



*Alumni and supporters gather at parliament's Beehive Banquet Hall in June to celebrate Fulbright New Zealand's 65th anniversary year and honour this year's Fulbright grantees*

## 65th anniversary celebrations continue

Alumni and supporters of Fulbright New Zealand have gathered in the capital cities of the United States of America and New Zealand in recent months to celebrate 65 years of Fulbright educational and cultural exchange between the two countries. Further celebrations are scheduled around the anniversary date of 14 September, 65 years after Fulbright New Zealand was formed by the signing of a bilateral treaty.

On 17 May, more than 120 alumni and supporters from across the US gathered at the New Zealand Embassy in Washington, DC for a 65th reception which was hosted by Rt Hon Mike Moore, New Zealand Ambassador to the United States, and attended by Fulbright New Zealand's chairperson Helen Anderson and executive director Mele Wendt. Speakers included Adam Ereli, principal deputy assistant secretary for the US Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, which oversees the Fulbright programme in America, Harriet Fulbright, widow of the programme's founder Senator J. William Fulbright, and a panel of five US and New Zealand Fulbright alumni and grantees spanning the decades. Current Fulbright New Zealand graduate student Bryony Gibson-Cornish, who is completing a Master of Music degree at the Juilliard School in New York, gave a solo viola recital.

In Wellington on 25 June, around 300 guests attended a reception at parliament to celebrate the anniversary and recognise this year's Fulbright grantees. The event was hosted by senior government minister Hon Steven Joyce, who in his speech said that "for 65 years the Fulbright programme has been the guiding light for students and leaders in New Zealand and the United States. It has been instrumental in forging longstanding and substantive bonds between our two countries and

has more than fulfilled Senator Fulbright's vision of promoting friendship, knowledge and understanding."

Again, a panel of alumni from across the decades spoke, including 2008 Fulbright US Graduate Award recipient Siobhan O'Kane, who noted that "Fulbrighters are bound together by a special enthusiasm, passion and curiosity, and big bold ideas. A Fulbright award is not a one-off reward. It's the seed of a lifetime of enrichment through story-telling, knowledge building and the support of a powerful network." In the awards ceremony portion of the event, 53 of this year's Fulbright grantees (from a record cohort of 83) and three Ian Axford (New Zealand) Fellows in Public Policy were honoured in person for their achievements.

In September, gala dinners will be held at Villa Maria Estate in Auckland (on 7 September) and Government House in Wellington (on 14 September), which all alumni and friends of the Fulbright programme are warmly welcomed to attend. A working group of alumni are currently collecting artworks by Fulbright alumni and others to be auctioned at the gala dinners and online, with proceeds going to the endowment fund created this year to fund additional Fulbright exchange awards in perpetuity. Anyone with artworks to contribute, either by themselves or from their own collection, should contact the Fulbright office.

So far more than NZ\$22,000 has been donated to the Fulbright New Zealand Trust endowment fund by generous alumni, for which we are extremely grateful. A reminder that tax deductible donations to our 65th anniversary appeal can be made in both New Zealand and the US. For details of how to donate see [www.fulbright.org.nz/donate](http://www.fulbright.org.nz/donate) ►

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## Editorial



Mele Wendt, Executive Director

## From the desk of the Executive Director

Tēnā koutou, talofa lava and warm Fulbright greetings.

A lot has happened since our May newsletter, and the pace increases as our 65th anniversary year progresses.

A modified Outreach programme was successfully implemented in May and June, visiting 16 institutions to deliver general information sessions for staff and students and six sessions specifically targeting Māori and Pacific audiences. We also held nine meetings with senior staff at campuses around the country to provide an update and discuss ways to improve their engagement with Fulbright.

Fulbright Board chair, Helen Anderson, Axford Board chair, Jim Bolger, and I had a great trip to Washington, DC in May for a special Fulbright New Zealand 65th anniversary reception, the US-NZ Partnership Forum, and Ian Axford Fellowship selections. We thank the New Zealand Ambassador, Mike Moore, and Embassy staff for hosting these activities. We were pleased to help coordinate the Future Partner component of the Partnership Forum. A delegate said afterwards that the Future Partners "stole the show".

