

MPIA NORTHERN REGION WEEKLY UPDATE

Week beginning 11th of July 2011

MINISTRY NEWS

MoneyPACIFIC calendars – Photography competition



The MoneyPACIFIC calendars are back for 2012 and we're excited to announce that there will be separate 2012 calendars for Samoa, Tonga and Vanuatu. We are looking for photos depicting Pacific children and/or families within school, church or community settings in Samoa, Tonga, Vanuatu, Australia or New Zealand. The competition is for photography which we will use for the months in each calendar and also the covers. Entry is free and the winning photos receive some great prizes. Check out the prizes via <http://www.moneyPacific.org/competition.html>. Competition closing date is **29th August 2011**.

Expressions of interest are called for appointment to the Board of Trustees

The Pacific Islands Polynesian Education Foundation (PIPEF)

Expressions of interest are called for appointment to the Board of Trustees of the Pacific Islands Polynesian Education Foundation (the Board). Nominations are hereby invited from each of the following Pacific Island Communities for representatives to be elected to the Board.

Of those 5 Trustees—

(i) One shall be appointed after such consultation with the **Niuean community** in New Zealand, the **Cook Islands community** in New Zealand, the **Samoa community** in New Zealand, the **Tokelauan community** in New Zealand and the **Tongan community** in New Zealand as in the opinion of those Ministers is reasonable and practicable.

The Pacific Islands Polynesian Education Foundation Act 1972 stipulates Trustees to be appointed by the Governor-General on the joint nomination in each case of the Minister of Education and the Minister of Pacific Island Affairs.

Applications are to be in writing with an explanation as to the process undertaken whereby consultation occurred resulting in the nomination, along with a Curriculum Vitae are required. The link to the Curriculum Vitae form (called CAB 50/01) is:

<http://www.dpmc.govt.nz/cabinet/forms/index.html>

Present sitting members are entitled to be re-elected, but must undertake the same process of the expression of interest as all other nominees. The Ministry of Education is responsible for managing the appointment process to the Board.

The Pacific Islands Polynesian Education Foundation Act 1972 determines the regulations relating to this body. The link to this Act is:

<http://www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/1972/0138/latest/DLM409225.html>

The general purpose of the Foundation shall be to promote and encourage the better education of Polynesians and to provide financial assistance for that purpose. The closing date for the expressions of interest is **28th July 2011**, following which the selection of the most appropriate persons will be considered for appointment to the Board.

Expressions of interest are to be posted to **Mr Ralph Lane, Ministry of Education, P O Box 1666, Thorndon, Wellington**. Further information, if required, can be obtained from Mr Ralph Lane, Ministry of Education, phone 04 463 8278.

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

Consultation on ECE Taskforce Report

The independent Early Childhood Education (ECE) Taskforce, established by Education Minister Anne Tolley in October last year, released its report An Agenda for Amazing Children on 1 June 2011. The report outlines the ECE Taskforce's recommendations to Government on the future direction of ECE in New Zealand. The recommendations cover aspects such as:

- continued investment in ECE
- ensuring ECE services are high quality because investment in low-quality is poor value
- prioritising funding for groups of children with low rates of ECE participation
- improved performance and accountability arrangements, including much clearer reporting to parents, and
- Building a strong evidence base to guide future investment.

There is an eight week public consultation period on the recommendations made in the ECE Taskforce report. The consultation began on 15 June 2011 and will end on **8 August 2011**. Parents, whanau, employers and the ECE sector are being encouraged to take part in the consultation process so that Government can consider public feedback before working through the recommendations. For more information go to

<http://www.lead.ece.govt.nz/LeadHome/ManagementInformation/RecentAnnouncements/ConsultationECETaskforce.aspx>

Or e-mail: ECE.TaskforceConsultation@minedu.govt.nz

FORUMS, FONOS, ROADSHOWS

Navigate – The 2011 New Zealand Youth Mentoring Conference

Youth Mentoring Network 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 website for further details.

www.youthmentoring.org.nz

Talanoa Oceania 2011 Conference

Pasifika@Massey of Massey University will host the Talanoa Oceania 2011 Conference at its Albany campus, North Shore, Auckland, New Zealand from 28 to 30 November 2011. The designated theme for the 2011 conference is '**Niu-flavours**'.

