Grand Celebration: Saturday 28 November

Queenstown Library, 10 Gorge Road, 10.00am–2.00pm



- Toilets
- Tables & Chairs
- Water Station
- Bin Station
- Library Merchandise
- 1 Community Stalls
- 2 Performance Space
- 3 Food Vendors
- 4 Gold Panning
- 5 Face Painting
- 6 Coffee Cart
- 7 Library Stall
- 8 Library
- 9 Weaving Workshop

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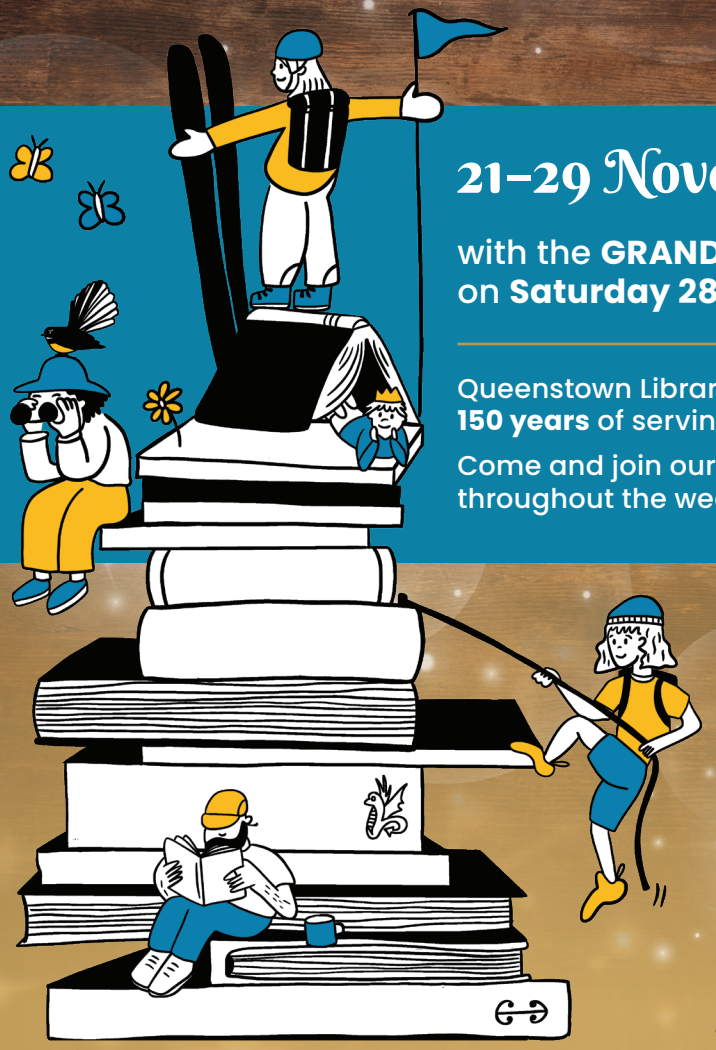
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QUEENSTOWN LIBRARY

150 Years

CELEBRATION PROGRAMME



21–29 November 2026

with the **GRAND CELEBRATION** on **Saturday 28 November**

Queenstown Library is celebrating **150 years** of serving the community.

Come and join our celebrations throughout the week!

NAU MAI, HAERE MAI!

