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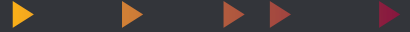
# COOK ISLANDS WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP SUMMIT '23





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# WELCOME



## Kia Orana,

Thank you for being a part of what is a very historic moment for our Cook Islands women living across Aotearoa.

Inspired by the minds of Cook Islands mapu who attended the 2022 national youth conference, the first of its kind for Aotearoa, this Cook Islands Women's Leadership Summit aims to strengthen the cultural identity of our Cook Islands women, discover what is important in their lives, and encourage them to make meaningful connections with likeminded women.

It provides an opportunity for our women to share their stories, their successes, failures, learnings, ideas, and to collaborate on shared goals to better the position of women in our Cook Islands communities.

### **Purpose**

The purpose of the CIWLS is to provide a safe space for Cook Islands women to:

- Explore aspects of their identity and culture including their own biases, fears, and boundaries.
- Explore their style of leadership including increasing their knowledge and understanding of authentic leadership, recognizing how to exert their power, and using as well as preserving their authentic voice, especially in challenging situations.
- Create an environment that fosters meaningful connections to be made with between all those who attend.
- And lastly, define what a 'Cook Islands woman leader' is and how we can all nurture future Cook Islands leaders.

To those who journeyed near and far to be a part of this weekend, meitaki atupaka.

Your voices and presence are the tools and instruments that will influence not just your families, but your communities and regions. We hope to provide you with a experience that is fulfilling and has met your expectations.

**Welcome to the Cook Islands Women's Leadership Summit 2023!**

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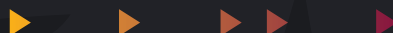
# OPENING CEREMONY

WAIPUNA CONFERENCE CENTRE, AKL  
11.00AM - 12.00PM  
MASTER OF CEREMONY: SELINA PATIA

10.00am: Morning Tea served in Carbine Room for arriving ceremony attendees

## PROGRAMME

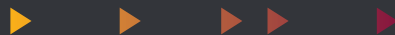
10.50 AM	Attendees & VIP's to wait in foyer for Turou	
10.55 AM	Turou - Attendees & VIP	Kapolani Purua
11.00 AM	Welcome	MC
	National Anthems	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• "Te Atua Mou E" - Cook Islands Anthem</li><li>• "God Defend New Zealand" Aotearoa Anthem</li></ul>	
	Opening Pure	Rev. Tumu-Makara
	Lifting of Tapu	Tangata Whenua
	Imene	Pa Metua
	Ako'anga - Sermon	Rev. Tumu-Makara
	Imene Pure	Pa Metua
	CIDANZ Board Message	Lena Wong
	Sponsor Acknowledgements	Representative
	Leadership Recognition	Rouruina Emil'e-Brown
	Imene	Selina Patia
	Ambassador Summit Opening	Tuira Munokoa
	Imene	Pa Metua
	Closing Pure	Rev. Tumu-Makara
12.00 PM	END	





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# CODE OF CONDUCT



*This Code of Conduct sets out the basic standard of conduct expected of all attendees, Staff, & Volunteers while at this conference. By attending this conference, you are expected to abide by this conduct to keep yourself and everyone around you safe.*

## **ONE: Be patient and courteous.**

*Be inclusive. This space welcomes & supports people of all backgrounds and identities. This includes but is not limited to members of any sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, race, ethnicity, culture, national origin, social and economic class, educational level, colour, immigration status, sex, age, size, family status, political belief, religion, and mental and physical ability.*

## **TWO: Be considerate.**

*We all depend on each other to ensure that we get the most out of this leadership summit. Your decisions will affect each other, and you should take those into account when making decisions.*

## **THREE: Be respectful.**

*We won't all agree all the time, but disagreement is no excuse for disrespectful behavior. An environment where people feel uncomfortable or threatened is not a productive or creative one.*

## **FOUR: Choose your words carefully.**

*Always conduct yourself professionally. Be kind to others. Do not insult or put down others. Harassment and exclusionary behavior aren't acceptable.*

## **SIX: Repeated harassment of others.**

*In general, if someone asks you to stop doing something, then stop. When we disagree, try to understand why. Differences of opinion and disagreements are mostly unavoidable. What is important is that we resolve disagreements and differing views constructively.*

## **SEVEN: Our differences can be our strengths.**

*We can find strength in diversity. Different people have different perspectives on issues, and that can be valuable for solving problems or generating new ideas. Being unable to understand why someone holds a viewpoint doesn't mean that they're wrong. Don't forget that we all make mistakes and blaming each other doesn't get us anywhere. Instead, focus on resolving issues and learning from mistakes.*

## **EIGHT: Respect the Space.**

*We are guests staying with Waipuna Conference Centre. While your accommodation has been covered, YOU are responsible for your rooms. Any damages to rooms or incurred costs of any kind, will be passed back to you. Please respect the space, your roommate, our team, and this event.*





