

## Top 10 Recommended Art Works to see in Christchurch



1. Antony Gormley (Of “Angel of the North” fame in England) sculptures called **STAY**. There are two identical sculptures: one in the Avon River and one in the Arts Centre Quad cloisters in Worcester Boulevard

2. **THE CHALICE** by Neil Dawson in Cathedral Square. Installed 2001. It reflects the Act of Holy Communion in the Anglican Church and is also an inverted shape of the Cathedral steeple.



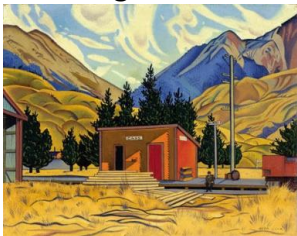
3. **CHAPMAN'S HOMER** by Michael Parekowhai, The Bull on the Piano, outside The Art Gallery on Montreal Street/Worcester Boulevard. This was exhibited in the Venice Biennale in 2011 and purchased by Christchurch in 2013. At one point it was on a vacant section on Madras Street surrounded by earthquake rubble and became a symbol of resilience and strength amidst devastation and destruction.

4. **THE PEACOCK FOUNTAIN** in the Botanical Gardens next to the museum. A wonderfully gaudy Victorian fountain, it was built in 1904 and purchased by the Christchurch Beautifying Association in 1911 with money bequeathed by John Peacock, politician and businessman. In 1996 it was renovated at a cost of \$270 000 and brought out of storage where it had been since 1949.



5. **NUCLEUS** by Phil Price High Street/Manchester Street corner is constantly changing heart in motion. It remained steadfast during the earthquakes and has warmed our hearts with its steadfastness.

6. **CALL ME SNAKE** by Judy Millar 2015 is on the corner of New Regent St and Armagh St.



7. **CASS** by Rita Angus 1936 is in the permanent collection at Christchurch Art Gallery on the First floor. It is an iconic NZ artist's painting of Cass Station on the way to Arthur's Pass. You may find other favourites there!

8. A **painting by a group of Aborigine artists** as a gift to the Islamic community of Christchurch after the mosque attacks in 2019. This is on the ground floor in the Art Gallery and is a wonderful, collaborative piece.



9. Llew Summers sculpture **THE WRESTLERS** along the Avon River in the Botanical Gardens. It was installed in 1990 and caused a stir at the time as both wrestlers are naked. Llew died in 2019 and leaves an artistic legacy throughout the city.

10. **TREE HOUSES FOR SWAMP DWELLERS** by Julia Morrison 2013 is on Colombo St between Armagh and Kilmore streets. It is described as “Ten modular objects that read and function as trees and houses.”

