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Fulbright alumni Witi Ihimaera and Susana Lei'ataua entertain attendees of Fulbright New Zealand's 60th anniversary celebrations

## A grand 60th anniversary celebration

Fulbright New Zealand alumni, grantees, friends and members of the public gathered to celebrate the organisation's 60th anniversary at a public symposium and invitation-only reception held at the University of Auckland on 22 November 2008. Around 130 and 180 people attended the two events respectively, at which they were entertained and informed by past and present Fulbrighters, guest speakers and dignitaries.

The afternoon symposium was a fantastic showcase of New Zealand Fulbright alumni and keynote speakers. Visiting Fulbright Distinguished US Scholar Professor Ronald Inglehart from the World Values Survey opened proceedings by discussing traditional and modern ways societies achieve happiness.

Fulbright alumni Witi Ihimaera and Bill Manhire both discussed their Fulbright exchanges to the US and read material they had written there. Witi noted that he had collaborated with many other Fulbright alumni on various writing and film projects since his exchange.

Fulbright alumna Jennifer Shennan spoke to launch the booklet *Dancing Fulbrighters: 60 years of dance exchanges on the New Zealand Fulbright programme*, which she had written to mark the anniversary and document the contribution of the Fulbright programme to her own creative field (see Page 7 of this newsletter for details on how to order a copy). As a special treat, Jennifer invited local dancers Owen Scott and Mary Jane O'Reilly to perform a menuet in honour of the programme's founder Senator J. William Fulbright.

Film-making Fulbright alumna Sima Urale showed examples of her work, and New Zealand keynote speaker Professor Paul Callaghan discussed the life of Novel Prize-winning Fulbright alumnus Alan MacDiarmid and other examples of scientific exchange between New Zealand and the US. Various current and recent grantees reported briefly on their Fulbright exchanges, before Fulbright alumni Susana Lei'ataua and Gareth Farr closed the symposium by performing songs they had written collaboratively in New York earlier in 2008.

The evening reception was a wonderful opportunity for alumni and key supporters of the Fulbright programme to reunite, reminisce and celebrate the 60th anniversary. Speakers included Fulbright New Zealand's Chairperson, Barbara Johnson, the Governor-General of New Zealand, Hon Anand Satyanand, and US Ambassador to New Zealand, Hon William McCormick. All commented on the far-reaching effects of Fulbright exchanges beyond its direct participants. As Barbara Johnson stated:

"Many of you, our treasured alumni, were the fortunate people who experienced those exchanges firsthand, and I'm sure your lives were changed for the better. The rest of us too have benefited from having such well educated and enlightened citizens among us. The Fulbright programme was designed to have a personto-person multiplier effect and that is one of its many strengths."

Guests enjoyed two musical performances and food from American, New Zealand and Pacific-themed menus. Our thanks to everyone who attended or otherwise supported these and several other 60th anniversary events during the past year. A special commemorative publication will be available shortly.

See Page 3 for photographs from Fulbright New Zealand's 60th Anniversary Symposium and Reception, and the Fulbright New Zealand website for additional photographs and content – www.fulbright.org.nz

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#### **Editorial**



Mele Wendt, Executive Director

## From the desk of the Executive Director

Happy New Year to you! We hope you had an enjoyable holiday season. I write this column on the eve of the inauguration of the 44th President of the United States of America, Barack Obama. From all accounts, not only does America look forward to this hugely significant event in history, the rest of the world does too, with the hope of a more united and peaceful world.

We look forward to another fruitful year here at Fulbright New Zealand. Our new Programme and Advising Team Leader, Martin Boswell, started his job at the end of January. Martin replaced Rae Holdsworth who semi-retired to the South Island in December 2008 after having worked at Fulbright New Zealand for nearly two years.

We look forward to hosting all the incoming American grantees and their families for an orientation programme in Wellington from 9-13 February. It's another large and diverse group this year – in fact another record will be broken. With 15 Fulbright US Graduate Students, this will be the largest group of American student Fulbrighters in our 60 year history.

It will be our privilege to host the East Asia and Pacific Regional Fulbright Executive Director's Meeting from 26-28 March in Auckland. The nine Executive Directors of the region look forward to discussing common issues as well as experiencing some of the nice things New Zealand has to offer.

