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From the Chair

Our future is in good hands!

So many fantastic students are learning real-world skills at Whitireia Polytechnic. They will succeed with real jobs and help the wider world as well as themselves.

The Whitireia Foundation and its many sponsors are proud to help some of the most worthy learners here. Some are second-chance learners and some have overcome adversity. But every one of our scholarship students has been selected as having great promise. They will succeed!

The generosity of our sponsors is of great practical help to them, usually paying tuition fees and thus reducing student loan burdens.

But just as important is the boost in self-confidence for the selected students that comes from winning a special award.

Regardless of whether they are studying to become a plumber, a nurse or a computer technician, our scholarship winners are rightly very proud of their awards. We know they will not let their sponsors or themselves down. We will see them all complete their learning at Whitireia and contribute well to society.

So warmest thanks to all our sponsors and congratulations to all the scholarship students of 2014.

Finally, might I beg a special favour of all readers? If you

believe in our students here; if you believe in the value and importance of Whitireia Polytechnic; if you believe that our scholarships and grants can make a real difference to worthy & needy students...if you believe all that, then please, please spread the good word.

Tell others about Whitireia. Tell others about our scholarships and our generous sponsors. And please see if you can attract more kind sponsors for us: we need more sponsors in order to help more students.

With your help we aim to achieve another record year of giving next year.

Tim Sheppard

New Sponsors

We are delighted to welcome five new sponsors to the Whitireia Foundation family this year:

- Trust Porirua
- Fuji Xerox New Zealand
- Dell New Zealand
- Campbell Family—William Campbell Memorial Scholarship
- Maycroft Construction



Maria Ululelata delivered an inspirational speech at the Awards Ceremony

"Find out what you're good at and do it on purpose"



Upcoming event:
Sponsors Luncheon
Thursday, 5 June

Trustee Appointments

The Whitireia Foundation is pleased to welcome new trustees



John Granville

John hails from the Taranaki and his first career was spent in the Royal New Zealand Navy before becoming the Executive Director of the New Zealand Institute of Quantity Surveyors. John and his wife Gaye live on the Kapiti Coast and he has been an active Rotarian in the Kapiti district over the past 18 years. While being an avid book collector and reader, John is a lifelong learner and is currently completing a degree extramurally through Massey University

Izzy Ford

Izzy is big on building relationships with the community and comes with experience of leadership and service including: Porirua City Councillor, Chairperson of Rangikura School Board, member of Holy Family Building Focus Group, Junior Convener for Titahi Bay Golf, former member and coach for North's Rugby, and having represented NZ as a Black Fern. Izzy is married to Glynn and they have 3 children - Jayden, Taylah and Isabella.



Richard Sherwin

Our newest recruit takes over the role of treasurer from founding trustee Ross Garner. Richard started his working life as a teacher in Ohakune and remains strongly interested in education. A move to Wellington gave Richard the opportunity to complete a Bachelor in Business Studies part time at Massey. Armed with his accountancy degree, Richard would become a partner in what would later become Grant Thornton. Richard has a long association with Rotary and is also Trustee for the Charles and Florence Odlin Trust. Recently retired, Richard's role with the Foundation was sparked by a desire to use his financial and governance expertise to benefit education.

We fondly farewell our founding trustees **Margaret Faulkner** and **Ross Garner**. They have given their considerable expertise and quiet dedication to the Foundation's purpose, for more than a decade. **Dennis Sharman**, Whitireia/Weltec Council's representative also steps aside, as we welcome a new representative appointed by the Council. Thank you all. Your contribution has been invaluable and you leave us well positioned to continue your legacy.



