

Dr. Veronica Makere Hupane Tawhai

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BIO



Dr. Tawhai is a mother of three from Ngāti Porou, Ngāti Uepohatu living on the lands of Rangitāne, Ngāti Kauwhata in the Manawatū. She currently works part-time as Associate Professor of Te Tiriti capability at Massey University in Palmerston North and part-time as a Te Ata Kura Educator delivering Tiriti o Waitangi workshops nationwide. She is a past recipient of the Fulbright-Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga scholar award and the Te Mata o Te Tau Academy for Māori research and scholarship award, which assisted with her PhD research in Turtle Island (USA and Canada), Hawai'i, Australia and Aotearoa examining best evidence-based practices in teaching and learning about Indigeneity and the

implications for citizenship education in settler colonial societies. She is a founding member of Te Ata Kura (Society for Conscientisation), a life member of Te Mana Ākonga (the National Māori Tertiary Students' Association), and between 2012-2017 coordinated the *Matike Mai Aotearoa Rangatahi* project for the Independent Working Group on Constitutional Transformation led by Moana Jackson and Professor Margaret Mutu. Her academic, research and community work focuses on Māori political and constitutional education and engagement. Current projects she is undertaking include an introductory resource to settler colonialism in Aotearoa and a second edition of her co-edited work *Always Speaking: The Treaty of Waitangi and Public Policy*.

WORKSHOP

Te Tiriti o Waitangi – evidence and implementation 2022

In this workshop Dr. Tawhai will update us as to Te Tiriti o Waitangi developments regarding Te Tiriti and Treaty evidence and implementation, specifically: what we now know about the provisions (the two treaties' texts); what we now know about the principles (appropriate application), and; a framework from which we can draw upon Te Tiriti for strategic development in our mahi and for the nation. This is a Kaupapa Māori (critical, decolonising, Indigenous) workshop, so only attendees ready to work need register.

Timing: 9am-5pm