

Band Rotunda Takeover



Concert Series

We are thrilled to invite our vibrant and diverse community to participate in our Band Rotunda Takeover concert series at the iconic Cornwall Park Band Rotunda.

This free family friendly event series aims to celebrate and showcase the incredible talent within our community, offering a platform for local groups to perform.

**Applications
Close**

Wednesday
30 September 2026

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Concerts

We welcome applications from groups interested in sharing their talents through music performances.

- Performance slot: each Band Rotunda Takeover offers a two-hour performance slot from 5:00-7:00 pm
- Format: you may deliver your performance as one continuous show or divide it into segments, incorporating audience participation if desired.
- Breaks: are self-managed within your allocated time.
- Collaboration: groups may collaborate to share a concert slot.

Application process

Interested groups must complete the Band Rotunda Takeover Application form by Wednesday 30 September 2026.

Application Form Requirements:

- Group name and contact information
- Genre of music
- Number of performers
- Technical requirements
- Preferred performance date(s)
- Brief description of the performance
- Supporting materials (e.g., links to past performances, photos)
- Health and safety declaration



Dates

Please ensure availability for both the performance date and its corresponding rain date.

Saturday 23 January 2027 –
rain date: Saturday 30 January

Saturday 6 February 2027 –
rain date: Saturday 13 February

Selection Criteria:

Applications will be assessed by the Huia Lodge Discovery Hub team and based on:

- Artistic quality
- Community engagement
- Diversity of performances
- Feasibility within the venue constraints
- Alignment with our values



Our values

Welcoming through kindness- Manaakitanga:

Hospitality and kindness inspire the experience of Cornwall Park and ensures we are all made to feel welcome and at home.

Beauty in all things – Tikanga:

We look for ways to enhance and strengthen beauty and character in everything.

Belonging and connection:

The park is a place to feel empowered and connected, a place for New Zealanders to experience a sense of belonging.

Funding

Cornwall Park Trust will contribute \$1000 (excl. GST) towards each Band Rotunda Takeover performance.

In the event of collaboration between groups this fee will be split equally between the groups.

This fee is to be used by the groups to support their performance and community work.

If you have additional or external funding sources e.g. local boards, foundations or charitable trusts that require acknowledgement please discuss with us prior to applying.

Venue

Cornwall Park Band Rotunda

- **Accessibility:** elevated wheelchair-accessible platform.
- **Surroundings:** open grass and trees accommodating large audiences.
- **Power Supply:** available on-site.
- **Backstage Area:** no off-stage or backstage area; equipment cannot be stored, or performers wait out of public view.
- **Vehicle Access:** restricted to delivery and collection of equipment only.
- We have no technical equipment available, groups must supply their own.



Logistics

Set-Up:

3:00 PM – 4:45 PM

Performance:

5:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Pack-Down:

7:15 PM – 8:00 PM



Equipment

Approval: all equipment must be approved by Cornwall Park.

Restrictions: equipment must be freestanding; nothing can be pegged into the ground or attached to park trees or structures.

Performer responsibilities: supply any additional or technical equipment required for your performance.

Health & safety

Compliance: all performances and equipment must comply with Cornwall Park's Health and Safety requirements.

Risk Assessment: each group must complete our health and safety documentation identifying potential hazards and mitigation strategies.

First Aid: first aid will be available on-site and managed by Cornwall Park.



Parking

Limited parking is available.

Two car parks will be reserved for each takeover.

We encourage carpooling or the use of public transportation.

Event staff

Cornwall Park responsibilities:

A pre-event and on-the-day site manager will be provided to liaise with performers, manage access, oversee health and safety, provide first aid, and handle crowd control.

Performer responsibilities:

Each group must appoint an event manager to manage their performers and equipment and liaise with Cornwall Park staff.



Promotion & marketing

Cornwall Park responsibilities:

We will manage event advertising through:

- Social media platforms
- Public event programme
- Online event directories
- Media releases
- In-park advertising

Performer Responsibilities:

- Promote your performance within your community.
- Provide promotional materials (e.g., photos, bios).
- Complete the media consent for photography, videography and archival purposes.



Contact us

For any inquiries or further information please contact:

Email

events@cornwallpark.co.nz

Phone

09 630 8485

Evaluation survey

You will be required to complete an evaluation survey after the event prior to payment of funding.

The evaluation survey will be short and should take approximately 20 minutes to complete.

Contingency plans

In the event of unforeseen circumstances beyond weather, Cornwall Park will communicate any cancellations or changes promptly.

We look forward to providing a platform for the community to share their incredible talent.



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