In July we will host a Fulbright-Hays Seminars Abroad group of American elementary school teachers to New Zealand. Their two country, six week programme will begin with an orientation in Hawai'i, a seminar in New Zealand and then a seminar in Mongolia!

We're working towards implementing a new Fulbright award in visual arts. With an external organisation partnering with us on this jointly sponsored award, we hope to launch it shortly and have the first recipient awarded later in the year.

You'll note below that we have posted a donation form. After a highly successful 60th anniversary year and with planning for a new alumni association going so well, we thought it was timely to remind alumni and supporters that your donations are warmly appreciated! These funds are used to fund additional Fulbright awards. I also wish to remind everyone living in New Zealand that there are new tax deductibility rules on donations. Individuals and companies can now claim tax credits for donations up to the level of their annual taxable income and for every \$3 given, will receive around \$1 back in tax relief. Please consider making a donation to enable more people to have a Fulbright experience.

We look forward to seeing you sometime in 2009.

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## There's never been a better time to donate!

Recent changes to New Zealand tax laws offer greater incentive for charitable giving by removing caps on tax rebates for both individuals and companies. Individual donors can now claim a tax credit of 33.33% of total donations up to their full taxable income. Companies can deduct all donations up to their full taxable income from their taxable income. Fulbright New Zealand Trust (Incorporated) is registered as a donee organisation for charitable donations.



#### **Fulbright New Zealand Fundraising Campaign**

Donations to Fulbright New Zealand enable us to offer additional Fulbright awards to New Zealand and American graduate students, academics, artists and professionals to study, research and teach in each other's countries.

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## 60th Anniversary Symposium and Reception

#### In Pictures



US keynote speaker **Professor Ronald Inglehart** addresses the Fulbright New Zealand 60th Anniversary Symposium in the University of Auckland Business School's Fisher & Paykel Appliances Auditorium



Fulbright alumnus **Bill Manhire** reads poetry written during his Fulbright exchange to the US



Mary Jane O'Reilly and Owen Scott dance a menuet to launch Fulbright alumna Jennifer Shennan's publication Dancing Fulbrighters: 60 years of dance exchanges on the New Zealand Fulbright programme



New Zealand keynote speaker **Professor Paul Callaghan** discusses the life of Nobel Prize-winning
Fulbright alumnus Alan MacDiarmid and other NZ-US
exchanges in the field of science



2008 Fulbright US Graduate Student **Christina Gonzalez** reports on her exchange year in New Zealand



Fulbright alumna **Susana Lei'ataua** performs songs from her new theatre work Breaking the Surface accompanied by collaborator and fellow Fulbright alum Gareth Farr



Musicians Fred Baker and Natasha Urale-Baker entertain guests at the Fulbright New Zealand 60th Anniversary Reception following the afternoon symposium



Fulbright alumni and supporters mingle at the evening reception



Governor-General of New Zealand **Hon Anand Satyanand** congratulates Fulbright New Zealand on its 60th Anniversary



Fulbright alumnus **Murray Thompson** from Whangaparaoa was one of many alumni in attendance at the symposium and reception, with his wife **Megan** 



Fulbright New Zealand Executive Director **Mele Wendt** with alumna **Clemency Montelle** 



Guests enjoy American food from one of several themed menus

#### **Grantee Voice**



Danya Rumore

"Don't predict the future, just be open to the exciting opportunities that come your way."

## Adventures of a mountain ragamuffin

Danya Rumore from Sandpoint, Idaho received a 2008 Fulbright US Graduate Award to complete a Postgraduate Diploma in Science in Environmental Management, specialising in environmental management and sustainability in New Zealand, at the University of Auckland.

As my airplane climbs into the sky, into the brilliant New Zealand sky that never ceases to astound me with its clarity and depth, I close my eyes and reflect on the wonder of life. Two years ago, when I was a dreamy undergraduate environmental science student at Oregon State University, not even I would have imagined that my life would take me to New Zealand. I would hardly have believed that I would be here now, living in Auckland and feeling more at home in New Zealand than in the US. Even last year at the very beginning of 'My New Zealand Adventure' (as I fondly refer to my Fulbright experience), I would not have predicted that ten months abroad would so drastically change my life, that a self-declared 'mountain ragamuffin' like myself would find her home in the city of Auckland, her voice in Geography, and her vocabulary so drastically altered by Kiwi lingo. My many months in New Zealand have taught me innumerable life lessons, particularly: don't predict the future, just be open to the exciting opportunities that come your way.