In late June, we brought together this year's 27 New Zealand Fulbright students with the 10 current American Fulbright students for a mid-year programme which included pre-departure orientation for the New Zealanders and updates from the Americans. A highlight for them, and for us, was the special 65th anniversary reception and awards ceremony held at parliament.

At both the anniversary receptions in Washington, DC

and Wellington a panel of alumni speakers from across the 65 years passionately articulated the benefits of their Fulbright award and the importance of supporting the programme. I sincerely thank them for their contributions, along with Bryony Gibson-Cornish who performed a wonderful viola piece in Washington.

US member Scott Optican was farewelled from our Board at its June meeting having served for six years. His replacement is Julie Ann Genter, a transport planner by profession and current New Zealand MP.

In terms of staff, Leonie Black joined us in April as the part-time business development adviser, and is coordinating our fundraising activities. In June programme manager Ron Mitchell, after two and a half years of service, left with his family on a new adventure in Africa. He was replaced by Janey Walker, who came from the AFS programme.

We are preparing for special anniversary events in September which also have a fundraising focus. We hope many alumni, sponsors and friends will join us and the two partner governments. If you have not already done so, please give to our fundraising appeal and help ensure we retain the number of Fulbright awards we have now, in an environment of increasingly constrained income streams.

Hei konei rā, ia manuia and warm regards,

## Fulbright News



Steven Jacobi, Executive Director of the NZ US Council, speaks at the US-NZ Pacific Partnership Forum

## US-NZ Pacific Partnership Forum

**Fulbright New Zealand was an active participant in the bilateral 2013 United States-New Zealand Pacific Partnership Forum in Washington, DC in May, including by helping to select 25 young New Zealand leaders to participate as Future Partners.**

The biennial forum brought together more than 300 game-changing leaders from government, business, academia and non-profit groups to engage in high level discussions about the bilateral relationship and its future direction. Discussions covered such topics as trade, security and foreign policy, as well as US-NZ collaboration and leadership in areas such as agriculture, technology, life sciences and sustainability.

43 emerging American and New Zealand leaders took part in the Future Partners programme. Before the forum, Fulbright New Zealand worked with the NZ US Council to select 25 New Zealand Future Partners (including 10 Fulbright alumni) from more than 160 applications received. A number of other Fulbright grantees and alumni attended as delegates, as did Fulbright New Zealand's chairperson Helen Anderson and executive director Mele Wendt.

Kieren Brown from Auckland, who attended as a Future Partner, reported to the [newzealandinc.com](http://newzealandinc.com) website after the event that "The Future Partners were a fantastic, highly visible and diverse group, from which I now have many new friends. Without a doubt some of them will be future CEOs, ministers and ambassadors."

Details, speeches, photographs and videos from the three day Pacific Partnership Forum are available on the organising United States New Zealand Council's website: [www.usnzcouncil.org/pacific-partnership-forum](http://www.usnzcouncil.org/pacific-partnership-forum) ►



*Future Partners at the US-NZ Pacific Partnership Forum*

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The following comments were made by alumni speakers at Fulbright New Zealand's 65th anniversary celebrations in Washington, DC in May and Wellington in June. Further photographs and comments can be viewed on our website, at [www.fulbright.org.nz/events/65th-anniversary](http://www.fulbright.org.nz/events/65th-anniversary)

**Helen Hughes, 1952 Fulbright New Zealand Graduate Student**

"My US experience set me on my career path. The subjects I took and the research that I did resulted in my appointment as a scientist in a newly established freshwater research unit and ultimately to my appointment as the first Parliamentary Commissioner for the Environment.

I made lots of friends, some of them have since visited New Zealand and some have gained influential positions in USA. Their knowledge of New Zealand has to be a plus.

Being a Fulbright grantee opens many doors, and this was very advantageous later in my career. The value of the cultural exchange and the people you meet from a Fulbright exchange cannot be underestimated."

**Julie Allen, 1974 Fulbright US Graduate Student**

"I think the most obvious impact of the Fulbright experience for me was living inside another culture. Meeting new people and learning to live in a place that did things just a little bit differently was the beginning of my global education. Thanks to the Fulbright programme, 'thinking globally' is now a part of who I am.

The friendships I made while studying in New Zealand have lasted for nearly 40 years. I have stayed in touch with many friends and we have shared visits both in the US and New Zealand.

