount Bruce has hosted hundreds of people who create, re-create, edit, dance, write, paint, animate, photograph, choreograph, tell stories, collect stories.... These residents have been welcomed by the Wairarapa/Tararua community and have made significant contributions to the region through concerts, workshops, readings, school visits, presentations, exhibitions, lectures and more. This exhibition presents a medley of their work, as well as historic items from the 1911 homestead that serves as the base of the residency centre, and pieces by Kate Coolahan, John Bevan Ford, and Pippa Sanderson from the NZPS art collection.  LIVE performances will also be held during the period.

**SUBMISSION**

1 / Send ONE digital file (<1mb) of your work to artisalivingthing@gmail.com with “your surname\_art” as filename. These can be a JPEG, a link to Vimeo/YouTube/Sound Cloud, MP4, MP3, and for writers/storytellers/spoken word artists, a link to a recording of your work.

2 / Also send the INITIAL SUBMISSION FORM (overleaf) to artisalivingthing@gmail.com with “your surname\_form” as filename.

3 / DEADLINE: 30 September, 2016 (11:59pm NZ time). We will inform you by 20 October of the results; at which time we will be in touch about a simple contract.

4 / If your work is selected, you will be responsible for covering any shipment costs to and from the Museum; insurance costs are covered. Unfortunately, due to limited funding as a non-profit organisation, NZPS is not in a position to offer an honorarium.

5 / For more about NZPS, please visit us at our [website](http://www.artistresidency.org.nz/) and [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/MtBruceNZ/) page.

INITIAL SUBMISSION FORM - ART IS A LIVING THING

NAME

POSTAL ADDRESS

EMAIL ADDRESS

YEAR/S OF YOUR RESIDENCY/IES

TITLE OF WORK SUBMITTED

DATE

MEDIUM

SIZE (*if visual piece*)

DURATION (*if film/video/spoken word recording/dance or music video*)

PRICE (*Note: 40% commission shared by Aratoi and NZPS; or indicate if not for sale*)

IF AN AUTHOR, please list books you would arrange to deliver to the Museum to sell (40% commission applies). Provide TITLE / PUBLISHER / YEAR / ISBN / PRICE for each title.

100 WORD ARTIST STATEMENT THAT RELATES TO YOUR SUBMITTED WORK

30 WORD BIOGRAPHY

30 WORD COMMENT ON YOUR EXPERIENCE AT NZPS