

TE PŪWĀNANGA

QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER OF NGĀ PAE O TE MĀRAMATANGA RESEARCH

Whāia ngā pae o te māramatanga

Te pae tata, te pae tawhiti

Kia puta ki te whaiao, ki Te Ao Mārama



NGĀ PAE O TE MĀRAMATANGA

Pursue the thresholds of understanding

The near and distant horizons

And so emerge into The World of Light

FROM THE DIRECTOR

Tēnā koutou katoa

We have had an extraordinarily busy few months here in Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga (NPM) and it is a pleasure to report on some of the successes and challenges that have come before us. In this issue of Te Pūwānanga we report on a number of items including our recent and highly successful conference, the outcomes of recent research funding rounds, the launch of the new Fulbright—Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga Awards, and the establishment of Pūkenga Tukutuku: A Directory of Indigenous Research Capability.

The first item, however, is to let you know about the development of a new strategic plan. This is taking place under the guidance of our Board and responds to a number of things including the requirement for NPM to truly be a Centre of Research Excellence, which are described by the Tertiary Education Commission as primarily (but not exclusively) 'inter-institutional networks with researchers working collaboratively on a common agreed research plan'.

Our challenge is to be an active, dynamic and sustainable network of excellent researchers, located throughout the country, who work on excellent research projects and programmes of relevance to Māori peoples.

Of course, NPM, in the 'first phase' of its life, made considerable advances in this direction; however, we feel we can do even better through the implementation of a new strategic plan, a renewed and refreshed activation of our network of Participating Research Entities, the development and implementation of a new research plan and better integration of our research, knowledge exchange and capability building activities.

There is much to be said about these various matters and information will be made available over the next few months. With respect to the strategic plan itself, our vision is moving to understanding and yielding the value, benefits and outcomes of Māori participation in society. Whereas our initial vision concerned the transformation of society so that Māori



Some of the international delegates attending our biennial conference pose with King Tūheitia and his wife Te Atawhai Paki (centre front) [see page 5 for full story]

may achieve full participation, our new vision concerns the 'creative potential' and actual contribution and opportunities Māori people, knowledge, assets and resources can provide to our communities and to the world at large.

The value of full, meaningful and active Māori participation in society, in the economy and in our nation's life and culture is not merely a matter of Māori 'fitting into' pre-existing activities. Rather the 'Māori world' has much to offer the world through distinctive creative activities.

I would also like to make mention of our Pae Tawhiti grant funding rounds. Readers will likely know that late last year we commenced development of these two grant rounds and a number of parties were invited to present full proposals in either of the Māori language or economic development streams. Two independent committees were convened to consider applications and both committees came to the conclusion not to tender either of these contracts. Their recommendation was that whilst many of the proposals contained merit and quality researchers, none quite reached the mark in the 'game changing' ways we were seeking. I appreciate the considerable effort that applicants expended to complete applications and fully understand the frustration that might be felt in regard to this decision.

However, I would like to let our researcher community know that we will be tending these contracts in due course in both streams of Māori language and economic development.

We are shortly to reconvene both committees (a meeting of one of the committees has already taken place) to come to a decision as to where and how best to invest these research funds to ensure the greatest contribution to our communities and these research areas. In doing so, the usual criteria of building and sustaining a network of excellent researchers who collectively act as Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga will be applied.

Additionally, the Pae Tawhiti initiative is about supporting truly innovative research—what is the one thing that we can do now which may yield significant benefits in years to come?

Kia tau rā ngā manaakitanga a te Runga Rawa ki a tātou katoa.

Heoi anō, nāku noa, nā

Professor Charles Royal
Director



RESEARCH

NGĀ PAE O TE MĀRAMATANGA FUNDED RESEARCH PROJECT

Ngā Tikanga Mate: A Comparative Study of Māori and Western Death and Burial Practices

Research Theme 2: Transformation of society and the economy

Subtheme 2.3: Transforming institutions

Led by Dr Nin Tomas, Ngā Tikanga Mate is a comparative research study of Māori and Western ways of looking at death and burial. In recent years there have been several cases of Māori who have died while living outside their hapū (subtribal) territory being repatriated to the home marae for burial. Often this is against the wishes of the spouse or near relatives. The practice is neither new nor restricted to Māori situations. Specifically, the research question is: who “rightfully” should decide where a Māori person is to be buried?

