

TE PŪWĀNANGA

QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER OF NGĀ PAE O TE MĀRAMATANGA RESEARCH

Whāia ngā pae o te māramatanga me te aroha

Te pae tata, te pae tawhiti

Kia puta koe ki te whaiao ki te ao mārama



Pursue the horizons of understanding and love

The near horizon, the distant horizon

So that you may emerge into the world of light

FROM THE DIRECTOR

Tēnā koutou katoa,

Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga (NPM) turned 10 years old in July, a milestone indeed in the life of this centre. So much has happened in our communities and in the life of NPM and Māori relevant research since 2002. Where might one begin? Our early focus was on uplifting Māori participation and success in research and research training. Our well-known goal of 500 Māori PhDs was emblematic of this focus. Now we are making the transition towards excellence in the field of indigenous development research. Capability building remains an ongoing concern and, of course, valuable and excellent research was conducted by NPM in its early years.

Research concerning Māori needs and opportunities holds benefits for all of New Zealand and is a model for other indigenous communities throughout the world. We were able to share and learn about a wide range of research from many peoples during our International Indigenous Development Research Conference held in June. At the conference we launched six new NPM research projects which address crucial issues for Aotearoa. Please turn to pages two and three for a full report with photos on the conference and our new research. Thank you to the many people who attended the conference and we hope to see you all at our next one in 2014.

In the few days prior to the conference, our International Research Advisory Panel (IRAP) convened in Auckland. The IRAP reviews and provides independent opinion on the quality of research and related activities of NPM. Some of our researchers presented their work which was of great interest to the panel. The panel's current members are made up of international and New Zealand scholars, please see our website for more details.

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While winter was a busy time for NPM, spring will bring more activity with our 4th Annual Research Symposium on 14th–15th November at the Rotorua Energy Events Centre. The theme is Enhancing Māori Distinctiveness.



Two of the keynote speakers at our International Indigenous Development Research Conference 2012, Aroha Mead (left) and Dr Jelena Porsanger



Sir Tipene O'Regan welcomes conference delegates on Waipapa Marae

See page four for more details and watch our website for the latest updates.

Finally, I would like to welcome three people to NPM – Traci Houpapa and Associate Professor Pare Keiha who were appointed to our Board, and Eamon Nathan who joined the team in Auckland as the Research Programme Coordinator. At our August Board meeting, we also farewelled Alison Paterson, a long standing member of the NPM Board. Alison has made a lengthy and valuable contribution

to NPM and she will be missed. We wish her well in her future endeavours.

Ngā mihi,

Professor Charles Royal
Director

**Indigenous Transformation through
Research Excellence**

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

*E noho koe ki te waewae o Uenuku
Kia ora ai te tangata*

*Sit at the feet of the Rainbow
So that humankind might prosper*

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

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NEW NPM RESEARCH PROJECTS UNVEILED

The six Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga (NPM) research projects starting this year all tackle essential issues for Aotearoa. The projects were launched at the NPM New Research Showcase evening, part of the International Indigenous Development Research Conference 2012.

The ground-breaking studies are:



An investigation into the fisheries resources and interests of iwi, hapū and marae within Tauranga Moana and the impacts caused by the grounding of the CV Rena – Associate Professor Paul Kayes,

from Te Whare Wānanga o Awanuiārangī.

The team will assess the status of selected shellfish in the area, and how the grounding of the cargo vessel *Rena* has affected these fisheries and iwi ability to manage them. This will serve as an example for all iwi in regards to fisheries management and the effects caused by environmental disasters of this scale.



Networks of support for Māori mental health: The response and recovery of Tangata Whaiora through the Ōtautahi earthquakes – Dr Simon Lambert,

Lincoln University. This looks at how the recent earthquakes in Ōtautahi (Christchurch) have affected Māori mental health communities. The research team will focus on how the support networks for Tangata Whaiora (a term applied to Māori mental health clients that translates as people seeking health) and their whānau responded and recovered through the disaster.



Ka awatea: An iwi case study of Māori students experiencing success

– Professor Angus Macfarlane, University of Canterbury. Through interviews, literature and surveys, this research will examine the multiplicity of factors that support Māori student achievement. Findings will be passed onto educators, parents and whānau.



