



Auckland Art Gallery Toi o Tamaki **21 January – 25 June 2006**

Our stories, people and places are the focus of the final collection exhibition in Auckland Art Gallery's Grey and Mackelvie galleries. The much anticipated redevelopment and expansion of the Gallery provides the occasion to say hei konei mai — goodbye for now — to long-time admired and favourite works from the historic, Modern and contemporary New Zealand art collections... until we meet again in early 2009.

The Mackelvie gallery gives prominence to colonial New Zealand art including landscapes, portraits of Maori and Pakeha ancestors and works recording early settlement, along with photography and prints. These works are treasures both great and small from the historic collection.

Highlights from the Modern and contemporary collections make an impression in the Grey Gallery. Recent icons and visual touchstones expand on and create new art histories revealing a capacity to tell stories about who we are and our influences. Perhaps, we live on through our stories, because we are living out our history. The exhibition is free and is on from 28 January – 30 September 2006; don't miss the chance to say hei konei mai.

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