

Museum @ My Queenstown Collections Development Policy



Our Collections Development Policy guides how we build up and maintain our museum's collection.

The collection development policy that governs Museum @ My Queenstown was approved by its governing body on 1 July 2019, and is due for review on 1 July 2023.

The museum's purpose is to document social history, provide a place for reflecting on shared memories and stories, develop events and programmes that promote a sense of community involvement in Queenstown.

My Community's collection focuses on presenting the history and heritage of Queenstown through intangible and tangible forms. It contains over 10,000 objects of archaeology, art, natural history, social history and over 2000 government documents that were acquired through field collection and donation. The collection draws on the unique history of our community, to offer a context and sense of place to our shared heritage of Queenstown.

Items in My Community's collection:

- Document the history, culture and heritage of Queenstown and its environs
- Celebrates and responds to Queenstown's community
- Provides inspiration for learning and reflecting on place and social history

There are **six criteria** used to evaluate the value of objects in our museum.

- Historical
- Aesthetic
- Social
- Geographical
- Representativeness
- Rarity