



MPIA NORTHERN REGION WEEKLY UPDATE

Week beginning 6th of June 2011

IMPORTANT

NZQA development of NZ ESOL qualifications

NZQA National Qualifications Services (NQS) is working in partnership with the sector on the development of New Zealand Qualifications in ESOL. Following a series of sector meetings held in Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch during November 2010 to outline a proposal for the development, work has started on developing New Zealand qualifications in ESOL. For further information go to Development of New Zealand ESOL Qualifications <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/about-us/consultations-and-reviews/development-of-nz-esol-qualifications/>

Consultation on draft strategic purpose and graduate profiles for the proposed New Zealand ESOL qualifications, and proposed replacement information for existing qualifications are now open. The feedback received will inform the Application to Develop a Qualification as part of the mandatory review of qualifications process.

The feedback will be considered by the ESOL Project Advisory Group and the Development Panel in order to confirm the final versions of the applications.

The following information:

- background and rationale to the qualifications development
- proposed set of qualifications
- proposed replacement information for existing qualifications

Feedback form can be accessed at Consultation on proposed suite of ESOL qualifications <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/about-us/consultations-and-reviews/proposed-esol-qualifications/>

Once approval to develop the qualifications has been granted, NZQA will complete development of the full qualifications. We plan to consult on these during the month of September.

Electoral enrolment



Enrolling to vote is the first step to participating in the election, which gives voters their chance to have their say on who runs the country.

The Electoral Enrolment Centre sent out enrolment update packs to everyone on the roll at the end of May, to let them know that the election is on its way and to check their enrolment details. Those who didn't get one aren't enrolled to vote, and should freetext their name and address to 3676, get a form from a PostShop or call Freephone 0800 36 76 56.

The EEC encourages everyone to spread the word about the need to enrol amongst whanau and communities. More information about enrolling and voting is available at www.elections.org.nz.

FORUMS AND FONOS

National Pacific Radio Trust – Meeting Hamilton

The NPRT Chair and Trustees of Niu FM & Radio 531pi would like to invite you to join them for a meeting an opportunity to share with the community, the progress and important milestones of the radio network - Niu FM & Radio 531pi. Following the Meeting, refreshments will be provided and this will be your opportunity to meet with the board of the National Pacific Radio Trust.

Hamilton

Tuesday **7th June 2011** – Hamilton

Kaute Pasifika

517 Anglesea Street, Hamilton

7:00pm to 9:00pm

For more information contact Christina Kamilo in Auckland (09) 361 6656 or by e-mail:

christina.kamilo@pacificmedianetwork.com

Pacific Careers Forum - Hamilton

Te Rapakau Pacific Trust (NGO) in conjunction with Career Services have organised the following two events for Pacific youth in Hamilton.

- Pacific Careers So'o being held on the **9th June** (Year 9-10) at the Hamilton Garden pavilion
- Pacific Careers Fono 7th July (Years 11-13) being held at the university of Waikato

The aim of the Pacific Career So'o and Fono is to steer Pacific senior high school students to higher education that will lead to better outcomes for Pacific families and communities. We encourage students to aspire to be all they can be, discuss barriers to education and ways to overcome them and provide practical steps to make their aspirations a reality. We have from 100-120 students attend each workshop; they come from Waikato and Tokoroa secondary schools. For more information please contact Saffron-Moana Middleton phone 8481002 saffron-moana@terapakau.co.nz

MINISTRY NEWS

Winners of last years awards:
Samuelu Siilata, Tammy Kingi, J'aime Laurenson

HOME

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ENTRY FORM

The graphic features a blue stylized logo of a person with arms raised, a photo of three young people (two men and one woman) smiling, and the text 'PRIME MINISTER'S PACIFIC YOUTH AWARDS' in large pink and blue letters. At the bottom, it says 'PRIME MINISTER'S PACIFIC YOUTH AWARDS' and 'ENTRY FORM' in white and blue on a black background.

Prime Ministers Pacific Youth Awards

Applications are now open for the PM's Pacific Youth Awards.

The Prime Minister's Pacific Youth Awards were first offered last year with the three winners qualifying for prizes including \$6000-worth of tuition at the University of Auckland; a Cogita Business Systems-sponsored educational trip overseas to work on community-based projects; and a paid internship at WETA workshop. This year there is a fourth award on offer - aeronautical engineering training provided by the Air New Zealand Aviation Institute.

