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Hawke's Bay Arts & Events Centre

A venue like no other





TOITOI OVERVIEW

Toitoi – Hawke’s Bay Arts & Events Centre reopened in February 2020 after completion of the first stage of a six year earthquake strengthening and refurbishment project.

The first stage of the project has seen the historic Opera House, built in 1915, strengthened and modernised alongside the construction of a new 660sqm events venue – Functions on Hastings.

The second stage of the restoration project includes the Municipal Building. This complex is linked to the Opera House by a laneway and includes fully modernised venues, including the Assembly Ballroom and a range of small to medium-sized venue spaces

Toitoi – Hawke’s Bay Arts & Events Centre is not just a venue, it is a Fourth Generation Venue. This means it is more than just a “hall for hire” or even a community events centre - a Fourth Generation

Venue is a learning environment through which new experiences are generated and new knowledge is created. It enhances cultural awareness, expression and understanding within its community.

Through this viewpoint, and by seizing this bold position in the market, Toitoi enables community access and participation in performing arts, events of all types and cultural activities, while also facilitating opportunities for youth employment, cultural expression and pride.

The Toitoi – Hawke’s Bay Arts & Events Centre team is committed to the protection and preservation of our taiao (environment). The team works with the Hastings District Council Waste Minimisation group to ensure Toitoi’s operations and practices are strongly focused on protecting our environment, while also reducing waste and the consumption of power and water.

We are guided by the centuries-old, local Ngāti Kahungunu whakataukī (proverb):

Ko Heretaunga Haukunui, Ararau, Haaro te Kaahu, Takoto Noa.

Heretaunga - of the life-giving dew, of the hundred pathways, the vision of the far-sighted hawk, left to us, the humble servants.

Our journey has just begun and we encourage you, our clients, to join us as we continue to work hard to honour our land and people through sustainable business practices.

Located in Hastings CBD, Toitoi is situated for both convenience and accessibility. With the historic Opera House at its heart, Toitoi offers a unique blend of awe-inspiring heritage architecture and modern technology. It truly is a venue unlike any other in Aotearoa.

VENUES



Functions On Hastings

Modern and multi-use

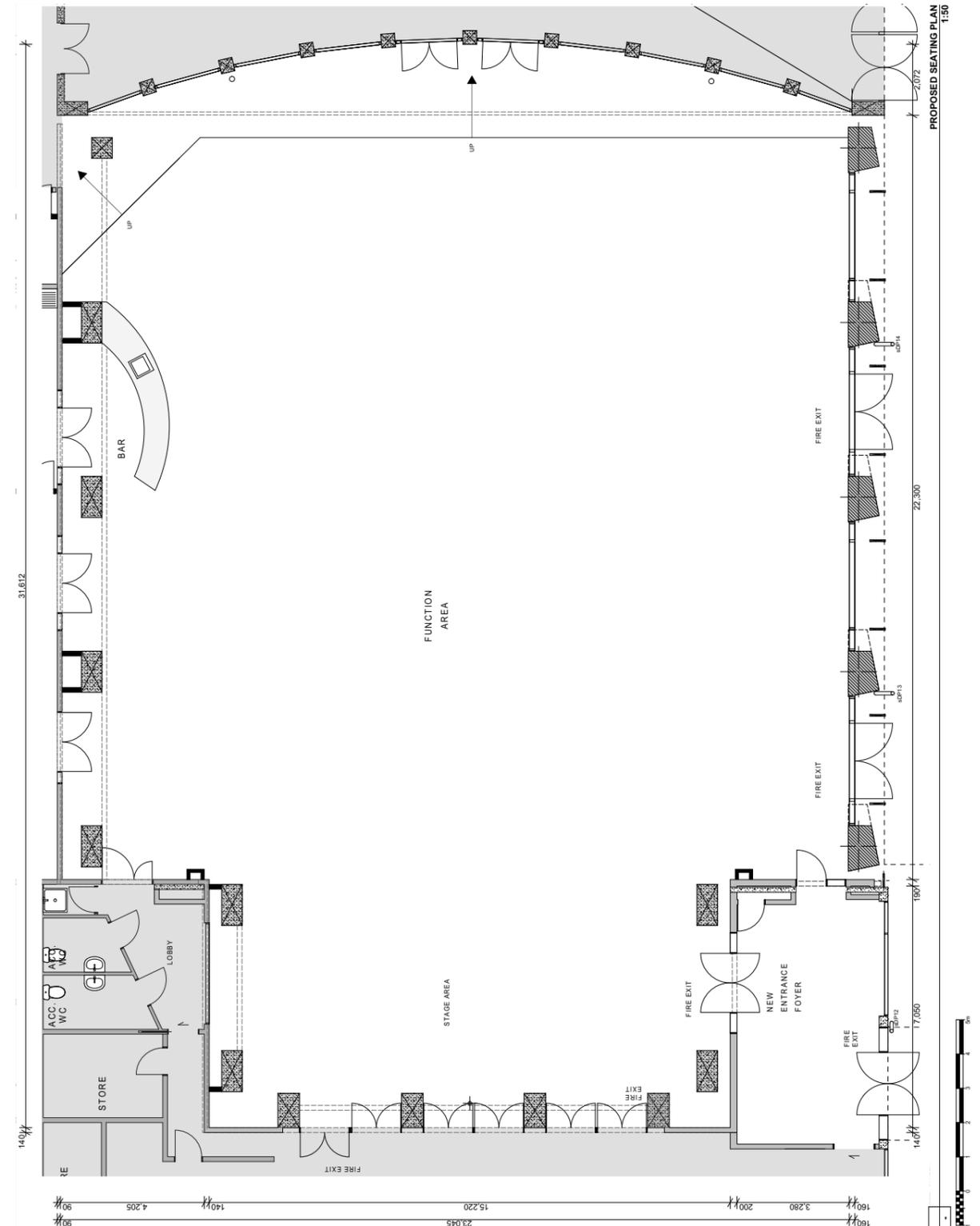
Hawke's Bay's newest venue, Functions on Hastings, encompasses 660sqm of floor space with ground level access. The ceiling's breath-taking artistic representation of the Mākirikiri Stream, which runs beneath Toitō, cleverly conceals rigging systems and utilities designed to make our largest venue a genuine multi-use facility, whilst offering modern style and easy accessibility.

