



**mini e Newsletter
June 2014**

PHTM celebrates 10 years July 2014

A Museum for all New Zealanders

This is our third **mini-e-Newsletter**, a paperless edition, covering events over the next few weeks until the next main newsletter comes out, expected in July. So please if your friend does not have a computer you may like to pass these important details on with many thanks...

Information about group bookings:

As the winter approaches this is a busier time for groups making their bookings with us.

Some dates are booked well in advance.

For all week day group bookings: we are available from 9-9.30am on your chosen day. We are also very happy to open up on other days/evenings by arrangement. Please ring for more details



Adult wycinanki class for ladies...

Don't be shy, come join us, we meet monthly in the Lower Gallery 10-12noon, next dates are **July 4th, August 8th, Sept 12th \$6pp**
A warm welcome awaits

Polish Heritage Trust Museum

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Entry to museum by donation

Group booking, a fee applies

Museum hours: Tue - Fri 10 - 4 Sun 12 - 5

**Photographic Exhibition:
'Little Poland in Pahiatua'
1-20 June 2014**



PHTM is pleased to be part of the **Auckland Festival of Photography**, We are in the 'Fringe/South' section.

733 children and 102 adults came to the Polish children's camp in Pahiatua.

New Zealanders gave an extraordinary welcome to these 'first refugees' as they were transported by train on 1st November 1944 from Wellington to Pahiatua. A place they named 'Little Poland'.

This was to become their first home in New Zealand.

This year marks the 70th anniversary of the arrival of the 'Children of Pahiatua'.

The June 'Sunday Winter Films' runs in conjunction with the exhibition.

**July School Holidays
Creative Workshops**

..a chance to share and create along side your children..

\$6 per person including adults

Other dates available so you can make up your own group

**Wycinanki, Paper cut-outs fun for all ages
Thursday 10th July 2014 10-12noon**

Polish Traditional Costumes & Paper Flowers

- **Friday 18th July 2014 1-3pm**
- Make flowers from crepe paper and create your own traditional Polish hair band

For Bookings please contact museum staff



*Welcome to June 2014
Sunday Winter Films at*

Polish Heritage Trust Museum

8th June Collection of short films

40min., relating to the children of Pahiatua, as part of the photographic exhibition in the Lower Gallery PHTM called 'Little Poland in Pahiatua' in the fringe section of the 'Auckland Photography Festival'

15 June Poles Apart, 60 min. The story of 733 Polish orphans who came to New Zealand in 1944. With a backdrop provided by the events of World War Two, the documentary traces their long and arduous journey from Poland through Siberia, Uzbekistan and Persia to NZ: a journey that takes them from the warmth and comfort of their homes in Poland, to the freezing barracks of Siberian forced labour camps, to the suffocating heat of the mud huts of Uzbekistan, to converted harems and stables of the Shah of Persia and finally to a former POW camp in Pahiatua.

22nd June Katyn, 117 min. film about 1940 Katyn massacre directed by Andrzej Wajda. It was nominated for the Best Foreign Language Film for the 80th Academy Awards. In the movie the events of Katyn are related through the eyes of the women, the mother, wives and daughters of the victims executed on Stalin's order by the NKVD in 1940.

28th June Warsaw Uprising 44, 50min, the story of the Uprising presented from the perspective of participants, mainly insurgents who in a lively, involved and emotional way talk about their experiences, fate of their friends and their beloved city. The story is also told from 2 other perspectives, a German soldier, who participated in the brutal suppression of the Warsaw's quarter Wola and a British pilot and member of the British Military Mission in Moscow. Their accounts allow their views to reconstruct a dramatic story of the uprising and the personal dramas of its participants.

**6th July
The Soviet Story. 85min (adults only)**

**13th July
In Desert and Wilderness, (family)**

**20th July
Promised Land 138 min**

27th July to be advised

**Sunday
Winter
Films
2pm
By donation.
ALL
WELCOME!**