The project combines the academic disciplines of law, history and anthropology. Law asks, who has the “legal right” to decide, and traces the development and impact of laws that originated in England. History examines the chronology of funereal processes and the factors that have shaped it over time. Anthropology examines the motivators behind current customary law practices by asking those who are directly involved in marae processes.

Community interviews are restricted to Ngāpuhi, and examine east and west coast marae practices within the iwi (tribe). The research team seeks to pool the gathered information to produce a basis for better understanding tikanga (practices) relating to burial within New Zealand society, why Māori advocate burial in the homeland, and a clearer understanding of the interface between the principles and protocols of English law and Māori customary law associated with death and burial.

A final, detailed report of the project’s findings for dissemination to hapū and iwi will be prepared and, if shown to be required, recommendations will be made to government departments on possible legislative changes. A more widely accepted and fairer process for deciding where a Māori person will be buried will be suggested that, hopefully, will lessen legal disputes and recourse to the courts in the future.

He Mihi

*Kei ngā maunga huahua
Kei ngā taumata iringa kōrero
Kei ngā wai karekare
Kei ngā awa tuku kiri a te iwi
Kei ngā nohoanga tāngata
Tēnā koutou
Tēnā koutou
Tēnā koutou katoa!*

He Whakataukī

*Matariki ahunga nui
Te tohu o te tau

The arrival of Pleiades
Heralding the new year*

Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga thanks all those who contributed to this newsletter.

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INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH LINKS

American Education Research Association (AERA) Conference

30 April–4 May, 2010

Members of our Research Programme recently attended the Annual Meeting of the American Education Research Association in Denver, Colorado. This event (attended by approximately 12,000 people) is one of the largest conferences on Education. Research Programme members led by the Programme Leader, Dr Marilyn Brewin, each presented

a paper at roundtable sessions. Dr Brewin spoke on “The Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga International Wānanga”, Donna Gardiner spoke on “Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga—an Aotearoa/New Zealand experience”, and Simon Rangiwāhia spoke on “Kanohi ki te kanohi: the engagement process in a New Zealand Centre of Research Excellence”.

Harvard Project on American Indian Economic Development

6–7 May, 2010

The Research Programme team visited Tucson, Arizona to meet with Professor Stephen Cornell of the University of Arizona. Professor Cornell is Director of the Udall Centre for Studies in Public Policy, and Professor of Sociology and of Public Administration and Policy.

He also serves as a faculty associate with the Native Nations Institute for Leadership, Management, and Policy. Of significance to Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga is that Professor Cornell is Co-director of the Harvard Project on American Indian Economic Development, a research programme whose headquarters are at the Kennedy School of Government, Harvard

University and which he co-founded in the late 1980s with Professor Joseph P. Kalt. The Research Programme team are in the process of establishing a working relationship with Professor Cornell and other interested parties, with the view to Professor Cornell visiting New Zealand in the near future to meet with Māori researchers and other key stakeholders, and to engender links between the Harvard project and researchers in our country.

Dr Brewin also met with indigenous scholars based at the Udall Centre, University of Arizona, and the Director and Co-Director of the Indigenous Peoples Law & Policy Program.

NGĀ PAE O TE MĀRAMATANGA ANNUAL RESEARCH FUND

2010 Research Round Recipients

The recent funding round of Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga was the largest of the eight rounds held since the Centre's inception. Forty-one proposals (representing over \$8m) competed for the available \$2m. The following projects were successful and start 1 July 2010.