Entries open 16th of May and close on **4th July 2011**. The winners of the awards will be announced **10th August 2011**. For more information see www.pacificyouthawards.org.nz

VACANCIES

Female Social Worker or Counsellor (Full Time)

Fale Lalaga: Pacific Women's Health and Social Services Incorporated is a social service committed to serving the Pacific community. Its primary role is to provide counselling programme, social work and advocacy support for our Pacific families. The social worker AND/OR counsellor is expected to work as a team member who has passion and commitment to serve the needs of our Pacific families.

The ideal candidate must have:

- Confidence to work independently with minimum supervision
- Honesty, integrity and passion for making a difference to the lives of Pacific communities
- Experience in counselling and social work
- Excellent writing skills
- A can do attitude towards supporting and advocating for Pacific families
- A good understanding of any of the Pacific cultures
- Must be a team player

Successful applicant/s must have a clean police record and a full clean driver's license.

Please contact Sally on 09 828 4307 for more information about the application process.

Applications close: Friday **10 June 2011**.

Applications in writing accompanied by CV and a copy of your academic record should be addressed to:

Sally Lee

PO Box 19008

Avondale

Auckland

Or email to info@falelalaga.org.nz

Research assistants' positions

University of Auckland Te Whare Kura Research project on Endangered Pacific Languages seeks two Research Assistants to support the researchers in this team. Primary Focus: Niue and Cook Island Maori

Roles:

Research Assistants will help build relationships between the project and the Bilingual Leo Pacific Coalition community stakeholders, organise and schedule meetings/fonos, consultations, interviews, set up project resource database, organise and conduct the literature review. They will conduct interviews, distribute and collect questionnaires, gather data gather, transcribe and translate where necessary interviews and draw initial conclusions.

In this role, as well as providing administrative support to the team, you will contribute to the overall work of the research team. These are part time positions averaging 20 hours per week for approximately 10 weeks. To start early July.

Person specifications

- Effective Pacific cultural communication skills in Vagahau Niue
- Or Cook Island Maori highly desirable. Ability to operate confidently and comfortably with communities essential.
- A postgraduate research degree is essential. Previous research experience is required.

The positions will suit applicants with initiative who are information literate, accurate, methodical, motivated, and organised with excellent time-management skills. Familiarity with MS Office, excel, a web design application, EndNote /Refworks & Library information systems essential.

Please inquire to Te Whare Kura Research project on Endangered Pacific Languages. For information on the job description contact Dr Melenaite Taumoefolau :< m.taumoefolau@auckland.ac.nz >

Email applications to Dr Melenaite Taumoefolau and cc Judy McFall Project Liaison Officer: m.taumoefolau@auckland.ac.nz & j.mcfall@auckland.ac.nz 09 373 7599 X 83165

Hourly rate: \$22.50 per hour. Closing date: extended to **17 June 2011**

Future leaders programme co-ordinator



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The YWCA Auckland is a 125 year old organisation which works to empower women to lead in community and individual change. We have 3 strands of focus; our Hostel – in the CBD, whose operation enables our community work, Voice – working and advocating in issues relating to women and Community – delivering evidenced based, demand driven community programmes currently; Encore and Future Leaders.

The YWCA Future Leaders programme is a significantly successful mentoring programme for young women in the Auckland Region. The Future leader's role has come vacant after our highly valued coordinator of some years is moving overseas. There is a direct focus on the mentoring relationships and workshop/events associated with the programme.

A full clean driver's license and private vehicle are required for this role. You must have the right to live and work in this location to apply for this position.

For a job description, please email admin@akywca.org.nz. Applications close on **20th June 2011**.

PACIFIC DANCE ARTIST IN RESIDENCE PROGRAMME 2011 CALLOUT FOR DANCERS

Pacific Dance Artist in Residence programme 2011.

The Pacific Dance Artist in Residence presented by Pacific Dance New Zealand, DANZ, Creative New Zealand and the Auckland Council launches in the historic Mangere East Metro Theatre on Saturday 4th June at 1:00pm.

This residency was listed as a New Zealand significant dance event for 2010 in the DANZ annual review. Now, in its second year the Pacific Dance Artist in Residence programme is once again taking Pacific dance in the city to another level.

This year's recipient is Keneti Muaiava. Keneti is a Samoan heritage dance tufuga (master) with a lifetime of experience in the art form. Samoan born and grown in New Zealand, Keneti offers this residency 15 years experience as a tutor of Pacific dance in education programmes and services into schools. He has taught at various tertiary institutions and has also taught and choreographed winning performances in the ASBPolyfest.