The call for papers is now out - all papers need to be submitted on-line by use of the speaker portal. The deadline for abstracts is **7 October 2011**. Please go to website below to make submissions.

Niu Flavours is about celebrating the achievements of the Pacific Islands (PIs) in diaspora. Rather than dwelling on the pains and miseries of migration, the time has come to celebrate what PIs have accomplished in various sectors of society. **Registrations are now open!** Massey University will be taking on-line registrations until **22 November 2011**. Please go to:

<http://www.massey.ac.nz/massey/learning/departments/pace/services/conference-services/upcoming-events/talanoa-oceania-2011-conference.cfm>

TRAINING AND WORKSHOPS

Youth Community Arts – Free Training - Hamilton

For School Leavers age 16 and upwards: This programme is a multi-faceted creative arts programme with several objectives including honing of art and design skills in various media, as well as the planning and implementation of interesting community service projects; this allows the young people to gain work experience as well as the benefits of functioning in a position of responsibility in service to community.

For more information please contact:

Sylvie Bolstad

Artmakers Trust

Sylvie@artmakers.co.nz

www.artmakers.co.nz

Free study options for 16 & 17 year-olds at MIT

16 & 17 year-olds have the chance to study for free entry criteria applies. As part of the Governments Youth Guarantee scheme, MIT has free study options for young people to study for a tertiary qualification. It means you can get the skills and qualifications for great jobs, in building and construction, hairdressing, business administration and computing, hospitality, horticulture and floristry, baking, travel and tourism, mechanical engineering and more. Visit MIT at their information evenings **21st July** and **4th August**. For more information call 0800 Youth G or go to www.manukau.ac.nz

Semester B Courses with Pacific Business Trust



TWO FREE INFORMATION SESSIONS for our Business Courses which start in August 2011 are being held

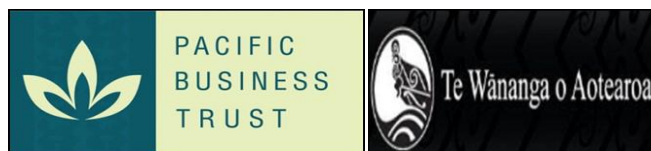
When: Tuesday **12th July** and Thursday **14th July** 2011

Time: 6pm - 8pm

Where: Pacific Business Trust, 733 Great South Road, Otahuhu

If you would like more information please contact Lisa: 0800 2877 526 or e-mail:

LisaK@pacificbusiness.co.nz



Pacific Business Trust in partnership with Te Wānanga o Aotearoa is now offering:

<p>Certificate in Computing & Business Administration Level 2-Semester B, 2011. Programme Details: Start Date: 1st August 2011 Duration: 20 Weeks Fees: NO FEE</p> <p>Venue: Pacific Business Trust Centre 733 Great South Road, Otahuhu Time Table: Mixed Mode - Mon and Wed 9am - 1pm Tutor: Val Lodge</p>	<p>Certificate in Small Business Management - Level 4, Semester B, 2011 Programme Details: Start Date: 15th August 2011 Duration: 36 Weeks Fees: NO FEE</p> <p>Venue: Pacific Business Trust Centre 733 Great South Road, Otahuhu Time Table: One class per week (evening) Two day workshops per module (weekend) Time: 6pm - 9pm (weekly class) Tutor: Aolele Aloese</p>
<p>Certificate in Computing - Level 2-Semester B, 2011. Programme Details: Start Date: 1st August 2011 Duration: 18 Weeks Fees: NO FEE</p> <p>Venue: Pacific Business Trust Centre 733 Great South Road, Otahuhu Time Table: Mixed Mode - Tues and Thurs Time: 9am - 1pm Tutor: Val Lodge</p>	<p>If you require further assistance or information, call Lisa 0800 287 7526 or email on LisaK@pacificbusiness.co.nz Call now to avoid disappointment. Limited to 20 spaces only</p>

