



# Te Pūwānanga

NEWSLETTER OF NGĀ PAE O TE MĀRAMATANGA  
NEW ZEALAND'S MĀORI CENTRE OF RESEARCH EXCELLENCE



## He Ao! He Ao! He Aotearoa

NPM's 2016 International Indigenous Research Conference is over and we acknowledge and celebrate the efforts of NPM's staff and network, and all of our speakers and national and international delegates who joined us in Tāmaki Makaurau to attend our 7th Biennial Conference.

The week started on Monday 14th November with our MAI TK Breakfast and pre-conference workshops, then a book launch later that evening. The conference proper began the following day with the opening pōwhiri, and an exciting and thought-provoking week flowed from that point right through to the final poroporoakī at Waipapa Marae on the afternoon of Friday 18th November.

Almost 500 people attended the conference from 100 tribal nations, and they were challenged and engaged by our promi-

nent keynote speakers and enlightened by many experienced and new researchers on the exciting research they are undertaking and the work they are doing amongst their Indigenous communities.

The over 200 presentations, panels and round-tables throughout the week were inspiring and received great feedback from attendees, and delegates also enjoyed the variety of events that allowed them to socialise and learn from each other outside of the conference presentations. From the opening night National Māori Research Strategy evening, to the outstanding inaugural Indigenous 3-Minute Thesis Competition, the entertaining conference dinner at Tāmaki Paenga Hira - Auckland War Memorial Museum and the thought-provoking films and Q&A sessions of NPM's first movie night, the week provided an array of opportunities for everyone to renew friendships and forge new research collaborations.

Co-Directors Professor Jacinta Ruru and Associate Professor Tracey McIntosh, on behalf of the conference committee, would like to express their thanks to all those who attended this year's conference and made it the success it was. *Cont. Page 3* ►

### HE WHAKATAUKĪ

Whāia ngā pae o te māramatanga  
Ko te pae tawhiti, whāia kia tata  
Ko te pae tata, whakamaui kia tinā  
E puta ai ki te whāiao, ki te ao mārama!

The work still continues for NPM, and we are already starting to plan for our 8th Biennial conference, two years from now. The dates have been confirmed for the 13th – 16th November, 2018. 2018 will mark 16 years since Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga was established, and we are focusing on bringing together another world-class line-up of influential keynotes, presenters, events and research for all those who attend, to contribute towards global Indigenous research transformation.

For all those who attended this year's 2016 conference, we would like to get your thoughts and feedback on the week. How did you rate the conference and the activities? What did you enjoy? What would you like more of next time?

Your feedback will make our next conference in two years' time even better so please complete the online conference evaluation now and tell us what you liked and how we can improve.

The keynote presentations from this year's 7th biennial conference are published on our Media Centre. Please link below to view the keynote talks by:

- **Professor Linda Tuhiwai Smith**
- **Justice Joe Williams**
- **Professor Sir Mason Durie**
- **Patrick Kelly**
- **Dr Donna DeGennaro**
- **Professor Kyle Powys Whyte**

You can view an album of conference photos from the week **here on our Facebook page**, and please **follow and like us on Facebook** to stay up-to-date with all the latest NPM research, events and information.

Jacinta and Tracey would also like to thank all of our generous conference sponsors. NPM's biennial conference would not be the success it is without all of your ongoing support and assistance.

- Te Puni Kokiri
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# 8<sup>TH</sup> BIENNIAL INTERNATIONAL INDIGENOUS RESEARCH CONFERENCE

Save the Dates Now!

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The 8th Biennial NPM International Indigenous Research Conference  
has been confirmed:

13 – 16 NOVEMBER 2018 : Tāmaki Makaurau - Auckland, NZ

The call for abstracts will begin in 2017. Registrations will open early 2018.



## Te Pūrongo ā Te Kaiwhakahaere Matua : Co-Directors' Report

Kia ora koutou katoa. Ngā mihi o te Kirihimete.

As we transition into the new year, we are reflecting on and thanking all for creating such an exciting, successful and busy 2016 here at the refreshed Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga (NPM) – New Zealand's Māori Centre of Research Excellence.

