

LATER TERMINATION OF WORKSHOP

FEBRUARY 14TH - 15TH 2020



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WELLINGTON LANTERN FESTIVAL

BIGGER, BRIGHTER, BETTER!
HERE COMES THE 2020 WELLINGTON LANTERN FESTIVAL

In 2017/2018 Wellington Lantern Festival artistic director Lily Kao started a small project at one of the local schools' in Wellington, where her 6 year old daughter attended. She wanted to help encourage her daughters' creativity skills. Therefore, Wellington Lantern Festival collaborated with the school to run free lantern making workshops for 245 students. This was a great event which the students loved!

In 2018/2019 Wellington Lantern Festival wanted to share the love and had expanded the workshops to 15 schools in the Wellington region. Through these workshops 2500+ lanterns were created by the students and displayed at the Wellington Lantern Festival in February 2019.

Expanding our vision even further in 2019/2020, we want to inspire the creativity of New Zealand's youngest. At the end of 2019 we are taking the free lantern making workshops and competition to a nation-wide platform. Wellington Lantern Festival is aiming to have 75+ Primary schools across the country participating, with 11000 lanterns being created by students.

From Wellington Lantern Festival Team



ORIGIN LEGEND OF LANTERN FESTIVAL

The Lantern Festival or the Spring Lantern Festival is a Chinese festival celebrated on the fifteenth day of the first month in the lunisolar Chinese calendar.

There are many different beliefs about the origin of the Lantern Festival. One legend tells us that it was a time to worship Taiyi, the God of Heaven in ancient times. The belief was that the God of Heaven controlled the destiny of the human world. He had sixteen dragons at his beck and call and he decided when to inflict drought, storms, famine or pestilence upon human beings. Beginning with the first emperor of China, Qin Shi Huang, who named China, all the emperors ordered splendid ceremonies each year. The emperor would ask Taiyi to bring favorable weather and good health to him and his people.

For more information please watch the Lantern Festival history video on our website!



2019 winners: Sonia L and Javian D

WINNERS OF LANTERN MAKING COMPETITION 2019



2019 winning school: Amesbury school



HOW TO VOTE

Voting is open on 20th Dec 2019

Step 1: Go to our website

www.wellingtonlanternfestival.co.nz

Step 2: Find your lantern

Use the search bar to search for a specific lantern by typing their first name and last names initial OR

Find your school and scroll to find your lantern

Step 3: Vote!

Sign up to our website using your Facebook or email to cast your vote

Step 4: Share your favourite lantern

Use the share bottom to share on Facebook and Instagram to get your family and friends to vote!





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