# Covid-19 update for Tairāwhiti Museum Education

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We've had to make some big changes to what we can safely offer at Alert Level 2 to ensure the health and well-being of all our Museum visitors. You can still book a guided or self-guided tour of the Museum for your students. All of our previously advertised hands-on workshops and outreach lessons are postponed until further notice. We'll keep you posted as the situation changes.

## **Education Visit Guidelines**

The education visit guidelines below reflect the Museum guidelines for all visitors under the government requirement for public venues, for full details visit our website <a href="https://tairawhitimuseum.org.nz/visit/covid-19-response/">https://tairawhitimuseum.org.nz/visit/covid-19-response/</a>

## **GUIDED MUSEUM TOUR (1 hour)**

Explore the Museum's art and history exhibitions, with an educator. Tours can be tailored to your curriculum/learning focus.

Session Times Available Morning – 10am to 11am Afternoon 1pm to 2pm

## Planning your visit

- Please do not bring sick students or adults to the Museum.
- Group size must not exceed 30 people, including all accompanying adults.
- A Museum educator will meet your group at the front entrance and begin your tour with a brief introduction in the education room.
- Large groups will be split into smaller groups of 10 for guided exploration of the Museum.
- Hand cleaning facilities and sanitizers are available in the classroom to use before and after your visit.
- Students will be reminded to keep in their group bubbles and to minimize touching surfaces.
- Water bowls will be removed from the galleries.
- Touchscreens will be turned off.
- If you need to bring schools bags, these can be kept in the Museum classroom.
- You're welcome to bring your own water bottles (leave in classroom before entering galleries).
- Please bring your own clip boards and pencils if you'd like your students to sketch in the galleries.

## After your guided visit

- Should post visit contact tracing be required, your school principal will be notified in the first instance.
- Please keep an eye out on our website for changes at level 1.

#### **SELF-GUIDED GROUPS**

All organized education group visits intending to self-guide must pre-register, this includes early childhood, primary, secondary and tertiary groups.

Self-guided visits are only available between 11.30am - 1pm

- Please do not bring sick students or adults to the Museum.
- The maximum size of your group must not exceed 30, including accompanying teachers and adults.
- Groups of more than 10 people will not be able to enter the museum.
- Stay in your small groups while exploring the Museum.
- Follow staff instructions and signage.
- Please check in with reception on arrival.
- Keep your distance from other visitors and staff.
- Minimize touching surfaces as far as possible.
- Water bowls will be removed from the galleries; touchscreens will be turned off.
- Wash and sanitize your hands regularly.
- You are welcome to bring your own worksheets or sketching pads.

#### After your self-guided visit:

- Should post visit contact tracing be required your booking coordinator will be contacted.
- Please keep an eye out on our website for changes at level 1.

To book a guided tour or to register a self-guided visit please contact: Julie Noanoa E: <u>education@tairawhitimuseum.org.nz</u> Ph: 06 867 3832 EXT 809