

INVITATION

Talk about water under the bridge ... seems only yesterday that I completed my graduation film at FAMU, **ONCE UPON AN ISLAND** about the Battle of Crete ... and here it comes: a Platinum Jubilee!

I was figuring how to celebrate it ... and so Markéta and I have decided to invite you to Kino Ponrepo for a sort of private reflection upon life ... mine, yours, ours ...

As chance would have it, this year saw me produce my 60th plus film, this time for Maori TV in New Zealand, **BEYOND THE BATTALION** which I wrote and directed together with internationally renowned Maori actor and director Julian Arahanga. Finally I was able to complete my trilogy about the Maori Battalion in World War II. The film is not about war but deals with human memory and legacy.



WHEN: Saturday 17. June 2017 at 19:00 hours.
WHERE: KINO PONREPO Bartolomějská 291/11, Praha

We are holding the evening under the auspices of the NZ embassy in Berlin, CANZA (The Czech Australian New Zealand Association) in association with the National Film Archive. Partnering our event is Flow East.

His Excellency, the NZ ambassador to Germany, Mr. Rod Harris, has confirmed he will attend.

Also in attendance: an excellent choice of complementary NZ wines, courtesy of the NZ Embassy.

PROGRAMME

I will take the liberty of screening my latest film **BEYOND THE BATTALION** (2017) followed by my graduation film from 1975, **ONCE UPON AN ISLAND**. Most importantly, we are looking forward to meeting up with some good old friends.

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