



**STAND  
AS A NATION**

**29 SEP. 2024  
EDEN PARK**

## Frequently Asked Questions

### **GENERAL INFORMATION FOR ALL EVENT ATTENDEES**

#### **What day is HAKA-Stand As A Nation, and where is the event?**

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2024. Gates open 4.30pm

Eden Park, Reimers Avenue, Auckland

#### **What time does the event start and end?**

Gates open 4.30pm. Participants need to arrive by 5.30pm. The event entertainment starts at 6.30pm and ends 8.30pm.

#### **Will there be entertainment prior to the Haka record attempt?**

Yes. There will be a stellar lineup of live entertainment from Aotearoa's most celebrated musicians, sporting icons and kapa haka legends who will perform in the lead-up to the HAKA record attempt.

#### **Which haka will be performed and have the relevant Iwi been consulted?**

HAKA-Stand As A Nation has the full support of Ngāti Toa Rangatira, whose chief Te Rauparaha composed Ka Mate and the blessing of Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei mana whenua, in Tāmaki Makaurau.

#### **Who is hosting the HAKA event?**

Up to 10,000 New Zealanders of all cultural backgrounds will stand shoulder to shoulder at Eden Park, in the event of a lifetime. We will stage a record-breaking spectacle and stand as a nation to not only reclaim the title but also to raise funds for the Raukatauri Music Therapy Trust.

This momentous nation building event will showcase our rich cultural heritage to the world and is part of the 20th-anniversary celebrations of the [Raukatauri Music Therapy Trust](#)

The funds raised will enable the Trust to continue delivering life-changing music therapy to those who need it most.

## **TRANSPORT & PARKING**

### **How can I get to Eden Park?**

We recommend using public transport to get to the Event venue. If you are part of a group and are planning to arrive by coach, please get in touch with Event organisers at [kiaora@hakarecord.co.nz](mailto:kiaora@hakarecord.co.nz) in order to arrange coach drop-off access at the venue.

There will be a Traffic Management plan in place for the Event with parking restrictions enforced.

### **Is there parking at the venue?**

There is NO public parking at Eden Park. There will be limited parking available for the public outside of the resident-only permitted areas surrounding the venue, approximately a 10-15 minute walk away. See Eden Park [website](#) for further information

### **Is accessible parking available at Eden Park?**

Please refer to the Eden Park [website](#) for mobility parking details

### **Can I bring my Service dog?**

Registered Service dogs are allowed entry to Eden Park.

### **What if it rains on September 29<sup>th</sup>, will the Event go ahead?**

This is an all-weather event so will go ahead rain or shine. However, in the case of an extreme weather incident, there is an alternate event day, Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September.

## **INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPANTS**

### **How do I Participate?**

By buying a Participant ticket, tickets go on sale from Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July via [Ticketek](#)

### **How many people will do haka to achieve the world record?**

Up to 10,000 New Zealanders of all cultural backgrounds will stand shoulder to shoulder at Eden Park, in the event of a lifetime

### **I have never performed a haka before; can I still participate?**

Absolutely! After purchasing a ticket to Participate at HAKA-Stand As A Nation, you will be sent information and a video on 'How to Haka' to practice before the big day. It is a great opportunity to practice haka with whanau and friends, at school, at work to bring your best haka to Eden Park!

### **Can I perform if I am not Māori?**

Yes, the spirit of our Event is to bring the mana of the haka back to Aotearoa and is open to all who would like to share in this kaupapa.

### **What do I need to do if I am a HAKA Participant?**

Due to the nature of attempting to break an official world record, there are strict rules event organisers need to meet and evidence that is required by the international world record-keeping organisation. To meet these requirements, Participants should be prepared to meet the following requests.

- To perform the required haka movements and words **to the best of your ability**.
- Consent to event information, such as "How to Haka" videos and other information being emailed to you in the lead-up to the event.
- Arrive at the venue by 5:30pm at the latest – failure to do so will likely result in you not being able to participate, due to strict record requirements.
- Complete registration in the Participant area by 6pm at the latest– failure to do so will likely result in you not being able to participate, due to strict record requirements.
- Participants agree that by purchasing a ticket to participate you consent to be filmed, photographed, or otherwise recorded for any use and waive all rights you may have to any claim for payment or royalties in connection with any publication of these materials.
- Understand that due to the nature of the event, there will be rehearsal time, as well as periods of waiting, sitting, and standing.
- Be over 5 years of age.
- If under 15 years of age be accompanied by a participating adult.

