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Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa

New Zealand's interactive national museum is an experience like no other. Home to the new multimedia experience Our Space, you can have some serious fun experiencing adrenalin-filled motion simulator rides and discovering New Zealand's local and national stories. Also new to Te Papa is the Colossal Squid, which is the largest invertebrate ever examined! The museum also houses many exclusive international exhibitions, permanent art and heritage shows, cafés and function space. Be sure to take a tour as you could lose a day in this brilliant innovative museum - it's the size of three football fields!

55 Cable Street
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www.tepapa.govt.nz



City Gallery

In the heart of Wellington, the City Gallery is a dynamic cultural presence in the capital city. There is no permanent collection – the local and international exhibitions are always changing, guaranteeing you a new experience each time.

Civic Square, Wakefield Street
+64 4 801 3021
www.citygallery.org.nz

PATAKA

Located in Porirua, PATAKA is dedicated to celebrating the best in contemporary Maori, Pacific Island and New Zealand art. PATAKA has five main galleries with over 14 major exhibitions annually.

Corner Norrie & Parumoana
streets, Porirua
+64 4 237 1511
www.pataka.org.nz



The New Dowse

A centre for creative thinking, boasting wide-ranging exhibitions that cut across fine art, craft, design and film.

45 Laings Road, Lower Hutt
+64 4 570 6500
www.dowse.org.nz

Museum of Wellington

For a journey through Wellington's past, present and future, this is your place of call. The museum tells the capital's stories of both sea and land, complementing Te Papa's stories of the nation. Be sure not to miss the hologram display depicting a well-known Maori legend.

The Bond Store,
in front of Queens Wharf
+64 4 472 8904
www.museumofwellington.co.nz



BATS

Opened in 1989, BATS provides audiences with an exciting, accessible, and unpredictable live theatre experience almost every night of the year. An intimate venue and auditorium, BATS seeks to present diverse, relevant and challenging theatre. BATS is also home to the theatre bar The Pit, where you can enjoy a fine wine before your show.

1 Kent Terrace
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www.bats.co.nz



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Lissa Twomey

Lissa Twomey is the Artistic Director of New Zealand's leading cultural event, the *New Zealand International Arts Festival* and also oversees the *Wellington Jazz Festival*. Prior to moving to live and work in Wellington in 2006, Lissa worked with the Sydney Festival as Associate Director.

Q When you have friends in town, where's the first place you head?

A Around the coast to Red Rocks Reserve. My friends from Sydney are always blown away by being able to see the Southern Alps and the Kaikoura Ranges on the South Island.

Q Where do you go for Sunday brunch, and why is it your favourite?

A I head to **Maranui Café** in Lyall Bay. It is one of the most gorgeous settings in the world, with fine food and nostalgia of a bygone surfing era overlooking the sea. I also love the wander down Cuba Street with all its cafés, **Ernesto** has the best coffee and I want their recipe book!

Q How does living in Wellington inspire what you do?

A Even though it is small you still have the sense that anything is possible. Point in case - we hold a huge international arts festival in a small city. There is a definite vibrancy to Wellington that is contagious and a strong sense of community both in the work and social place.

Q Where's your top place for a cocktail?

A **Motel**, they play a fantastic selection of vinyl. The bar sits

behind a terrific restaurant called **Chow**. My ideal relaxed night out is a great Asian meal at Chow followed by a quiet cocktail at Motel.

Q Which is your favourite Wellington restaurant?

A The food at Citron is subtle but surprising and I love the atmosphere at **Arbitrageur**. And you can't go past the **Matterhorn**. I could go on and on, there are so many great restaurants in Wellington!

Q Where do you like to shop?

A I don't like high street shopping, so most of Wellington works for me. The **Old Bank Arcade** is a beautiful place to wander through. Cuba Street is fun and funky – you don't know what you're going to come across.

Q What is it about Wellington that makes it a great place live?

A Anything seems possible living in Wellington, there is a real ease of life here and sense of adventure. Everything is in close proximity; it's a compact city with a true heart and soul. Also it is a beautiful city to live in, from the harbour to the hills. There is definitely a certain sense of freedom living here in comparison to Sydney.



The St James Theatre

One of the jewels in Wellington's crown, the St James is a beautiful theatre right in the middle of town. The Jimmy, the theatre bar, is a perfect place for a pre-show drink before experiencing theatre at this unique and elegant venue.

77-87 Courtenay Place
+64 4 802 4060
www.stjames.co.nz



Downstage Theatre

Downstage has been inspiring audiences in the heart of Wellington since 1964. With an in-house bar and others right on its doorstep, Downstage is central to an exceptional night out.

12 Cambridge Terrace
+64 4 801 6946
www.downstage.co.nz

Circa Theatre

Circa showcases international, national and local drama, comedy and music and has helped foster the careers of some of New Zealand's best-known actors and directors. Circa Theatre comprises two theatres: a 250 seat main theatre and a 100 seat studio theatre.

Next to Te Papa, 1 Taranaki Street
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www.circa.co.nz