[My Fulbright award] offered me a remarkable challenge and opportunity. It opened my eyes to the importance of trying new things. I am extremely grateful for that."

**Barry Fischer, 2009 Fulbright US Graduate Student**

"My fellowship had a profound impact on me academically, culturally and professionally. I ended up publishing my research, which I would not have been able to do without the support of the Fulbright commission, and which will help my work to live on as a resource for others.

My time and research in the Pacific region taught me a lot about what it means to live in an island nation. Being from the sprawling continental US, I had never truly realized how unique island nations are socially, environmentally and economically. Thanks to my fellowship, an island perspective now strongly informs my worldview.

My Fulbright grant made me a more knowledgeable, more understanding and more capable global citizen." ➤

## Alumni Voices



Alumni **Helen Hughes** (above) and **Barry Fischer** (below) speak at 65th anniversary celebrations



## Important Dates

### August

- 1 Fulbright Science and Innovation Graduate Awards applications close  
Fulbright-EQC Graduate Award in Natural Disaster Research applications close  
Fulbright-Ngā Pae o Te Māramatanga Graduate Award applications close  
Fulbright New Zealand General Graduate Awards applications close  
Fulbright-Wallace Arts Trust Award applications close  
Fulbright New Zealand Travel Awards applications close  
Fulbright-Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga Travel Awards in Indigenous Development applications close  
Fulbright Specialist Awards applications close  
Fulbright US Scholar Awards applications close
- Ian Axford (New Zealand) Fellowships in Public Policy Seminars (*Register at [www.ipanz.org.nz](http://www.ipanz.org.nz) or by email to [admin@ipanz.org.nz](mailto:admin@ipanz.org.nz)*):
- 19 April Ferrino – Improving the Quality of Age-Related Residential Care Through the Regulatory Process  
12:30-1:30pm, Fulbright New Zealand, Level 8, 120 Featherston Street, Wellington
- 21 Eileen Harrity – Vocational Pathways: Using Industry Partnerships and Personalised Learning to Increase Student Options  
12:30-1:30pm, Fulbright New Zealand, Level 8, 120 Featherston Street, Wellington
- 23 Mary Jo Kaplan – Growing the Next Generation of Social Entrepreneurs and Start-ups in New Zealand  
12:30-1:30pm, Ministry of Social Development, Level 3, Bowen State Building, 34 Bowen Street, Wellington
- 30 Monthly Fulbright Seminar Series: Charles Royal – Indigenous Development and the Creative Potential of Māori Communities  
12:30-1:30pm, Fulbright New Zealand, Level 8, 120 Featherston Street, Wellington. RSVP to [info@fulbright.org.nz](mailto:info@fulbright.org.nz) / (04) 472 2065 by 28 August

### September

- 7 Fulbright New Zealand 65th Anniversary Gala Dinner, Auckland  
7:00-11:00pm, Villa Maria Estate, Auckland. Tickets \$135 from [www.fulbrightauckland.eventbrite.com](http://www.fulbrightauckland.eventbrite.com)
- 13 Monthly Fulbright Seminar Series Speaker TBC. 12:30-1:30pm, Fulbright New Zealand, Level 8, 120 Featherston Street, Wellington
- 14 Fulbright New Zealand 65th Anniversary Gala Dinner, Wellington  
7:00-10:00pm, Government House, Wellington. Tickets \$135 from [www.fulbrightwellington.eventbrite.com](http://www.fulbrightwellington.eventbrite.com)
- 16 Harkness Fellowships in Health Care Policy and Practice applications close

### October

- 1 Fulbright New Zealand Scholar Awards applications close  
Fulbright-Ngā Pae o Te Māramatanga Scholar Award applications close  
Fulbright-Cognition Scholar Award in Education Research applications close  
Fulbright-Meg Everton Professional Enhancement Awards in Education applications close
- 15 Fulbright US Graduate Awards applications close
- 25 Monthly Fulbright Seminar Series Speaker TBC. 12:30-1:30pm, Fulbright New Zealand, Level 8, 120 Featherston Street, Wellington

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## Alumni Association

**FULBRIGHT  
NEW ZEALAND  
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**



**TE WHAKAWHITINGA  
AOTEAROA-AMERIKA**

## Alumni Association update

Over the past three months the Association has hosted a number of exciting events around the country. These included a get-together for alumni in Canterbury who had the opportunity to meet current US grantees based there. The Wellington region organised a dinner for alumni who were in Wellington following the annual Fulbright New Zealand's awards ceremony in June, with guests ranging from one of our earliest alumni right through to the newest members of the Association.

