

Making History

A Creative Competition for young people around the Selwyn District

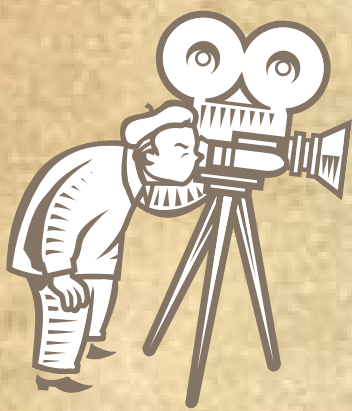
WHO IS IT FOR? Ages 10-18. Any young person living in or near Selwyn can enter if they are in Yrs 7 - 10 (approx age 10 - 14) or Yrs 11 - 13 (age 15 - 18). There will be separate prizes for individual entries and for group entries (in the group categories, several people might work together or even entire classes).

WHEN IS IT? It starts now! The competition entries all need to be received by Saturday 29th October 2011.

WHO IS RUNNING THIS? Selwyn Library and the Waihora Ellesmere Trust (WET) are running this together. The judges will be a trustee from WET and Selwyn District Mayor Kelvin Coe.

WHAT ARE THE PRIZES? The prizes will be awarded according to how impressed the judges are, from a total prize pool worth \$500. There will also be some special prizes awarded and all entries will receive a certificate.

BACKGROUND: Selwyn District Council and the Waihora Ellesmere Trust worked with Lincoln University Library, Christchurch City Libraries, Ellesmere Historical Society and the National Library of New Zealand to digitize more than 50 years worth of the Ellesmere Guardian (so far). Actual paper copies were microfilmed several years ago and those films have now been scanned, the text from them converted to webpages and it's now completely searchable at PapersPast - paperspast.natlib.govt.nz. The Ellesmere Guardian was published for nearly a century and then changed into the Central Canterbury News, which is published by The Star.



TO ENTER: You need to find an interesting story in the PapersPast editions of the Ellesmere Guardian (1891 right up to 1945), then create your own imaginative entry describing **WHAT HAPPENED NEXT**. Your entry might be a news story that the paper could have written for the next issue. OR it might be a diary entry by someone in the story, or their neighbour, or relatives, or cat... OR you might like to create a website about what happened next, or make a short film showing what happened next - the choices are endless. There will be a prizes in each age group for both individual and group entries. And remember to list or include a copy of the original story that inspired your entry!

SUBMISSIONS: Give your entry to your local library (Darfield, Leeston, Lincoln, Rolleston or the Mobile Library) and they will display them and present them for judging at the start of November.

