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TEDxWELLINGTON ANNOUNCES SIXTH EVENT DATE AND VENUE PLUS CALL FOR SPEAKERS / PERFORMERS

TEDxWellington is excited to announce its 2019 event will be held Sunday, August 11, 2019, at Te Auaha. Wellington's premier TEDx event is putting on their 6th event in a new, creative location right in the heart of capital.

Local organisers announced the news at their TEDxWellingtonSalon #10 event at New Zealand Portrait Gallery, along with the all-important public call for performers and speakers. They're looking for the Wellington region's best "ideas worth spreading" for the August 11, 2019 as it's a unique opportunity for the region to share its talent with the wider world - all talks and performances are recorded and uploaded online under the TEDx brand.

TEDxWellington has hosted 53 speakers with over 1,900 delegates and 13,200 livestream viewers from the previous 5 events. Selected speakers / performers also receive a 5-week coaching course to prepare them for the TEDxWellington stage. Register your interest via TEDxWellington.com/apply

The mid-August event at Te Auaha will be home to 200 audience members and 8 speakers, for an intimate, creative experience unlike any TEDx in New Zealand plus it will also be live-streamed as this attracted 5000 viewers during the last TEDxWellington. Delegates will enjoy the same world class experience with talks from innovators and creators from a variety of fields and backgrounds.

"We always love the buzz TEDxWellington brings to the city. It's good to be back championing the impressive voices and talent in our community whilst providing new experiences for all at this fantastic venue." TEDx licensee, DK, explains.

All previous TEDxWellington events have sold-out quickly and 2019 will be no different, as the experience scales down this year while the St. James Theatre is being re-strengthened. With 200 delegates, 2019's event will be an intimate affair with more opportunities to connect with fellow attendees and speakers within Te Auaha's creative space.

Te Auaha is home to inspirational students working across many disciplines including hair and beauty, makeup artistry, performing arts, music, radio, musical theatre, writing and film production. It serves as Wellington's hub of creativity and innovation and has hosted other mainstay events such as Fringe Festival and World of Wearable Arts.

“We are delighted to be hosting the next instalment of TEDxWellington at Te Auaha. TEDx and Te Auaha share an enthusiasm for great ideas, creativity and ambition for Wellington and for New Zealand. We know that delegates will have an inspirational day exploring challenging and enlightening ideas.” says Victoria Spackman, Director Te Auaha and Director Creative

TEDxWellington is a non-profit event run by a dedicated group of volunteers.

The call for speakers and performers is open and full details can be found via [TEDxWellington.com/apply](https://tedxwellington.com/apply).

For future announcements about ticketing, fans are encouraged to register for the email newsletter via the TEDxWellington website plus also follow along with their social media channels [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#).

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Through the main website at [.tedxwellington.com/#contact](https://tedxwellington.com/#contact)

About TEDx, x = independently organized event In the spirit of ideas worth spreading, TEDx is a program of local, self-organized events that bring people together to share a TED-like experience. At a TEDx event, TEDTalks video and live speakers combine to spark deep discussion and connection in a small group. These local, self-organized events are branded TEDx, where x = independently organized TED event. The TED Conference provides general guidance for the TEDx program, but individual TEDx events are self-organized. (Subject to certain rules and regulations.) About TED TED is a nonprofit organization devoted to Ideas Worth Spreading, usually in the form of short, powerful talks (18 minutes or fewer) delivered by today's leading thinkers and doers. Many of these talks are given at TED's annual conference in Vancouver, British Columbia, and made available, free, on TED.com. TED speakers have included Bill Gates, Jane Goodall, Elizabeth Gilbert, Sir Richard Branson, Monica Lewinsky, Philippe Starck, Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala, Sal Khan and Daniel Kahneman.

TED's open and free initiatives for spreading ideas include TED.com, where new TED Talk videos are posted daily; the Open Translation Project, which provides subtitles and interactive transcripts as well as translations from thousands of volunteers worldwide; the educational initiative TED-Ed; the annual million-dollar TED Prize, which funds exceptional individuals with a "wish," or idea, to create change in the world; TEDx, which provides licenses to thousands of individuals and groups who host local, self-organized TED-style events around the world; and the TED Fellows program, which selects innovators from around the globe to amplify the impact of their remarkable projects and activities.