Ascending farther into the Southern Hemisphere sky, soaring from my newfound home toward my homeland, I open my eyes and look fondly down upon the fantastically verdant hills around Auckland, the majestic North Island coastline, and the seemingly endless Pacific Ocean. As I look down upon the beauty of the natural world below me, I find great joy in the hope that this year in New Zealand has reinvigorated within me a hope for a socially, economically, and ecologically sustainable future. My ten months studying environmental management and working within the School of Geography, Geology and Environmental Science at the University of Auckland has not only bolstered my passion for sustainability, but has inspired me and empowered me with a flood of new ideas, skills, and opportunities. Although my two semesters as a Fulbright grantee passed so quickly, I now realize how much I have learned, how much my perspective has broadened, and how much I have personally grown in the less than a year that I have been abroad.

Being a Fulbrighter in New Zealand has been a truly magical experience. Every part of my experience - from involvement with Fulbright New Zealand (wine, cheese, and intellectually stimulating conversation with highly interesting people... what else could you want?) to participation in my academic program (field trips to gorgeous places like the Bay of Islands and Lake Taupo included) to working with the local community and university clubs (especially stream restoration in the pouring Auckland rain) - has been fabulous in its own way. My Fulbright year has not been without its challenges, ranging from adjusting to living in the city to having my laptop stolen from my flat, yet every challenge has been a chance to grow and learn and has provided new opportunities... such as the 'opportunity' to get a new laptop. I now realize that every challenge was really just the beginning of a new adventure.

As I close my eyes again, I think back on glorious days mountaineering on snow-capped Mt Ruapehu, tramping the magnificent Kepler Track, body boarding

on the near-to-desolate black sand beaches just outside of Auckland, and blackwater rafting in the Waitomo glow-worm caves. I reflect on innumerable thought-provoking and inspiring conversations with fellow Fulbrighters, colleagues and professors, and political leaders from around the world. I recall 'heaps' (to use a little kiwi lingo) of insightful seminars, speakers, meetings, and academic conferences, all of which have opened my eyes and mind to the wonderful work that is being done worldwide around issues related to sustainability. Most of all, I think fondly of all of the new friends, acquaintances, and contacts that I have made over the last ten months and I realize that out of all of the wonderful aspects of my Fulbrighting experience, this may very well be the most valuable.

As my plane continues to fly away from New Zealand, I find great joy in the knowledge that, with the support of the University of Auckland Fulbright Scholarship, I will soon be returning to Auckland to continue my studies and my life in New Zealand. Following my passionate interest in sustainable food systems, economic geography, and sustainable communities, I will return to Auckland in 2009 to complete my Master of Science in Geography and to study how certain New Zealand communities, as part of the greater 'Transition Initiative', are seeking to create more sustainable community food economies. Not only am I excited about my upcoming Masters research and the opportunity to work with various communities throughout the North and South Islands, I am excited to continue my exploration of New Zealand's society, politics, and her breathtaking landscape. As I often tell my friends and family, my experience in New Zealand and my involvement with Fulbright has been a veritable fairy tale, and this is a fairy tale that I am not ready to end.



**Danya Rumore** watching the sun set over Mt Ngauruhoe (above) and scrambling down scree slopes on the Tongariro Alpine Crossing (below)



## Alumni Association update

Kia ora Fulbright Quarterly readers,

A Fulbright New Zealand Alumni Association has been in the thinking of many people over recent years and action is now being taken to form an alumni association. A steering group of alumni from six regions of New Zealand met in September 2008 with myself as Chair, and has been steadily working towards making the association a reality.

There has been considerable feedback and discussion on the first proposal circulated to other alumni including a very constructive brunch preceding the Fulbright New Zealand 60th Anniversary Symposium in November. The steering group appreciates the time and thought given by alumni to providing feedback. There are several clear messages coming through that are forming the basis of further planning:

- There is clear support for an alumni association and work should continue on its establishment;
- The association should be centrally coordinated but regionally driven;
- The association's objectives need to be clarified;
- An alumni directory and/or online presence should be investigated to facilitate networking;
- Momentum should be continued through early activities in the regions.