### **Is there an age restriction to be a Participant?**

Due to the strict rules that need to be followed to break a world record the Event Organiser has restricted the age of Participants to be over 5 years old. Children should also be accompanied by a responsible and participating adult.

### **What time should I arrive?**

Gates will open at 4:30pm and all Participants need to have arrived by 5:30pm in order to complete registration and be on time for the haka rehearsal on the Eden Park outer oval.

**If I am participating will I be able to see the entertainment from the HAKA rehearsal area?**

Yes, screens will be available on the outer oval to view the entertainment, prior to entering the main field.

**What do I need to wear?**

Participants are asked to wear either a plain back or plain white t-shirt. Participating kapa haka may wear their group uniform if they choose.

**Will I be performing haka barefoot?**

Traditionally haka is performed barefoot, however, given the scale of the event, Participants are asked to wear footwear in the interest of safety.

**My school, kura, work or kapa haka wants to buy tickets in bulk, do I have to do this through Ticketek or is there some other way?**

Great! If you want to purchase over 20 tickets at a time you can get in touch with Event organisers at [kiaora@hakarecord.co.nz](mailto:kiaora@hakarecord.co.nz)

**Will there be somewhere to leave my bag or coat while I perform?**

No. The venue does not have a coat or bag check. If you are attending with ticketed spectators, they may keep a bag or other personal belongings for you, however once you have registered as a Participant on the day you will not be able to return to the stands before the end of the event.

Participants will be moving between the registration area on the outer oval ground to the main Eden Park pitch so we will maintain a strict no bag policy. Only bring items that will fit in your pockets or on your person.

**ACCESSIBILITY**

**Is HAKA Stand as a Nation an accessible event?**

Yes, HAKA Stand as a Nation is an inclusive event, and we encourage participants of all abilities. You can buy an Accessibility Participant ticket which allows you to select the type of accessibility required and includes a ticket for a carer to accompany you, free of charge. If you have any specific questions regarding this, please get in touch with Event organisers at [kiaora@hakarecord.co.nz](mailto:kiaora@hakarecord.co.nz)

Please be advised that participating in this Event will mean being in close proximity to others in a large crowd, if you are immunocompromised or vulnerable please take necessary precautions.

**As a carer, what am I required to do if I am accompanying a Participant with an Accessibility ticket?**

The good news is as a carer accompanying a Participant with an Accessibility ticket, your ticket is free of charge. You will be responsible for facilitating all instructions and movements during the rehearsals on the outer oval field and during the actual record attempt on the Eden Park main field for your Participant companion.

**As an Accessibility carer will I count as part of the HAKA World Record?**

No. You may join in to perform the haka on the field however your haka performance will not count in the world record attempt.

**FOOD & BEVERAGE**

**Can I buy food and drink if I am a Participant?**

Yes, there will be food and drink available in the registration area for Participants to purchase prior to rehearsal and performance. No food or drink (other than water) can be taken onto the main pitch so must be consumed or binned before transfer.

Regular Venue food and beverage options will also be available for purchase for spectators.

**Will special dietary options be available?**

There will be a variety of options available, catering to various dietary requirements.

**Will alcohol be available for purchase?**

Yes, alcohol will be available to purchase. In the spirit of HAKA- Stand As A Nation kaupapa, we want everyone to enjoy this memorable, family-friendly event and promote responsible drinking practices. Please see Eden Park's conditions of entry [here](#)

**TICKETING**

**Why can't I view my tickets to HAKA on my cellphone?**

Tickets will be available to view and print via Ticketek ezyTicket. Digital tickets will not be available via mobile phones for this event.

### **Why do I have to print my tickets to the HAKA event?**

Producing a printed ticket at Gate entry will assist us to efficiently process your registration as a Participant on the day.

### **Can I access Eden Park showing my ezyTicket email on my mobile phone?**

Yes, you will be able to access the main gates by showing your ezyTicket on your mobile device, however a printed ticket will ensure an efficient processing of your registration as a Participant on the day.

### **I can't get to Eden Park to Participate on September 29th, how else can I be involved?**

HAKA will be a live-streamed event staged at the iconic Eden Park, involving cultural ambassadors, sports teams, schools, kapa haka, and community groups to create a special moment in our nation's history. Further details visit <http://www.hakarecord.co.nz/>

## **GENERAL**

### **What else do I need to know about entering Eden Park?**

Yes. In the spirit of HAKA- Stand As A Nation kaupapa, we want everyone to enjoy this memorable, family-friendly event. Please see Eden Park conditions of entry [here](#)

### **Can I smoke or vape at Eden Park?**

No. Eden Park is a vape and smoke-free environment. Further details [here](#)