

ROCKQUEST PROMOTIONS

Showquest is an opportunity for ākonga/students across Aotearoa to develop their confidence and leadership skills, work collaboratively and express their creativity.

This programme is run by Rockquest Promotions, who have been active supporters of creative students since founding Smokefreerockquest in 1988. Showquest launched in 2017 and continues to develop and we're very excited to be heading into our fifth year!

Rockquest Promotions is committed to creating opportunities that are inclusive to all, and that offer students creative leadership in performing, dancing, music, editing, filming, choreographing, story writing, lighting design, costume design and more. With over 30 years of experience in the events and music industry, we are passionate about recognising the needs of young people and creating events and opportunities tailored for them.





SHOWQUEST

A night to celebrate our creative ākonga, Showquest is a nationwide performing arts competition and a platform for youth voices to be heard. Be amazed by original stage performances combining Art, Music, Dance, Drama, Culture & Technology.

Students design, produce and perform these stories in a powerful night of celebration and recognition from their community. Young designers will follow the performances with a show-stopping Toi wearable art showcase, which we produce in collaboration with World of WearableArt.

Watch friendly inter-school rivalries heat up as tamariki explore what is important to them. Join friends and whānau in supporting local emerging talent on the big stage

Our 2021 national winners were Levin East School (Junior) and Kuranui **College** (Open). Click the link to watch their performances!

PERFORMANCE ELEMENTS

ART

There are so many ways that Art can be incorporated into your Showquest performance. Costuming, hair and makeup, creative video content, small props and wearable art all contribute to developing your chosen theme.

MUSIC

Stage performances can combine commercial, original and live music. We sort licensing on your behalf for the use of commercial music, and our friends at Rockshop provide the Rockshop Music Pit and a basic backline for live musicians.

DANCE

We love to see creative, original choreography and movement. There are so many different styles of dance to choose from! If dancing isn't your thing, have a think about how you can add movement into your performance - martial arts, street dance or floorwork.





DRAMA

Over the top facial expressions or actions, gasps, chants or spoken word poetry are some great examples we've seen in the past! Two handheld mics can be used onstage for narrators or actors.

CULTURE

Aotearoa is lucky enough to have more ethnicities than there are countries in the world. We encourage you to display these beautiful cultures on stage through components such as a historical theme, traditional dress, language, music or movement.

TECHNOLOGY

We provide a LED video wall and professional venue lighting to enhance your performance, and student have the opportunity to learn to operate your lighting rig on event day with our Lighting Directors.





- Registrations OPEN NOW via our website!
- Final registration closes March 18, 2022
- Events in 12 regions around Aotearoa: Northland, Auckland, Waikato, Bay of Plenty, Hawke's Bay, Manawatū, Taranaki, Wellington, Nelson, Canterbury, Otago and Southland
- Stage shows held at professional venues in each region
- Events running from May 18 July 7, 2022 (full details on our website)
- \$10 per student entry cost
- Up to 100 students per school team
- Junior (Y1-8) and Open (Y1-13) categories

TOI - WEARABLE ART COMPETITON

Toi is run in collaboration with World of WearableArt (WOW) and is an opportunity for the next generation of textile artists and designers to get a taste for the WOW experience. Toi is te reo Māori for art, and our Toi competition challenges students to take art off the wall and put it on the human form.

Students work solo or in groups of up to 5 to create a fantastical wearable art garment. You have the opportunity to exhibit your creations at our Showquest regional event, where we have a Wearable Art showcase. Our team will take professional photos of your garment at the event, and our friends at WOW judge the garments nationally. If you cannot make it to an event, students can take their own photos to submit for national judging.

The 2021 competition will include design briefs created with WOW to encourage out of the box thinking and larger than life creations.

If you are interested in entering Toi, please email events@showquest.nz and we'll send you the Toi Info Pack!