2016 was a significant year for embedding in new processes, establishing a new distributive leadership across the country, and developing new contributive institutional values all with the intent of enhancing our collective vision of Māori leading New Zealand into the future.

Many highlights shine bright. In this first of our five-year Centre of Research Excellence contract with the Tertiary Education Commission, we are delighted to have launched our new foundational, seed and scope research projects that are enabling prominent new inter-institutional Māori-led research to produce strategic results across our interwoven thematic threads of the Māori economy, environment and society. These specific themes, Whai Rawa - Māori Economies, Te Tai Ao - The Natural Environment, Mauri Ora - Human Flourishing, all guided by the principles of Te Reo me Ngā Tikanga Māori - Māori Language and Protocols, are energising our research network and communities to engage with us on many new and fascinating levels.

Through refreshed and robust processes we have proudly invested millions of dollars in new research, Postdoctoral Research Fellows, postgraduate scholarships, summer internships and research support to help expand Māori researchers' career pathways. All the while we continue to grow our national and international Indigenous networks by supporting important knowledge sharing activities that have real significance to our communities.

In November we held our successful 7th Biennial International Indigenous Research Conference in Tāmaki Makaurau - Auckland and it was an honour to host all of you who could make it to the week. The more than 500 attendees were inspired by the powerful presentations, and excited by the new initiatives that were announced over the four days. This was our biggest conference yet!

We are encouraged by the excellence that we can see emerging from the multitude of new NPM research projects, not only by

senior Māori researchers across the country, but also by many of our early career Māori scholars. The national MAI Doctoral Conference hosted by the MAI ki Pōneke team in Wellington in late November provided an especially heartening insight into the growing excellence of Māori-led research across a multitude of disciplines. The future of Māori research is in good hands!

NPM will be on a short break over the holiday season, as we all enjoy a taste of the Aotearoa summer and recharge our batteries for the year ahead. 2017 will be just as busy as we all continue to work towards realising Māori aspirations for flourishing economies, environments and peoples, and strengthening our national and international strategies and partnerships with iwi and hapū, Indigenous entities, governments, businesses, professionals and institutions to support and inspire even more transformative multidisciplinary research outputs, outcomes and excellence.

We would like to thank you all for your considerable support throughout this year. Your ongoing encouragement and engagement with the work of Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga motivates not just the leadership and secretariat teams, but also our wider research network to forge ahead with the important work we are all engaged in.

We wish you a safe and restful holiday season with your whānau, and look forward to connecting with you again into 2017.

Ngā mihi o te Tau Hou ki a koutou katoa



Associate Professor Tracey McIntosh



Professor Jacinta Ruru

**NPM will close for the holiday break on Wednesday 21 December, 2016 and reopen again on Monday 9 January, 2017.**



## NPM calls for a National Māori Research Strategy

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On Tuesday 15th November, NPM together with the Independent Māori Statutory Board (IMSB) held an event at our biennial conference which launched the IMSB's *Māori Report for Tāmaki Makaurau 2016*, and where NPM's patron Dr The Honorable Sir Pita R. Sharples announced the call for a National Māori Research Strategy.

The purpose of this call is to draw on the collective breadth, depth and strength of Māori researchers from across the country to create a new bold research agenda that is vital to the future of New Zealand.

The National Māori Research Strategy will be designed to generate researched solutions to establish the conditions necessary for prosperous, sustainable and healthy lives across all of our communities.

NPM Co-Director Associate Professor Tracey McIntosh says "We embrace the potential of Māori-led research and Māori researchers who are embedded into the lives of their communities and iwi. Their work is grounded in the certainty that we can achieve flourishing communities by drawing on culturally informed and evidence-based solutions, and Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga's intention is to ensure this knowledge and expertise benefits not only Māori, but New Zealand as a whole."

In early 2017 Māori researchers will be invited to submit their research ideas and questions for the transformative changes that they consider are critical for the nation's future. We expect these contributions to encompass all of NPM's research themes.