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

CELEBRATING 150 YEARS QUEENSTOWN LAKES LIBRARIES

Celebration Week: 21–29 November

DATE, TIME & LOCATION	EVENT
Saturday 21 November Remarkables Market 9.00am–2.00pm	**Remarkables Market Pop Up** Free cake, book sale, limited edition library merchandise and special giveaways! **EVERYONE WELCOME**
Monday 23 November Queenstown Library 9.30am–10.30am	**Mihi Whakatau	Welcome** Opening of the celebration week, waiata, followed by light refreshments. **DROP-IN SESSION, EVERYONE WELCOME**
Monday 23 November Queenstown Library 10.30am–11.30am	**Special Storytime** The Story of Lake Whakatipu, led by Darren Rewi. **DROP-IN SESSION, SUITABLE FOR AGES 3–8**
Tuesday 24 November Citizen Advice Bureau, 44 Stanley Street 11.30am–1.00pm	**Tea Party at the Old Stone Library** A morning tea honouring where our library story began in 1876. **DROP-IN, EVERYONE WELCOME, BRING A PLATE TO SHARE**
Tuesday 24 November Queenstown Library 3.30pm–4.30pm	**LEGO® Creation Competition** *Gold Rush Tower Challenge:* can your structure survive the shake? **SUITABLE FOR AGES 5–12** **BOOKINGS REQUIRED**
Wednesday 25 November Happiness House, 4 Park Street 10.30am–12.30pm	**150 Years of Sweet Treats** Bake delicious treats inspired by recipes from the past. **SUITABLE FOR TEENS, ADULTS & SENIORS** **BOOKINGS REQUIRED**
Thursday 26 November Queenstown Library 3.00pm–7.30pm	**Escape Room Adventure** Solve the clues and find the lost gold nugget! **SUITABLE FOR AGES 5–12** **TEAM BOOKINGS REQUIRED**
Friday 27 November Queenstown Library 7.00am–10.00am	**MoreFM's Loud Library** Broadcasting live from the library! Tune in to the Breakfast Club for special interviews and live music.
Saturday 28 November **Queenstown Library** **10.00am–2.00pm**	**GRAND CELEBRATION DAY!** **It's party time! See next page for full programme!** **EVERYONE WELCOME**
Sunday 29 November Queenstown Gardens, meet at the Fleur sculpture 8.30am–10.00am	**Garden Reads** Bring a picnic blanket, a cuppa and a book as we read together in silence. **DROP-IN, EVERYONE WELCOME**

All of our events are **FREE**, however some require booking.

Visit **qldclibraries.com/150-years** or scan the QR code for more information and bookings.

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TIME	ACTIVITIES
10.00am	**Library Opens** Enjoy our festival activities including balloon animals, carnival games, face painting, food truck, gold panning, origami, time-travel photobooth.
10.30am	**Grand Opening Ceremony** Karakia, speeches, performances & birthday cake. **TEMPLETON WAY BRIDGE**
11.30am	**Lino Bookmark Workshop led by Emily Murnaghan** Get creative, get inky and design a special bookmark! **IN THE LIBRARY** **BOOKINGS REQUIRED**
	Session 1: Magic Show led by Jimmy Marvel Expect a few tricks, a whole lot of giggles and some surprises along the way! **COUNCIL CHAMBERS, ENTER VIA LIBRARY**
	Session 1: Harakeke Weaving Workshop led by Te Kākano Learn the traditional Māori art of harakeke and have a go at making your own plantguard. **BEHIND THE LIBRARY, ENTER VIA LIBRARY WALKWAY OR TEMPLETON WAY** **BOOKINGS REQUIRED**
12.00pm	**Pūrākau ki Tāhuna led by Darren Rewi** Discover the stories of Tāhuna Queenstown, exploring the cultural connections between its people, places and past. **IN THE LIBRARY**
12.30pm	**Storytime with the Mayor & Children's Librarian** Buckle up for a mayor-velous storytime with Mayor John Glover and our beloved Children Librarian Julia Morum. **IN THE LIBRARY**
1.00pm	**Stories of Local Libraries led by Queenstown & District Historical Society** Listen to the fascinating history of libraries in Whakatipu led by Marion Borrell, and the role they've played in our community over the years. **IN THE LIBRARY**
1.30pm	**Session 2: Magic Show led by Jimmy Marvel** **COUNCIL CHAMBERS, ENTER VIA LIBRARY**
	Session 2: Harakeke Weaving Workshop led by Te Kākano **BEHIND THE LIBRARY, ENTER VIA LIBRARY WALKWAY OR TEMPLETON WAY** **BOOKINGS REQUIRED**
2.00pm	**Official Celebration Concludes**