

EVENT & FILM GUIDE – MAY 2025



The Penguin Lessons (M)

Running Time: 112 minutes

Based on a true story starring Oscar nominee **Steve Coogan**, this poignant dramedy from director **Peter Cattaneo** follows an Englishman's personal and political awakening after he adopts a penguin during a cataclysmic period in Argentine history.



The Return (M)

Running Time: 116 minutes

After 20 years **Odysseus** finally returns to **Ithaca**, where he finds his wife held prisoner by suitors vying to be king and his son facing death at their hands. To win back his family and all he has lost, **Odysseus** must rediscover his strength.



The Correspondent (M)

Running Time: 119 minutes

While covering the news desk in **Cairo** for a colleague over the Christmas holidays, Australian journalist **Peter Greste** is arrested and accused of terrorism. He has become a pawn in the middle of a deadly game full of corrupt officials and ancient rivalries. Now the subject of his own worldwide news story, with only his wits and unlikely allies keeping him alive, Greste's very survival means staring down a brutal regime. *The Correspondent* is a gripping thriller and a compelling true story about the relentless defence of the truth and triumph of the human spirit.



Marlon Williams: Ngā Ao E Rua - Two Worlds (Ex)

Running Time: 91 minutes

Marlon Williams: Ngā Ao E Rua - Two Worlds gives audiences a behind the scenes glimpse at Williams' most ambitious project to date, writing an album in **te reo Māori**, and the personal challenges he faces along the way. The film weaves together Williams' different worlds, from international tours and recording the album, to life in his hometown of **Ōhinehou (Lyttelton)**. The film captures poignant moments, like travelling with his dad to his marae in **Tōreere** for the first time in decades.

TICKETS

In advance: Adult \$12, Senior \$10, Student/Child \$10

On the door: Adult \$15, Senior \$13, Student/Child \$13

From www.eventfinda.co.nz

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project fiftyone (Ex)

Running Time: 84 minutes

project fiftyone is an inspiring and hope-filled story that showcases how every one of us can make a difference by offering kindness and compassion to others.

In remembrance of the 51 people killed in **Christchurch's** mosque attacks, a young Kiwi-Afghan couple, **Bariz Shah** and **Saba Afrasyabi**, raise money to travel to **Afghanistan** to empower some of Kabul's most poverty stricken people by funding 51 micro-business projects. As little as USD \$250 is enough to change lives with the gift of a small but essential item such as a sewing machine or a portable food cart, and we watch as their hopes and dreams are fulfilled.

At the same time, this humanitarian act works to deeply change **Bariz** and **Saba**. Their own stories as **Muslim** refugees living in the Western World weave through this story of making a powerful choice to meet hate with love.



Tinā (M)

Running Time: 125 minutes

Struggling after the death of her daughter in the **Christchurch** earthquakes, Mareta reluctantly takes on a role as a substitute teacher at an elite private school and is surprised to find children in desperate need of guidance, inspiration, and love.



Small Things Like These (M)

Running Time: 98 minutes

It is 1985 in the run-up to Christmas in a small town in **County Wexford, Ireland**. Bill Furlong toils as a coal merchant to support himself, his wife and his five daughters. Early one morning while out delivering coal at the local convent, he makes a discovery that forces him to confront his past and the complicit silence of a town controlled by the **Catholic Church**.



Green Angels (M)

Running Time: 74 minutes

Compensating for her deprived upbringing, a ruthlessly ambitious woman neglects the welfare of her teenage stepson. When her plans fail, only then does she confront the truth.

Directed by local **Auckland** man **Peter Webster** and starring **Siobhan Marshall**, **Johny Morell**, **Hannah Koumakis** and **Rachel Nash**.

LIVE EVENTS



Ben Ruegg - Album Launch

Saturday 3 May - 7pm

Local **South Auckland** musician **Ben Ruegg** is ready to share new music with the world with his 'This Chaotic Sea' album launch event. The set list will be wide and varied, but all original featuring an opening performance by **Thomas Coffey**.

Every song on the upcoming album will be played live with an incredible live band made up from friends and musicians he has worked with over his many years performing and writing songs.

General admission \$20 (*additional fees may apply*)
Tickets on sale now at www.eventfinda.co.nz
Door sales available



3 Tenors & a Soprano Operatunity

Thursday 22 May - 11am

Indulge in a concert of elegance and passion as the supremely talented quartet of *3 Tenors & a Soprano* grace the stage. This concert promises to enchant audiences with a captivating blend of famous ballads, opera, classical, and music theatre, passionately presented by an ensemble of extraordinary vocalists. Be prepared to be transported by the exquisite harmonies and powerful arias that will stir your soul and ignite your imagination. From the timeless melodies of classical opera to the emotional depth of well-loved ballads, this performance is a celebration of the beauty and grandeur of vocal music. Join the team for an unforgettable experience that showcases exceptional artistry and vocal prowess, promising an event of musical excellence and emotional resonance.

Please call **0508 266 237** or visit
www.daytimeconcerts.co.nz to book tickets



Stewart Dance Studios

Medal Test competition

Friday 6 June - Sunday 8 June 2025



Auckland Irish Dancing Association

May Feis competition

Saturday 10 May 2025



Faces of Movement Performing Arts Competition

Modern Dance section
Saturday 17 May - Sunday 18 May 2025

Ballet section
Sunday 25 May 2025



Kelvin Cruickshank Live!

Friday 27 June 2025

Join Kelvin for an unforgettable evening filled with love, healing, and the undeniable presence of spirit. Where miracles happen and hearts are forever changed.

Allocated seating \$75 (*additional fees may apply*)
Tickets on sale now at www.eventfinda.co.nz

MAY EVENT & FILM TIMETABLE

Thursday 1 May	10am 12.30pm 7.30pm	Tinā The Penguin Lessons Marlon Williams: Ngā Ao E Rua - Two Worlds
Friday 2 May	10am 12.30pm 7.30pm	Green Angels Tinā The Correspondent
Saturday 3 May	7pm	Ben Ruegg - <i>This Chaotic Sea</i> album launch
Saturday 10 May	from 9am	Auckland Irish Dancing Association - May Feis
Tuesday 13 May	10am 12.30pm 7.30pm	project fiftyone The Return Green Angels
Wednesday 14 May	10am 12.30pm 7.30pm	The Penguin Lessons The Correspondent project fiftyone
Friday 16 May	10am 12.30pm 7.30pm	The Return Marlon Williams: Ngā Ao E Rua - Two Worlds Small Things Like These
Saturday 17 May	from 9am	Faces of Movement Performing Arts Competition
Sunday 18 May	from 9am	Faces of Movement Performing Arts Competition
Wednesday 21 May	10am 12.30pm 7.30pm	The Correspondent Green Angels The Penguin Lessons
Thursday 22 May	11am	Operatunity presents 3 Tenors and a Soprano
Sunday 25 May	from 9am	Faces of Movement Performing Arts Competition
Tuesday 27 May	10am 12.30pm 7.30pm	Small Things Like These The Penguin Lessons Marlon Williams: Ngā Ao E Rua - Two Worlds
Wednesday 28 May	10am 12.30pm 7.30pm	Marlon Williams: Ngā Ao E Rua - Two Worlds project fiftyone The Correspondent
Thursday 29 May	10am 12.30pm 7.30pm	Green Angels The Return Small Things Like These
Friday 30 May	10am 12.30pm 7.30pm	The Penguin Lessons Small Things Like These The Return