Project Title	Principal Investigator	Organisation
Exploring a Māori classificatory system of flora and fauna within Tainui Waka	Tom Roa	The University of Waikato
Commercial feasibility of using mātauranga Māori-based fish-traps to eliminate by-catch (2nd phase)	Shaun Ogilvie	Cawthron Institute
He iho reo: Developing a tool box to support Māori language transmission and maintenance	Poia Rewi	University of Otago
The ethics, processes and procedures associated with the digitisation of the Pei Jones Collection	Hēmi Whaanga	The University of Waikato
Computer decision support to aid sustainable contemporary use of taonga species	Corey Bragg	University of Otago
Adapting principles from Te Rongoā into ecologically and culturally sustainable farm practice	Marion Johnson	University of Otago
Reconnecting voyage collections in archives and museums through the creation of digital taonga	Wayne Ngata	Te Tai Rāwhiti Polytechnic
Triangulating on the mechanism for the linear clock and insights from the maramataka and science	Michael Walker	The University of Auckland
Kanakana harvest mātauranga: potential tools to monitor population trends on Waikawa River, Southland/Murihiku (scoping project)	Jane Kitson	Te Ao Mārama Inc.
What is the cost? Estimating the economic costs of Māori: non-Māori child health inequities in Aotearoa (scoping project)	Papaarangi Reid	The University of Auckland

2010 INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH EVENTS

Critical and Sensitive Research Issues Symposium

**‘Tangaroa Ki Uta, Tangaroa Ki Tai:
Water, Our Future’**

14–15 September, 2010 Ōtautahi/Christchurch

A key driver of the symposium is to begin a process of finding constructive research approaches that reflect Māori and Indigenous worldviews to critical issues concerning water

Topics which may be discussed include:

- Water as a Human Right
- Sustainability
- Ownership
- Management and Governance
- Tikanga Māori and Water
- Economic Development and Business
- Science and Knowledge
- Resource and Environment
- Communities: Past, Present and Future

Relevant groups:

- Community representatives
- Researchers
- Iwi, hapū, whānau
- Local and national government representatives
- Academics
- Elders
- Change agents

More information regarding the symposium and its themes will be available in due course.

Online registrations open 2nd August 2010 via our website www.maramatanga.ac.nz

CAPABILITY BUILDING

PŪKENGĀ TUKUTUKU—DIRECTORY OF INDIGENOUS RESEARCH CAPABILITY

Online Indigenous Scholar Directory (scholar.mai.ac.nz)

Connecting Māori scholars engaged in indigenous research across all disciplines

Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga is pleased to announce that this directory is now established. We wish to acknowledge the Ministry of Education, the Tertiary Education Commission and Te Kāhui Amokura (the New Zealand Vice-Chancellors' Committee on Māori), iwi representatives, and student groups for the special support in helping steer the project through a range of administrative, political and planning issues.

A primary goal of this directory is to establish a complete list of our researchers and doctoral students to foster interactions and collaboration in the pursuit of research excellence, which in turn makes positive contributions to our communities and to the world. It is a connector for Māori scholars across all disciplines as well as for non-Māori scholars engaged in indigenous research. The directory also provides a knowledge resource about doctoral students and their research projects and information on established post-PhD



researchers and their research interests. We envisage that this directory will be of value to researchers at all levels, to the tertiary education sector, to iwi, hapū and whānau, and to government agencies and other

stakeholders. If you are a researcher or doctoral student in the Māori and indigenous field you are invited to visit the site and to join this network by registering at scholar.mai.ac.nz

NEW AWARDS FOR INDIGENOUS DEVELOPMENT

Inaugural Fulbright—Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga Awards Launch

Waipapa Marae, The University of Auckland, 8 June 2010



From left: Emeritus Professor Les Williams; PVC Māori, Jim Peters; Inaugural Award Recipient, Dan Bidois; Professor Charles Royal; Fulbright Board Chairperson, Barbara Johnson; and US Consul General, Randy Berry

Fulbright New Zealand in partnership with Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga (NPM) now offer a range of new awards in the field of indigenous development.

The awards were launched at a reception at The University of Auckland. The new awards expand Fulbright New Zealand's existing Graduate, Scholar and Travel Awards Programmes, and will offer New Zealand graduate students, academics, artists and professionals the opportunity to study, research, teach and present their work in areas that

align with the research themes of NPM. The inaugural recipient of the Fulbright—Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga Graduate Award was announced at the award's launch.

Dan Bidois from Auckland, who dropped out of school aged 15 to work as a supermarket butcher before later completing degrees in economics and marketing at The University of Auckland, will complete his Master of Public Policy degree, specialising in social and economic policy at Harvard University in Boston, Massachusetts.