The strategy will be designed to fully capture and deliver on the promise and potential that Māori research holds for the future of Aotearoa-New Zealand. While individuals and individual disciplines may not have all the answers to the significant challenges that we face, or allow us to fully seize the wonderful opportunities that are presented, as a collective we believe we have unparalleled strength.

NPM is looking forward to our network responding to this challenge: from environmental scientists, biologists, physicists, engineers, economists and social scientists, to health researchers, legal scholars, heritage specialists, educators, linguists, artists, and cultural knowledge-bearers, we are seeking research ideas that will tackle both deeply entrenched and complex social problems, as well as ideas that strive to generate new knowledge and innovation for the future."

Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga will be outlining more details of this call for a National Māori Research Strategy and engaging widely with our researchers, communities and partners across Aotearoa.

# Ahunga Āta Whakarite : Strategic Direction



Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga's Strategic Direction document has been published online and is available for download from our website.

This *Ahunga Āta Whakarite - Strategic Direction* outlines NPM's direction over the next five years through to 2020.

## **Ko te Māori e arataki ana i a Aotearoa ki te ao kei mua**

Our Matakiteanga or Vision translates to 'Māori Leading New Zealand into the future' and our research realises Māori aspirations for positive engagement in national life and the future of the country.

NPM is delivering research that produces strategic outcomes in our interwoven thematic areas of Māori economy, environment and society.

We are enhancing our excellence in Indigenous scholarship and with all of our research seek to provide solutions to major challenges facing humanity in local and global settings.

## **Link to the online version of NPM's Strategic Direction document here**

## New Māori Research : Seeding Excellence and Future Change

Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga is currently seeding a suite of new projects that will deliver positive change through vital Māori research.

NPM recently supported its vast network of Māori researchers and scholars around the country in developing new projects that will produce important strategic outcomes for our communities and the nation.

Each of these projects contributes to ongoing Māori development and falls into one of our interwoven research themes of Whai Rawa (Māori Economies), Te Tai Ao (Natural Environment), Mauri Ora (Human Flourishing), and Te Reo me Ngā Tikanga Māori (Māori Language and Protocols).

The ten new innovative and inspiring research projects were designed and developed to support Māori research excellence that aligns directly with specific community needs and together they will assist in achieving our collective aspirations and lead to real impact.

The seed funding (\$25,000 to \$60,000), for these 12-month projects heralds the commencement of significant and transformative research pathways that will ultimately contribute to actual change in our communities.

With subjects ranging from Indigenous entrepreneurship to Māori healing and health, biosecurity, education and data sovereignty, each of the projects has the potential to lead its research teams onto deeper and more involved research and

outcomes in the years ahead.

NPM's research focus is to produce real world impacts, and support our researchers to work together to develop new lines of inquiry and objectives, and this new suite of research projects provides an exciting opportunity to develop a cluster of aligned outcomes and deliver positive change.

Each of the new projects is expected to benefit our communities and build pathways towards larger benefits in the future. We are extremely pleased to see these new and very capable teams come together to undertake this exciting research and look forward to all working towards our common goal over the year ahead, of Māori leading New Zealand into the future.

The ten new NPM research projects are:

