

SGCNZ VUW NATIONAL SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL 2026 SCHEDULE



Assessors: Tbc	- Senior Stage & Screen NZ Actor
Tbc	- Senior Stage & Screen NZ Actor
Tbc	- SGCNZ YSC Alum Actor/Tutor
NSSP Selectors:	
Tbc	- SGCNZ YSC Alum/Director
Tbc	- SGCNZ YSC Alum/Actor
Tbc	- SGCNZ YSC Alum/Tutor/Actor

Venues: **Te Herenga Waka-Victoria University of Wellington**, Te Aro Campus, Vivian Street, & Rutherford House Wgtn 6011;
Wellington East Girls' College, Paterson Street, Mt Victoria, Wellington 6011;
St James Theatre, 87/77 Courtenay Place, Wellington 6011

Dates: Thursday 28 May to Monday 1 June 2026

Schedule:

Thursday 28 May **Venue:** **Te Herenga Waka-Victoria University of Wellington**, Vivian Street Campus, Wgtn 6011;
 4.00-5.30pm **SGCNZ VUW National Shakespeare Festival Registrations & Welcome Reception**
 Evening **Available for theatre going**

Friday 29 May **Venue:** **Wellington East Girls' College**, Paterson Street, Mt Victoria, Wellington 6011

*8.30am-9.10am ***Registrations**
 8.45am-9.00am **Special Session** for non-Group attendees
 9.15am-9.25am **Mihi Whakatau & Notices**
 9.30am-11.00am **Workshop 1**
 11.15am-12.45pm **Workshop 2**
 11.30am-12.15pm **Regional Representatives' Meeting with DJS**

Venue: **St James Theatre**, 87/77 Courtenay Place, Wellington 6011
 1.00pm-7.15pm **Placing Calls & Health Safety Briefings – St James Theatre**
 on stage (specific times as scheduled)

Venues: **Optional Tours of Te Herenga Waka-Victoria University of Wellington, Government House, Parliament, Te Papa, Wellington Museum, Toi Whakaari & other venues**
 Evening **Available for theatre going**

Saturday 30 May **Venue:** **St James Theatre**, 87/77 Courtenay Place, Wellington
 8.45am-9.00am **Special Session** for non-Group attendees
 8.45am-9.15am **SGCNZ YSCs' Session** – Kerry Maher, DJS & Tour Leaders
 9.30am-5.30pm*** **Scene Performances**
 Evening **Available for theatre going**

Sunday 31 May **Venue:** **St James Theatre**, 87/77 Courtenay Place, Wellington
 8.30am-8.45am **Special Session** for non-Group attendees
 9.00am-4.00pm *****Scene Performances**
 4.00pm-5.00pm *****Special Guest Presenters & Inspiring Alumni**
 5.00pm-6.30pm **Dinner** break – own choice of restaurant (options suggested in our website)
 7.00pm-9.30pm*** **SGCNZ YSC Performance, Competition Prize-Giving, Scene Award Ceremony** – MC Hon tbc & other VIPs

Monday 1 June **Venue:** **Te Herenga Waka – VUW Pipitea Campus, Rutherford House, Lambton Quay tbc**
 9.30am-10.30am **Scene Assessors' & NSSP Selectors' Feedback** – for students, teachers, supervisors, SGCNZ & WSS members & sponsors
 11.00am-11.50am* **Public by Invitation–Guest Speaker**
 11.50am-12 noon **Whakamutunga & Karakia**

Full attendance at the Festivals is a requirement for all performing groups from * to**.

***Open to the Public – book at Ticketmaster for St James * Enquiries re Talk to 04 384 1300 or dawn@sgcnz.org.nz

Minor changes may be required - updates to the Schedule will be posted on the website and included in the SGCNZ National Festival Pack.

Subject to change – check the SGCNZ website: www.sgcnz.org.nz