Fulbright Reflections events were held in partnership with the Wallace Arts Trust in Auckland, where over 50 alumni and friends heard three Fulbright artist alumni talk about their residencies at Headlands Center for the Arts in Sausalito, California, and with City Gallery Wellington, where photographers Laurence Aberhart and Peter Peryer and documentary filmmaker Briar March discussed their views of 'America Through a New Zealand Lens'.

You can see photos, read news and learn about our upcoming events on our Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/fnzaa](http://www.facebook.com/fnzaa). Please "like" our page and join the online conversation.

We'd love you to join our Association if you are not already a member. Please visit [www.fnzaa.org](http://www.fnzaa.org) or contact our alumni coordinator Vicky Beckett by email to [admin@fnzaa.org](mailto:admin@fnzaa.org) or phone at +64 4 974 4119. Please also let Vicky know if you are interested in participating in executive or regional leadership of the association, we're always looking for new team members and it's a great opportunity.

Toni Moyes, Acting FNZAA Chairperson

## In Brief



above: Paul Wolfram;  
below: Louise Tu'u



## Alumni News

Fulbright alumnus **Tom Wartenberg** (2012 US Research Scholar) from Mount Holyoke College published a new book, *A Sneetch is a Sneetch and Other Philosophical Discoveries* (Wiley), in April. The book serves as an introduction to philosophy for children at home or school, by examining philosophical ideas in 16 classic picture books for children. Tom, who founded the Teaching Children Philosophy programme to promote the teaching of philosophy to elementary/primary school children, returned to New Zealand in June to continue his work on introducing philosophy teaching at Island Bay School in Wellington.

Fulbright alumnus **Richard Coll** (2005 NZ Travel Award) and colleague Karsten Zegwaard from the University of Waikato were awarded the 2013 Ralph W. Tyler Award in April, for their work in compiling an international handbook for cooperative and work-integrated education. The Tyler award has been granted annually since 1983 by the US-based Cooperative Education and Internship Association for outstanding and distinguished scholarly research and publication in the field of cooperative education, internships and work-integrated learning. In 2001 Richard became the first person outside North America to win the award, and he is the only person to have won it twice.

Fulbright alumnus **Paul Wolfram** (2012 NZ Travel Award) from Victoria University of Wellington is making a new documentary about renowned taonga pūoro (traditional Māori musical instruments) practitioner Richard Nunns. *Ngā Reo o te Whenua – Voices of the Land* will document Richard's more than 40 year career researching and performing with taonga pūoro, and will feature footage of him performing alongside Horomona Horo in some of New Zealand's most resonant landscapes. A six minute trailer with scenes shot at the South Island's Ngarua Caves and Karamaea Beach can be viewed online at [www.vimeo.com/63877868](http://www.vimeo.com/63877868)

Fulbright alumnus **Ian Wedde** (2005 NZ Travel Award) launched a new book of poems in May and celebrated the end of his two year term as New Zealand's Poet Laureate in June by engaging fellow Fulbright alumnus **Bill Manhire** (1999 Visiting Professor in NZ Studies) in a poetry challenge. Ian's poet laureate collection *The Lifeguard: Poems 2008-2013* (Auckland University

Press) was launched at Alleluja Café in Auckland and is available in paperback and eBook editions. On 26 June, Ian and Bill Manhire went head to head in the creation of a renga – a form of Japanese poetry with a succession of two-verse sections passed back and forth between poets. The event took place at National Library of New Zealand where Ian had been based as Poet Laureate, and the resulting poem, along with other poems and thoughts from Ian's two year tenure, can be read online at <http://nzpoetlaureate.natlib.govt.nz/>

Fulbright alumna **Tusiata Avia** (2005 Fulbright-Creative New Zealand Pacific Writer's Residency), a poet, performer and children's book writer, was named in July as the recipient of the 2013 Janet Frame Literary Trust Award, worth \$5,000. On receiving the award, Tusiata said "While the money is a wonderful god-send, I am much more thrilled about the award. It's no small honour to receive an award with Janet Frame's name on it!" She is currently adapting her 2009 poetry collection *Bloodclot* (including poems written on her Fulbright exchange) into a stage show titled *The Adventures of Nafanua*.