1. Analysis of the Cultural, Ethical, Research, Legal and Scientific (CERLS) issues inherent in Rongoā Māori research, led by Dr Amohia Boulton (Ngāti Ranginui, Ngāi Te Rangi, Ngāti Pukenga, Ngāti Mutunga) hosted by Whakauae Research for Māori Health and Development
2. Entrepreneurial ecosystem efficacy for Indigenous entrepreneurs led by Dr Jason Paul Mika (Tūhoe, Ngāti Awa, Whakatōhea, Ngāti Kahungunu) hosted by Massey University
3. He Pouna: the Māori Jurisprudence Project led by Māmari Stephens (Te Rarawa) hosted by Victoria University of Wellington
4. He rongoā tō te reo – Te Reo Māori as a form of healing led by Dr Acushla Dee Sciascia (Ngāruahine Rangi, Ngāti Ruanui, Te Āti Awa), hosted by Te Wānanga o Aotearoa
5. Indigenous Data Sovereignty: Enduring Aspirations in a Digital Age led by Associate Professor Tahu Kukutai (Ngāti Tipa, Waikato-Maniapoto, Te Aupouri), hosted by University of Waikato
6. Mātauranga Māori: Enhancing Māori-medium schooling led by Associate Professor Tony Trinick (Te Whānau a Apanui) hosted by University of Auckland.
7. Noho Taiao: Occupying Science by Reclaiming Space and Place, led by Pauline Waiti (Te Rarawa) and hosted by Whariki Research Centre, Massey University
8. Te Pū o te Rākau: The pedagogy of pūrākau led by Associate Professor Jenny Lee-Morgan (Waikato, Ngāti Mahuta) hosted by University of Waikato
9. Te ruru a Te Ihonga: Threshold concepts in Māori studies, led by Dr Meegan Hall (Ngāti Ranginui, Ngāti Tūwharetoa) hosted out of Victoria University of Wellington
10. Te Turi Whakamātaki – Māori Biosecurity, protecting our taonga for future generations, led by Dr Amanda Black (Tūhoe, Whakatōhea) hosted by Lincoln University

## Summer Internships

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Twenty-one NPM Summer Internships were recently confirmed for 2016-2017, and the successful students have now commenced their commanding projects supervised by some of NZ's foremost Indigenous researchers.

This is the twelfth year that NPM has run its summer internship programme, which is designed to build Māori research capability and provide experiences for Māori students interested in advancing their skills and capacity in Indigenous research.

Each internship is valued at \$5500, over 10 weeks, and we would like to acknowledge the following successful interns.

- Rewi Nankivell – How Great Can We Be? Identity Leaders of the Māori Economic Renaissance (supervised by Dr Carla Houkamau)
- Hannah Mereraiha White – The Science of Language: Examining the linguistic structure of te reo Māori (supervised by Professor Angus Macfarlane)
- Kerry-Leigh Dougall – Wainuiomata Marae: Setting the Scene for Urban Regeneration (supervised by Dr Rebecca Kiddle)
- Deane-Rose Ngatai-Tua – Nga Uri o Matihiko (supervised by Dr Wayne Ngata)
- Marareia Hamilton – Iwi Development Integration of Papakāinga and NET Innovations (supervised by Dr Kepa Morgan)
- Kenneth Taiapa – Scoping Kaitiakitanga activities in Aotearoa (supervised by Professor Helen Moewaka Barnes)
- Jovan Mocaraka-Harris – Te Haro o te Kaahu: use of drones in Māori environmental strategies (supervised by Wendy Henwood)
- Kara Beckford – Building a Takatāpui Research Foundation – An annotated bibliography (supervised by Professor Linda Waimarie Nikora)
- Shane Kennard – Sex and intimacy in violent relationships (supervised by Professor Linda Waimarie Nikora)
- Jonothan Rau – co-funded with Manaaki Whenua - Landcare Research: Ngā kowiringa whenua Māori - Māori land-use opportunities (supervised by Dr Shaun Awatere)
- Makarita Ngapine Tangitu-Joseph – Māori whānau experience of Hospital Transfers (supervised by Dr Bridgette Masters-Awatere)
- Chelsea Cunningham – co-funded with Otago's Te Koronga: Indigenous Science Research Theme Internships (supervised by Professor Richard Walter and Dr Anne-Marie Jackson)
- Kelly Moanna Klink – Breaking the Barrier: A History of Māori Spiritual and Religious Entanglements at Aotea from 1889 (supervised by Dr Nepia Mahuika)
- Haylee Anne Koroi – co-funded by Auckland Council's Research and Monitoring Unit: Indigenous knowledge as evidence in local government decision-making: challenges and opportunities (supervised by Dr Dan Hikuroa and Associate Professor Michelle Thompson-Fawcett)
- Roma Simmons-Donaldson – Whai Rawa: Mobilising the economic development aspirations of Kāti Huirapa Rūnaki ki Puketeraki (supervised by Corey Bragg)
- Jen Takuira – Māori Treaty of Waitangi Settlement Redress Models (supervised by Dr Robert Joseph)
- Kendrex Kereopa-Woon – Mātauranga Māori in psychology: Contributions to an Indigenous Psychology (supervised by Dr Waikaremoana Waitoki)
- Sara Che Runga – The Place of Martial Arts in Māori Health, Autonomy and Well-Being – A Review of the Literature. (supervised by Dr Waikaremoana Waitoki)
- Terina Raureti – co-funded with Otago's Te Koronga: Indigenous Science Research Theme; Ko Waikouaiti te awa: Waikouaiti is the river (supervised by Dr Anne-Marie Jackson)
- Georgia-Rae Flack – co-funded with Otago's Te Koronga: Indigenous Science Research Theme; Ko Hikaroroa te mauka: Hikaroroa is the mountain (supervised by Dr Anne-Marie Jackson)
- Te Okahurangi Ngahana-Hartley – Te Poutuarongo o Te Whare Kōkōrangī (supervised by Associate Professor Rangi Matamua)