Keneti is currently the resident expert in Samoan dance at Auckland University's Centre for Pacific Studies.

Keneti's residency project is entitled "Past, Present and Future," setting out to explore the Samoan dance art form, respecting the past but also looking into now and futures. In the residency Keneti will teach three traditional Samoan dances – the Sasa, the Fa'ataupati (slap dance) and the Maulu'ulu (action dance). These dances will be grounded in tradition and will build upon developments in the artform from the previous half-century.

In the eight-week residency Keneti will be mentored by Richard Moyle, previously the director of Pacific Studies at Auckland University and the Director of the Archive of Māori and Pacific Music. Pacific Dance New Zealand is very excited by the involvement of Professor Moyle and the possibilities Keneti presents to this residency.

Dancers from the community are invited to join Keneti in this exploration.

Residency dance times are Tuesdays and Thursdays 5pm – 9pm and Saturdays 12pm – 5pm. This will end with a culminating showing at the Metro Theatre on Saturday the 30th July from 6pm – 7pm.

For more information, please contact: Filoi Vaila'au at 09 3700487, email at auckland@pacificdance.co.nz, or for media enquiries contact: marketing@pacificdance.co.nz. Visit the following sites for more info:

www.pacificdance.co.nz , www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz, www.danz.org.nz

For registration and enquiries please email auckland@pacificdance.co.nz or phone Filoi Vaila'au on 09 370 0487. For further information you can also check out these websites: www.pacificdance.co.nz www.danz.org.nz and www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

YOUTH



Youth mentoring conference

Youth Mentoring are proud to announce that Conference registrations are open.

If you work with young people, then you can't afford to miss out on this valuable 2 days - so **REGISTER NOW!**

What: NAVIGATE - The 2011 New Zealand Youth Mentoring Conference

When: 16th & 17th August 2011

Where: Novotel Hotel, Ellerslie, Auckland, NZ

Investment: \$395.00 + GST (2 day Conference)

A conference dinner on the night of the 16th August is also available. See <http://www.youthmentoring.org.nz/conference.cfm> for further details.

VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers for Rugby world cup

The RWC 2011 Ceremonies team has started the recruitment campaign for volunteers both as Performers and Support Volunteers. The Opening and Closing Ceremonies will be two of the Worlds greatest shows this year and a memorable occasion for all individuals involved.

If you know of people who may interested in participating in either capacity please forward the link rugbyworldcup.com/ceremonies so they can apply.

There are two types of Ceremony Volunteers that are needed Performers & Support Volunteers.

- All applications must be completed online at www.rugbyworldcup.com/ceremonies
- Candidates must be 17 years or older to apply
- Candidates must have good energy and a desire to participate; we will teach you the rest!
- All applicants will be required to agree to security, confidentiality & image authorisation releases
- Successful applicants will be required for rehearsals during weeknights & weekends
- All positions are volunteer therefore will not be compensated.

Applications will close on Sunday **June 12.**

For more information contact the RWC 2011 Ceremonies Volunteer team on 09 550 6666.

Volunteer service abroad



VSA volunteers must be New Zealand citizens or have New Zealand permanent residency status and preferably have lived in New Zealand for at least two years. Air fares, medical costs, insurance and allowances are paid. **Closing date for applications:** 13 June 2011 for an application form and assignment description, please visit: www.vsa.org.nz Email: volunteer@vsa.org.nz or phone: (04) 472 5759

CHRISTCHURCH EARTHQUAKE

Relationship services

Relationship Services Whakawhanaungatanga (<http://www.relate.org.nz/>) is partnering with the Ministry of Social Development, Department of Labour and the Office of Ethnic Affairs to get the message out to Pacific communities and individuals who may be suffering as a result of the Christchurch earthquakes. If you need someone to talk to in Samoan and Tongan languages, there is a free service that can help. Throughout June Relationship Services is providing counselling with Language Line interpreters so you can speak in your own language about how you are feeling and find ways to

cope. To make an appointment, call 0800 735 283. These are trained counsellors whose job is to listen and help us all find ways to cope. The service is confidential.

