

Moai Sightings

Right: These “Nanoblock MicroSized Building Block Figure Moai Statues on Easter Island” are manufactured by Kawada in Japan and are available from online retailers including www.amazon.com. The kit retails for US\$27.98 and includes over 550 pieces.



Far left. This *moai* was spotted in someone’s front yard by Alice Storey in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada.

Alice also spotted this *ahu* with a *moai* at the Merilba Estate Winery in Uralla, New South Wales, Australia.

This sculpture, by artist Steve Croquett and entitled “Heads Up” was featured in the 15th annual *Sculpture by the Sea* exhibition on Bondi Beach in Sydney, Australia from 3 to 20 November 2011 (photo by Samantha Burns).



Paul Bahn spotted a new *moai* at the movies and shared the following with the editors: “Readers of the RNJ will already be aware that *moai* have made unexpected appearances in a number of comedy movies in recent years – the main examples which come to mind are “Mars Attacks!”, where the Martians bowl them over like ninepins; and the talking *moai* head in “Night at the Museum”. An excellent new British movie has just

appeared, produced by Aardman, a claymation comedy about pirates, called “The Pirates, in an adventure with Scientists!” In the course of the movie, one sequence takes place in the London house of a somewhat villainous Charles Darwin, and one of the items on show upstairs is a full-size *moai* head – which eventually comes crashing downstairs for reasons which you will need to see the movie to understand!”