## National MAI Doctoral Conference

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***He hono tāngata e kore e motu, kāpā he taura waka e motu. Bonds between people cannot be broken, unlike the severable canoe rope.***

Drawing on this prominent whakatauki, last month Māori students from around the country came together for the annual national NPM MAI Doctoral Conference, which was in Wellington. Hosted by the MAI ki Pōneke team, the conference was a significant and stimulating event with many highlights.

The conference created a space where all taura felt empowered to connect, share and be inspired by each other's doctoral journeys, and the NPM writing retreat which followed on from the conference enabled attendees to unpack and think about

their kaupapa with focused researchers. Attendee Anne Waapu commented that “both these experiences reaffirmed for all who were there that the value of a kaputī with our peers cannot be underestimated”.

Dr Pauline Harris on behalf of MAI ki Pōneke reported that “the energy was amazing and one of the real strengths of the MAI network is the diversity that when shared can lead to multidisciplinary thoughts, ideas and potential collaborations”.

MAI Te Kupenga is a Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga supported national network of sites based in Te Tai Tokerau, Auckland, AUT, Waikato, Awanuiārangi, Massey, Victoria, Canterbury, Lincoln, and Otago. All sites are committed to nurturing Māori postgraduate excellence and success. [Link to MAI sites here.](#)

## Māori Scholars Recognised by Royal Society

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Two outstanding Māori scholars – Professor Linda Tuhiwai Smith and Professor Jacinta Ruru – were elected as Fellows of the Royal Society of New Zealand in October, honouring their careers and distinction in research and scholarship.

Linda and Jacinta are the first Māori women to be elected as Fellows in the 149-year history of the Society and are researchers of international repute. They have deep and enduring ties with Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga (NPM), New Zealand's Māori Centre of Research Excellence; Linda was a founding Joint Director of NPM from 2002-2007 and is the new chair of our International Research Advisory Board, and Jacinta is currently a Co-Director of NPM (2016-2020).

Professor Linda Tuhiwai Smith, from the University of Waikato, has had a long and illustrious career in the social sciences. Her original and revolutionary research as detailed in her globally acclaimed book, *Decolonizing Methodologies: Research and Indigenous Peoples* continues to have enormous impact across many domains of the sciences and humanities.

This pioneering research was instrumental in promoting the development and promotion of research methodologies that enable Indigenous people to re-assert the integrity of their own knowledge bases and their own ways of knowing and engaging with the world.

Linda's areas of interest span language revitalisation, gender and youth issues, Indigenous schooling, health and resilience, and Indigenous knowledge and its interface with science, marginalisation and institutional change.

Jacinta is New Zealand's first Māori Professor of Law and is based at the

University of Otago. Her work is at the forefront of exploring and defining how the legal systems of former colonies can recognise Indigenous peoples' rights to own, manage and govern their interests in land and water.

