Social connections Newcomers Network Laure Romanetti

Acknowledging those who inform my practice



Mai Chen Professor at the UoA School of Law

Susan Pinker Prof of Social Psychology McGill University, Canada

Prof Jacques Poot Waikato University





Albany Newcomers Network

Connecting People

Will the coming census tell us that most of the people who live in Albany are Newcomers?

The NCN was a programme of an incorporated Society.
Funding varied from 7 – 15K per year, it came from: The Upper Habour Local Board, The Office of Ethnic Communities, The Lottery.

Method:

- Find out what newcomers want to do
- Make it happen through weekly activities and monthly events.
- Follow MBIE's guidelines:



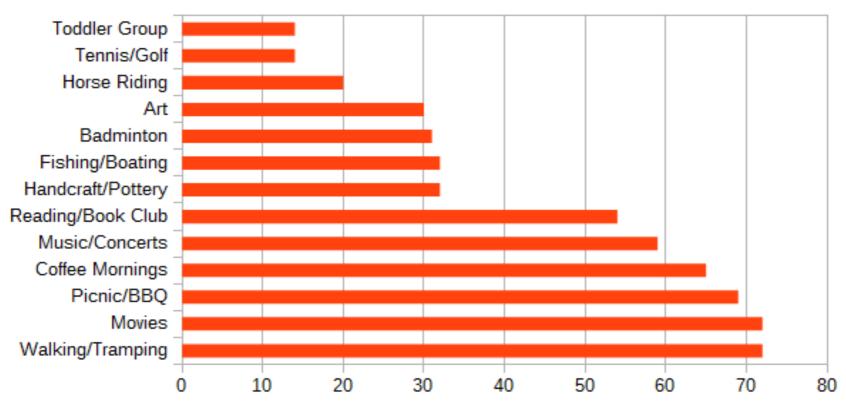


Find out what Newcomers want to do. Establishing stats from the Newcomers Network Website.



- 73,179 pages viewed
- 74.36% New Zealand
- 24.02% Auckland

(NZNN Website statistics, 31 March 2015-31 March 2016.)



Percentage of people wanting to do each activity:

Getting the word out on Social Media and regular media:











Shore Times

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Korea Post









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Getting the word out through the means of communications people use.



2015-16, in contact with approximately 1500 newcomers. The network kept growing.

Getting help: Networking - Collaborating - Recruiting ... and make it happen!

- •Harbour Sport-ActivAsians
- •ARMS
- •ELP
- •CAB
- Albany Chinese Association
- •Hearts and Minds
- Kaipatiki Project- A RochaMBIE
- Libraries
- •Etc...

Publications of articles

- •TANI newsletters
- •ARMS WISE Newsletter
- •MBIE-NZIS In Harmony (Immigration Magazine)
- •Welcoming Communities

Ongoing support from the North Shore Times and North Harbour News, developed a close relationship with the local reporters .





LEARN FROM THE EXPERTS

Qi Gong Albany House and Hub Mondays 9:30 - 10:30am Join us!

Txt Laura O2 24 188 199 Or Judy O22 0910 369

575 albany Highway, Albany Village.

Weekly activities create recurring encounters favouring more meaningful connections.

Monday: •Qi Qong •Walking group •Boomerang Bags

•ELP – ESOL classes







Walking Group





Boomerang Bags -Sewing sustainable

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BORROW BRING BACK

Fighting plastic pollution











Let's keep NZ clean!

When you come to Albany House, you may take your old batteries with you, we will recycle them for you.





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Summer and Winter Fun ASB Working Bee.

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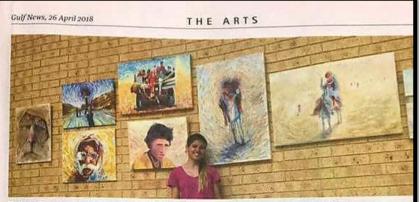




Sasi, Isa, Homer and Dastan...



Dastan Tahir Othman: Artist



Dasthan Othman captures the resilience of human beings in the face of adversity using colours and clay.

Art to highlight Iraqi plight

Safia Archer's weekly arts diary

In August 2014, the Yezidi people of the Iraqi town Sinjar suffered one of the greatest human rights atrocities since the beginning of the new millennia.

The Kurdish-speaking religious minority was the target of genocide, the Sinjar Massacre, where thousands of Yezidi men were killed and over 1000 Yezidi women and children were abducted by Daesh, otherwise known as the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant.

More than half of these women and children have not returned and, on a monthly basis, mass graves are found. According to a United Nations report, 5000 Yezidi civilians were killed during the offensive, and thousands more fled through the desert dust to find refuge.

To bring awareness to the atrocity, 25-year-old Iraqi artist Dastan Othman haspainted aseries Sinjar's People, Colour and Clay that, at its heart, tries to capture the resilience of human beings in the face of adversity.