Indigenous agroecology

– Dr Marion Johnson, Kā Rakahau o Te Ao Tūroa (CSAFE), University of Otago. Indigenous agroecology is an opportunity for mātauranga Māori (Māori knowledge) to inform

and generate innovation in farm practices.

This project aims to create a unique low-input farming model underpinned by indigenous knowledge, science and technology. Marion's previous NPM project is profiled on page seven.



Tiakina te pā harakeke: Māori childrearing within a context of whānau ora

– Dr Leonie Pihama, University of Waikato. This project seeks to share with whānau and others, knowledge about

successfully raising children in ways that are grounded within tikanga Māori, and have been and continue to be, practised for generations.



Aue ha! Māori men's relational health

– Mohi Rua (left) and Professor Darrin Hodgetts, University of Waikato. This project addresses the everyday lives and positive relationships of Māori

men in the context of men's health. It will explore supportive relationships and positive social interactions among three diverse groups of Māori men: those engaged in traditional practices in their home settings; those who have migrated to an urban centre and work to maintain links back home; and those who are experiencing street homelessness.

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www.maramatanga.ac.nz/research**





INTERNATIONAL INDIGENOUS DEVELOPMENT RESEARCH CONFERENCE 2012

The International Indigenous Development Research Conference 2012 saw more than 400 researchers from around the world forging links and sharing knowledge over four days in Auckland. The 5th biennial Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga (NPM) conference, held 27th–30th June, was all-encompassing and multi-disciplinary, and welcomed indigenous scholars and allied researchers from many different research fields and nations.

Over 100 presenters took part, led by keynote speakers Associate Professor Troy A. Richardson, Associate Professor Keawe'aimoku Kaholokula, Dr Jelena Porsanger, Aroha Mead and Professor Charles Royal. Presentations ranged across the themes of the conference, and included individual research projects, team presentations and lively panel discussions. As the conference covers many diverse areas of scholarship, it was a rare chance for researchers from diverse disciplines to talk about their indigenous research within an indigenous conference setting.

Three special social events during the conference gave delegates a chance to get together informally – the welcome lunch hosted at Waipapa Marae; the NPM research showcase which launched *MAI Journal* and the 2012 NPM research projects; and our excellent conference dinner at the Viaduct Events Centre, where we were honoured and entertained by local and international delegates performing cultural items as well as some great music from Ruia Aperahama, Charles Royal and Awatea.

More photos from the conference are available to view on the Online Media Centre, and videos of selected presentations are being uploaded regularly. The Conference Proceedings are under review and will be published online early in 2013 on the NPM website. The next biennial NPM conference is planned for 2014, and we hope to see you there.

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NEW BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga (NPM) is delighted to announce two new appointments to its Board – Traci Houpapa and Associate Professor Pare Keiha.

NPM Board Chair Sir Tīpene O'Regan welcomes the wealth of experience they both bring to the Centre of Research Excellence's Board. He would also like to thank departing Board member Alison Paterson for her years of contribution.

Traci Houpapa (Waikato Maniapoto, Taranaki, Tūwharetoa) is the Chairman of the Federation of Māori Authorities (FoMA), and Tainui Executive Committee member. She is the first woman to lead FoMA since its establishment in 1987, and is committed to encouraging and promoting Māori participation in the economic development.

She is a partner with THS & Associates Ltd, a Hamilton-based consulting firm providing advice in strategic and business planning, and organisational development to iwi, Māori, public and private sector clients throughout New Zealand.

She holds many director and ministerial appointments, including Landcorp Farming Ltd, Strada Corporation, Pemberton Construction Limited, the National Advisory Council of Employment for Women, the Rural Broadband Initiative Advisory Committee, the Global Strategic Initiatives Expert Advisory Committee, and Te Uranga B2 Incorporation. She is a Member of the Order of New Zealand.



Traci Houpapa

Associate Professor Pare Keiha is the Pro Vice Chancellor for Māori Advancement, Pro Vice Chancellor for Learning and Teaching and Dean of Te Ara Poutama, the Faculty of Māori Development, at AUT University.

