



Celebrating 145 Years of Polish Settlement in Canterbury & New Zealand



The Federation of Polish Organizations in NZ & the Event Organizing Committee cordially informs of the upcoming events, which will include:

'Polish Settlers Place', Friday 6th October 2017, 4-5pm, Canterbury Museum, Christchurch, unveiling of the commemorative plaque (Civic Function by Invitation)

Polish Cultural Concert, Friday 6th October 2017, 7pm, The Piano Arts Hall, Armagh St, Christchurch (ticketed)

Catholic Church Service, Saturday 7th October 2017, 12pm, St Patrick's Church, Akaroa (open event)

Polish Cultural Concert, Saturday, 14th October 2017 – Wellington (TBA)

'Canterbury's First Polish Settlers' – December 2017, Canterbury Museum – Exhibition (free entry)

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More details coming soon:



'A.D. 1872. Lyttelton Harbour, South Pacific. Vessel "Friedeburg" brings 241 immigrants from mainly Prussian region of Baltic Sea (Poland's territory).
Farmers & labourers, young & old, families & singles – all anxious of the new, unknown future at a distant land of New Zealand, far away from their Polish homeland.
They settle in Marshland and Banks Peninsula.
Their life journey has just begun....'