



PROGRAMME

1 - 5 SEPTEMBER 2025

More FM Arena, Edgar Centre
116 Portsmouth Drive, Ōtepoti Dunedin
Aotearoa

**INFORMATION
FOR PERFORMERS**

2025 FESTIVAL SESSIONS & TIMES

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Mane 1 Hepetema Monday 1 September	Opening 1 – Evening	10	5.30 p.m. – 8.00 p.m.	4
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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- The programme has been **finalised**.
- **Do NOT** arrange swaps or changes with other groups / schools or services.
- We considered several additional requests submitted and all changes have been made.
- A record number of groups performing this year: **176**
- On **Tuesday, Wednesday** and **Thursday** all festival areas including The Village will be **closed** from **3.30 pm to 5.00 pm**. There will be **no public** or **performer** access between these times.
- Please provide **clear communication** to your groups, whānau and community.

To manage this full programme and accommodate everyone safely, we will ensure that:

- Early Learning Services perform up to **8 minutes per group**.
- Primary school groups perform up to **10 minutes per group**.
- Secondary school groups perform up to **15 minutes per group**.
- Changeovers will be **2 – 3 minutes**.
- Entry / exits are included in performance time.
- MC announcements are brief and there will be clear guidance about audience responses including haka kīnaki – especially during day sessions.

FESTIVAL INFORMATION FOR PERFORMERS

- The full programme will be shared with the bus companies and will be published in The Star
- Groups are reminded that the programme could run 10 -15 minutes ahead or behind schedule. Please allow for this and inform your parents / communities.
- Share the **livestream link** with whānau and communities and follow us on Instagram and Facebook for live updates
- All performers are to use the **Performers Entry** (access via Midland St.)
- The Village will be closed from 3.30 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.
- Please provide your **confirmed numbers** (performers and adults/tutors/kaiako) when you arrive.
- If you use a **designated dressing area**, you must remove all rubbish/food and costumes/performance items. Leave the area clean and tidy for the next group.
- End of performance **pickups** will be in **The Village**. There will be restricted access to the Performer Holding Bays and **all performers** are to be picked up from The Village.

DAY SESSIONS

- **Performers Entry** will open at **8.30 a.m.**
- **Day sessions** will start with opening / karakia on stage at 8:50 a.m.
- All **drop offs** for performers are to the **Performers Entry** at the rear of the venue.
- Buses, vans and transport for performers are to use the Midland Street accessway
- If you arrange for ākonga to be collected by parents/whānau: all **pick-ups** will be in **The Village**.
- The Village will close at 3.30 p.m.
- Please provide **clear communication** to your performers, tutors, musicians and support team.
 - No public or unsupervised children are to be in the Holding Bay Areas
 - Delivery of costumes, instruments and performance items are to use the **Performers Entry**.

Note: There will be some groups performing in The Village.

EVENING SESSIONS

- **Performers Entry** will open at **5.00 p.m.**
- All drop offs are to the **Performers Entry**. Performers using the public entry will be directed around the venue to the Performers Entry.
- Access to the backstage dressing areas will be allocated according to times your group is expected onsite and the programme schedule.
- All areas are to be left **clean and tidy**. Please remove all rubbish and performance items.
- **No body oil** is to be applied in the Performer Holding Bays (dressing areas).
- There will be a designated area for **oil and any final adornment** backstage.
- Please provide **clear communication** to your performers, tutors, musicians and support team.
 - No public or unsupervised children are to be in the Holding Bay Areas
 - Delivery of costumes, instruments and performance items are to use the **Performers Entry**.

As a festival, our focus is on making it a memorable and positive experience for all the tamariki and rangatahi, their whānau/communities and services and schools. #ittakesavillage

This year will commemorate **50 years of Te Wiki o te Reo Māori** and Otago Polyfest will be promoting the messaging for this important milestone. Te Wiki o te Reo Māori Ake Ake Ake. Let's mark month of te reo Māori together.

