

Whanganui Cultural Calendar 2024

January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
1 New Year's Day	1 Creative Communities fund opens	1 Neighbours Month	1 Easter Monday	1	1 Samoa	1	1	1 Father's Day	1 China Tuvalu	1 Diwali	1
2 New Years	2	2 MCC Beach Clean-up	2	2	2	2	2	2	2 Whanganui Heritage Month	2	2
3	3	3 Children's Day Sea Week	3	3	3 Kings Birthday	3	3	3 Tongan Language Week	3 Germany	3	3 Int. Day of Disabled Persons
4	4 Sri Lanka	4 Race Unity Week Pasifika Arts	4	4	4 Tonga	4 U.S.A.	4 Cook Islands	4	4 Tuvalu Language Week	4	4
5	5	5 Race Unity Week Sri Lankan Lanterns	5	5	5 World Enviro Day	5	5	5 NZ Conservation Week	5	5	5 Thailand, Volunteers Day
6	6 Waitangi Day	6 Race Unity Week Asian Crafts	6	6	6	6 MCC Feast and Festival - Bulls	6	6	6	6	6
7 Whanganui Opera Week	7	7 Race Unity Week Indian Arts	7	7	7	7 Solomon Islands	7	7	7	7	7
8	8	8 RUW: Raranga, Int. Women's Day	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
9	9	9	9 (Approx.) Eid al-Fitr	9 NZ Sign Language Week	9	9	9 Int. Day of Indigenous Peoples	9	9 Fijian Language Week	9	9
10	10 Picnic in the Park	10 (Approx.) Ramadan begins	10	10	10	10	10	10	10 Fiji	10	10 World Human Rights Day
11	11 Japan	11 Commonwealth Day	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11
12	12 La Fiesta 10 Feb – 10 March	12	12	12 Mother's Day	12 Philippines	12	12 World Youth Day	12	12	12	12
13	13 Chinese New Year at Trafalgar Sq. 10-20	13	13	13 Mental Health Awareness Week	13	13	13	13	13	13	13
14	14	14	14 Sri Lankan New Year	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14
15	15	15 Artists Open Studios 15 - 24	15	15	15	15	15 India South Korea	15	15 Niue Language Week	15	15
16	16	16	16	16	16 Volunteer Week	16	16	16 Te Wiki o te Reo Māori	16	16	16
17	17	17 Ireland St Patrick's Day	17	17 Pink Shirt Day	17	17	17	17 Mid-Autumn Festival	17	17	17
18	18	18	18	18 Zimbabwe	18	18	18	18	18	18	18 International Migrants Day
19 Whanganui Vintage Weekend	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19 Lotus Group Diwali	19 International Men's Day	19
20	20	20	20 Chinese Costume Day	20 Youth Week	20 World Refugee Day	20 Colombia	20	20	20	20	20
21	21 Int. Mother Language Day	21 Race Relations Day	21	21 World Day for Cultural Diversity	21	21	21	21 World Peace Day	21	21	21
22 Wellington Anniversary	22	22	22 Earth Day	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22 Zimbabwe Unity Day
23	23	23	23 England St George's Day	23	23	23	23	23 Welcoming Week TBC	23	23	23
24	24 Pride Week	24 Holi Festival	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24
25 Ratana Celebration	25	25	25 ANZAC Day	25 Africa Day	25	25	25	25 Chinese Language Week	25	25 White Ribbon Day	25 Christmas Day
26 Australia	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	26 Boxing Day
27	27 Sea Week	27	27 South Africa	27	27	27	27	27	27	27	27
28	28 Pūkaitore Day	28	28	28	28 Matariki	28	28	28	28 Labour Day	28	28
29	29	29 Good Friday	29	29 Samoan Language Week	29	29	29	29	29	29	29
30	30	30	30	30	30	30 Vanuatu	30 Daffodil Day	30	30	30	30
31 Nauru	31	31	31	31	31	31 Cook Islands Language Week	31 Malaysia	31	31	31	31