Through the use of bright acrylic paint and clay on canvas, Dastan re-imagines photographs taken by Iraqi photographer Zmnako Ismael of the displaced people who fled through the Sinjari Desert towards the city of Duhok.

While each canvas has a message of its own and the topic is undoubtedly tragic, this series showcases the resilience and strength of the Sinjari people. The colours dispersed with painterly brushstrokes and movement reminiscent of a Vincent van Gogh, are used to demonstrate everchanging surroundings and to highlight



Bright colours are used to highlight the confusion and disarray. Above - Intern

the confusion and disarray felt by the figures in the paintings. This is particularly the case with

Dastan's earlier works that focus more on the figures and the use of colours to highlight the emotions involved, while later works have a higher proportion of clay integrated into them.

New Zealand clay is used in the absence of desert dust as a metaphor for the exodus to Duhok - all the individuals captured in these works were forced to walk through the desert during a sandstorm. "The clay for me represent ible amount of hardship thes endured and continued to Dastan says.

"Although unintended, in that the use of clay from Ne also a demonstration that from here or there, it is all i like the human beings in and those viewing the pai Zealand. "Whether an atrocity w

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Parenting and babysitting workshops





CHILD MINDERS CERTIFICATE WITH JOY SLUITERS AND SARAH THOMPSON

How to get hired, be a great child minder and children's first aid

ALBANY COMMUNITY HOUSE ALBANY HOUSE, 575 ALBANY HIGHWAY, ALBANY VILLAGE

WED 6 DECEMBER FOR 13-17 YEAR OLDS COURSE COST \$20 normally \$50, thanks to a subsidy through Upper Harbour Local Board

albany community



Places limited. Email Laura Ramanetti at communitycoordinator@albanycommunity.org.nz to make a booking

Part 1 10.30am - 12 noon

The child minder that gets booked – Joy Sluiters Joy will cover everything you need to know to become a safe, reliable and fun babysitter that every parent will trust and want to book again. There will be plenty of practical advice about how to establish your business, ideas for creating a great first impression, and how to handle safety issues in someone else's home. The workshop will also cover useful information about children and their developmental needs, ideas for play, and how to communicate well with parents.

12 noon – 1pm

Lunch break - bring your own lunch

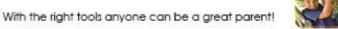
Part 2 1.00pm - 2.30pm

First aid for child minders – Sarah Thompson A concise First aid course specifically designed for child minders, covering child safety and accident prevention, life-saving techniques and emergency first aid.

theparentingplace.com

Great Kids need Great Parents...





Find encouragement for your role as a parent as you explore some key parenting principles & strategies.





Wednesday: Art Classes



albany community
 diverse • vibrant • connected
 5 Week - Adult Beginners Painting
 Starting Wednesday 25th October 10am - 1pm



Fun acrylic painting class - perfect for beginners (no experience necessary) \$25 for the 5 weeks - all materials supplied

Albany House, 575 Albany Highway, Albany Village

Please book your place: Living Life In Colour - with Angela Murray email: angela@angela-murray.com



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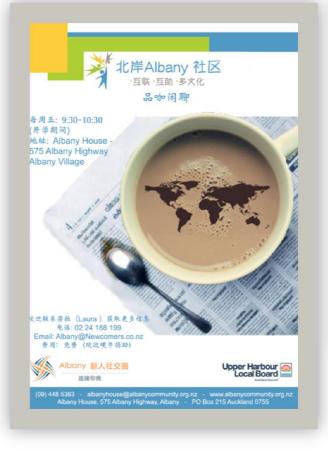




Thursday: Preschool Play ESOL classes Boomerang Bags

Friday: Summer Fun – Preschool play Cozy Coffee and a chance to Chat! Ukulele Band Dot Painting







Dot Painting Class at Albany House



Dastan will teach dot painting Fridays 12:30 - 02:30 pm 6 weeks from Feb 16th to March 23rd. Cost \$45 Register at albany@newcomers.co.nz



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Most posters translated in Chinese, Korean, Farsi, Arabic and Russian

Cooking demonstrations & Guest speakers







When the preschoolers meet the older ukulele player

Dot Painting with Dastan

Events - Celebrations





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Chinese New Year Dragon Boat Festival











Pink Ribbon Breakfast







"The village effect" Susan Pinker





Pot Luck Diner 3 years old to 83! 17 nationalities

Planting Day Newcomers provided the catering







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Transgenerational Forum When wisdom meets youth

Supporting the Albany Chinese Association accessing funding





Inclusive*Connected*Curious*Solidarity*Laughter





Noruz and Neighbours' Day <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j</u> <u>FNZUhqdiXg&feature=youtu.be</u>