FOR ALL PERFORMANCE QUERIES, PLEASE CONTACT

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TAHI: MANE 1 HEPETEMA**SESSION 1: MONDAY 1 SEPTEMBER**

PN	Time	NAME (ELS / Kura)	Group Name
100	5.30 pm	Opening / Mihi Whakatau	Te Mana Āhua Ake Trust
101	5.48 pm	Portobello School	Parihaumia
102	6.00 pm	Bathgate Park School	Bathgate Park Multicultural Group
103	6.12 pm	George Street Normal School	George Street Normal School Pasifika Group
104	6.24 pm	St Clair School	St Clair Kapa Haka Tītike
105	6.36 pm	Musselburgh School	Musselburgh Tupulaga
106	6.48 pm	George Street Normal School	George Street Kapa Haka Group
107	7.00 pm	Balaclava School	Balaclava Tuakana
108	7.12 pm	Musselburgh School	Senior Kapa Haka
109	7.24 pm	Dunedin North Intermediate School	Ngā Wai o Pukehaukea
110	7.36 pm	Te Kura Kaupapa Māori o Ōtepoti	Te Kura Kaupapa Māori o Ōtepoti Teina

RUA: TŪREI 2 HEPETEMA
SESSION 2: TUESDAY 2 SEPTEMBER

PN	Time	NAME (ELS / Kura)	Group Name
201	9.00 am	Kiddies Campus Early Learning Centre	Kiddies Campus Early Learning
202	9.10 am	Otago University Childcare Ass.	Te Puna
203	9.20 am	Bunny Burrows Montessori	Bunny Burrows Montessori
204	9.30 am	Grant's Braes Kindergarten	Grant's Braes Kindergarten
205	9.40 am	Otago University Childcare Assn	Te Uru/Te Maioha
206	9.50 am	Green Street Early Learning Centre	Green Street Early Learning Centre
207	10.00 am	Wild Things Homebased Early Learning	Wild Things Homebased Early Learning
208	10.10 am	Otago University Childcare Assn	Te Pārekereke o te Kī
209	10.20 am	St Kilda Kindergarten	St Kilda Kindergarten
210	10.30 am	Dunedin Hospital EC Centre	Te Rūma Koru
211	10.40 am	Mornington Kindergarten	Mornington Kindergarten
212	10.50 am	East Taieri School	Manu Mātārae
213	11.00 am	Māori Hill School	Māori Hill School Year 6 Kapa Haka
214	11.12 am	St Clair School	Tahatū
215	11.24 am	Wakari School	Tikanga Wakari
216	11.36 am	East Taieri School	Manu Whakapiki
217	11.48 am	Bradford School	Te Kahui Kahurangi Teina
218	12.00 pm	Bradford School	Te Kahui Kahurangi Tuakana
219	12.12 pm	Clutha Valley School	Clutha Valley School Kapa haka
220	12.24 pm	East Taieri School	Manu Rere
221	12.36 pm	St Mary's Mosgiel	St Mary's Mosgiel Junior Kapa Haka
222	12.48 pm	North East Valley Normal School	Te Rōpū Manaaki - Te Mano e Wheke
223	1.00 pm	Green Island School	Te Kura Okaihae Teina
224	1.12 pm	St Francis Xavier School	St Francis Xavier Cultural Group
225	1.24 pm	St Mary's School – Mosgiel	St Mary's Mosgiel Senior Kapa Haka
226	1.36 pm	St Mary's School – Dunedin	Te Kura O Hato Meri
227	1.48 pm	St Peter Chanel School	
228	2.00 pm	Green Island School	Te Kura Okaihae Tuakana
229	2.12 pm	North East Valley Normal School	Te Rōpū iti Pounamu Group of Little treasures
230	2.24 pm	Ōpoho School	Te Kapa Haka o Te Kura o Ōpoho
231	2.36 pm	Fairfield School	Te Teina Kapa Haka Rōpū ō te Kura o Fairfield
232	2.48 pm	North East Valley Normal School	North East Valley Normal - Senior Cultural Group

