



Monthly tips, events, news and studio updates on cultural materials conservation from Heritage Preservation & Field Support Solutions.

Studio Updates



Transitioning to New Experiences

Last month was all about transitions for the staff at HPFS Solutions.

We said goodbye to Tiana, who left to start her full immersion Te Reo Maori Akonga. We will miss her very much but we wish her every success in her future endeavours. We know she will succeed at whatever she pursues and we look forward to watching her pursue her dreams.

Then we had to say goodbye to our summer intern Lizzie. Lizzie has returned to complete her master's degree in Wellington. Lizzie was integral in our summer research and treatment programme and we will all miss her terribly as well, but know she will be swooped up soon enough by a gallery or museum!

With goodbyes, however, come new hellos and we are very excited to announce a new staff member, Karly. Karly is an experienced researcher and writer, with a background in medical writing for international journals, along with recent completion of a history thesis assessing the social, economic and cultural impacts of settlers in Taranaki. We are lucky to have Karly on board to assist with project research in the future. Welcome aboard Karly!

We also welcomed Audrey, an overseas intern, all the way from France. She is completing a Master's in Physical Chemistry and Chemical Physics from the University of Bordeaux. We can't wait to extend our knowledge of chemistry and put it into practice. As part of Archaeology Week Audrey will be giving a presentation on Science and Archaeology- how exciting!

Keep an eye out for all the upcoming Archaeology Week activities on the NZAA website: <https://nzarchaeology.org/news-events/national-archaeology-week-2023>. We are hosting a few events and would love to see you there!

Caring for your collection

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Must-read tips on caring for your collection from our blog



Jars Suitable for Conservation Chemicals

Good jars are hard to come by! What makes a jar a 'good' jar? Read on to find out!



Disaster recovery checklists and resources

We are working on compiling the (ultimate!) list of disaster recovery resources, but here is a great reference from National Library!

Conservation News from Taranaki

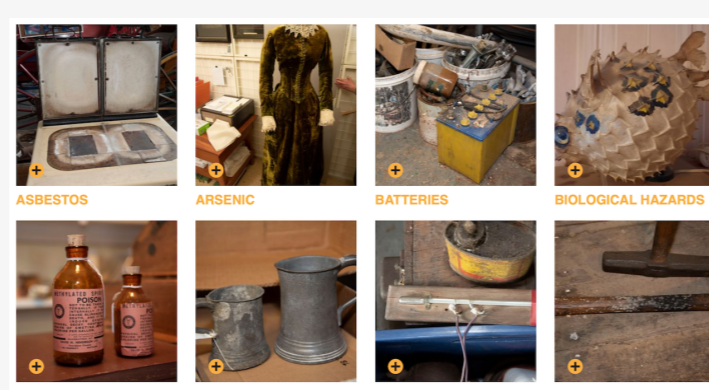
Read curated stories about cultural materials from around the Taranaki region.

1 Historic Taranaki churches latest recipients of heritage grants

2 Puke Ariki Museum and Library: Concern over possible cutbacks to research access

3 Centuries-old Māori food storage pits found in South Taranaki as part as Nukumar Station Rd extension work

4 A new treasure trove of Taranaki history available for everyone to see and hear



New Online Resource: Hidden Hazards

Think your collection is free from hazards? Think again! Hazards to human health are everywhere, especially if you have historic objects in your collection. This new website from Tūhura Otago Museum highlights where hazards could be in your collection. It also includes which PPE you should wear for which hazard.



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