

Presents

SCIENCE TRAIN!

The laboratory has
left the station



**Saturday 18 &
Sunday 19 July 2026**
10am-2pm | \$50+bf

More info and tickets
at scifest.org.nz

Tickets



EXTRA INFO

GENERAL INFORMATION

Full programme and tickets are available at scifest.org.nz.

- Prices include GST and booking and credit card fees. (except the Science Train, which has an additional booking fee)
- Concession prices, where available, are for students, beneficiaries and senior citizens (appropriate ID required on entry).
- Tickets are not refundable but are transferable.
- If an event is cancelled, full refunds will be issued.

All attendees under the age of 14 must be accompanied by an adult unless otherwise stated.

All events have unassigned seating except for the Science Train. Please arrive early if you have special seating requirements. Venue accessibility details are available at scifest.org.nz.

PWYCA: pay what you can afford

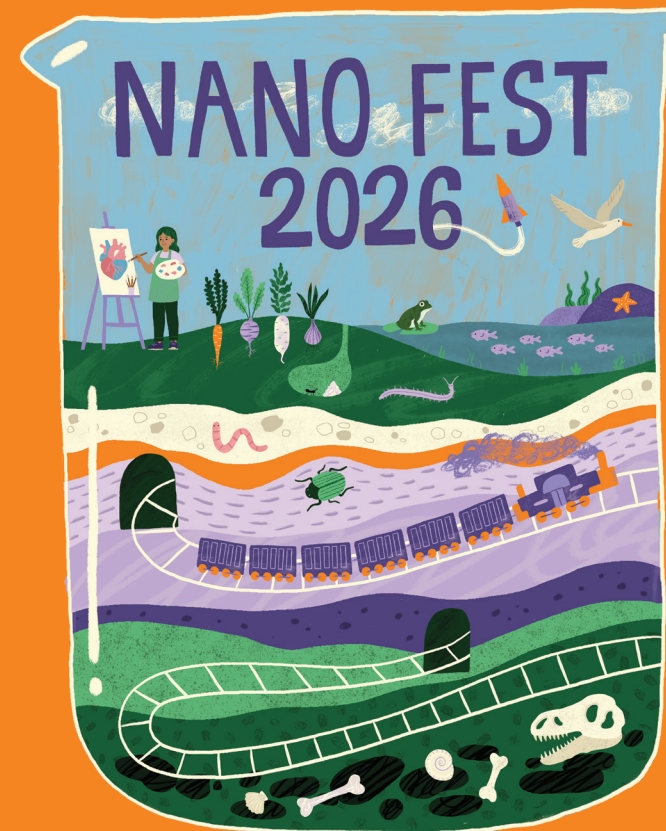
Booking required: Door sales may be available.

Booking essential: Tickets must be pre-purchased



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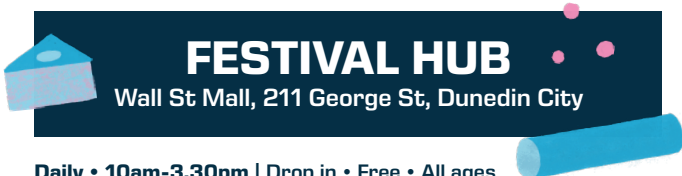


15-19 July 2026
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FESTIVAL HUB

Wall St Mall, 211 George St, Dunedin City

Daily • 10am-3.30pm | Drop in • Free • All ages

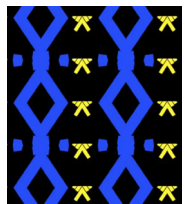
Drop by NanoFest's Festival Hub every day for an engaging selection of free, hands-on science for the whole whānau. Stalls are hosted by local science and conservation organisations.

Get creative with light and sound, experiment with plants, examine bugs through a microscope, get your favourite rock identified... Find out about creatures we share our landscape with (and why some of them are considered pests), test your sensitivity to cold, see how healthy your heart is...

Kids can get creative with our big blue Imagination Playground and local scientists and educators will also be offering workshops every day.

Please visit www.scifest.org.nz for a full list of activities and to book your workshops!

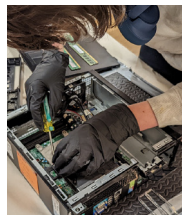
EVENTS IN THE MALLS



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Daily • 10am-3.30pm • Festival Hub
Drop-in • Free • All ages

Get involved with visiting Auckland artist Sione Faletau who will be creating multi-layered art using light, sound, sculpture and environmental data.



