

Kua tohua Te Toi o Tāmaki a Nathan Pōhio hei Senior Curator, Māori Art



Kua tohua Te Toi o Tāmaki a Nathan Pōhio (o Waitaha, Kāti Māmoe, Kāi Tahu) ki te tūranga, Senior Curator, Māori Art. Kua 20 tau a Pōhio e mahi ana ki ngā whare toi, ā, kua ono tau i ngā tūranga kaitiaki toi.

I tēnei tūranga, Senior Curator, Māori Art, ka āwhina a Pōhio ki te whakawhanake me te whakahaere i ngā kohinga o ngā ringatoi Māori, ngā toi e whakaahuatia ana te tangata Māori, te rangahau, te whakaatu me te whakamārama i ngā kohinga mō te painga o te katoa.

'He mea hira te tūranga kaitiaki nei ki te Whare Toi, ā, ki roto anō i te ao toi Māori. E hari ana au i whakaae a Nathan ki tēnei tūranga matua, ā, tāria ka kite i āna mahi ki te Whare Toi,' hei tā Kirsten Lacy, Director Toi o Tāmaki.

I tohu te pae whiriwhiri i a Pōhio ki tēnei tūranga, ā, ko te Director Kirsten Lacy, Deputy Director Tom Irvine (Ngāti Whātua), Head of Kaupapa Māori Te Arepa Morehu (Ngāti Whātua, Ngāpuhi), Head of Curatorial & Learning Dr Sarah Farrar, me te ringatoi, te mema tūngaroa o Haerewa, a Lisa Reihana (Ngāpuhi, Ngāti Hine, Ngāi Tūteauru, Ngāi Tūpoto).

Mai i te tau 2015, kua noho a Pōhio ki te ohu kaitiaki ki te Whare Toi o Ōtautahi, Te Puna o Waiwhetū. I reira, ko tōna aronga he whakapiki i ngā Toi Māori, ngā Toi Moana Nui a Kiwa anō hoki i roto i ngā whakakitenga, ngā kohinga, ngā whakaputanga me ngā mahi hāpori.

Ko ia anō i whakatū, i whakahaere i ngā kawenga ahurea mō Te Wheke: Pathways Across Oceania, he whakakitenga e rua tau te roa, ā, ko Aotearoa, ko Te Moana Nui a Kiwa kei te manawa o ngā kōrero hitori ā-toi mai i Aotearoa.

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'He mea whakatipu au i ngā tau tekau mā iwa, ki Te Puna o Waiwhetū, Te Whare Toi o Ōtautahi, ā, e whakaponono ana au ko ngā wawata ō te Toi o Tāmaki, he mea kua pūkengatia au, ā, ka whai wāhi anō au ki te toro atu,' hei tā Pōhio.

'He waimārie nōku te mōhio ki ētahi o ngā Directors o mua, ā, tāria te mahi tahi me Director Kirsten Lacy. He nui tōku whakaute ki ngā kaimahi, ngā whare toi hāpori me ngā rōpū o Tāmaki Makaurau. Ka hiki au i te mānuka nā ōku hoa tata i waiho mai i te Toi o Tāmaki, ā, e wawata nui ana kia whakawhānui i ā rātou mahi: he tirohanga whānui ki te hōhonutanga o te ao toi Māori.

Ka mahi tahi a Pōhio rāua ko te Head of Kaupapa Māori o te Toi o Tāmaki, a Te Arepa Morehu, me Haerewa. He mea whakahoa ki te hiki i te pūkete o ngā toi Māori i te Whare Toi me te whakatipu i tētahi āhuatanga ki te whakatenatena hononga ki te Māori.

'Koa katoa te ngākau i te hononga mai o Nathan ki te whānau o te Toi o Tāmaki. Tāria ake te whakatewhatewha i ngā huarahi e taea e tāua te whakarite kaupapa pai mō ngā toi Māori, ngā ringatoi Māori, mō Aotearoa, ā, puta atu ki te ao,' hei tā Te Arepa Morehu, Head of Kaupapa Māori ki te Toi o Tāmaki.

He mea pōhiri ngā whakaurunga mō tēnei tūranga ki te hunga kaitiaki toi, kaitiaki toi matua anō hoki.

Ka timata a Pōhio ki tōna tūranga, Senior Curator, Māori Art ā te 8 o Hui-tanguru 2022, i raro i te maru o Dr. Sarah Farrar Head of Curatorial & Learning.

Ko tētahi o āna mahi tuatahi me ōna hoa mahi hou, ko Toi Te Kupu, he wānanga toi Māori. Ka tū a Toi Te Kupu ki roto i ngā āhuatanga Māori, e mana ai te reo Māori me ōna tikanga. Ko te aronga matua o te wānanga ki te whakanui, ki te whakaputa i te awe o te mātauranga Māori mā roto i te toi, i te whakatū whakakitenga me ngā tikanga auaha.

Ka tū a Toi Te Kupu mō ngā rā e rua, 15-16 Pipiri 2022, ki Tāmaki Makaurau. Ka puta anō he kōrero mō tēnei wānanga ā te timatatanga o te tau 2022.

**Ki te hiahia kōrero anō, pikitia me ngā tono
uiui mō te tau hou, whakapā mai ki a:**

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