He has an extensive background in the governance of public and private companies. He was a member of the Foundation for Research, Science and Technology's Board from 2002 to 2010. His past directorships include the Legal Services Agency, Waitematā District Health Board, Metrowater Ltd, Port Gisborne Ltd, the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Authority and the Royal Society for the Encouragement of Arts and Manufactures Australia + New Zealand. He is chair of the Mika Haka Foundation. In 2008



Associate Professor Pare Keiha

he was made a Companion of the Queen's Service Order for his services to business, education and Māori.

He advises a number of Māori enterprises and state sector entities in business development, management and strategy. He is a trustee of the Te Whānau-a-Taupara Trust Board and his tribal affiliations lie with the principle tribes of Tūranga (Gisborne), specifically the Whānau-a-Taupara hapū of Te Aitanga-a-Māhaki, and Rongowhakaata.

The new board members join current members Sir Tīpene O'Regan, Associate Professor Jan Crosthwaite, Professor Jane Harding, Professor Hirini Matunga, Jim Peters and Mike Stevens.

FOURTH ANNUAL NGĀ PAE O TE MĀRAMATANGA RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM

Enhancing Māori Distinctiveness – The Contribution and Opportunity: Ko tā te Māori ake takoha ki te ao

14-15 November | Rotorua Energy Events Centre

This event will address crucial questions around enhancing Māori distinctiveness – understanding and yielding the distinctive contribution that Māori peoples make and may yet make to New Zealand society, culture, economy and overall prosperity. What positive and unique Māori contributions to New Zealand's national development do and could exist? What is the value of the Māori dimension in New Zealand's society?

There are four sub-themes to the two-day event:

- Te Reo Māori and Literature in Te Reo Māori
- Mātauranga Māori and Science
- Mātauranga Māori and Arts
- Ahi Kā: Creative Iwi Enterprises

An impressive line-up of speakers will be announced soon.
Registrations open shortly, watch www.maramatanga.ac.nz for more details

FULBRIGHT-NPM MĀORI SCHOLARS GRADUATE FROM HARVARD

Fellow Fulbright-Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga (NPM) Graduate Award recipients Dan Bidois and Natalie Coates are among the newest Harvard University graduates. The award enabled the two Māori scholars to attend the prestigious US university, which they say was a life-changing experience.

Dan (Tainui, Ngāti Maniapoto) was the inaugural recipient of the award in 2010. Dan, who comes from Auckland, dropped out of school at 15 years old to work as a supermarket butcher before later completing Bachelors of Commerce and Arts at The University of Auckland. Natalie (Ngāti Awa, Te Arawa, Tūhoe, Ngāti Hine) was the 2011 recipient. She grew up in Te Teko in the Bay of Plenty and went on to study law and Māori at the University of Otago.

Natalie graduated with a one-year Master of Laws, while Dan completed a two-year Master in Public Policy. Both say their time at Harvard was rewarding professionally and personally. Dan enjoyed the chance to travel widely, and made it a priority to get to know American culture and share his culture, organising Waitangi Day celebrations in his school both years.

“Apart from the obvious financial support, this award gave me a stronger sense of pride in New Zealand and in being Māori,” he says.

For his second-year research project, Dan worked with the New Zealand Ministry of Education to develop a new funding system for early childhood education. The aim of this project was to reduce the growth in early childhood education expenditure by government, while working to improve participation rates among Māori and Pacific families.

Dan’s studies have led him to be appointed as a policy consultant in the Private Sector Development Division of the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), based in Paris. He says once this contract finishes late in 2013, he will return home.

Natalie says her time at Harvard was one of the most rewarding experiences of her life, not only in terms of being intellectually stimulating and challenging, but also from a social and personal perspective.

“The law programme brings together 180 students from 62 different countries from totally



Dan Bidois



Natalie Coates



Renee Wikaire

different backgrounds. I had the opportunity to go to Thailand with the Human Rights Clinic and spend some time in a Burmese refugee camp. This was incredible and I learnt the extent of the suffering some people are subjected to in the world,” she says.

Natalie says it was humbling to receive the graduate award. “It is a great honour to be acknowledged for showing promise and the ability to contribute to Māori development in the future.”