The Fulbright New Zealand Alumni Association is on track to be launched in June 2009. The steering group is now developing a one year plan for 2009 to initiate some regional activities that are particularly geared to welcoming incoming American grantees, meeting with departing and returning New Zealand grantees and building local alumni networks. A more formal plan is to be developed by January 2010 that will take the alumni association into the future.

Being part of this project is a privilege. I have invariably found Fulbrighters to be interesting and inspirational people who are also easy and open to talk to and work with. I have been particularly impressed with the quality of the people on the steering group and their "can do" attitude. Bringing together the expertise, goodwill and camaraderie among Fulbrighters into an alumni association is an exciting and timely challenge. Please keep the feedback and ideas coming.

We look forward to your support and sharing the Fulbright spirit through an official alumni association.

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## Alumni News



**Graham Cochrane** 

#### Grantee and Alumni News

Fulbright alumnus Professor Ted Baker (1984 NZ Research Scholar) was awarded the Royal Society of New Zealand's Liley Medal in November, to recognise research that has made an outstanding contribution to health and medical sciences. Ted's research is in the field of molecular structure. Also in November, Fulbright alumni Associate Professor Jim McQuillan (1981 NZ Research Scholar) and Dr Martin Reyners (1979 NZ Graduate Student) were elected as Fellows of the Society to provide expert advice, promote scientific best practice and disseminate scientific information.

Fulbright alumnus Dr John Barrington (1982 NZ Research Scholar) and 2009 Fulbright New Zealand Senior Scholar Dr Joanna Kidman were both recognised with awards from the New Zealand Association for Research in Education in November. John was awarded the MacKenzie Award for significant contribution to education research over an extended period of time. Joanna received the Te Tohu Pae Tawhiti Award for significant contribution to Māori education by high quality research over an extended period of time.

Fulbright alumnus Dr Robert Welch (1974 NZ Research Scholar) was recognised in the Queen's New Year Honours List in January for his services to biotechnology. Robert is a director and shareholder in New Zealand Biotechnologies Ltd, a company that makes high-value plant extracts for sale in Korea and Japan, and serves on the Board of Crown Research Institute AgResearch.

Fulbright alumnus Vincent O'Sullivan (1975 NZ Research Scholar) was one of two writers selected in January for 2009 Michael King Writers' Centre/Creative New Zealand Writers-in-Residence Awards. The awards, presented in honour of renowned historian, writer and Fulbright alumnus Michael King (2001 Visiting Professor in New Zealand Studies), offer an eight week residency at the Writers' Centre in an historic signalman's house in Devonport, Auckland. Vincent will use the residency to continue writing his biography of artist Ralph Hotere. ▶

#### In Memoriam

We are saddened by the recent passing of Fulbright alumnus Maurice Pentecost (1977 NZ Educational Development Grant)

#### In Brief



Michael King, 2001

#### **Important Dates**

#### March

1 Fulbright New Zealand Travel Awards applications close Fulbright Senior Specialist Awards applications close Ian Axford (New Zealand) Fellowships in Public Policy applications close

#### **April**

1 Fulbright-Creative New Zealand Pacific Writer's Residency applications close

See www.fulbright.org.nz or contact the Fulbright New Zealand office for more details

#### **Awarded**

#### Fulbright Visiting Scholar Awards in New Zealand Studies

Jon Johannson from Victoria University of Wellington will research US constitutional debates and teach a course in New Zealand studies at Georgetown University in Washington, DC for their Fall 2009 semester. Danny Keenan (see Departures)

Douglas Pratt from the University of Waikato will research religious plurality and extremism and teach a course in New Zealand studies at Georgetown University in Washington, DC for their Spring 2010 semester.

#### **Fulbright Travel Awards**

Christina Barton (see Departures)

Shirley Bell (see Departures)

Erik Champion (see Departures)

Jim Dennison and Leanne Willliams will demonstrate the use of royal icing for modeling and glass casting at the Glass Art Society's 39th annual conference in Corning, New York.

#### **Fulbright Senior Specialist Awards**

Toni Shippenberg (see Arrivals) ▶

#### **Arrivals and Departures**

#### **Arrivals:**

#### Fulbright US Graduate Awards

Courtney-Savali Andrews from Seattle, Washington will complete a PhD in Pacific Studies, specialising in the emergence of Polynesian opera singers and composers, at the University of Auckland. Courtney-Savali arrives in February.