2014 Scholarship recipients

Congratulations to our 2014 Award Ceremony Scholarship Recipients

Graduate Women Wellington Charitable Trust	Michele De Bes	Bachelor of Health Science (Paramedic)
	Julia Giblin	Bachelor of Health Science (Paramedic)
	Amy Matthews	Bachelor of Nursing Maori
Compass Health	Ailima Logologo	Bachelor of Nursing Pacific
	Tifaimoana Iosefo	Bachelor of Nursing Pacific
	Diamond Henderson	Bachelor of Nursing Maori
	Caroline Komene	Bachelor of Nursing Maori
	Anaru Rima	Bachelor of Nursing Maori
Sheppard Family	Matti Kernaghan	Bachelor of Nursing
	Rose Pusa Nimarota	Bachelor of Nursing Pacific
	Emma Millanta	Bachelor of Nursing
Porirua City Council	Sarah-Jane Thorpe	Bachelor of Nursing
JV Simpson Memorial	Jessie McDonald	Bachelor of Teaching (Early Childhood Education)
Fuji Xerox New Zealand	Adam Wineera	Bachelor of Applied Arts (Toi Poutama)
	Hamish Anderson	Bachelor of Applied Arts (Music)
	Sarah Whitaker	Bachelor of Applied Arts (Music)
	Jason van der Walt	Bachelor of Applied Business Studies
	Timothy Parker	Bachelor of Social Work
Ian Dale Memorial	Sarah Coleman	Bachelor of Applied Arts (Music)
Ford Sumner Lawyers	Masei Alipia	Certificate of Foundation Education (Health Science)
Maycroft Construction	Greg Young	Certificate of Carpentry
Kirk-Burnnand Family	Desiree Hawkins	Bachelor of Nursing Maori
	Kelly Waho	Bachelor of Nursing Maori
William Campbell Memorial	Alexandra Grace	Bachelor of Applied Arts (Creative Writing)
Wellington Ostomy Association	Mahala Jay	Bachelor of Nursing
	Hongyang Wang	Bachelor of Nursing
Trust Porirua	Anesu Maforimbo	Certificate of Plumbing Drainlaying Gasfitting Roofing
	Sam Jones	Certificate of Auto Engineering
	Eden Shields	Certificate of Auto Engineering
	Desiree McKenzie	Certificate of Auto Engineering (Advanced)
	Stuart Foote	Certificate of Carpentry
	Kelemete Iasona	Certificate of Auto Engineering (Advanced)
	Daniel Haarhoff	Certificate of Plumbing Drainlaying Gasfitting Roofing
	Phayphachit Chao	Certificate of Electrical Engineering
	Dylan Daley	Certificate of Electrical Engineering
	Choong Kim	Certificate of Carpentry
	Sui Ngun To	Certificate of Carpentry
	Regan Devadas	Certificate of Auto Engineering
Altrusa & Zonta Clubs Mana	Rosalie Nicol	Bachelor of Health Science (Paramedic)
	Jill Sim	Bachelor of Teaching (Early Childhood Education)
Dell	Anneka Paul	National Diploma in Journalism (Multi-Media)
The Whitireia Foundation - Ngati Toa	Ria Hodges	National Diploma of Te Reo Maori
Mana Community Grants Foundation	Aidan Hutchison	Certificate of Auto Engineering
	Kauna Lopa	Certificate of Auto Engineering
	Toanui Utia	Certificate of Electrical Engineering
	Jacob Aldridge	Certificate of Plumbing Drainlaying Gasfitting Roofing
	Faresea Tasele	Certificate of Carpentry

Where are they now?

Keri-Mei Zagrobelna

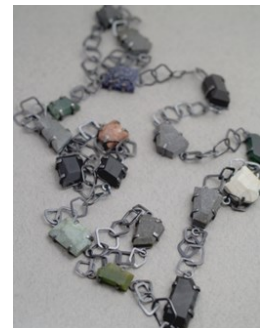
Reflecting on the 18 months since my graduation I cannot believe that the time has flown by so fast and how far I have come, and how far I still have yet to go. Since graduating in 2012 I have been a part of several group exhibitions, attended lectures, curated some shows and meet some fascinating artists.

Early 2012 I was approached to be in a group exhibition for the Auckland Arts Festival at Kura Gallery, this show was titled Maori Princess Noble Warrior and was my first show in Auckland. I had the chance to meet a lot of international people and take in the culture of the "big smoke" with their fantastic galleries and diverse culture.

There have been several highlights one of which was winning the QUOIL mentorship programme award at my graduation show at Pataka. This enabled me to be able to continue my practice, learn the business and exhibit at QUOIL gallery under the guidance of Philippa Gee. With this award I was privileged enough to be sponsored a jewellery space at Workspace studios. I have now stayed on with the Workspace family and continue to make jewellery, commission pieces and object. In February 2013 I had my first international artist interview with Art Jewellery Forum an American based on-line jewellery community. This year in May I will be exhibiting at Hastings City Art Gallery alongside established artists with my Moko Kauae series. I see this as a stepping stone to other City galleries around the World.



I still work in the hospitality industry to help fund my art practice and stay up late at night writing proposals for exhibition opportunities and internships. I am very excited to say that The Learning Connexion has accepted me this year as a Jewellery Technician and although this work is unpaid the experience is invaluable and I get the chance to teach and share my knowledge. Balancing home, work and my jewellery career is tricky but I think when I received my scholarship back in 2010 it gave me faith and showed me to have courage to go for opportunities and apply myself to my dreams and aspirations. It hasn't been easy and it is a bumpy road however, I aspire to travel and take my practice and philosophy to the rest of the world and will endeavour to achieve this goal. I seek to help other indigenous or orphan artists realise their potential and give back to the community, whether this be through sharing my art or teaching. I just want to thank and acknowledge all those who have supported me and continue to support me on this journey and I hope to make you proud. XO



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2012/2011 - Whitireia Foundation Scholarships - Graduate Women Wellington Charitable Trust