Natalie recently returned to New Zealand and accepted a law lectureship offer from The University of Auckland.

The Fulbright-NPM Graduate Award is granted for advanced academic study in the US. Only one award is given each year to a graduate student whose area of study fits within one of NPM’s research themes.

The 2012 recipient Renee Wikaire (Ngāpuhi, Ngāti Whātua) recently left Christchurch to complete a PhD in education, specialising in indigenous development through sport, at Florida State University.

Renee, who graduated with a Bachelor of Physical Education degree with Honours from the University of Otago in 2011, has a passion for ngā taonga tākaro and believes a synthesis of health science, humanities and mātauranga Māori can help improve health statistics for Māori. She cites the growing popularity of waka ama as an example of an indigenous sport which can be used to motivate and increase physical activity among Māori.

The Fulbright-NPM Graduate Award is one of three exchange awards offered under a partnership between NPM and Fulbright New Zealand. For more information and to apply visit www.maramatanga.ac.nz/research/grants_and_awards

ALTERNATIVE LATEST ISSUE OUT NOW

The latest quarterly issue of *AlterNative: An International Journal of Indigenous Peoples* (Volume 8, 3) is now available online and in print. This issue brings together indigenous issues in education, psychology, business administration, visual arts, gender studies and midwifery, as well as health and social services.

Three articles focus on indigenous education. Owen Pansiri identifies ethno-cultural stereotypes and prejudices which cause negative self-images in children from the indigenous communities as the main contributing factors of early school withdrawal in the rural ethnic minority schools in Ngamiland, Botswana.

A literature review on cultural competency in medical curricula is presented by David Paul, Shauna Hill and Shaun Ewen. The authors highlight the need for a more 'culturally competent' health workforce to address health disparities between Australia's Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal peoples.

Marguerite Maher reports on the Growing Our Own indigenous teacher education initiative that provides teacher education in

situ to indigenous assistant teachers in remote Northern Territory, Australia.

In other articles, Kisiku Sa'qawei Paq'tism Randolph Bowers discusses how Mi'kmaq ceremonial practice holds important cultural and practical teachings that can work as a therapeutic pathway to spiritual and ecological growth.

Lloyd L. Lee in his article "Gender, Navajo Leadership and 'Retrospective Falsification'" argues that Diné society was originally egalitarian, and colonialism and the American way of life are behind Navajo women's exclusion from politics.

Derek Prue and Kay Devine examine the "Millennium Housing Project", a First Nations initiative in Alberta, Canada, from the perspective of the theoretical relationship between institutional theory and organisational culture.

Karen Lawford and Audrey R. Giles employ First Nations feminist theory to analyse the evacuation policy for pregnant First Nations women who live on reserve, in rural and remote areas in Canada.

Jessica Jacobson-Konefall analyses a new media art projection at The Forks, a Manitoba tourism and heritage site in Winnipeg, Canada. She reflects on how this digital animation of a North American indigenous creation myth destabilises colonial constructions of place and people.

In their article "Global declaration and village discourses: social policy and indigenous wellbeing", Litea Meo-Sewabu and Wheturangi Walsh-Tapiata explore the discourse on cultural heritage preservation by looking at international regulations and how they relate to regional, national and grassroots issues in Fiji.

AlterNative is a peer-reviewed interdisciplinary journal that aims to present indigenous worldviews from native indigenous perspectives. Access to *AlterNative* articles is by subscription to institution and individuals. Visit our website for subscription information.

AlterNative welcomes article submissions throughout the year. Visit www.alternative.ac.nz for author guidelines and our online submission portal.

MAI JOURNAL UPDATE

MAI Journal: A New Zealand Journal of Indigenous Scholarship is a Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga (NPM) peer-reviewed open access scholarly journal of New Zealand and a sister publication to *AlterNative: An International Journal of Indigenous Peoples*, launched in 2012.

MAI Journal publishes multidisciplinary peer-reviewed articles around indigenous knowledge and development in the context of Aotearoa New Zealand. The second issue of *MAI Journal* is now in production and will be published later this year. We encourage indigenous scholars to submit articles for consideration in future issues now. We accept articles all year round. Please see our website for author guidelines and our online submission portal.

