RELA Weekly Notice

19 June 2025



Matariki marks the Māori New Year and the rising of the star cluster Pleiades. It's a time to reflect, celebrate, and look to the future with hope. Rotorua has some amazing **FREE** events happening to mark this special occasion!

ARONUI Indigenous Arts Festival Drone Shows

Rotorua Lakefront 19 & 20 June | 8pm Watch an unforgettable Matariki story unfold in the sky with a stunning drone and light show.

Rotorua Night Markets @ Village Green

Rotorua Lakefront Village Green 19 & 20 June | 5–9pm Enjoy delicious kai, local crafts, music, and more before the drone show!

Te Pō Kitakita – Exhibition of Light

The Arts Village, Rotorua 19 & 20 June | 5–7pm Wander through an outdoor light exhibition inspired by Matariki.

Ngāti Whakaue Hautapu Ceremony

Whakatāhuna Ngaru, Rotorua Lakefront 20 June | 4.30am Take part in a traditional iwi-led ceremony to welcome the Māori New Year at dawn.

Bring your friends and whanau and enjoy the magic of Matariki together!

For more info and events, visit: rotorua.com/matariki

This week we say goodbye to Ouinton Yuan

RELA Activities