January

- 1-2 New Year's Holiday
- 7-21 Whanganui Opera Week
- 19-22 Whanganui Vintage Weekend
- 23 Wellington Anniversary
- 25 Ratana celebration
- 26 Australia Day
- 31 Nauru Independence Day

February

- 1-29 Creative Communities Scheme fund open
- 4 Sri Lanka Independence Day
- 6 Waitangi Day
- 10 Multicultural Council Picnic in the Park
- 10-20 Chinese New Year display at Trafalgar Sq.
- 10-10 March La Fiesta Women's Festival
- 11 Japan Foundation Day
- 21 International Mother Language Day
- 24-2 March Pride Week
- 28 Pūkaitore Day

March

- 1 Neighbours Month
- 2-10 Sea Week
- 2 Multicultural Council beach clean-up
- 3 Children's Day
- 4 Race Unity Week: Pasifika arts
- 5 Race Unity Week: Sri Lankan lanterns
- 6 Race Unity Week: Asian crafts
- 7 Race Unity Week: Indian Arts
- 8 Race Unity Week: Raranga workshop
- 8 International Women's Day
- 10 (Approx.) Ramadan begins
- 11 Commonwealth Day
- 15-24 Artists Open Studios
- 17 St Patrick's Day - Ireland
- 21 Race Relations Day
- 24 Holi at Peat Park
- 29 Good Friday

April

- 1 Easter Monday
- 9 (Approx.) Eid-al-Fitr
- 14 Sri Lankan New Year
- 18 Zimbabwe Independence Day
- 20 Whanganui Chinese Assoc. Costume Day
- 22 Earth Day
- 23 St George's Day - England
- 25 ANZAC Day
- 27 South Africa Freedom Day

May

- 9-15 NZ Sign Language Week
- 12 Mother's Day
- 13-19 Mental Health Awareness Week
- 17 Pink Shirt Day
- 20-26 Youth Week
- 21 World Day for Cultural Diversity
- 25 Africa Day
- 29-4 June Samoan Language Week

June

- 1 Samoa Independence Day
- 3 Kings Birthday
- 4 Tonga Emancipation Day
- 5 World Environment Day
- 12 Philippines Independence Day
- 16-22 NZ Volunteers Week
- 20 World Refugee Day
- 28 Matariki

July

- 4 U.S.A. Independence Day
- 6 Multicultural Council Feast and Festival, Bulls
- 7 Solomon Islands Independence Day
- 20 Colombia Independence Day
- 30 Vanuatu Independence Day
- 31-6 Aug. Cook Islands Language Week

August

- 4 Cook Islands Constitutional Day
- 9 International Day of Indigenous Peoples
- 12 World Youth Day
- 15 India Independence Day
- 15 National Liberation Day of Korea
- 30 Daffodil Day
- 31 Malaysia Independence Day

September

- 1 Father's Day
- 3-9 Tongan Language Week
- 5-12 NZ Conservation Week
- 16-23 Te Wiki o te Reo Māori
- 17 Mid-Autumn Festival (Moon Festival)
- 21 World Day of Peace
- 23-29 Welcoming Week NZ (TBC)
- 25-1 Oct Chinese Language Week

October

- 1 China Independence Day
- 1 Tuvalu Independence Day
- 2 Whanganui Heritage Month
- 3 Germany Unity Day
- 1-7 Tuvalu Language Week TBC
- 8-14 Fijian Language Week TBC
- 10 Fiji Independence Day
- 15-21 Niue Language Week
- 19 Lotus Group Whanganui Diwali
- 19 Niue Constitution Day
- 28 Labour Day

November

- 1 Diwali
- 19 International Men's Day
- 25 White Ribbon Day

December

- 3 Int. Day of Persons with Disabilities
- 5 Thailand National Day
- 10 World Human Rights Day
- 18 International Migrants Day
- 22 Zimbabwe Unity Day
- 25 Christmas Day
- 26 Boxing Day