

Kaitiaki of the 'Brian Davies Heritage Fund'

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The Battle of Gate Pā - Puhirake:
'For his enemy.' Famous lithograph, 1895
NZ History. Ref: C-034-002-3.
(Giving water to Lieutenant-Colonel
H.G. Booth)

HERITAGE

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From: A Tauranga Heritage Collection's
Jazz Retrospective exhibition, The Strand,
Tauranga, 2019. Facilitated by Taonga
Tauranga, sponsored by Taylor Bros.

Journey with us as a 'Heritage Friend.'
Inspiring the love of heritage throughout
Tauranga & the Western Bay region.

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From: A Tauranga's Heritage Collection's
Exhibition - Kaikauhoe (swimmer)
Photographer: Adrienne Martyn
Facilitated by Taonga Tauranga
Sponsored by Tauranga Peugeot

Tauranga & Western Bay's museum journey

- 1873 First recorded museum collection on display at Mechanics Institute, Harington Street
- 1881 Disaster strikes - the Institute and collection are destroyed by fire
- 1882 Museum exhibition opens, including 100 Taonga from Captain Gilbert Mair
- 1906 Mechanics Institute becomes a public library
- 1938 Collection on display in Town Hall, Willow Street
- 1941 Collection placed in hidden location during WWII
- 1969 New museum opens on the corner of Durham and Hamilton Streets
- 1975 Collection expands at Tauranga Historic Village and District Museum
- 1998 Collection again goes into storage – where it remains to this day
- 2019 The Collection turns 50**
- 2020+ Let's start planning our museum!**



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The 'Tauranga & Western Bay Heritage Fund'

.....inspired by
Brian Davies



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Brian Davies: 1934 – 2019

“We have stories to tell.. and people who want to listen”

Brian was a long-term volunteer at The Elms, supporter of The Tauranga Historical Society and a passionate museum advocate. Brian’s vision was for Tauranga to have an iconic museum in our historic precinct (Otamatatahā Pā / Cliff Road) where the rich stories that spanned culture, whānau, heritage and time, could be told.

About Heritage Fund

This Endowment Fund is managed by the **Acorn Foundation** on behalf of Taonga Tauranga Heritage Bay of Plenty Charitable Trust. Its purpose will be:

- supporting the work of Taonga Tauranga Heritage Bay of Plenty towards the establishment and operational costs of a museum and heritage centre for Tauranga and the Western Bay of Plenty.

Donations to the fund qualify for the charitable donations tax rebate. Donors automatically become ‘Heritage Friends’ within Taonga Tauranga Heritage Bay of Plenty for the period of 12 months with annual renewal options.

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*‘Titiro whakamuri, kōkiri whakamura’
‘When you understand the past, you know your future’*



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MUSEUMS CHANGE LIVES

‘Inspiring the love of heritage into our young people, people of all ages and our future generations.’

‘Ko te whakaawe i te aroha o te taonga tuku iho ki a tato tamariki, nga iwi o nga reanga katoa me o tatou whakatipuranga heke mai.’



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