

The World of Wearable Art Awards Tour by Rail. - itinerary

DAY ONE

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Prepare to embark on an extraordinary journey as we dive headfirst into the vibrant World of Wearable Arts! Our adventure begins with a scenic drive to Otorohonga, where anticipation mounts as we board the iconic Northern Explorer Train bound for Wellington. Amidst breathtaking landscapes, we'll savour every moment as the train glides through New Zealand's picturesque countryside, passengers can indulge in delicious food from the onboard cafe, while marveling at the ever-changing scenery. Before arriving in Wellington, we'll enjoy a lovely meal on board the train as we will be arriving a little late. Once we are in Wellington, we're greeted by the bustling energy of the railway station before our awaiting bus whisks us away to the delightful comforts of Copthorne Hotel Wellington Oriental Bay our home for the next two nights. After a swift check-in, immerse yourself in the city's charm and settle into your accommodation, ready to discover the wonders that await in the heart of New Zealand's cultural capital.

DAY TWO

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Welcome to another exhilarating day of exploration and discovery! After fuelling up with a hearty breakfast, we set our sights on the majestic Parliament Buildings, where a captivating introduction to Parliament awaits. From the grandeur of the Banquet Hall to the hallowed chambers of the Debating Chamber and Legislative Council Chamber, each stop promises to unveil a fascinating glimpse into New Zealand's political history. Following our enlightening tour, the day brims with optional delights. For those seeking a scenic tour, a ride on the iconic Cable Car offers panoramic views of the city's skyline. From here you can immerse yourself in the rich tapestry of New Zealand's cultural heritage with a visit to Te Papa Tongarewa, where captivating exhibitions await at every turn. Or as the afternoon unfolds, indulge in leisurely strolls along Lambton Quay's bustling streets, soaking

in the vibrant atmosphere or perhaps a spot of retail therapy the choice is yours this afternoon. The bus will be going to all the destination so you may choose to stay on it or do your own activities. Early evening we'll gather for dinner prior to departing, the stage is set for an unforgettable evening as we journey to the TSB Arena for a spectacular WOW show, promising a dazzling display of creativity and innovation. Tonight, we are in for a treat as we will be attending the Awards Night which is a full run of the show and the Awards Ceremony. As you may know, WOW is a competition as well as a production, and Awards Night is when the winning designers are announced and come to collect their awards, so be prepared to be impressed.

DAY THREE

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Welcome to another day of enchantment and adventure! We kick-start our morning with a delightful breakfast, energizing ourselves for the exciting day ahead. As we bid farewell to our cozy retreat, our next destination beckons a visit to The Begonia House nestled within the Lady Norwood Rose Garden. Amidst the blooming beauty of Wellington's botanical haven, indulge in a leisurely stroll and perhaps a coffee at the charming Picnic Café. Then, it's time for a catered lunch and an introductory talk about Boomrock, promising an unforgettable blend of luxury and rugged natural beauty at, Ohariu Valley. Situated on Papanui Station, Boomrock sits high above the rugged coastline, surrounded by beautiful untouched native bush. The South Island provides an incredible backdrop with views stretching to Mount Taranaki on a clear day. The day unfolds with endless possibilities, we'll then continue our journey to the quaint charm of Greytown for boutique shopping or be intrigued by the historical allure of Cobblestones Museum, the choice is yours to explore. From here we will make our way to Masterton to the comforts of Solway Copthorne Hotel Wairarapa. Once you have settled in, we'll enjoy our dinner at the onsite restaurant at the hotel tonight.

DAY FOUR

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As our journey draws to a close, we savour one last morning of indulgence with a hearty breakfast, fuelling up for the day ahead. Our adventure continues with a

comfort stop in the quaint town of Kimbolton, offering a brief respite amidst charming surroundings. Continuing our journey through the North Island, we are then treated to a delightful lunch at Tongariro Lodge in Turangi, where culinary delights await amidst the tranquil beauty of nature. With satisfied appetites and hearts full of memories, we embark on our final stretch, pausing for another comfort stop in the scenic town of Taupo. As we bid farewell to the picturesque landscapes, we journey back to Tauranga, where our unforgettable expedition comes to an end. With cherished memories and new friendships forged, we wish our fellow travellers farewell each of us carrying a piece of this remarkable journey in our hearts.

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