She has led or co-led a number of national and international research projects, and has authored more than 90 publications, including her co-authored 2010 book *Discovering Indigenous Lands*.

Our heartfelt congratulations go to both Linda and Jacinta, who continue to break new ground for Māori researchers and academics across the country, and Indigenous research and communities throughout the world.

Traditionally the Royal Society of New Zealand has been over-represented by men and people of European descent, and the Society today expressed their pleasure with their most recent 19 selections which has "resulted in a more diverse group of new Fellows – selected entirely on merit – which is more representative of our community of researchers and scholars."

NPM Co-Director Associate Professor Tracey McIntosh commented in October "Our pride in the acknowledgment of the scholarship and contribution that Linda and Jacinta have made is immense. Linda's global prominence in the Indigenous research world is unequalled. The impact of both her intellectual work and her presence is far-reaching and she continues to be a catalyst of change for so many. Jacinta's work demonstrates the significance of using legal instruments, too often used against us in the past, as powerful mechanisms for determining our collective futures. Both show the power of research to create transformative positive change."



Professor Linda Tuhiwai Smith



Professor Jacinta Ruru

## Ngā Pukapuka : Publications

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### **New Treaty, New Tradition**

A new book, authored by NPM Investigator and Victoria University of Wellington academic Dr Carwyn Jones, and supported by a Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga Publication Support Grant, argues that genuine and durable reconciliation can occur only when the importance of Māori legal traditions in the Treaty of Waitangi settlement process is recognised.

*New Treaty, New Tradition* was launched at Victoria's Faculty of Law, on Thursday 8th December.

Combining analysis with Māori storytelling, the book explores how the resolution of historical Treaty of Waitangi claims continues to shape Māori and state legal traditions, and suggests ways in which Indigenous legal traditions can form an important part of reconciliation processes in other parts of the world.

Dr Jones is a senior lecturer in Victoria's Faculty of Law and a leading academic in the area of Māori and indigenous peoples' legal issues.

*New Treaty, New Tradition* is published by the University of British Columbia Press, with the support of Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga and distributed by Victoria University Press.

**Read more here.**

### **Indigenous Psychology In Aotearoa**

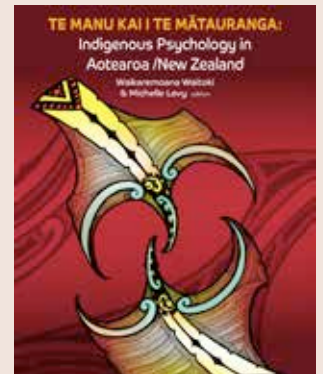
*Te Manu Kai I Te Matauranga: Indigenous Psychology in Aotearoa/New Zealand*, is edited by NPM Principal Investigators, Drs Waikaremoana Waitoki and Michelle Levy, and was launched recently at the 2016 New Zealand Psychological Society's annual conference in Wellington.

*Te Manu Kai I Te Matauranga* brings together the perspectives of 18 Māori psychologists as they deal with the case of Ripeka, a young woman facing mental health challenges.

Co-edited by Dr Waitoki and Dr Levy, the book allows the authors to approach varying elements of Ripeka's care and provides vivid insight into Māori psychological practice.

Dr Waitoki says "*Te Manu Kai I Te Matauranga* is the fulfillment of a long held vision for Māori practitioners, researchers and teachers of psychology to claim their space within the discipline of psychology. Within this book we implicitly challenge the notion that we must reside solely within the western space and forgo our indigenous knowledge base. Many of the authors have been in practice for over 20 years – all activists and warriors within psychology."

The book launch was followed by an enlightening discussion between Waikaremoana and Kathryn Ryan on Radio NZ on the 30th November. **Link to an audio file of this interview here.**







## Indigenous Peoples, Popular Pleasures and the Everyday

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A special issue of *AlterNative*, Volume 12, Issue 5 has been published entitled “Indigenous Peoples, Popular Pleasures and the Everyday,” guest edited by Associate Professor Bronwyn Carlson and Professor Michelle Harris.

