

Toothbrushes of Perception

What do the earliest perceiving organisms and simple robots have in common?

Talk and Workshop at **The Green Bench**

14th December 2009 5.30 - 9.00 pm

The Green Bench, 67 Guyton Street, Whanganui (upstairs at the United Friendly Societies Building)

Mike Paulin Associate Professor of Zoology at Otago University will give a talk about the beginnings of perception and the evolution of the first animals and nervous systems over 500 million years ago, relating this to emergent behaviour in simple robots.

He is joined by robotics educator **Andrew Hornblow** to lead a bristlebot workshop.

Bring an old *sloping bristle* toothbrush and learn how to turn it into a small fast moving robot.

Entry \$5 + Bristlebot kits \$5 + Greenbench soup kitchen \$5

Don't forget your sloping bristle toothbrush!

http://greenbench.org/project/toothbrushes