Exceptional all-weather space

Functions on Hastings is completely indoors and can hold large banquets, expos and events. With up to 500 guests theatre-style, 450 for a banquet or 600 for cocktails, this is a truly exceptional space.

CAPACITY CHART

Floor Area	Theatre	Banquet	Cocktail	Classroom
660sqm	500	450	600	230





Cushing Foyer

Modern industrial

Adjoining both Functions on Hastings and the Opera House, the Cushing Foyer can be used in concert with either venue, or as a venue in its own right.

Technology meets architecture

Modern design, including digital screens, art features and two mezzanine floors, combines to create a truly unique venue which blends the best of technology and architecture.

Flexible use

At 219m², the Cushing Foyer ground floor comfortably accommodates up to 200 theatre style, 120 for banquets, or 250 for cocktails. As a classroom, Cushing Foyer can hold up to 90 people.

Its Dress Circle Bar, with breath-taking views of the surrounding Hawke's Bay landscape, is 130m² and holds 80 people for theatre, 48 for banquets, 100 for cocktails and 30 as a classroom

CAPACITY CHART

Ground Floor

Floor Area	Theatre	Banquet	Cocktail	Classroom
219sqm	200	120	250	90

Dress Circle Bar

Floor Area	Theatre	Banquet	Cocktail	Classroom
130sqm	80	48	100	30

Grand Circle Bar

Floor Area	Theatre	Banquet	Cocktail	Classroom
80sqm	n/a	n/a	50	n/a



The Opera House

Awe-inspiring proportions

With seating for 979 people and 240sqm of stage space, surrounded by an opulent Art Nouveau interior of awe-inspiring proportions, the Opera House theatre guarantees your guests a memorable experience.

Historic beauty

The Opera House was built in 1915 and is one of the top lyric theatres in Australasia and can be used as a plenary or for a small banquet on stage. It can accommodate up to 150 people for banquets, 200 for cocktails and 105 as a classroom. In addition, the Opera House Green Room is 74m² and can accommodate up to 80 guests.

Toitoti's beating heart

With state-of-the-art technology and a full range of services available, from event management to technical expertise and catering, the Opera House is the beating heart of Toitoti.

