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## Te Tihi o Manono Award Guidelines Document



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## Te Tihi o Manono Award

<i>Tēnei au tēnei au</i>	<i>here am I, Here am I</i>
<i>Ki te hōkai nei o taku tapuwae</i>	<i>here am I swiftly moving by</i>
<i>Ki te hōkai nuku</i>	<i>journeyed about the earth</i>
<i>Ki te hōkai rangi</i>	<i>journeyed about the heavens</i>
<i>Ki te hōkai ō tātou tūpuna a Tāne-nui-ā-rangi</i>	<i>the journey of the ancestral God, Tanenuiarangi</i>
<i>I pikitia ai ki te Rangitūhāhā</i>	<i>who ascended into the heavens</i>
<i>Ki te Tihi o Manono</i>	<i>to te tihi o manono</i>
<i>I rokohina atu ra Ko lo matua kore anake</i>	<i>and there found lo-the-parentless, alone</i>
<i>I riro iho ai ngā kete o te wānanga</i>	<i>and brought back the baskets of knowledge</i>
<i>Ko te kete Tuauri</i>	<i>the basket called Tuauri</i>
<i>Ko te kete Tuatea</i>	<i>the basket called Tuatea</i>
<i>Ko te kete Aronui</i>	<i>the basket called Aronui</i>
<i>Ka tiritiria, ka poupoua</i>	<i>portioned out, planted</i>
<i>Ki a Papatūānuku</i>	<i>in mother earth</i>
<i>Kia puta te ira tangata</i>	<i>the life principle of humankind</i>
<i>Ki te whai ao</i>	<i>comes forth into the dawn</i>
<i>Ki te ao marama</i>	<i>into the world of light</i>
<i>tihei mauri ora!</i>	<i>I sneeze, tis life</i>

### **Brief History**

This above well-known tauparapara tells the story of the journey taken by Tāne-nui-ā-rangi to Te Tihi o Manono as the highest realm of the 12 heavenly realms to retrieve the three baskets of knowledge. The journey documents the pathways strived towards knowledge and enlightenment, the pursuit of excellence, and the tools needed to live a flourishing and connected life.

The Te Tihi o Manono award was established in 2023 by the National Standing Committee of Bicultural Issues to honour the journey of those who have, through their significant and sustained achievements, advanced mātauranga Māori and Indigenous knowledge in psychology. The Award will be hosted by the New Zealand Psychological Society, the New Zealand College of Clinical Psychologists, and supported by Ngā Pae o te Maramatanga Center of Māori Research Excellence. The joint hosting of the award recognises the collective aspirations of Māori in psychology and the need to support exceptional achievement by members of both organisations.

### **Aims of the award**

This award recognises the achievement of research and practice excellence in the pursuit of mātauranga Māori in psychology. Aligned with the tauparapara above as a metaphor for knowledge creation, this award reflects the journey taken to produce scholarship, research, and professional practice relevant to Māori communities.

### **Nature of the award**

The award is offered every two years. The recipient will be invited to deliver a keynote address at the NZPsS or NZCCP conference the following year.

### **Value of the award \$10,000**

The recipient of the award will receive \$5000 payable upon receipt of the award. The recipient will also be asked to nominate a registered charitable trust who engage in a kaupapa of their choosing to receive \$5000.

### **Eligibility Criteria**

To be eligible for the Te Tihi o Manono award nominees must identify as Māori. They must also be a current member of the Society, or a member of the College, and have held their membership for a minimum of 5 years. The award will recognise the nominees sustained, notable contribution to Māori advancement within psychology in the areas of *research, scholarship, mentorship, and professional practice*. The impact of their work should align with the pursuit of the three baskets of knowledge (*Te Kete Tuauri, Te Kete Tuatea, Te Kete Aronui*).

### **Nomination process**

Nominations are to be provided by three members of the NZPsS or the NZCCP. The closing date for nominations will be advertised. Nominators need to be full members of the NZPsS and the NZCCP and must have the nominee's written consent for the nomination.

Nominators should in aligning to Te Tihi o Manono goals:

1. Supply a letter to the NZPsS National Office and the NZCCP naming the person being nominated for the award and outlining the nature and extent of the achievements upon which the nomination is based, including information point 2.
2. Provide copies of the nominee's representative scholarly (including where applicable, iwi and hapū contributions), and research publications representing significant impact and achievement aligned with the awards intent. This material may be supplied in electronic form.
3. Submit a current curriculum vitae of the nominee and signed consent from the nominee to their nomination.
4. Supply a 250-word citation aligned to Te Tihi o Manono goals, a 150-word bio and a high-resolution photo of the nominee.
5. Note that if the nomination is successful, the nominee will be expected to be willing to be named in the media in any reports of this award.

### **Selection process**

Nominations for the Te Tihi o Manono award will be reviewed by a Bicultural Director of the Society or a nominated NSCBI member; the College of Clinical Psychologists Māngai Māori, the Tauira Māori representative (either from the NZCCP or NZPsS); and a representative of He Paiaka Totara. Ngā Pae o Te Māramatanga have agreed to being notified of the successful recipient. The committee will make a recommendation in time for the annual conference of either the Society or the College, in the year of the award.

### **Communication and Promotion**

The NZPsS, NZCCP and/or Ngā Pae o te Maramatanga Center of Māori Research Excellence may wish to communicate information on the awards to the media to increase public awareness about excellence in mātauranga Māori and Indigenous knowledge in psychology. This will only occur with permission of successful nominees.