His research will focus on policies and initiatives to address education inequality, with the hope that on his return he can inform policy in New Zealand to improve the achievement of Māori and Pacific students.

Applications for the Fulbright—Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga Senior Scholar Award closed 1 July, 2010. Successful applicants will be notified by September. Applications for the Fulbright—Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga Travel Awards in Indigenous Development are due in April, July and November, and successful applicants will be notified 8 weeks after the respective closing dates.

For further details about the awards, prospective applicants should see www.fulbright.org.nz



KNOWLEDGE EXCHANGE

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2010 Conference Attendance Grant (Round One) Recipients

This grant is intended to support researchers and developing researchers wishing to disseminate their research work at national and international conferences leading to the potential publication of the research findings. We congratulate the following recipients:

Researcher	Conference
Dr James Ātaria	'Celebrating Indigenous Knowledges: Peoples, Lands and Cultures', Trent University, Ontario, Canada
Professor John Broughton	'International Association for Dental Research (IADR) General Session', Barcelona, Spain
Syd Davies	'4th International Indigenous Conference on Traditional Knowledge 2010', The University of Auckland, Auckland
Dr Heather Gifford	'20th IUHPE World Conference on Health Promotion', Geneva, Switzerland
Rau Hoskins	'20th IUHPE World Conference on Health Promotion', Geneva, Switzerland
James Hudson	'Celebrating Indigenous Knowledges: Peoples, Lands and Cultures', Trent University Ontario, Canada
Rebecca Kocks	'4th International Indigenous Conference on Traditional Knowledge 2010', The University of Auckland, Auckland
Dr Simon Lambert	'2010 Native American and Indigenous Studies Annual Meeting', The University of Arizona, Arizona, USA
Amber Logan-Riley	'Knowing Your Roots: Indigenous Medicines, Health Knowledges, Best Practices', Seattle, USA
Erina Okeroa	'The Oceanic Conference of International Studies', The University of Auckland & Victoria University of Wellington
Dr Leonie Pihama	'Knowing Your Roots: Indigenous Medicines, Health Knowledges, Best Practices', Seattle, USA
Dr Paul Reynolds	'Knowing Your Roots: Indigenous Medicines, Health Knowledges, Best Practices', Seattle, USA
Dr Cheryl Smith	'Knowing Your Roots: Indigenous Medicines, Health Knowledges, Best Practices', Seattle, USA
Dr Huhana Smith	'4th International Indigenous Conference on Traditional Knowledge 2010', The University of Auckland, Auckland
Megan Tunks	'20th IUHPE World Conference on Health Promotion', Geneva, Switzerland
Dr Chellie Spiller	'Dare to Care: Passion and Compassion in Management Practice and Research', Canada
Dr Paul Whitinui	'9th Hawai'i International Conference on Education', Hawai'i

2010 Knowledge Event Support Grant Recipients

This grant is intended to assist in the setting up and running of events at which knowledge is exchanged or disseminated to our key audiences: academic, national, Māori and international (indigenous). We congratulate the following recipients of a 2010 Knowledge Event Support Grant.

Recipient	Event
Professor Lyn Carter	Seminar and Breakfast Event on the Treaty and Treaty Settlements
Dr Heather Gifford	Ngāti Hauiti Hapū Leadership Research
Dr Nicole Gombay	Traditional Ecological Knowledge and Indigenous Community-based Resource Management
Ella Henry	He Whare Tapere: International Symposium on Indigenous Screen Production
Leanne Hiroti	Health Knowledge and Healing for Māori
Māui Hudson	Rongoā and Research—Hui, Symposium and Workshop
Professor Alison Jones	Tuhituhi nō Te Taitokerau: Earliest Māori Ink Drawings and Writing
Associate Professor Pare Keiha	He aha te Koha mai i a Tāne-rore ki te Ao? Ko te Haka, e, ko te Haka: A Symposium of the Māori Performing Arts
Dr Te Kani Kīngi	Māori and Pasifika Research Symposium
Associate Professor Linda Nikora	Emeritus Professor James Ritchie Memorial Seminars
Maria Rautangata	Whakairo Symposium
John Tait	Tū Mai Rakatahi
Dr Benita Wakefield	Environmental/Ecological Health of our Waterways, Marae and Hapū
Dr Robert Webb	Māori Association of Social Scientists (MASS) Conference

PUBLICATIONS

AlterNative. A call for papers (www.alternative.ac.nz)

AlterNative: An International Journal of Indigenous Peoples is calling for scholarly papers to be submitted now for 2010 publication

AlterNative: An International Journal of Indigenous Peoples is a multidisciplinary peer-reviewed scholarly journal. It aims to present indigenous worldviews from native and indigenous perspectives at the level of international scholarly research.