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

Volunteering Auckland - Volunteer Management Workshops

Recruiting Volunteers – Getting the Right People for the Right Roles

Wednesday 13th July, 9:30 am-1:30 pm

Retaining Volunteers – How To Keep Them Engaged, Productive and Happy

Tuesday 16th August, 9:30 am-1:30 pm

Venue: Volunteering Auckland Seminar Room, 70 Khyber Pass Rd, Grafton.

Course Fees: \$60 per workshop for Financial Members of Volunteering Auckland - \$100 if you are attending both workshops \$90 per workshop for Non-Financial Members - \$160 if you are attending both workshops. For more information contact: Volunteering Auckland Tel: 09 377 7887 - Fax: 09 377 9915 70 Khyber Pass Rd, Grafton - PO Box 8814, Symonds St, Auckland 1150

www.volunteeringauckland.org.nz

CHRISTCHURCH EARTHQUAKE

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

Attitude Awards 2011

Nominations open this Sunday and will close again on **7th August**.

Get ready to celebrate the achievements and potential of the thousands of Kiwis living with a disability. Winners of the seven categories will be announced at a black tie gala dinner at Auckland's new Viaduct Events Centre. Be sure to forward your nominations and secure your tickets to the event...Visit the website at www.attitudepictures.com for updates.

The Attitude Awards are an initiative of Attitude Pictures Ltd. Today they are operated by the Attitude Awards Charitable Trust. First held in 2008 they are an annual national event designed to showcase the fantastic achievements of New Zealanders who live with disability. Our family of loyal sponsors are led by the Lion Foundation and ACC. All sponsors are committed to the continued drive towards a more accepting, respectful and inclusive society and recognise the key role these awards play in driving change. New Zealand has a proud reputation as a leader in the disability sector.

The awards comprise seven individual categories. Entry forms will be available on their website at www.attitudepictures.com:

For inquiries contact sue@attitudepictures.com

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Lottery Community

The Department of Internal Affairs administers Lottery grants. Information about Lottery grants, and the other grants and Community Advisory Services offered by Internal Affairs, is located on the www.communitymatters.govt.nz

Community Group Assistance Fund

The Community Group Assistance Fund aims to ensure a wide range of community activities, projects, programmes and events are supported at a citywide level. Priority will be given to innovative projects that have measurable outcomes, address an identified community need, align with Council's strategic priorities and are collaborative in nature. Applications for the Community Group Assistance Fund are due on **29 July 2011** and **20 January 2012**. Application forms are attached and online at:

<http://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/EN/Services/CommunityFacilitiesSupport/grantsfunding/communityfunding/Pages/centralcommunitygroupassistancefund.aspx>

Community Group Accommodation Support fund

The Community Group Accommodation Support fund aims to provide financial assistance to community groups to help them meet their accommodation costs. All groups that do not have access to Auckland Central community centres and halls or subsidised leases will be eligible to apply for this fund. Applications for the Accommodation Support Fund are due on **29 July 2011**. Application forms are attached and online at:

<http://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/EN/Services/CommunityFacilitiesSupport/grantsfunding/communityfunding/Pages/centralcommunitygroupaccommodationsupport.aspx>

Application forms will be available at the workshops or contact Mereana or Britta for hard copies to be posted to you.

For further information, contact Mereana Taungapeau, Programme Advisor (Maori) at 3542075 or mereana.taungapeau@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz or Britta Reinholz, Funding Advisor at 35402057 or Britta.Reinholz@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

The Fletcher Trust – Auckland

The Trust aims to assist in funding for historical projects, arts and culture, community, education and youth. Individuals or travel expenses not eligible. Closing Dates **28 July and 27 October 2011** to be received by 8am. How to apply by letter to the contact below - No application forms. Paul Pirani Manager, The Fletcher Trust, Private Bag 92-114, Auckland, Ph: 09 525 9250, www.fletchertrust.co.nz

Winston Churchill Trust

The Winston Churchill Memorial Trust (WCMT) was established in 1965 with funds from both the government and the public. Since then, net income earned from investments has been used to award up to 20 Churchill fellowships each year. Sir Winston Churchill believed that world peace and greater international understanding could be promoted through ordinary people travelling to other countries and experiencing other cultures.