BUILD A COMPUTER!

Daily • 1pm • Golden Centre Mall
Booking required • PWYCA • 9-18 years

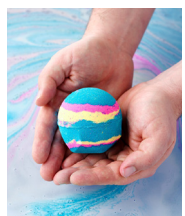
The Com2Tech team will show you how to deconstruct and rebuild a computer – and then you can take it home!



SCIENCE ALIVE! SHOWS

Wed 15 - Sat 18 July • 10am, 10.30am, 11am, 12.30pm, 1pm, 2pm • Meridian Mall
Booking required • \$3-\$8 • All ages

Travel to Antarctica and outer space with the two amazing Science Alive! shows in the inflatable Science dome.



INTERGALACTIC BATH BOMBS!

Sat 18 – Sun 19 July • 10am, 11am, 1pm, 2.30pm • Festival Hub

Booking required • \$15 • Ages 7+

Join the LUSH team to learn about the science of bath bombs and to make your own intergalactic version to take home!

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20 Princes St, Dunedin City

SHOWS AND WORKSHOPS



ESCAPE ROOM DATA GUARDIANS

Wed 15 July • 10am, 1pm

Booking required • PWYCA • All ages

What is data and how do we look after our own and others? Explore the important topic of Indigenous Data Sovereignty while having fun with puzzles.



BUBBLES AND FULL FORCE! SCIENCE SHOWS

Thu 15 - Sat 18 • 10am, 11.45am, 1.30pm

Booking required • \$8 • Ages 4-12

The Auckland-based Science in a Van are bringing two science shows to NanoFest, full of laughs, surprises and lots of learning!

TALKS

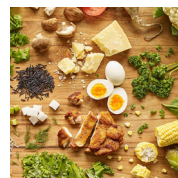


ART AND SCIENCE PANEL

Wed 15 July • 5.30pm

Booking required • PWYCA • Adults

Our panelists discuss the opportunities and challenges that exist when we blur the lines between art and science, in their own work and collaborative projects.



FUTURE OF FOOD PANEL

Thu 16 July • 6.30pm

Booking required • PWYCA • Adults

Join us for an invigorating evening exploring the future of food, with our panel of researchers and leaders in the field.



HOW TO VANDALISE WIKIPEDIA

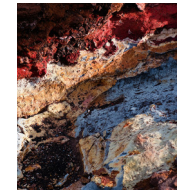
Fri 17 July • 5.30pm

Booking required • PWYCA • Adults

Join Wikipedia expert Mike Dickson on a tour of the inner workings of Wikipedia, and some of the suprising hoaxes that have been uncovered over the years.

ABOUT TOWN

This is just a sample of everything on offer



ARTSCIENCE EXHIBITION

Mon 13 – Fri 17 July • 10am-5pm
Ōtepoti Dunedin Community Gallery

Drop-in • Free • All ages

Join us for an ArtScience exhibition and workshops exploring time – biological clocks, memory, space-time and culture.



NZ MARINE STUDIES CENTRE TOURS

Thu 16 July • 10am, 1pm • Ages 0-7

Sun 19 July • 10am, 12pm • All ages

Booking essential • \$10/\$20

Tour the University of Otago's NZ Marine Studies Centre and meet some local marine creatures! Two tours geared to different ages.



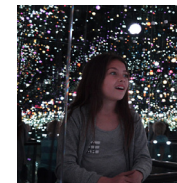
HEART OTAGO DISSECTION LABS

Wed 15 July • 10am, 2pm

UoO Department of Physiology

Booking essential • Free • Ages 9+

Participants will dissect a lamb's heart, and learn the basic physiological functions of the heart with the expert HeartOtago crew.



GROOVY SCIENCE DAY

Fri 17 July • 10am-2.30pm

Tūhura Otago Museum

Drop-in • Free • All ages

A family fun day packed with hands-on activities, creative crafts and mind-blowing discoveries for tamariki of all ages.



ROCKET LAUNCH OFF!

Sun 19 July • 10am-2pm • Long Room at the Oval

Drop-in • Free • All ages

Wonder Project leads this hands-on science adventure, where budding engineers design, build and launch their own water-powered bottle rockets.



ARTICULATE YOUR RESEARCH

Sun 19 July • 1pm-4pm • Tūhura Otago Museum

Booking essential • \$50 • Adults

This workshop is an opportunity for scientists to share their research, flex their creative muscles and communicate their science artfully – no artistic experience required!

Find all the details at
www.scifest.org.nz