

DRAW YOUR
FAVOURITE STAR
TO CELEBRATE THE
COMING OF THE
MĀORI NEW YEAR



BRING IT INTO
THE OCTAGON ON
THURSDAY 19 JUNE
WITH YOUR CAN FOR
THE FOODBANK



The stars of Matariki are aligned to the natural environment: **Waiti** – fresh water; **Waitā** – salt water; **Waipunāraki** – the rain; **Tupuānuku** – everything that grows in the soil; **Tupuāraki** – everything that grows high above the ground and into the sky, and **Ururaki** – the winds. **Hiwaitearaki**, the wishing star. **Pōhutukawa**, the star that reminds us of our loved ones that have passed away and is a time to reflect. **Matariki** signifies reflection, hope, the gathering of people, and our connection to the environment. **Puaka** (not part of Matariki) is an important star for Otago, it rises in the sky as a marker for the seasons to change.

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