Jill Bender from Boise, Idaho will research the international impact of the Indian Rebellion of 1857 at Victoria University of Wellington. Jill arrives in February.

Evan Bredeweg from Spokane, Washington will research the relationship between jaw morphology and feeding efficiency in tuatara at Victoria University of Wellington. Evan arrives in February.

Michelle Cook from Tazewell, Virginia will complete a Master of Māori and Pacific Development degree in Development Studies, specialising in indigenous paradigms of restorative justice, at the University of Waikato. Michelle arrives in February.

Dawson Dunning from Otter, Montana will produce a documentary film about the relationship between traditional Māori knowledge and Western scientific research in conserving New Zealand wildlife at Victoria University of Wellington. Dawson arrives in February.

Barry Fischer from Moraga, California will research the economic and environmental implications of biofuels production in New Zealand at Massey University Albany. Barry arrives in February.

Micah Kawaguchi-Ailetcher from Lahaina, Hawai'i will complete a Master of Arts degree in Film, Television and Media Studies, specialising in the relationship between Pacific peoples' television and social activism in New Zealand, at the University of Auckland. Micah arrives in February.

Chris Lemon from Lower Burrell, Pennsylvania will complete a Bachelor of Science (Honours) degree in Chemistry, specialising in the synthesis and anti-cancer analysis of metal-based compounds, at the University of Auckland. Chris arrives in February.

Keoni Mahelona from Lihue, Hawai'i will complete a Master of Science degree in Physics, specialising in nanotechnology and its implications for Māori, at Victoria University of Wellington. Keoni arrived in January.

Ivy McDaniels from Laurel Run, Pennsylvania will complete a Master of Arts Degree in English Literature, specialising in Katherine Mansfield's modern colonial search for identity, at Victoria University of Wellington. Ivy arrives in February.

Michel Ohmer from Yuma, Arizona will complete a Master of Science degree in Zoology, specialising in chytridiomycosis transmission modes in New Zealand frogs, at the University of Otago. Michel arrived in January.

Megan Ortega from Tucker, Georgia will complete a Master of Science degree in Geology, specialising in analysis of fossil-bearing Miocene rock deposits in New Zealand, at the University of Otago. Megan arrives in

#### February.

Lauren Szathmary from Mauriceville, North Carolina will research the effects of changing predator-prey abundances on marine reserve communities at the University of Otago. Lauren arrives in February.

#### Fulbright-mtvU Fellowship

Ainsley Breault from Colorado Springs, Colorado will produce two videos documenting Māori music events and the role of music in perpetuating Māori culture at AUT University. Ainsley arrived in January.

#### Fulbright US Senior Scholar Awards

Marcia Bjornerud from Lawrence University will research middle crust geology of the South Island's Alpine Fault at the University of Otago. Marcia arrives in February.

Eric Grosfils from Pomona College will research the mechanics of caldera formation in the Taupo Volcanic Zone at the University of Auckland. Eric arrives in February.

Kimberly Hughes from the University of Illinois will research genomic signatures of frequency-dependent selection at the University of Otago. Kimberly arrives in February.

Christina Hulbe from Portland State University will research numerical modelling of variability in ice sheet flow at the University of Otago. Christina arrives in February.

Nancy Rottle from the University of Washington will research urban green networks and ecological infrastructure in New Zealand cities at Lincoln University. Nancy arrives in February.

Jacqueline Shea Murphy from the University of California will research contemporary Māori dance choreography at the University of Auckland. Jacqueline arrives in February.

#### Ian Axford (New Zealand) Fellowships in Public Policy

Alixe Bonardi from the University of Massachusetts Medical School will research risk management in New Zealand intellectual disability services at the Ministry of Health. Alixe arrived in January.

Robyn Dupuis from the Washington State House of Representatives will research financial literary education in New Zealand at the Retirement Commission. Robyn arrived in January.

Paul Goren from the Spencer Foundation will research the implementation of *Ka Hikitia - Managing for Success: The Māori Education Strategy 2008-2012* at the Ministry of Education. Paul arrived in January.