Fulbright alumna **Louise Tu'u** (2007 NZ Travel Award) has been selected alongside Argentine, South African, German and Swiss theatre practitioners as an international judge for this year's Zürcher Theater Spektakel in Switzerland, one of the most important European festivals for the contemporary performing arts. At the festival in August, the jury of "open minded artists from different corners of the world" will award prizes totalling 35,000 Swiss francs to young artists with outstanding talents. Louise, an award-winning playwright and director, will be the first New Zealand or Pacific Island judge in the Zürcher Theater Spektakel's 23 year history. ►

Alumni, please keep us up-to-date with your news and achievements, by email to [andy@fulbright.org.nz](mailto:andy@fulbright.org.nz)

## In Memoriam

We are saddened by the recent passing of the following alumni:

**Win Penman**, 1978 NZ Educational Development Grant  
**Shayle Searle**, 1956 NZ Graduate Student ►



## Experiencing the world through geology

Matt Hanson from Sandy, Utah is the inaugural recipient of the Fulbright-ANZA US Graduate Award, offered in partnership with New York-based charitable organisation the American New Zealand Association. Matt has been based at the University of Canterbury since February, where he is completing a Master of Science degree in Geology, specialising in spatial gas fluxes of geothermal systems.

My Fulbright experience started with all the subtlety of the Fourth of July (in the States of course). Jetlagged and sick from the lack of sleep, I was met at the airport by a laughing Fulbright alumnus, Tim. He wasted no time in explaining everything he could about Christchurch, while I reeled in terror from riding on the left side of a car. The next thing I knew we were out on the Lyttelton Harbour, boating out to Quail Island. I ended the day sitting on the beach trying to find north and explain the sudden change from sub-zero temperatures to swimsuit weather. After a while I gave up, and simply enjoyed the sun and the sound of kids playing in the water.

I highlight my first interaction with Kiwi culture because it is not particularly atypical; it exemplifies a couple of the central themes of my time here – confusion, education, joy, and wonderful people ready to share their knowledge. Almost every experience has at first baffled me, but then due to the kindness of some stranger, turned out beautifully.

To back up a bit, before Fulbright I had never left the States, so the decision to drop everything and move alone to study volcanic systems half way around the world was terrifying to say the least. All I can say now is: what a country to study these systems in! The North Island is riddled with volcanoes from Mt Ruapehu in the south to White Island in the north. My project focuses on the flux of several common gases ( $H_2S$ ,  $CH_4$ , and  $CO_2$ ) from a developed geothermal system (Ngatamariki) and an active marine volcano (White Island). These gases play an intrinsic role in global climate change. Despite this, the contribution from volcanic systems is not well constrained. With deeper understanding of these gases we may be able to better predict the future consequences of climate change. In addition, we have found a novel way to identify hidden geothermal systems, which could help reduce the need for electricity production using fossil fuels.

One of the perks (as well as one of the hazards) of studying volcanic systems is that you get to explore them, my most memorable experience being a trip to White Island. Located 40km off the coast of Whakatane in the Bay of Plenty, White Island is a remote landscape of steam and sulfur with no permanent life on the crater floor. The central crater is usually veiled in steam, but occasionally the lava dome peaks out like a little imp from a pit. I've never before seen the earth so alive; the crater is literally bubbling with energy. It's terrifying and wonderful at the same time; just visiting this place validates my passion for geology.

Not all of my time is taken up by fieldwork, and when I'm not working on my project I help demonstrate labs and take field trips for the University of Canterbury. New Zealand geology is distinct from much of North American geology (it is younger, smaller, and much more of the rock record was deposited under the ocean). On a recent trip to Oamaru I was struck by how many preconceived notions I had about geology. Every outcrop required detailed inspection and thought, as

it was unlike anything I'd seen before. It was wonderful to explore these new concepts, but even more fun to help pass them on to the third year students who were battling this confusion for the first time. I very much look forward to future trips around the island.