TORU: TŪREI 2 HEPETEMA**TUESDAY 2 SEPTEMBER: SESSION 3**

PN	Time	NAME (ELS / Kura)	Group Name
301	5.30 pm	John McGlashan & Columba College	Te Tira Haere o Te Hāhi
302	5.48 pm	Carisbrook School	Tangata Moana o Carisbrook
303	6.00 pm	St Joseph's Cathedral	St Joseph's Cathedral Pacific Sunrise
304	6.12 pm	Fairfield School	Te Pā Harakeke O Whēwhira - Fairfield Senior Kapa Haka
305	6.24 pm	Balmacewen Intermediate School	Balmacewen Intermediate Kapa Haka
306	6.36 pm	Carisbrook School	Te Kura o Carisbrook Kapa Haka
307	6.48 pm	St Joseph's Cathedral School	Te Kura o Hato Hōhepa Kapa Haka
308	7.00 pm	Taieri College	Ngā Taiariari – Year 7 & 8 Kapa Haka
309	7.12 pm	East Otago High School	East Otago High School Kapa Haka
310	7.30 pm	Trinity Catholic College	Te Whetū Tīrama
311	7.48 pm	Taieri College	Ngā Piko o Taiari – Seniors

WHĀ: WENEREI 3 HEPETEMA**SESSION 4: WEDNESDAY 3 SEPTEMBER**

PN	Time	NAME (ELS / Kura)	Group Name
401	9.00 am	Play & Learn Fairfield	Play & Learn Fairfield
402	9.10 am	Kaikorai Kindergarten	Kaikarae Kindergarten
403	9.20 am	Brockville Kindergarten	Brockville Kindergarten
404	9.30 am	Wee Nippers (Mosgiel)	Kiwi Room
405	9.40 am	Wakari Kindergarten	Wakari Kindergarten
406	9.50 am	Bear Park St Clair	Bear Park St Clair
407	10.00 am	Pioneers Home Southern	Pioneers - Homebased, Elm Row, Koputai, Russel Street and Nursery
408	10.10 am	Green Island Kindergarten	Green Island Kindergarten
409	10.20 am	Little Citizens Early Learning Centre	Little Citizens
410	10.30 am	Montessori House Casa & Atelier	Montessori House Casa & Atelier
411	10.40 am	York Place Preschool & Nursery	York Place Preschool
412	10.50 am	BestStart Montessori Mosgiel	Best Start Montessori Mosgiel
413	11.00 am	Tokomairiro EL Centre & Tokomairiro EL Centre on Spenser	
414	11.10 am	Abbotsford School	Abbotsford School Junior Kapa Haka
415	11.22 am	Elmgrove School	Elmgrove Senior Kapa Haka
416	11.34 am	Waiholā District School	Waiholā District School
417	11.46 am	Abbotsford School	Abbotsford School Senior Kapa Haka
418	11.58 am	Lawrence Area School	Te Kapa Haka o Tuapeka
419	12.10 pm	Balclutha School	Balclutha Primary Cultural Group
420	12.22 pm	Bayfield High School	Te Waka Whaikaha
421	12.34 pm	Macandrew Bay School - Te Kura o Te Rotopāteke	Te Rotopāteke/Macandrew Bay School Teina
422	12.46 pm	Milton Primary School	Milton Primary Kapa Haka
423	12.58 pm	Te Kura Tuatahi o Te Koau - Grant's Braes School	Te Kura Tuatahi o Te Koau Taina
424	1.10 pm	Broad Bay School / Kura o Whakaohorahi	Te Kura o Whakaohorahi
425	1.22 pm	Macandrew Bay School - Te Kura o Te Rotopāteke	Te Rotopāteke/Macandrew Bay School Tuakana
426	1.34 pm	Tainui School	Rehutai Timu
427	1.46 pm	Te Kura Tuatahi o Te Koau - Grant's Braes School	Te Kura Tuatahi o Te Koau Tuakana
428	1.58 pm	Musselburgh School	Musselburgh Aute (Junior Pacific)
429	2.10 pm	Pine Hill School	
430	2.22 pm	Tainui School	Rehutai Pari
431	2.34 pm	Balacclava School	Balacclava Teina
432	2.46 pm	Musselburgh School	Junior Kapa Haka
433	2.58 pm	Sacred Heart School	