#### **Fulbright Senior Specialist Awards**

Victoria University of Wellington is hosting Toni Shippenberg from the National Institute on Drug Abuse, who is assisting with establishment of a Centre for Addiction Research. Toni arrived in January. ▶

#### Departures:

#### Fulbright Visiting Scholar Awards in New Zealand Studies

Danny Keenan from Victoria University of Wellington is conducting comparative research into native agencies and native policy in New Zealand and the US and teaching a course on New Zealand's search for nationhood at Georgetown University in Washington, DC for their Spring 2009 semester. Danny departed in January.

#### **Fulbright Travel Awards**

Christina Barton from Victoria University of Wellington will visit university art galleries and graduate curatorial studies programmes at several universities in New York. Christina departs in April.

Shirley Bell from Massey University will present seminars on settler and indigenous co-existence in New Zealand at several universities in the US. Shirley departs in April.

John Bitchener from AUT University will present a paper entitled *Tailoring different types of written corrective feedback to individual needs* at the 43rd Annual TESOL Convention in Denver, Colorado. John departs in March.

Dianne Brunton from Massey University will collaborate on research projects examining the impact of climate change on migratory birds at Environment for the Americas in Boulder, Colorado, and the impact of microbial infection on kakapo egg mortality at the University of California, Berkeley. Dianne departs in April.

Erik Champion from Massey University will give a talk on virtual heritage projects in New Zealand and the South Pacific at Carnegie Museum of Natural Heritage in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Erik departs in April. ▶

#### **Current Grantees**

International Fulbright Science and Technology Awards Alana Alexander - PhD, wildlife, Oregon State University Irene Ballagh - PhD, neuroscience, Columbia University Wynton Moore - PhD, physics, University of Chicago

Fulbright-Platinum Triangle Scholarship in Entrepreneurship

Alex Dunayev - MBA, Stanford University Fiona Miller - MBA, University of California

Fulbright-Ministry of Research, Science and Technology Graduate Awards Josephine Beck - research, primate vocalisation, Harvard University Adam Forbes - MS, management science and engineering, Stanford University

Rick Henry - PhD research, engineering, Iowa State University William Kelton - PhD, chemical engineering, University of Texas Shaun McGirr - PhD, political science, University of Michigan Josie McVitty - MS, environmental engineering, Harvard University Rahul Mehta - PhD, electrical engineering, University of Texas Hiren Mulchandani - MS, material science and engineering, Stanford University

Hiten Mulchandani - MS and PhD, aeronautics and astronautics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Monique Ryan - MS, computer science, Stanford University
Damian Scarf - PhD research, animal psychology, Columbia University
Dmitri Schebarchov - PhD research, physics, University of Tennessee
Jethro van Ekeren - PhD, mathematics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Fulbright-EQC Graduate Awards in Natural Disaster Research Geoff Rodgers - PhD research, mechanical engineering, Texas A&M University Aaron Wilson - PhD research, civil and environmental engineering, Drexel University

Fulbright New Zealand General Graduate Awards

Luke Di Somma - MFA, musical theatre writing, New York University Bethany Edmunds - MA, visual culture, New York University Olivia Kember - MA, security studies, Columbia University Jessica Kerr - LLM, judicial role in public/private law, Yale University Jono Paulin - MS, clinical exercise physiology, Northeastern University Simon Thode - PhD, history, Johns Hopkins University Rob Vosslamber - PhD research, taxation ethics, Boston University

Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Program
April Strickland - research, preservation and cultivation of Māori identity
through television and video, University of Auckland

Fulbright New Zealand Senior Scholar Awards Anne de Bruin - research, entrepreneurship, Babson College

Harkness Fellowships in Health Care Policy

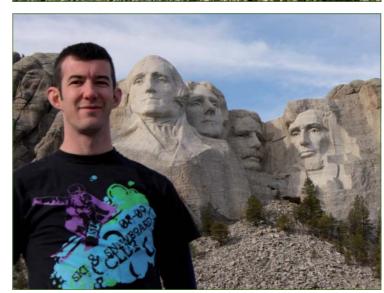
Robin Gauld - research, reduction of clinical performance variations, Boston University/Massachusetts General Hospital ▶

For further information about many of the current grantees listed above, see the Fulbright New Zealand 2008 Grantees Booklet, which is available to download from our website - www.fulbright.org.nz

Pictured right: Current Fulbright New Zealand Graduate Students **Dmitri Schebarchov** (top), **Monique Ryan** (middle) and **Rick Henry** (bottom) exploring the US









### Dancing Fulbrighters 60th anniversary publication

To mark Fulbright New Zealand's 60th anniversary, Fulbright alumna Jennifer Shennan has written a booklet documenting the exchange experiences of 15 New Zealand and American grantees in the field of dance, including dancers, choreographers, educators, researchers and critics.

