

Collection objects approved for deaccession

April 2021, Rotorua Lakes Council (O&M Committee meeting)

The following items of pre-identified objects have been approved to deaccession (permanently remove) from the collection of Rotorua Museum Te Whare Taonga o Te Arawa.

It aligns with the 2030 goal of Papa Whakatipu – Outstanding Places to Play, to deaccession items that are not relevant to our region, are duplicates of objects we already have in our collection, or are in very poor condition. This will give Rotorua Museum more space for items that are relevant, and allow us to begin to prepare the collection for it to go back on display when the Whare Taonga building reopens.

1996.22; 2005.146; 2005.147; 2008.81

139 items of clothing

These are either in poor condition, are duplicated elsewhere in the collection or are op shop purchases

1986.50.21

Victorian skirt

This is in extremely poor condition and has no known Rotorua history

1993.11

Medicine chest containing bottles, used by J.W. Bates, Chemist (Hastings) This has no known Rotorua history

1995.278

Woollen blanket

This is in poor condition and has no known provenance

1995.287

Double bedspread

This is in poor condition and has no known provenance

1995.346

Rag mat

This is in poor condition and has no known provenance; there are better examples in the collection

1995.402.4-5

2 seagull feathers

These are commonly found objects with no known provenance

1996.11

191 medical instruments, used by Dr G. W. Lock (1903-1967) at his Papakura practice These have no Rotorua history

1996.57

Bath, acquired as exhibition prop

This has little Rotorua significance and uses considerable storage space



1996.58

Washing machine, acquired as exhibition prop

This has no known Rotorua history

1996.61

13 items of furniture and kitchen appliances, acquired as exhibition props

These have little Rotorua significance and use considerable storage space

1997.17.411

Pair of glasses in case

These glasses have degraded beyond repair

1998.37

12 items of clothing

These have little Rotorua significance and are duplicated elsewhere in the collection

2006.118.23

Wooden cowboy boot (model)

This forms part of a collection of over 100 model shoes and has been requested by the donor's family as a memento

2012.25

Set of Sir Walter Scott (1771-1832) fiction and poetry miniatures

This has no known Rotorua history

C12

Bedspread

This is in poor condition and has no known Rotorua history

C152

Victorian bodice

This is in poor condition and has no known Rotorua history

C260

Victorian dress

This is in poor condition and has no known Rotorua history

P88

2 insects from Australia (spiny leaf insect and spider)

These have no Rotorua significance

1989.82; 1989.56

Radiogram, records and sheet music

These have no Rotorua history and are duplicated elsewhere in the collection

1996.74

Clinker dinghy, used for sea fishing in Opotiki area in 1940s; acquired as exhibition prop

This has no Rotorua significance and uses considerable storage space



1997.64

Armchair, used at Christchurch Royal Box Regent Theatre in 1950s; purchased from a department store in Christchurch

This has no Rotorua significance

If you have any queries about these items please contact:

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XSH-135

Vial of mercury

This is a hazardous substance and has no known Rotorua history

Various

85 books

Many of these are already held in collection or relate to subjects that fall outside scope of collection

1995.341

Two prints of St Joseph and St Antoine

These are in poor condition have no known Rotorua history

1995.342

Two prints (portraits) of unknown man and woman

These are in poor condition and have no known Rotorua history

1995.344

Print of Victorian rural scene

This is in poor condition and has no known Rotorua history

1996.93

Map of the central North Island, found under a house in Fairy Springs

This is in poor condition and has little Rotorua significance

A-100

George Romney (1734-1802) print, 'Lady Hamilton as the goddess of health'

This is in poor condition and has no known Rotorua history

1986.56.2

Souvenir cup with scene of Te Aroha

This has no Rotorua significance

C145

Bodice and underskirt

This is in poor condition and has no known Rotorua history

C243

Nightdress

This is in poor condition and has no known Rotorua history

2014.10.160; 2014.10.144

2 Walter Bakkenes paintings, 'Waiotapu no. 1' and 'Relief painting with wire'

These are in poor condition and there are better examples in the collection

1997.2; 1997.29; 2004.16; 2008.64

5 items of clothing, walking stick, record album, 1960s milkshake machine

These have little Rotorua significance and are duplicated elsewhere in the collection



1995.248; 1995.411; 2008.231 19 items of clothing (mostly equestrian), a riding crop and a recipe book These have little Rotorua significance