



THE PROGRAMME

Leadership + Innovation + Impact
8-9 JUNE 2023 // TĀKINA, WELLINGTON



**"AOTEAROA'S
CURRENT & FUTURE
LEADERS IN ONE
ROOM."**

WEDNESDAY 7TH JUNE

SATELLITE EVENT

12:00–2.00pm **The Mayor's Lunch** / Hosted by Mayor of Wellington, Tory Whanau



TĀKINA

The Mayor's Lunch – join Mayors & Youth Councils from across Aotearoa

[SEPARATELY TICKETED]

The Mayor's lunch is an official satellite event to connect with Mayors and Youth Councils from across Aotearoa the day before the official opening of the Festival, hosted by the Mayor of Wellington, Tory Whanau. This satellite event was by invitation only, but has now sold out. Get in touch to join the wait list.

SATELLITE EVENT

5:30–7.00pm **Parliament Event** / Hosted by Minister for Climate Change, Hon James Shaw

PARLIAMENT – LAUNCH EVENT

The Impact Challenge: Solutions for Climate & Community Resilience

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Join Minister for Climate Change, Hon James Shaw, and special guests as we celebrate youth leadership and launch a new national challenge focused on solutions for climate and community resilience. This event was open to all Festival ticket holders, but has now sold out. Get in touch to join the wait list.



Sophie Handford

Sophie is a 22-year-old community leader from the Kāpiti Coast. She founded the School Strikes 4 Climate in New Zealand, and is a Councillor on the Kāpiti District Council.



Dylan Chand

Dylan founded the 2023 Climate Action Conference, and has worked with Auckland Council as a Youth Climate Catalyst helping to create and embed change at a local level.

THURSDAY 8TH JUNE / TĀKINA CONVENTION CENTRE

8:00am Doors & Registration Open

9:00am Opening Ceremony & Keynote Speakers / Mihi Whakatau, Waiata, Kapa Haka



Karepa Wall

Deputy Chair of Te Rūnanganui o Te Āti Awa, and Tātai Heke Māori – Chief Māori Officer at Wellington City Council.



Tory Whanau

Mayor of Wellington – passionate about a more inclusive and sustainable future for the Aotearoa New Zealand's Capital City.



Ali Muhammad

Youth Advisory Group member at Inspiring Stories, former refugee, passionate about sport, youth identity issues and human rights.

10:15am Break / Connect / Network / Discover / Reflect / Share

11:00am Breakouts / Build your knowledge & skills – choose from one of the following 7 streams

THE PANEL / PROUDLY SPONSORED BY AGRESEARCH

Mātauranga Māori – a celebration of indigenous wisdom & brilliance

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Christina Leef

Kaimahi at Ara Taiohi, amplifying the voices and aspirations of rangatahi.



Hana Tapiata

Author & podcast host, passionate about wellbeing and ancestral knowledge.



Dr Johnson Witehira

Co-founder of Āpōpō and Indigenous Design and Innovation Aotearoa (IDIA).



Erin Matariki Carr

Lawyer, researcher and facilitator with a focus on constitutional transformation.



Quack Pirihi

Mobilising whānau to stand in their mana motuhake and restore tino rangatiratanga.

Unlocking the Innovator in You

Responding to the challenges we face will require a new generation of innovators. In this session you'll learn to better understand your inner innovator and build confidence with fresh ideas to apply your thinking.

PRESENTED BY **THINK PLACE**

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PRESENTED BY **BECA**

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PRESENTED BY **JAMES LAUGHLIN**

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PRESENTED BY **INSPIRING STORIES**

Government Engagement

In this interactive session you'll learn the art and science of government engagement – including what it is, different approaches, and tangible examples of how government and policy can be powerful levers for change.

PRESENTED BY **DELOITTE**

Mindfulness & Wellbeing

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1:45pm Breakouts / Build your knowledge & skills – choose from one of the following 7 streams

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The Future of Food – leadership for a sustainable food system

Ministry for Primary Industries
Manatū Ahu Matua



MODERATOR



Alex Worker

Foodtech entrepreneur and Chair of Future Food Aotearoa.



Cheyenne Wilson

Founder & Director of Te Kaharangi Hono – Māori Agribusiness consultancy.



Toby Lane

CEO of NewFish – harnessing the power of microscopic marine and fresh water algae.



Tric Malcolm

Pou Ārahi Executive Director of Kore Hiakai – Aotearoa's zero hunger collective.



Zac Robinson

Co-founder of Ārepa – a Kiwi beverage company dubbed 'the brain drink'.

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3:15pm Break / Connect / Network / Discover / Reflect / Share

4.00pm Keynote Speakers / Climate Leadership in Action



Ben Gleisner

Global CEO of CoGo – helping individuals and businesses to better understand and reduce their impact on the climate.



