Kīngitanga Day

About the Kīngitanga
The Kīngitanga was established in 1858 to unite Māori tribes under the leadership of Pōtatau Te Wherowhero. Te Paki o Matariki was designed as the crest for the Kīngitanga and underpinned by the motto Ko te Mana Motuhake. This motto is the theme for Kīngitanga Day 2017.

The University of Waikato and Kīngitanga
Since its founding in 1964, the University of Waikato has nurtured strong connections with the Kīngitanga, Waikato-Tainui, and iwi from across the country. The iwi forum of Te Rōpū Manukura sits alongside Council as an expression of partnership under the Treaty of Waitangi, and our University kaumātua, appointed on the nomination of King Tuheitia provides leadership and guidance across a range of University activities. Through our student and staff communities, the ties to the Kīngitanga and to te iwi Māori are constantly renewed and strengthened.

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Kīngitanga Day is an opportunity to honour and celebrate this heritage and the rich tapestry of our Māori distinctiveness, which extends to include all students and staff across the University.

Nau mai, haere mai, te tini me te mano!

Te Wiki o te reo Māori at the Library
Time to spare? Come to the Library foyer in the Student Centre to read about the history of the Kīngitanga movement. The Library will also play host to a fun and interactive display supporting te Wiki o te reo Māori. Activities include a student competition to be drawn at 2pm and a giant scrabble game – Hanga Kupu.

Win Beats headphones, UoW puffer jackets & hoodies
Take a selfie at any 2017 Kīngitanga Day activity, snap us @waikatouni or upload to Instagram using the hashtag #selfie4KDay and be in to win a pair of red Beats Solo3 Wireless Headphones, or other prizes including UoW puffer jackets and hoodies.
Full-day programme

8.45am  Concert Chamber doors open
9.00am   Mihi whakatau/Welcome
9.30am   Guest panel: Parihaka and He Puanga Haeata – Restoration, Redress, Reconciliation: A reflection on Parihaka and resolution of Māori-Crown grievances in the settlement era
   In June, the reconciliation ceremony He Puanga Haeata was held between the Crown and Parihaka, where the Crown apologised for the atrocities suffered following the invasion of Parihaka in 1881. This panel brings together the Parihaka papakāinga involved in that day. They will share their experiences and reflections of the importance of the reconciliation ceremony for them as a papakāinga.
   Panellists: Puna o te Aroha Wano-Bryant, Dr Ruakere Hond, Wharehoka Wano, Whakaararaha Kukutai, Hemi Sundgren
   Facilitators: Associate Professor Leonie Pihama and Hōri Manuirirangi
   Location: Dr John Gallagher Concert Chamber

10.30am  Morning tea
   Join us in the foyer for light refreshments

11.00am  Seminar: Te Mana Raraunga – Data Sovereignty
   Professor Tahu Kukutai
   Māori Data Sovereignty recognises that Māori/iwi should have control over Māori/iwi data as an inherent Treaty right, and in support of self-determination. Māori data include genetic information, linked ‘mega’ datasets, digitised health records, traditional knowledge, and data on land and other natural resources. In this kōrero we identify and lay out the key foundations of Māori Data Sovereignty, the challenges to achieving it, and the transformative potential for our whānau and communities.
   Facilitator: Dr Arama Rata
   Location: Dr John Gallagher Concert Chamber

12.30pm  Lunch and Entertainment
   Join us on the Village Green for lunch and entertainment. Kai stalls are available, or you can buy a delicious hāngi for only $5.

1.30pm   Seminar: Te Mana Raraunga – Data Sovereignty
   Professor Tahu Kukutai
   Facilitator: Dr Arama Rata
   Location: Dr John Gallagher Concert Chamber (Repeat of 11.00am session)

3.00pm   Break
   Take part in the activities and entertainment on the Village Green, including the mass waiata at approximately 4pm

4.30pm   Drinks
   Join us in the foyer for refreshments before our final session

5.00pm   Concert Chamber doors open
5.15pm   Panel presentation: Ngā Tamatoa – reflections on activism
   Ngā Tamatoa was a radical Māori activist group that emerged in the 1970s and through a series of high-profile protest actions galvanised public discussion about the rights of Māori, the recognition of the Treaty of Waitangi and the role and status of Te Reo Māori. A number of high profile activists such as Taura Eruera, Syd Jackson, Hana Jackson, Tame Iti and Donnny Awatere were members. Ngā Tamatoa also promoted the Māori Language Petition led by Hana Jackson, started a court advocacy programme and ran a schools’ education programme. This guest panel is a rare coming together of some of the members of Ngā Tamatoa. They will reflect on their aspirations, motivations, political philosophies and actions.
   Panellists: Des Kahotea, John Ohia, Dr Ngahua Te Awekotuku, Toro Waaka and Morehu McDonald.
   Facilitator: Professor Linda Tuhiiwai Smith
   Location: Dr John Gallagher Concert Chamber