



Tuwhare
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Hone Tuwhare Residency Programme 2026

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to be established in the name and home of a Māori writer*

“ **Te Kaituhi o Tuwhare**
The Hone Tuwhare Creative
Writers Residency

This residency is for a creative
writer from Aotearoa.

For application information go to:
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Applications Close Sunday 28 June 2026 5pm

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1. Overview

The Tuwhare Residency Programme is the first residency programme in Aotearoa New Zealand to be established in the name and home of a Māori writer.

2. Tuwhare Residency Programme Objectives

The objectives of the Tuwhare Residency Programme are:

- To acknowledge and celebrate the Hone Tuwhare legacy
- To support recipients to spend time at the Tuwhare crib
- To provide a platform for recipients to be ambassadors of the Hone Tuwhare legacy
- To support the literary and creative landscape of Aotearoa New Zealand.

3. Tuwhare Residencies

Three foundational residencies have been developed and together they form the Tuwhare Residency Programme.

- Te Pane Kākā o Tuwhare - The Hone Tuwhare Poetry Residency
- Te Ringatoi o Tuwhare - The Hone Tuwhare Creative Residency
- Te Kaituhi o Tuwhare - The Hone Tuwhare Creative Writers Residency

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Te Kaituhi o Tuwhare residency is for a creative writer from Aotearoa New Zealand. The Tuwhare Trust is interested in supporting creative writers working on any writing across fiction and creative non-fiction. Applications are welcome from writers who are preparing to publish new work or who have a new project to work on and would benefit from spending time at the Tuwhare crib.

How to apply: Email your application to: Tuwhare.Residency@gmail.com

Your application must include:

1.	Please provide a letter of introduction. We would like to know: 1. About you, who you are and where you are from in Aotearoa (250 words). 2. Why you would benefit from this residency (250 words). 3. An outline of the writing project you plan to work on during this residency (500 words).	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.	Please provide your writing curriculum vitae with links to your website, books published, or links to any writing published online.	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.	Please provide examples of your writing.	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.	Please provide your preferred dates for this residency between August 2026 – March 2027 and how long you would like to stay (from 1 week to a maximum of 4 weeks)	<input type="checkbox"/>
5.	Please let us know any accessibility requirements you might have and whether you intend to bring whānau with you if successful.	<input type="checkbox"/>

Residency Information:

- **Dates:** The dates for this residency are flexible. The successful recipient and the Tuwhare Trust will discuss dates for the residency as part of the agreed residency arrangement. The maximum stay is 4 weeks.
- **Where:** Kākā Point is located on The Catlins coast, approximately one hour's drive south of Ōtepoti Dunedin.
- **Stipend:** \$1,250 per week (GST included) up to 4 weeks maximum (\$5,000)
- **Travel:** Return flights to Dunedin are arranged and paid for by the Tuwhare Trust. Return travel from Dunedin to Kākā Point is also arranged and paid for by the Tuwhare Trust.

- **Accommodation:** The Tuwhare crib accommodation is provided. The Crib is a small one bedroom holiday crib. There is also a writing/creative studio space at the rear of the property.
- **Amenities:** You will have full use of the Tuwhare crib for the duration of your residency with access to Wi-fi and basic kitchen facilities.
- **During the residency:** The Tuwhare Trust can provide opportunities for the resident to meet with local writers and creatives in Ōtepoti Dunedin. This can be arranged between the recipient and the Trust.
- **Accessibility:** The Tuwhare crib is a modestly-sized home with steps at the entry, narrow doorways, a step into the bedroom and no accessible bathroom. Unfortunately, this means this residency is not suitable for wheelchair users. Similarly, the accommodation is up a steep incline. Please let us know if you have other accessibility needs and would like to know if this residency is suitable for you.

Conditions of the residency:

- Residencies are open to New Zealand citizens and permanent residents who live in Aotearoa.
- You may only apply for one residency.
- Applications for the Residency will be assessed by the Hone Tuwhare Charitable Trust Board.
- All applicants will be notified in writing on the outcome of their application.
- The decision of the Board will be final and no correspondence or discussion will be entered into with unsuccessful applicants.
- Applications will only be accepted via the correct email: Tuwhare.Residencies@gmail.com and prior to the deadline for applications.
- Applications will not be returned to applicants.
- The resident will engage in media to promote their Tuwhare Residency.
- The resident will sign an agreement with the Tuwhare Trust as part of their acceptance of the Tuwhare Residency.

Timeline for Residency:

8 June 2026	Applications Open	Application information available from the Hone Tuwhare Website
Between 8 June and 21 June 2026	Questions regarding residencies	Questions can be raised by contacting the Tuwhare Trust on Tuwhare.Residency@gmail.com
Sunday 28 June 2026	Applications close	Applications must be received by 5pm to be considered. Applications must be sent via email to Tuwhare.Residency@gmail.com
No later than 5 July 2026	Successful Tuwhare Residencies announced	All applicants, successful or otherwise will be notified in writing prior to 5 July 2026.