

NZ of the Year

Congratulations to Dame Anne Salmond, Distinguished Professor of M?ori Studies and Anthropology who was named Kiwibank New Zealander of the Year 2013.

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Events Calendar

2-30 Mar: King Lear - Summer Shakespeare



Get the 'royal treatment' with discounted tickets and complimentary Goldie Wine reception - see [Society News](#) below.

16 Mar: Auckland Brain Day

21 Mar: Law Reunion - Class of 1988, 25th Anniversary

[View all University events](#)

Distinguished Alumni - photo gallery

Our congratulations to the 2013 Distinguished Alumni and our thanks to all who attended the Awards Dinner and Auckland Live!

We have galleries of photos from both events. Video clips of all the presentations, discussions and performances will be uploaded later this month.

[View the Distinguished Alumni Awards Dinner gallery](#)

[View the Auckland Live! photo gallery](#)



Careers Fairs

Recent alumni are welcome on campus to connect with employers offering opportunities in the March employer presentations and Commerce Careers Fair.

[Find out more and register for events and workshops](#)

History of the rose

Can any of our readers shed some light on the origins of the rose growing behind the History Department (*Rosa rubiginosa*)? We understand it is descended from the first rose in New Zealand.



Photo of *Rosa rubiginosa* by [Henry Hartley](#)

[More about the rose](#)

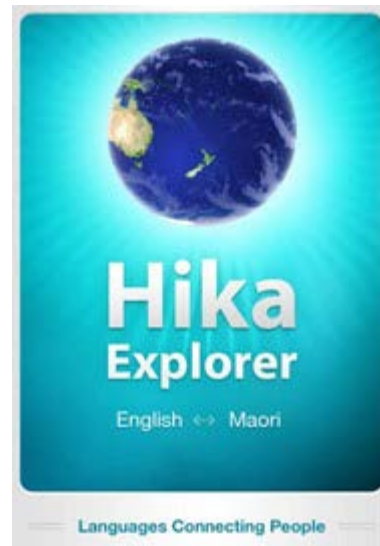
Innovative M?ori language app launched

A new app - the Hika Explorer - or *Hika Totoro* - providing instant access to translations of more than

54,000 common phrases between English and Māori launched at the Faculty of Education last week.

The Hika programme can be downloaded for use on any iOS hardware (iPad, iPhone) and any Android-driven mobile device and is also available in a browser-based form for class or lecture room use.

[Find out more about the Hika Explorer](#)



Maya misunderstood

Visiting lecturer Arturo Arias gives a free public lecture on 12 March explaining the workings of the Maya Calendar and how the idea that Maya predicted that 2012 would see the end of the world is an invention of the West.



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Book of the month: *Extra! Extra! How People Made the News*

David Hastings (alumnus)
Published by AUP
PB, illus. RRP \$45; UoA
Alumni Price \$38.25

Journalist and historian David Hastings explores the nineteenth-century Auckland newspaper wars, in which no trick was too dirty and no insult too scurrilous.

[More about *Extra! Extra!*](#)
[Download the discount form](#)



History of Old Government House

Find out about the history of Old Government House, situated in The University of Auckland's city campus.

Featuring interviews with Emeritus Professor Russell Stone, architect Denys Oldham and the manager of Old Government House, Tim Biggs.

Film and music by students of The University of Auckland.

[Watch the video](#)

[View historic photos of Old Government House](#)



Auckland Writers and Readers Festival

The University is in its third year as

a major sponsor of the Festival. Society members and their guests are invited to attend the exclusive launch event on Tuesday 19 March.



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Waiheke Goldie Vineyard Experience

It's not too late to register and receive your Society 10% discount.

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Summer Shakespeare - Royal Treatment

Attend a unique Society night on 27 March, with discounted tickets and a complimentary Goldie Wine Reception at University House with Distinguished Alumnus and King Lear Executive Producer Alan Smythe.



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Help wanted - English as an additional language

The University is looking for graduates who can volunteer two hours of their time once or twice a month. Volunteers will be asked to hold a series of eight minute conversations with Postgraduate students who speak English as an additional language.

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[Find out more about The University of Auckland Society](#) [Join the Society](#)

Goldie Wines - wine of the month: Goldie Waiheke Island Chardonnay 2012

Just newly released, this wine is always eagerly awaited from the vineyard and always sells out fast. \$28.50 per bottle if bought by the case (of 12) via the Auckland Campus Store using the 'Alumni and friends' button at the top of the screen (RRP is \$36-\$40). A gorgeous hand-made Chardonnay with aromas and flavours of ripe stone fruit and citrus.



[Buy online](#)

Business Ready Masters

The University of Auckland Business School's Graduate School of Management has launched a new suite of taught masters programmes for students looking for an edge in the global employment market. 'These practical masters are designed for students without prior business experience or qualifications who want to up skill and launch a business career', says Jilnaught Wong, Director of the GSM. Designed for high-achieving graduates, the Master of Management, Master of International Business and Master of Professional Accounting are full-time, 15-to 18 month qualifications which will be offered from September 2013.

[Learn more about the business ready masters](#)

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