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# DAY ONE

FRIDAY 20 OCTOBER

'TATOMO'ĀNGA TŪRANGA MĀORI'  
EMBRACING OUR CULTURE

**1.00 PM** *Working Lunch* *Exhibition Hall*

**2.00 PM** *Room Check-In* *Return to Exhibition Hall by 2.20pm*

**2.30 PM** **SESSION TA'I: KO'AI MĀTOU?** *Mareta & Rose*  
*Who are we? | Introductions & Setting the Scene*

**SESSION RUA: KO'AI ĀU?** *Tangi Mataroa*  
*Who am I? | An introduction to Tivaevae-making assisted by the Pa Metua Super Gold Club.*

**SPEAKER: LEI-ALOHA MANAPORI**

**4.30 PM** *Afternoon Tea* *Exhibition Hall*

**SESSION TORU: KO MĀTOU TEIA!** *Selina, Anthony, & Tauraki*  
*This is us! | An introduction to Pe'e Writing*

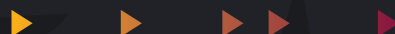
**5.45 PM** *Break*

**6.00 PM** *Buffet Dinner* *PJ's on, return to Exhibition Hall by 7.20pm*

**7.30 PM** **SESSION 'Ā: TUATUA TIKA** *Caren Rangi & Special Guest*  
*Honest Conversations | A discussion with a Cook Islands Woman Leader.*

*Chatham Rules* apply to this session, meaning participants are free to use the information received, but neither the identity nor the affiliation of the speaker(s), nor that of any other participant, may be revealed.

**10.00 PM** *End of DAY ONE*





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# DAY TWO

SATURDAY 21 OCTOBER

'TŪ'RANGA ARATAKI'  
AUTHENTIC LEADERSHIP

**6.20 AM** *All to gather in the Exhibition Hall*

**6.30 AM** **HULA FIT** @HULAFIT @HULAFIIT

EBM Artistry

*With Pareu's on, water, towel & a smile, lets get our day started by moving our bodies!*

**7.15 AM** *Break*

**8.00 AM** *Breakfast*

Exhibition Hall

*Authentic Leadership through the lens of Cook Islands woman leading in their field.*

**9.00 AM** **SESSION RIMA: TŪRANGA ARATAKI #1**

Selina

**KEYNOTE: CAREN RANGI**

— A moment for thoughts & reflections

**10.30 AM** *Working Morning Tea*

**SESSION ONO: TŪRANGA ARATAKI #2**

Selina

**KEYNOTE: DR. TEPAERU FRENCH**

— A moment for thoughts & reflections

## PANEL DISCUSSION

**PANELIST: JOANNA JAK, RHIANNON MCCALL. &  
LAURA DANIEL**

Mareta & Rose

— A moment for thoughts & reflections

**1.00 PM** *Lunch*

*Nurturing future leaders through the lens of Cook Islands mothers*

**SESSION 'ITU: KIA UTU'UTU IA TE AU ARATAKI OKI OU**

Mareta & Rose

**PANELIST: CHRISSY WICHMAN, MAINE WICHMAN,  
KARAATI REAY, & DANIELLE EDWARDS.**

— A moment for thoughts & reflections

**4.00 PM** *Working Afternoon / Tea Break*

*Freshen up for Kia Orana Night*

**6.00 PM** **KIA ORANA NIGHT: 'KIA MAEVA E TE ITI VA'INE'**

*Culturally filled night with speakers, cultural performances, and food!*

**KEYNOTES: SHEENA TAVIONI & LOMINA ARAITIA**

Selina, Anthony  
& Rouruina.

**7.00 PM** *Buffet Dinner*



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# DAY THREE

SUNDAY 22 OCTOBER

'TŪ'RANGA ARATAKI'  
SELF-REFLECTION

**7.15 AM** *Breakfast & Room Checkout* *Store Luggage at Reception*

**9.00 AM** **KEYNOTE:** DR. MINNIE STRICKLAND *Selina*  
— *A moment for thoughts & reflections*

**SESSION VARU: ĀKAKI'ANGA I TĀKU KAPU**  
*Self-reflection - "What fills my Cup?"* *Selina & Rouruina*  
*A visual representation through*  
*Ei-Katu making.*

**10.30 AM** *Working Morning Tea*

*Leading together with our Cook Islands men*

**10.45 AM** **SESSION IVA: OKOTAI ARATAKI'ANGA** *Mareta & Rose*  
**PANELIST:** REV. MATA TUMU-MAKARA.  
ABENZAR WICHMAN & LAWRENCE KAUTAI  
— *A moment for thoughts & reflections*

**11.30 AM** **ATTENDEES FINAL REFLECTIONS**

**12.00 PM** **CLOSING FORMALITIES**

**KEYNOTE:** TABITHA TUMU-MAKARA *Selina*  
— *A moment for thoughts & reflections*  
— *Special Presentation & Final Remarks* *Rouruina*  
— *Closing Prayer* *Rev. Tumu-Makara*

**FINAL GROUP PHOTO**

**1.00 PM** *Working Lunch*

**2.00 PM END**

*Safe travels home!*





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