It is dedicated to the analysis and dissemination of native indigenous knowledge that uniquely belongs to cultural, traditional, tribal and aboriginal peoples, as well as first nations, from around the world.

Submissions responding to this general call should relate to one or more of the themes of the journal: origins, place, peoples, community, culture, traditional and oral history, heritage,

colonialism, power, intervention, development and self-determination.

Submission and deadline details

AlterNative primarily accepts substantive articles (5000–7000 words) that address a particular indigenous topic/theme. Short timely commentaries (2000–3500 words) that address critical issues and reviews of indigenous books and edited volumes are also accepted.

All papers are aimed at an international audience as well as Aotearoa, so all papers, including introductory information and concepts, should be written with this in mind. *AlterNative* encourages indigenous scholars

to contribute submissions. Specialists and practitioners working on indigenous issues are also welcome. We welcome submissions throughout the year, although we encourage scholars to submit as soon as possible for 2010 publication. Please upload your paper through the online portal, available at: www.alternative.ac.nz

Author guidelines, including format and referencing styles for submitting articles, commentaries and book reviews can be found on the *AlterNative* website.

The next issue of *AlterNative* will be out at the end of June. Look for full details in the October issue of *Te Pūwānanga*.

THE NGĀ PAE O TE MĀRAMATANGA BIENNIAL CONFERENCE

4th International Indigenous Traditional Knowledge Conference 2010

6–9 June 2010, The University of Auckland



We have successfully completed our 4th International Indigenous Conference: **Kei muri i te awe kāpara, he tangata kē: Recognising, engaging and understanding difference.**

The overall aim was to build relationships that engage, understand and accommodate difference to overcome the adverse effects that result from a failure to sufficiently understand the differences among indigenous and non-indigenous communities and societies. This and much more was achieved.

The values and similarities of the indigenous communities that took part showed an immense potential to embrace indigeneity and realise the potential of indigenous perspectives, knowledge and culture to address national and international issues.

Adding to the overall outcomes and value of this international event, delegates were able to gain an appreciation and understanding of the depth and breadth of indigenous transformative research in the world: its complexities, challenges and opportunities.

The event provided a platform for indigenous opinions, research and knowledge to be shared; networks to be established;

and collaborations to be made. This year's conference attracted many leading international, Māori and local community speakers. Delegates came from over 12 different countries with over 460 delegates in total. The invited speakers from New Zealand included Dr Pita Sharples, Professor Ngāhuia Te Awekōtuku, Moana Jackson and Associate Professor Ann Sullivan.

The international invited speakers included:

- Manickam Casimir (MC) Raj, a Dalit (Untouchables), a leading advocate for Dalit Human Rights and for electoral change and the founder of the Rural Education for Development Society (REDS), Karnataka, India
- Federico Lenzerini, Professor of International Law, University of Siena, Italy
- Larissa Behrendt, Professor of Law and Director of Research at the Jumbunna Indigenous House of Learning, University of Technology, Sydney, Australia
- Dan Longboat, Professor of Indigenous Studies & Director of the Indigenous Environmental Studies Program, Trent University, Peterborough, Ontario, Canada
- John Borrows, Professor at the University of Victoria, (Canada) Faculty of Law; and the Robina Chair in Law, Public Policy and Society at the University of Minnesota Law School

- Bateer Chen, a Mongolian, Associate Professor of Higher Education Institute, Nankai University, Nankai District, China
- Mayra Gomez, Senior Programme Officer for Parliamentarians for Nuclear Non-Proliferation and Disarmament (PNND), Aymara Nation, La Paz, Bolivia.
- Senator Clayton Hee, Chairman, Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture and Hawaiian Affairs, Hawai'i State Senate

Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga wishes to thank all delegates who made the conference possible by supporting, attending and contributing to the four-day event. Feedback from evaluations was overwhelmingly positive. We give special thanks to our sponsors, invited speakers and the staff who worked hard to organise this event. A conference report will be posted shortly to the conference website www.traditionalknowledge2010.ac.nz

Video recordings of the invited speakers and the Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga researchers' talks will be posted in the coming months to our online media centre at: mediacentre.maramatanga.ac.nz. Photos from the conference have been posted to the conference site at www.traditionalknowledge2010.ac.nz

Conference papers are being compiled for inclusion in the proceedings, which we hope to publish late this year. For more information on this publication, please contact Dr Susan Healy at proceedings2010@auckland.ac.nz.

PHOTOS FROM OUR BIENNIAL CONFERENCE

All conference photos can be viewed online at: gallery.maramatanga.ac.nz



GENERAL ITEMS

KEY DATES

Item	Date
Hākari—A feast of Māori language, music and dance. Hopetoun Alpha, 19 Beresford Square, Auckland	30 July
Applications for 2011 Doctoral Scholarships—open	4 June
Applications for Internship Programme—open	4 June
Applications for 2011 Annual Doctoral Writing Retreat—open	12 June
Applications for 2011 Doctoral Scholarships—close	8 September
Applications for Internship Programme—close	8 September
Critical and Sensitive Research Issues Symposium—Tangaroa Ki Uta, Tangaroa Ki Tai: Water, Our Future. Christchurch	14–15 September
Applications for 2011 Annual Doctoral Writing Retreat—close	15 October
National Māori Doctoral Students' Conference. Wellington	18–20 October
International Writing Wānanga for senior & mid-career researchers. Ōmāpere	1–5 November
Tiakina tō Whānau: Keeping our Whānau Safe International Conference, Rotorua. National Collective of Independent Women's Refuges	24–26 November

Media Centre now available online

We are pleased to announce that our extensive archive of video recordings of keynote speakers from past Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga conferences, sponsored events and symposia can be viewed online at: mediacentre.maramatanga.ac.nz



Annual Report 2009

Electronic copy available for download

We are pleased to make our Annual Report 2009 available online. Last year saw many successes in delivering on our vision for positive social transformation.

Key successes include:

- The publication of five academic journals of Māori and indigenous writing, including continued commitment to building a new scholarly community for international indigenous research in our journal *AlterNative*
- Continued promotion of greater Māori involvement in science with the launch of the first Māori science monograph: *Te Ara Pūtaiao—Māori Insights in Science*
- Completion of a competitive research round with project topics ranging from the history of the 28th Māori Battalion D Company, through to new approaches to commercial fishing, to sustainable geothermal development
- Continued provision of academic pathways, with 400 doctoral students participating in the MAI Te Kupenga programme
- Expansion of the knowledge exchange event programme, sharing research approaches and outcomes to a wider audience
- Extended collaboration in advancing research themes, with two new research projects on whānau resilience in partnership with the Health Research Council, Families Commission and Accident Compensation Corporation

To view Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga's 2009 Annual Report please visit our website at www.maramatanga.ac.nz

HĀKARI—A feast of Māori language music, dance and culture

6.30pm–10.30pm, 30 July 2010, Hopetoun Alpha, 19 Beresford Square, Auckland Central

A concert will be held to celebrate Māori language week, to launch a new CD of Māori language music and to conduct a presentation on the whare tapere (traditional pā-based houses of entertainment).

Entitled Hākari, the event will be a feast of entertainment involving music and aspects of the whare tapere (pā-based houses of storytelling, dance, music and more).

The event will take place during Māori language week (26 July–1 August 2010) and will commence with Reo, a group who perform mōteatea, taonga pūoro and digital textures. This will be followed by a presentation on aspects of the whare tapere.

A second group of songs will then be performed—collectively entitled Awa—before the final set of songs performed by the group

Tohu, a band which specialises in music influenced by Māori language and mātauranga Māori approaches to music making.

They will play songs from their new CD entitled *Whakawhiti*, which will be launched at the concert. Please register online at www.maramatanga.ac.nz. Entry is free and attendees are free to bring their own refreshments (BYO).