RIMA: TĀITE 3 HEPETEMA**SESSION 5: WEDNESDAY 3 SEPTEMBER**

PN	Time	NAME (ELS / Kura)	Group Name
501	5.30 pm	Kaikorai Valley College	Te Rōpū Whaikaha - Braithwaite Centre
502	5.48 pm	Musselburgh School	He Waka Eke Noa
503	6.00 pm	Columba College	Columba College Pacific Group
504	6.18 pm	Tahuna Normal Intermediate School	Te Taiopeka Kapa Haka
505	6.30 pm	South Otago High School	Te Kapa Haka O Iwi Katea
506	6.48 pm	Tokomairiro High School	Te Kapa Haka o Tokomairiro
507	7.06 pm	Columba College	Te Reo Kōkō (Columba College)
508	7.24 pm	Tahuna Normal Intermediate School	Tahuna Pasifika Performance Group
509	7.36 pm	South Otago High School	Tupulaga Otako i Saute
510	7.54 pm	Queen's High School and King's High School	He Waka Kōtuia - Takere
511	8.12 pm	St Hilda's Collegiate School	Te Kura o Hīra Tapu
512	8.30 pm	Bayfield High School	Te Kāhui Kawau Noho Tumutumu
513	8.48 pm	Logan Park High School	Te Kapua o te Raki

ONO: TĀITE 4 HEPETEMA**SESSION 6: THURSDAY 4 SEPTEMBER**

PN	Time	NAME (ELS / Kura)	Group Name
601	9.00 am	Little Wonders – St Kilda	
602	9.10 am	Tiny Nation	Tiny Nation Otago
603	9.20 am	Mini Thinkers	Mini Thinkers
604	9.30 am	St Clair Early Corner Early Learning Centre	
605	9.40 am	Rotary Park Kindergarten	Rotary Park Kindergarten
606	9.50 am	Best Start Montessori – The Gardens	Te Tīmatanga Pai kei te Māra
607	10.00 am	East Taieri Preschool	
608	10.10 am	Portobello Kindergarten	Parihaumia/Portobello Kindergarten
609	10.20 am	Wakari Hospital ECE	Ngā Manu Tioriori o Whakaari
610	10.30 am	Best Start Mosgiel	Best Start Mosgiel Makamaka Room
611	10.40 am	Roslyn Kindergarten	Roslyn Kindergarten
612	10.50 am	Rosebank School (Balclutha)	Rosebank School Kapa Haka
613	11.00 am	Waitati School	Waitētē Kura Kapa Haka
614	11.12 am	Te Pakihi o Maru	Te Pākihi o Maru Kapahaka
615	11.24 am	Karitane School	Kura o Karitāne
616	11.36 am	Rosebank School (Balclutha)	Rosebank School Pasifika Group
617	11.48 am	Fenwick School	Fenwick School Kapa Haka
618	12.00 pm	Te Pakihi o Maru	Te Pākihi Pasifika Group
619	12.12 pm	Oamaru Intermediate School	Te Uki Ou Oamaru
620	12.24 pm	St Joseph's Oamaru School	Pasifika
621	12.36 pm	Fenwick School	Fenwick School Pasifika
622	12.48 pm	Pembroke School	Pembroke School - Kapa Haka
623	1.00 pm	Silverstream (South) Primary School	Te Kura o Whakaehu Teina
624	1.12 pm	Palmerston School	Palmerston Primary Kapa Haka
625	1.24 pm	St Joseph's Oamaru School	Kapa Haka
626	1.36 pm	Pembroke School	Pembroke School - Pasifika
627	1.48 pm	Weston School	Weston Kapa Haka
628	2.00 pm	Kaikorai School	Te Kura o Kaikorai Teina
629	2.12 pm	Silverstream (South) Primary School	Te Kura o Whakaehu - Tuakana
630	2.24 pm	Kaikorai School	Te Kura o Kaikorai Tuakana
631	2.36 pm	Silverstream (South) Primary School	Te Kura o Whakaehu - Pasifika
632	2.48 pm	Anderson's Bay School	Anderson's Bay School

