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ANTARCTICA

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WORLD PREMIERE

A PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN AUCKLAND ARTS FESTIVAL AND AUCKLAND WAR MEMORIAL MUSEUM

VENUE: Auckland War Memorial Museum

DATES: 24-26 March, 2017

ARTIST: Joseph Michael

Antarctica is a free installation celebrating the pristine scenery of the awe-inspiring ice continent. For three nights, as the sun sets over Auckland War Memorial Museum, Auckland's most iconic building will become the canvas for a large scale projection of a majestic Antarctic iceberg.

Visual artist Joseph Michael, in collaboration with composer Rhian Sheehan, has created a cinematic spectacle like no other – a one-to-one scale of an Antarctic iceberg projected on the surface of the mighty Auckland Museum, complete with sound score.

In this unique world premiere, audiences will hear ice crack and drip, and see water fall, as they circumnavigate the Museum, which will be engulfed in images of the rare and sublime world of icebergs.

As an artist, Joseph Michael seeks out the rare and sublime in the natural world and represents it dynamically, fusing creative vision with cutting-edge technology. Always pushing the boundaries of the technology available to him, he has worked with revolutionary motion control techniques on Peter Jackson's *The Hobbit*, built 3D time-lapse rigs and created 360-degree cinema experiences.

EVENT DETAILS

TICKETS	Free
WHEN	Fri 24 – Sun 26 March, 8.30pm – 11.00pm
WHERE	Auckland War Memorial Museum, Auckland Domain
DURATION	45-minute loop
IMPORTANT INFO	Arrive anytime from sunset. The projection plays on a 45-minute loop until 11.00pm. For information on transport options, parking and road closures visit: aaf.co.nz . Regular updates will appear as the event nears. The event is pushchair and wheelchair accessible
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