In his honour, the Winston Churchill Memorial Trust assists New Zealanders to travel overseas to learn more about other people and cultures and to investigate topics that will help them to increase their contribution to the community and their trade, industry, profession, business or calling.

The Trust is administered by the Department of Internal Affairs. Applications close on **31st of July 2011** go to: <http://www.communitymatters.govt.nz/Funding-and-grants---Trust-and-fellowship-grants---New-Zealand-Winston-Churchill-Memorial-Trust>

IMPORTANT

Visiting New Zealand for the Rugby World Cup 2011

Please advise family and friends wishing to visit New Zealand for the Rugby World Cup 2011 of their visa obligations.

Apply NOW if you need a visa to visit New Zealand for the Rugby World Cup 2011. If you are planning to visit New Zealand in 2011 for the Rugby World Cup you may need a visa. If you are from a country that is not on our visa-free list you will need to apply for a visitor visa before you come to New Zealand.

If you are from a visa-waiver country, you do not need a visa. On arrival in New Zealand you will need to have evidence of funds for the length of your visit, and an onward ticket. If you have ever been deported from any country or have criminal convictions you may be stopped from entering New Zealand.

Regardless of whether you require a visa or not, you will also need to meet health requirements and character requirements, and be considered to be a genuine visitor, before you will be allowed entry to New Zealand.

If you are concerned about your eligibility to enter New Zealand because you do not meet the health or character requirements (such as criminal convictions or previously being deported from another country), please contact your nearest Immigration New Zealand (INZ) branch. You should check the INZ website regularly, as requirements are subject to review and may change.

<http://www.immigration.govt.nz/migrant/stream/visit/rugby/>

EVENTS CALENDAR 2011

Month	Date	Event Details	Venue	Contact
July	15 th & 16 th	Jese Mucunabitu – Voice of Fiji	Br Priscillian Performing Arts Centre (next to Martin Hautus Institute) 82 The Mall Onehunga	Book your tickets through paulina@martinhautus.co.nz
	20 th July	Pacific Womens Watch Annual General Meeting – Guest speaker Marilyn Waring	St Columbia Centre 40 Vermont Street Ponsonby 7.30pm	For more information please go to: www.pacificwomenswatch.org.nz
	28 th July	Injury Free Counties Manukau Safe Kids Free Workshop	Otahuhu Town Hall Community Centre 10-16 High Street Otahuhu 9.30am – 1:00pm	Register with Moses Alatini moses.alatini@adhb.govt.nz 09 6310725 Alisi Katoanga alisi.katoanga@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz 09 3010101 RSVP by 21 July 2011
	29 th	Operation Keep Fit Clendon	Te Matariki Clendon Community centre 17 Palmers Road Clendon	Information contact: Helen Amituanai 09 5803666 Helen.amituanai@mercury.co.nz
August	23- 24	Suicide Intervention skills workshop Saving our people from taking their own lives	Walsh Trust, 8 Hickory Place Henderson Auckland	For inquires call Chris 09 909 9211 Lifeline Aotearoa
	15 th & 16 th	Jese Mucunabitu – Voice of Fiji	Br Priscillian Performing Arts Centre (next to Martin Hautus Institute) 82 The Mall Onehunga	Book your tickets through paulina@martinhautus.co.nz
	29 th	Operation Keep Fit Clendon	Te Matariki Clendon Community centre 17 Palmers Road Clendon	Information contact: Helen Amituanai 09 5803666 Helen.amituanai@mercury.co.nz

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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.