Copies of *Dancing Fulbrighters: 60 years of dance exchanges on the New Zealand Fulbright programme* are available from the Fulbright New Zealand office for NZ\$5.00 each (plus postage). Contact the office for information about how to order – info@fulbright.org.nz / +64 4 472 2065

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#### **Awards**

Fulbright awards recognise individuals who show academic or professional excellence, leadership potential and the ability to be cultural ambassadors for their country. Fulbright New Zealand offers or administers the following awards and fellowships:

#### **Fulbright Travel Awards**

For New Zealand academics, artists or professionals to visit the US for 12 to 90 days in order to present papers at conferences, deliver lectures, collaborate with American colleagues or visit relevant institutions. Eight to twelve awards valued at up to NZ\$5,000 are offered each year. Applications close 1 March, 1 July and 1 November 2009

#### **Fulbright Senior Specialist Awards**

For New Zealand academic institutions to host US academics, artists or professionals for two to six week programmes of lectures, seminars, workshops, conferences or symposiums. Approximately six awards valued at up to NZ\$8,400 (plus travel expenses) are offered each year. Applications close 1 March, 1 July and 1 November 2009

Ian Axford (New Zealand) Fellowships in Public Policy For outstanding mid-career US professionals to research and gain first-hand experience of public policy in New Zealand for seven months. A small number of fellowships valued at up to NZ\$45,500 (plus travel expenses) are offered each year. Applications close 1 March 2009

#### Fulbright-Creative New Zealand Pacific Writer's Residency

For a New Zealand writer in any genre to carry out work on an approved creative writing project exploring Pacific identity, culture or history at the University of Hawai'i for three months. One residency valued at NZ\$30,000 is offered each year. Applications close 1 April 2009

## International Fulbright Science and Technology

For promising graduate students from around the world to undertake fully-funded PhD study at top US universities in fields of science, technology or engineering. Approximately 40 awards with an estimated value over NZ\$350,000 are offered internationally each year. Applications close 1 May

#### Fulbright-Cognition Education Research Trust Scholar Award in Education Research

For a New Zealand educator or scholar to pursue research in the US designed to have an impact on New Zealand schooling and student achievement, for three to five months. One award valued at up to US\$20,000 (plus travel expenses) is offered each year. Applications close 1 May 2009

Fulbright New Zealand Senior Scholar Awards For New Zealand academics, artists or professionals to lecture and/or conduct research in the US for three to five months. A small number of awards valued at up to US\$32,500 (plus travel expenses) are offered each year. Applications close 1 June 2009

#### Fulbright Visiting Scholar Awards in New Zealand **Studies**

For New Zealand academics to conduct research and teach New Zealand Studies at Georgetown University in Washington, DC for one or two semesters. Two awards - one per semester - valued at up to US\$32,500 (plus travel expenses) are offered each year. Applications close 1 June 2009

#### Fulbright-Platinum Triangle Scholarship in Entrepreneurship

For a promising New Zealand graduate student in a knowledge economy-related field to complete a Masters degree at a US university and gain professional work experience in the US and New Zealand. One award valued at US\$100,000 (plus travel expenses and a paid internship) is offered each year. Applications close 1 August 2009

#### Fulbright-Ministry of Research, Science & Technology **Graduate Awards**

For promising New Zealand graduate students to undertake postgraduate study or research at US institutions in fields targeted to support growth and innovation in New Zealand. Approximately 10 awards valued at up to US\$25,000 (plus travel expenses) are offered each year. Applications close 1 August 2009

#### Fulbright-EQC Graduate Award in Natural Disaster Research

For a promising New Zealand graduate student to undertake postgraduate study or research at a US institution in the field of natural disaster research. One award valued at up to US\$25,000 (plus travel expenses) is offered each year. Applications close 1 August 2009

#### Fulbright New Zealand General Graduate Awards

For promising New Zealand graduate students to undertake postgraduate study or research in any field at US institutions. Approximately eight awards valued at up to US\$25,000 (plus travel expenses) are offered each year. Applications close 1 August 2009

#### Fulbright US Senior Scholar Awards

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