



Help make community art to celebrate our stream

Come and join us in a series of public art sessions to create Whariki - an artwork celebrating the diversity of life in and around Poorman Valley Stream.

Whariki is part of a community engagement project for Poorman Valley Stream, where people can participate in workshops to create community artworks, and contribute stories, memories and photos about the stream for a StoryMap and Field Guide.

If you are interested in finding out more about these projects please visit:

shape.nelson.govt.nz

Key Dates for public art sessions to make Whariki:

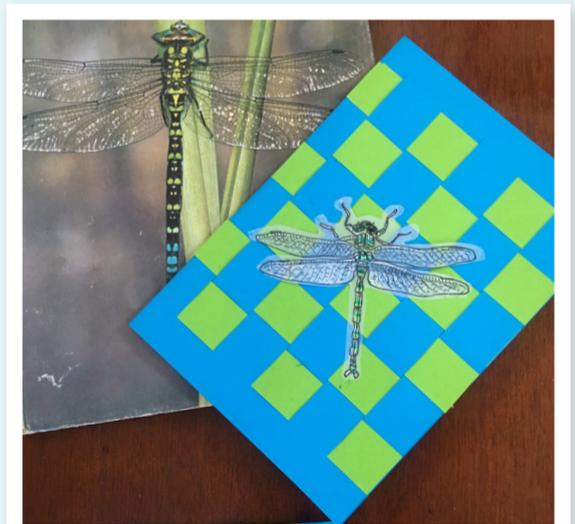
Thursday 19 November, 4pm–6pm at Greenmeadows Centre

Thursday 26 November, 4pm–6pm at Isel Market

Saturday 5 December, 2pm–5pm at Marsden Playground, Plumtree Lane

Thursday 10 December, 4pm–6pm at Isel Market

Friday 11 December and Saturday 12 December, all day event at Greenmeadows to install Whariki Artwork



Focus on Poorman Valley Stream

Poorman Valley Stream is getting a new pathway, a habitat upgrade and a community art project through Council's Healthy Streams project.

Poorman Valley Stream runs through Marsden Valley and Stoke to the airport peninsula. Nelson City Council is working on a new section of shared pathway between Neale Avenue and Main Road Stoke, which will enable people to walk or bike the full length of Poorman Valley Stream

Once completed, the new section of shared path will allow the Plumtree Lane playground and the Marsden Valley Dog Park to be reached by foot or bike from the Poorman Valley Stream Esplanade.

At the same time, we're working with the community around the stream to plant native trees, grasses and shrubs on its banks. These will provide a natural habitat to support fish, birds and insects and contribute to a thriving stream ecosystem.

We are also making it easier for the fish to swim up and down the stream so they can migrate to and from their breeding grounds. We do this by putting in stream barriers or baffles to slow down the current, and by making resting areas where fish can take a break from swimming upstream against the current. We've also made it easier for fish to navigate the Marsden Valley gravel trap and the culvert under Main Road Stoke.

We'd love to see people getting involved with this project. Planting will be happening at several locations from May–July 2021, with opportunities for the community to get involved. Plants will also be available for those whose properties back on to the stream – Contact healthy.streams@ncc.govt.nz if this applies to you.