WHITU: TĀITE 4 HEPETEMA
SESSION 7: THURDAY 4 SEPTEMBER

PN	Time	NAME (ELS / Kura)	Group Name
701	5.30 pm	Otago Boys' High School	Tama mai le Mauga
702	5.48 pm	St Kevin's College	Mafu o le Pasifika
703	6.06 pm	Waitaki Girls' High School	Te Matahīapo
704	6.24 pm	Trinity Catholic College	Tangata Moana
705	6.42 pm	St Kevin's College	Te Kapa Haka o Hato Kewene
706	7.00 pm	Waitaki Girls' High School	Sei Tare
707	7.18 pm	Otago Girls' High School and Otago Boys' High School	Wairua Pūhou
708	7.36 pm	Queen's High School	Queens of the Pacific
709	7.54 pm	Waitaki Boys' High School	Tālanga 'A Waitaki
710	8.12 pm	King's High School	Kings of The Pacific
711	8.30 pm	Te Kura Kaupapa Māori o Ōtepoti	Te Kapo Mai Tawhiti
712	8.48 pm	Otago Girls High School	Teine o le Moana
713	9.06 pm	Queen's High School, King's High School, Te Kura Poutama o Te Kura Kaupapa Māori o Ōtepoti	He Waka Kōtuia

WARU: PARAIRE 5 HEPETEMA
SESSION 8: FRIDAY 5 SEPTEMBER

PN	Time	NAME (ELS / Kura)	Group Name
801	9.00 am	Punavai o le Atamai Preschool	Punavai o le Atamai Preschool
802	9.10 am	Helen Deem Kindergarten	Helen Deem Kindergarten
803	9.20 am	Rainbow Preschool	Rainbow Preschool
804	9.30 am	Early Childhood on Stafford	Early Childhood on Stafford
805	9.40 am	Abbotsford Kindergarten	Ngā Tamariki o Ōtākou
806	9.50 am	Te Kōhanga Reo Manaaki Tamariki	Te Purapura o Pono ki te Kaupapa
807	10.00 am	Andersons Bay Community Kindergarten	Andersons Bay Community Kindergarten
808	10.10 am	Bayfield Kindergarten	Bayfield Kindergarten
809	10.20 am	Little Rock Preschool	Little Rock Preschool Brighton
810	10.30 am	Halfway Bush Kindergarten	
811	10.40 am	Port Chalmers Kindergarten	Koputai Kindy
812	10.50 am	City Heights Montessori	City Heights Montessori
813	11.00 am	Big Rock School	
814	11.12 am	Arthur Street School	Arthur Street School
815	11.24 am	Concord School	Concord School Kapa Haka
816	11.36 am	St Clair School	Takutai Nui
817	11.48 am	Sara Cohen	Sara Cohen School
818	12.00 pm	St Bernadette's School	St Bernadette's Juniors
819	12.12 pm	Port Chalmers School	Koputai
820	12.24 pm	Sawyers Bay School	Sawyers Bay School Kapa Haka
821	12.36 pm	Halfway Bush School	Taputakinoi
822	12.48 pm	Mornington School	Mornington School Teina
823	1.00 pm	St Clair School	Ngaru
824	1.12 pm	Columba College	Columba College Junior School Kapa Haka
825	1.24 pm	Waikouaiti School	Waikouaiti
826	1.36 pm	Mornington School	Mornington School Tuakana
827	1.48 pm	Carisbrook School	Team Rakinui
828	2.00 pm	Brockville School	Ngā Manu Tioriori o Whakaari
829	2.12 pm	St Bernadette's School	St Bernadette's Senior School
830	2.24 pm	Brockville School	Manea Pasifika Group
831	2.36 pm	Carisbrook School	Team Rehua
832	2.48 pm	St Brigid's School	