Kia Whakatōmuri te haere whakamura - I walk backwards into the future with my eyes fixed on my past

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Developed through thinking about the whakataukī 'Kia Whakatōmuri te haere whakamura - I walk backwards into the future with my eyes fixed on my past', this is an exhibition that reflects the various pūrākau that have shaped the whenua around the Kawerau district. It will focus on the history of Māori migrations from Hawaiki to the post world war two era during the construction of the town we live and work in. Asserting that Māori have lived in the region for 1000 years and continue to shape what makes our town special and unique. It will include items from the Museum's collection, as well as items from the Alexander Turnbull library, and the Presbyterian Archive.

Free. All welcome. Nau mai, haere mai.

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