CAPACITY CHART

Opera House Auditorium - Theatre Style

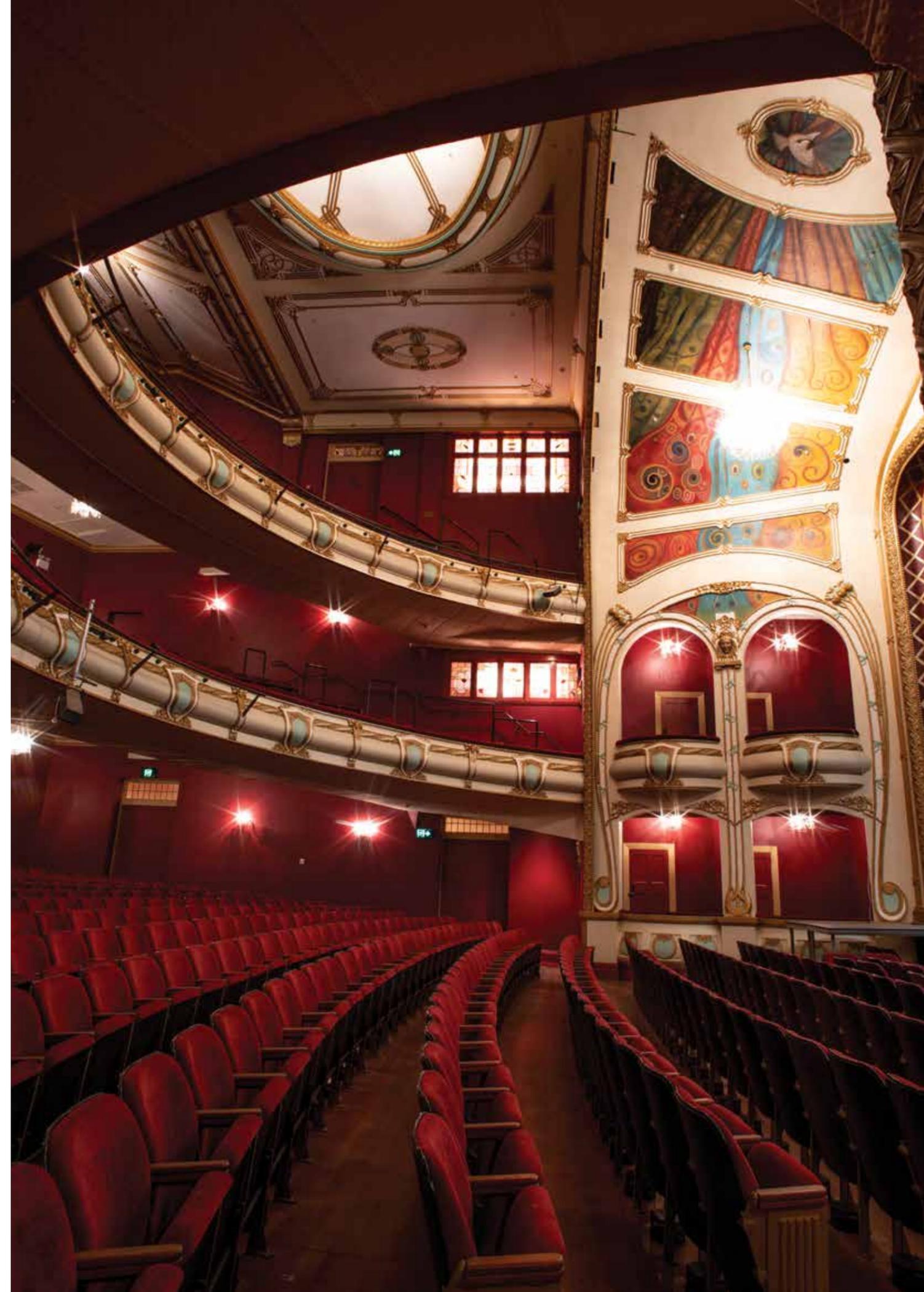
Stalls	Dress Circle	Grand Circle
493	223	263

Opera House Stage

Floor Area	Theatre	Banquet	Cocktail	Classroom
240sqm	n/a	150	200	105

Green Room

Floor Area	Theatre	Banquet	Cocktail	Classroom
74sqm	70	n/a	70	n/a





Municipal Building

Unlocking Toitoti

The second stage of the refurbishment, focusing on the neighbouring Category 1 historic Municipal Building, will be complete in early 2022 and unlocks the full potential of Toitoti.

Something for everyone

The Municipal Building offers a ballroom, business centres and additional fit-for-purpose meeting rooms.

The second stage of the development also includes a laneway, as well as a mix of retail tenants and newly created additional spaces available for public hire, as well as educational providers on the ground floor.



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EVENT SERVICES

Bespoke event solutions

At Toitoti we understand that your business is our business. From the moment you book your show, conference, meeting or dinner, we will work collaboratively with you to create a bespoke total event solution that exceeds your expectations and ensures all your goals are met.

Creative thinking

The Toitoti team is committed to going the extra mile – our dedicated and experienced technical operations, catering and event co-ordination teams will pay attention to every detail. No request is too big, small or strange, as our creative thinking will ensure you get a solution that is uniquely tailored to your needs.

Full tech solutions

With state-of-the-art lighting, sound, audio visual equipment and expert technical and support staff based on-site, technical packages of any size or description can be designed and installed to suit your exact requirements. Our creative backgrounds mean you won't get cookie-cutter solutions – your event and its technical package will be unique to you.

Contemporary Cuisine

Dish Catering is the exclusive caterer at Toitoti. Dish is a diverse and highly successful catering company, which specializes in contemporary cuisine. The Dish team have many years' experience in catering events of varied size and style. They will personally work with you to create a menu specifically tailored to meet your needs and indulge your taste buds.





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