This issue focuses on Indigenous people and the pleasure they derive from popular culture. As Carlson and Harris highlight in their introduction, despite a well-developed understanding of the perils of mass media and the capitalist system, Indigenous people find pleasure within it and often by subverting and re-arranging it to suit.

Including eight articles and one poem from authors based in Aotearoa New Zealand, Australia and the United States, this special issue examines how expressive culture is transformed and is transformative of Indigenous experiences and the expression and representation of identities and knowledges – an indigenization of popular culture.

The contributions highlight how Indigenous peoples are active producers engaged in the rearrangement and manipulation of both popular and “Indigenous” culture that finds its way into everyday practice. [See the article overview here](#)



## Māori Tourism and Adult Māori-Language Learners

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The latest general issue of *MAI Journal* (Volume 5, Issue, 2) contains articles looking at Māori issues in Aotearoa New Zealand.

The lead article by Sandi Ringham, Naomi Simmonds and Lynda Johnston, titled “Māori tourism geographies: Values, morals and diverse economies” addresses the question “How and in what ways do Māori working in tourism (re)construct their places and identities through practising Māori values in Aotearoa New Zealand’s tourism spaces?” It presents findings from interviews and participant sensing to examine how diverse Māori values and practices shape tourism terrains and vice versa.

The following article by Matiu Tai Rātima and Julian Wilcox, titled “Julian Wilcox: Exemplar Māori-language learner” looks into the under-researched area of the role of adult Māori-language learners in the revitalisation of te reo Māori. Drawing upon Julian Wilcox’s journey as an exemplar and utilising a framework of narrative inquiry, this article provides insights into the factors that may contribute to the development of proficiency in te reo for other Māori and Indigenous-language learners.

[Link to the MAI Journal page here](#)

## MAI Journal General Call for Papers

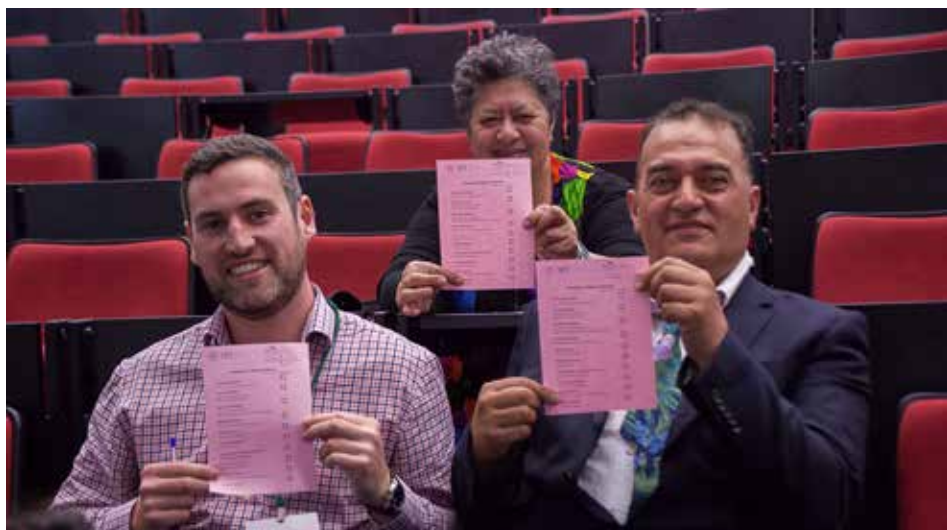
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MAI Journal is now calling for papers to be considered for the first issue of Volume 6 (May 2017). We welcome submissions all year round, however, for consideration for this issue, articles should reach us no later than Sunday 15th January 2017. Please **visit the MAI Journal site** for our author guidelines and our online submission portal. We recommend early submission.


MAI Journal publishes articles that substantively address and critically engage with indigenous issues from a scholarly indigenous viewpoint. We also publish short, timely commentaries which address a particular indigenous topic, theme, or contemporary issue affecting Indigenous societies.

# 7th Biennial NPM International Indigenous Research Conference

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