



the evolution of goodness

In a world supposedly governed by ruthless survival of the fittest, why do we see acts of goodness in both animals and humans? This problem plagued Charles Darwin in the 1850s as he developed his theory of evolution through natural selection. Indeed, Darwin worried that the goodness he observed in nature could be the Achilles heel of his theory. Ever since then, scientists and other thinkers have engaged in a fierce debate about the origins of goodness that has dragged politics, philosophy, and religion into what remains a major question for evolutionary biology.



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NELSON: Monday 28 April, 6.00pm,
Old St Johns, 320 Hardy St |

CHRISTCHURCH: Tuesday 29 April,
6.00pm, Central Lecture Theatre 1 |

DUNEDIN: Thursday 01 May,
6.30pm, St David's Lecture
Theatre, University of Otago |

WELLINGTON: Friday 02 May, 6.00pm,
Te Papa Soundings Theatre |

TAURANGA: Monday 05 May, 6.00pm
(refreshments). 7pm (Lecture begins)
Tauranga Yacht and Power Boat Club,
90 Keith Allan Drive, Sulphur Point |

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Auckland Museum Events Centre

\$15 for general public

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