Mary Moeono-Kolio

Mary is part of the Pacific Climate Warriors. She has represented Aotearoa on the world stage, and fighting for climate justice.



James Palmer

Based in the Hawke's Bay, James is Chief Executive and Secretary for the Environment at Ministry for the Environment – Manatū Mō Te Taiao.

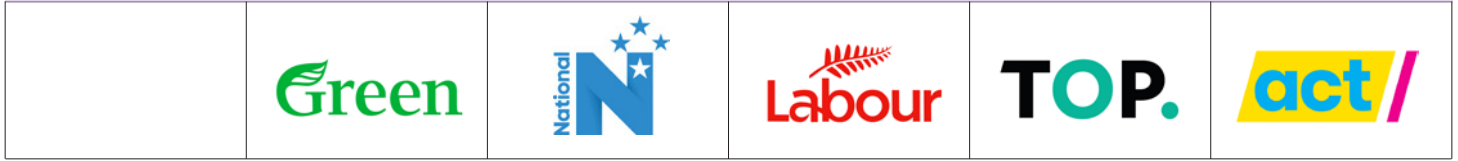


Laura O'Connell Rapira

Laura is part of the team at Inspiring Stories working on a new national challenge focused on climate and community resilience.

SATELLITE EVENT

7:00pm **Political Party Debate** / Engage in the critical issues for the 2023 General Election



Jason Walls
Newstalk ZB Political Editor, and Acting Press Gallery Chairman

Marama Davidson
Green Party Co-Leader

Nicola Willis
National Party Deputy Leader

Greg O'Connor
Labour Party Deputy Speaker

Natalia Albert
TOP Party Candidate, Wellington Central

Nicole McKee
ACT Party List MP



“This was my first Festival and I couldn’t have been more impressed, impacted, inspired and called to action.”

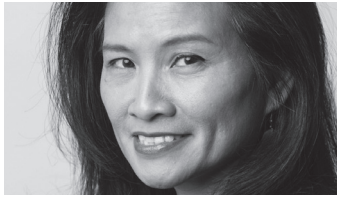
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FRIDAY 9TH JUNE / TĀKINA CONVENTION CENTRE

8:00am Doors & Registration Open

9:00am Keynote Speakers / Tech Futures



Emeline Paat-Dahlstrom

International Space University Alumni, Entrepreneur and CEO of SpaceBase – democratising access to space.



Elle Archer

Experienced leader in business, governance and technology. Chair of Te Matarau – The Māori Tech Association.



Dr Mahsa McCauley

Director of Women in Tech at AUT University, Founder & Director of She#. Expert in AI and machine-learning.

MAI TE TŪ O TE RANGATIRA, TE MINENGA E WHAI
BOLD LEADERSHIP PROVIDES A PATHWAY FOR THE MANY

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Digital Equity – why the big divide, and how do we address it?



MODERATOR

Pera Barrett

Founder of Shoebox Christmas, product development specialist.



Eteroa Lafaele

Co-founder of Fibre Fale, Software engineer and community leader.



Jesse Armstrong

Co-founder & CEO of VAKA, teaching STEAM & entrepreneurship.



Elle Archer

Experienced leader and Chair of Te Matarau, The Māori Tech Association.



Vivian Chandra

Facilitator at OMGTech! Passionate about diversity and inclusion.

Innovation Skills – Disrupting Systems

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Business for Impact – bold leadership for people and planet

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MODERATOR



Shay Wright

Co-founder of Te Whare Hukahuka, Edmund Hillary Fellow.



Brianne West

Founder of the global beauty brand Ethique, and Founder of Nous Labs – a \$20M fund.



Mindy Leow

Director of Growth & Impact, and acting CEO at B Lab Australia & New Zealand.



Florence Van Dyke

Head of Sustainability at NZTE, and Co-founder of Chia Sisters.



Darryl-Lee Wendelborn

Managing Director, Beca New Zealand.

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Tara Shepherd

A champion for inclusion and sustainability, student, and General Executive Member of the National Disabled Students' Association.



James Laughlin

High-Performance Leadership Coach, x7 world champion drummer, and Founder & Host of the Lead on Purpose Podcast.



Vira Paky

A first generation Congolese-Kiwi who thrives at the intersection of the arts, community engagement and social impact.



Devon Murphy-Davids

The new CEO of Inspiring Stories, passionate about great leadership, supporting the next generation to flourish and realise their potential.



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WHO'S BEHIND THE FESTIVAL? _____

**INSPIRING
STORIES.**

Inspiring Stories is a Kiwi charity with a vision to see young people realise their potential to change the world.

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