MAI Journal welcomes papers that critically analyse and address all indigenous issues in the context of Aotearoa New Zealand. We publish scholarly articles that substantively engage with indigenous intellectual work. We also publish articles in indigenous languages relevant to Aotearoa New Zealand. *MAI Journal* is peer reviewed to international standards by reviewers both here and internationally. We urge you to consider submitting your next article to *MAI Journal*.

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WAIPOUA WĀNANGA IDENTIFIES ASPIRATIONS

In August more than 20 people gathered on Matatina Marae in Waipoua Valley to identify the aspirations for their community's future. This forms part of the wānanga project being coordinated by Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga (NPM) to determine how wānanga contribute to fostering the creative potential of Māori communities.

During the long weekend, organised by NPM's Eamon Nathan, the group discussed

fundamental processes of wānanga before implementing these practices to facilitate discussions around the potential activities that they will undertake during the coming years.

Activities such as tākaro (traditional games) were used to encourage interaction amongst participants (pictured above), and the group also planted pohutukawa, pūriri and tītoki trees to symbolise the significance of this initiative.

NGĀ PAE O TE MĀRAMATANGA RESEARCH PROJECT

Adapting principles from rongoā into ecologically and culturally sustainable farm practice

This project examines rongoā (traditional Māori knowledge of medicinal plants) to find ways to improve animal health naturally, and overall, manage farms with respect for the land.

Principal Investigator Dr Marion Johnson was a farm manager in the UK when she received a scholarship to study environmental biology and returned to university. She later arrived back in New Zealand to complete a PhD on parasites of farmed red deer. For her post-doctoral research, she wanted to focus on sustainable agricultural practices.

“I thought, we need to get more plant diversity back on the farm, so as a farmer what would persuade me? If I had an economic incentive to plant I would be more likely to – plants with anti-parasitic properties would definitely encourage me.”

For this Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga project, she found useful literature on human health and plants, and Māori knowledge. She already had a contact from Ngāi Tahu, John Reid, and through him she met Robin Wybrow, the chairman of the Wairewa rūnanga. Wairewa were left a 450ha farm in trust and Robin, with his belief in sustainability, was keen to be involved.

After consulting Gribbles Veterinary lab, local vets and farmers, Marion decided to concentrate on tonic plants and species that aid lactation, wound healing, scour and of course anti-parasitics. Her team have since been researching and developing lists of

native plants that might successfully address these health issues. Compiled from literature and community discussions, the lists detail Banks Peninsula specific plants, as rongoā is particular to an area and every hapū has its own remedies. In addition each farm will have different requirements and growing conditions. Rongoā is more than simply herbs for healing and encompasses connections to the land and whānau; as such farming using rongoā requires an ethic of good stewardship.

The project has developed to include other elements – because the farm was not previously mapped, the team is charting the farm using geographic information systems (GIS). The maps show boundaries, fences, current vegetation and eroded areas and will allow visualisation of both planting schemes and how they could be managed. There is also a biodiversity component to the project, meshing rongoā plantings with species required to support native fauna. Robin suggested, on behalf of the community, the species that they would most like to see return, include ruru, tūtī, kereru and jewelled gecko.

When she first started this project Marion thought rongoā only related to human health, not livestock, but she has discovered there are stories of Māori families using plants for animal treatment, stories of what did not work and plants to beware of, which are just as important as remedies.

“When chemical fertilisers and drenches were introduced in the 1940s, a lot of knowledge

Te Pūtahi farm, the setting for the project



was lost in New Zealand about ways to farm naturally. We want to discover the knowledge that remains and introduce it back into modern farming systems. It's the way agriculture is going – management with respect,” says Marion. “We need to record the traditional knowledge before it dies out with the older generations, and it's encouraging to see younger generations are interested.”

Marion initially found it surprising that when talking to farmers about the research they were positive, and credits this to having a working farm involved. “I believe that research needs to link to reality.”

The team has plans in place for which species are to be planted, and the next stage is putting it into action. They are also looking at building a knowledge database for people to access, possibly online or on CD. They discussed the planting plans with the local community at a hui in June, and will present at the IFOAM Organic Animal Husbandry Conference in Germany in September and the Ecosummit in October in the USA.