What you can do:

Donate to Red Cross: Free phone: **0800 754 726**

Donate to Salvation Army: Freephone: **0800 53 00 00**

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

Health Promotion Forum – Health Promotion Forum Scholarship

Health Promotion Forum of New Zealand has pleasure in offering Scholarships to enable participation in the Symposium. The Symposium will be held in Wellington on the **7th and 8th of July**. For more information go to: <http://www.hauora.co.nz/registering-for-a-workshop-is-now-available-on-line.html>
Or contact Lucy on 09 5315501 or e-mail lucy@hauora.co.nz

Fellowship in youth health leadership: The Vodafone New Zealand Foundation

The Vodafone New Zealand Foundation, in association with SYHPANZ (Society of Youth Health Professionals Aotearoa New Zealand) is proud to offer the second **Fellowship in youth health leadership** and is calling for applications from Monday **18 April to 8 July 2011**. The Foundation's vision is to promote the health and wellbeing of young New Zealanders.

The Fellowship has been established for promising mid-career researchers or practitioners with proven leadership in the youth sector to complete study, research or undertake a sabbatical. It is worth \$90,000 for a 12 month period (although the period is negotiable).

Details around eligibility and the application process can be found below:

<http://foundation.vodafone.co.nz/what-we-fund/youth-health-fellowship/>

AMP Scholarships

With more than \$1.2 million worth of AMP National Scholarships awarded across the country since 1998, more than 112 Kiwis (and counting) have been doing outstanding things in their fields, with some extra help from the AMP Scholarship Programme.

Anyone can apply, and there's no age limit or restrictions - AMP National Scholarships are open to any New Zealand resident. So whether your thing is a community project, business idea, education, or a dream to represent your country, you could be in line to get some extra help. All you need to do is apply!

As well as financial support, each of our winners will get the chance to meet up with an AMP Adviser for some financial and planning advice. Are you up for it? **Apply now!** Or go to

<http://www.doyourthing.co.nz/choose-your-scholarship/national>

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Department of internal affairs grants online

COGS

Nominations are open for the 2011 COGS LDC elections. Find out about the elections here <http://www.dia.govt.nz/Services-Community-Funding-COGS-Local-Distribution-Committee-Election-2011>. The Community Organisation Grants Scheme (COGS) is a community based grant-making scheme, providing grants to non-profit community-owned and community-driven organisations that provide social services and projects to people from one or more of the COGS priority sectors. When to Apply? Applications open on 1 June **and close on the last Wednesday in July each year**.

Lottery Community

This committee makes grants to encourage or enable community self-reliance, capacity building and stability, or opportunities for social, civil or cultural participation and reducing or overcoming barriers to such participation. Grants are made to create benefits for New Zealand communities. Lottery Community consists of 11 regional committees and one national committee. Funding is available for projects, activities, resources or services that have a community/social service focus, for example developmental or preventative projects, welfare and support services, or projects that help improve the wellbeing of people in the community. For more information go to: http://www.cdgo.govt.nz/available-grants/downloads.aspx#ApplicationType_23

Lottery Community Facilities Fund

The Lottery Community Facilities Fund (LCFF) makes grants to organisations for projects to build or improve community facilities. Funding is provided for community facilities that support participation in community activities and social interaction, to foster cohesion and strengthen communities. The Fund's main emphasis is support for facilities open to use by the wider community or that can be used for a range of services and activities. For more information go to: http://www.cdgo.govt.nz/available-grants/downloads.aspx#ApplicationType_23

For more go to the Department of Internal affairs grants online at:

http://www.cdgo.govt.nz/available-grants/downloads.aspx#ApplicationType_23

EVENTS CALENDAR 2011

Month	Date	Event Details	Venue	Contact
June	May 26-18 June	The Brothers Size Taut, rhythmic and playful drama from the leading voice of the African American theatre, Tarell Alvin McCraney. Starring Pua Magasiva, Jarod Rawiri and Te Kohe Tuhaka. The show is part of Silo Theatre's 2011 programme, one of Auckland's leading theatre companies.	Herald Theatre, Aotea Centre Auckland Central	Tickets available through the edge: www.buytickets.co.nz for more information contact: Joanna Lee Kelly at elephant publicity 09 3684180 or elephant99@paradisenet.net.nz

Recommend the 'Ministry of Pacific Island Affairs' to your friends and networks and help spread the word about the work of the Ministry. www.mpia.govt.nz

Contact Ministry of Pacific Island Affairs, 7 Springs Rd East Tamaki **Send event news details or information:** subscribe.akld@mpia.govt.nz to **Unsubscribe** - return email with 'unsubscribe' in the subject title.