Despite its importance and prominent position in my life, geology is only part of the purpose of my exchange here. My research is allowing me to get to know New Zealand and its people far better than any visit would allow. Take for instance the mountains; before I came here I dreamed of exploring, climbing, skiing, and tramping through them. My desires have not lessened, but now I get to watch them change through the seasons and can enjoy the nooks and crannies of the country that only the locals know. I have fallen in with a group of local mountaineers. We spend some evenings with a pile of maps, guidebooks, and a computer; planning trips, waiting for the weather to clear, and sharing our favorite places in both New Zealand and North America. To me this is the greatest gift of the Fulbright – it is a chance to communicate and exchange personal meaning with people from the other side of the world. It is this experience that I would never have had without the Fulbright.

Even now when I reflect on the things I am going to take back to the States after I leave; the experience of wandering through beech forests in the rain, the unsettling feeling of being entirely out of place and lost, friends from all corners of the country, an unrequited love for both savory pies and feijoas, and the realization that the world truly is enormous; I can begin to see the impact that this time will have on my outlook at life. I'm truly grateful to the Fulbright for the chance to live and study in New Zealand. I am sure these experiences will continue to shape me in ways that I'm only starting to perceive. ➤



*Matt Hanson on White Island (above) and tramping with friends in Mount Cook National Park (below)*



### Grantee Voice



**Matt Hanson**

"To me this is the greatest gift of the Fulbright – it is a chance to communicate and exchange personal meaning with people from the other side of the world."

## Awarded

### Fulbright-Platinum Triangle Award in Business

Graeme Fielder (see Departures)

### Fulbright Science and Innovation Graduate Awards

Ilsa Cooke (see Departures)

Sam Corbett-Davies (see Departures)

Joshua Foster (see Departures)

Gaya Gnanalingam (see Departures)

Cameron Gunn (see Departures)

Samantha Hill (see Departures)

Sunkita Howard from Punakaiki will research the use of weak electricity to deter shark bycatch from longline fishing gear, at the College of William & Mary in Gloucester Point, Virginia, towards a PhD in Zoology from the University of Otago.

Ani Kainamu (see Departures)

Joshua Krissansen-Totton (see Departures)

Chuan-Zheng Lee (see Departures)

Isaac Manuel from Christchurch will research distributed control systems and estimation for autonomous vehicles, at a yet-to-be-determined US university, towards a PhD in Engineering from the Australian National University.

Kelly O'Connell (see Departures)

Sarah Poole (see Departures)

Charlotte Till (see Departures)

Dmitry Volynkin (see Departures)

Kate Yesberg (see Departures)

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

William McVitty (see Departures)

### Fulbright-Ngā Pae o Te Māramatanga Graduate Award

Horiana Irwin-Easthope (see Departures)

### Fulbright New Zealand General Graduate Awards

Eleanor Bishop (see Departures)

Fran Gourdie (see Departures)

Charlotte Greenfield (see Departures)

Ben Prewett (see Departures)

Joshua Tait (see Departures)

Simon Todd (see Departures)

Sally Trafford (see Departures)

Kate Yang (see Departures)

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

Leilani Tamu (see Departures)

### Fulbright-Harkness New Zealand Fellowship

Acushla Dee O'Carroll (see Departures)

### Fulbright New Zealand Travel Awards

Edwina Pio (see Departures)

Nikini Puhulwelle Gamage (see Departures)

Bert van Dijk from Auckland will present his professional and academic work on intercultural performative research and presence, at the East Side Institute in New York.

### Fulbright-Ngā Pae o Te Māramatanga Travel Awards

Simon Bennett from Wellington presented his research into cognitive behavioural therapy for treatment of depression in Māori, at the University of Colorado Denver and a Feel Better Now! workshop in Halibut Cove, Alaska.

### Fulbright US Graduate Awards

Andrew Fladeboe from Providence, Rhode Island will photograph the lives of herding dogs on New Zealand farms and their relationships with humans, at the University of Otago.

Monica Xiong from Tuscon, Arizona will research the consequences of environmental enrichment on memory and plasticity in aged rats, at the University of Otago.

### Fulbright US Scholar Awards

Bill Trainor from East Tennessee State University will research risks and returns in the KiwiSaver savings programme, and the costs and benefits of sustainability initiatives, at the University of Otago.