See page two to read more about Marion's new NPM research project.

NEW LOOK ONLINE MEDIA CENTRE

The Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga Online Media Centre has been re-launched. The new site has an appealing layout, is easy to navigate and use, and you can browse videos by key words or by category, and share videos via social media. The galleries section has a range of photos taken at events, including the International Indigenous Development Research Conference 2012.

There are new documentaries to watch, such as the short profiles of Research Director Dr Dan Hikuroa's research project on Lake Rotoitipaku, and Principal Investigator Shaun Ogilvie's research into tetrodotoxin in kaimoana; and *People's Media Venezuela*, a documentary about indigenous media in Venezuela. Visit mediacentre.maramatanga.ac.nz



Lake Rotoitipaku – the Mauri Model documentary available to view on the Online Media Centre



The Tetrodotoxin in Kaimoana documentary

HORIZONS OF INSIGHT SEMINARS

Dr Shane Wright (Te Āti Hau, Tūwharetoa), from the School of Biological Sciences at The University of Auckland, was the speaker at our July Horizons of Insight Seminar. Dr Wright spoke about his research, which he started to form the idea for in his twenties, when he was travelling and noticed how plant diversity changed with altitude.

He returned to New Zealand and after completing his PhD, he turned his attention to his true interest: energy, area and the rate of evolution. He picked up on the ideas of Rohde, who proposed that evolution has spatial polarity, but had been largely ignored by the science community. Dr Wright, with funding from Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga (NPM), then set about to test this hypothesis.

He compared similar plants that live in different natural environments, and found those in warmer climates grew more rapidly. They have a faster rate of metabolism, leading to more genetic variations, and pass on genetic changes through generations more quickly. He found the same patterns in mammal and amphibian evolution – those in lower altitudes and warmer climates had faster metabolic rates. This implies that, rather than occurring in an unstructured and diffuse way, evolution is spatially ordered according to energetically and areally determined polarities.

Dr Wright says without NPM's support, he would have struggled to start this research project because it was such a contentious theory. Yet his work has gone on to be

published in a number of prominent journals, including *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences USA*, and he continues to work on his theory today.

In August, Associate Professor Huia Tomlins-Jahnke, Amber Logan and Dr Annemarie Gillies spoke about the technology used in the research project "Au e Ihu! Ngā Mōrehu Taua: Those that are left behind must endeavour to complete the work" to digitally catalogue the taonga of the 28th Māori Battalion D Company.

The dynamic and searchable database can be edited, and has made the taonga easily accessible for research and education. It also has meant taonga are protected for generations to come.

There are two more seminars left in our series:

- Aituā – unique Māori research methodologies – what's different?: Associate Professor Linda Nikora, Dr Ngahuia Te Awekotuku on September 26th.
- Mātauranga Māori and Science: Dr Shaun Ogilvie on October 31st.

Keep an eye on www.maramatanga.ac.nz/news-events/events for the details, and past seminars are available to view on the Online Media Centre.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Summer internships

Applications close for our 10 summer student internships at 4pm, Thursday 20th September 2012. There are 12 research projects for pre-doctoral students to choose from, covering a wide range of research areas and based around the country. We ask that senior researchers draw potential students' attention to this opportunity and encourage them to apply. To read the criteria, about the projects and apply online, visit www.maramatanga.ac.nz/funding-opportunity/internships. Students who have been successful in gaining an internship will be informed by 31st October.

New staff member

Eamon Nathan (Te Roroa, Ngāti Torahina, Ngāti Rango, Ngā Puhī, Ngāti Arera - Cook Islands) has joined NPM as the Research Programme Coordinator and works with our Director, Professor Charles Royal, on his research and creative programme. Eamon has a Bachelor in Hapū Development from Te Wānanga-o-Raukawa. Prior to taking his current NPM role, he spent four years working with ATTTO and Skills Active developing meaningful training programmes for Māori, and worked in the health sector with Te Hotu Manawa Māori 2011. His interests include tākaro Māori and studying te reo.



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