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

Jody McBrien from the University of South Florida Sarasota-Manatee will research governmental and education policies and practices for the resettlement of refugees, at Immigration New Zealand.

Rosemary O'Leary from Rosemary O'Leary and Associates/the University of Kansas will research collaborative governance in New Zealand, at the State Services Commission.

Ben Reilly from NewSchools Venture Fund will research the Enabling e-Learning initiative for ICT-related education resources and programmes, at the Ministry of Education. ➤

## Arrivals and Departures

### Departures:

#### Fulbright-Platinum Triangle Award in Business

Graeme Fielder from Auckland will complete a Master of Business Administration degree, specialising in entrepreneurship, innovation and technology venture growth, at Stanford University in Stanford, California. Graeme departs in August.

#### Fulbright Science and Innovation Graduate Awards

Ilsa Cooke from Waikuku Beach will complete a PhD in Physical Chemistry, specialising in astrochemistry, at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville. Ilsa departs in August.

Sam Corbett-Davies from Napier will complete a PhD in Computer Science, specialising in the development of vision systems for personal robots, at Stanford University in Stanford, California. Sam departs in August.

Joshua Foster from Wellington will complete a PhD in Psychology, specialising in cognitive neuroscience, at the University of Oregon in Eugene. Joshua departs in August.

Gaya Gnanalingam from Lower Hutt will complete a PhD in Ecological Science, specialising in the ecology and management of exploited decapod species, at Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Virginia. Gaya departs in August.

Cameron Gunn from Christchurch will complete a PhD in Electrical Engineering, specialising in the design of control systems for guiding medical decisions, at the University of California, Los Angeles. Cameron departs in September.

Samantha Hill from New Plymouth will complete a Master of Science degree in Sustainability Management, at Columbia University in New York. Samantha departs in August.

Ani Kainamu from Auckland will research indigenous and Western natural resource management practices for waterway habitats of wild food species, at Hawai'i Pacific University in Honolulu, towards a PhD in Environmental Science from the University of Canterbury. Ani departs in August.

Joshua Krissansen-Totton from Auckland will complete a PhD in Earth and Space Sciences and Astrobiology, specialising in planetary atmospheres, at the University of Washington in Seattle. Joshua departs in August.

Chuan-Zheng Lee from Auckland will complete a Master of Science degree in Electrical Engineering, specialising in telecommunications, at Stanford University in Stanford, California. Chuan-Zheng departs in August.

Kelly O'Connell from Red Beach is completing a PhD in Mathematics, specialising in functional analysis, at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tennessee. Kelly departed in July.

Sarah Poole from Pihama will complete a PhD in Biomedical Informatics, specialising in the use of data from medical records to improve therapies, at Stanford University in Stanford, California. Sarah departs in August.

Charlotte Till from Dunedin will complete a PhD in Anthropology, specialising in the migration and impacts of Homo sapiens as evidenced in ancient DNA, at Arizona State University in Tempe. Charlotte departs in August.

Dmitry Volynkin from Auckland will research the design and performance of steel frames in earthquakes, at Portland State University in Oregon, towards a PhD in Civil Engineering from the University of Auckland. Dmitry departs in September.



**Kate Yesberg** from Wellington is completing a Master of Laws degree in Environmental and International Law, specialising in regional environmental governance and regulation of extractive industries, at New York University. Kate departed in July.

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

**William McVitty** from Palmerston North will complete a Master of Engineering degree in Civil Engineering, specialising in structural and earthquake engineering, at the University at Buffalo in Buffalo, New York. William departs in August.

#### **Fulbright-Ngā Pae o Te Māramatanga Graduate Award**

**Horiana Irwin-Easthope** from Nuhaka/Tikitiki will complete a Master of Laws degree in Environmental Regulation, at Harvard University in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Horiana departs in August.

#### **Fulbright New Zealand General Graduate Awards**

**Eleanor Bishop** from Wellington will complete a Master of Fine Arts degree in Theatre Directing, specialising in the creation of original contemporary performance, at Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Eleanor departs in August.

**Fran Gourdie** from Hamilton will complete a Master of Laws degree in Human Rights and International Trade Law, at Columbia University in New York. Fran departs in August.

**Charlotte Greenfield** from Wellington is completing a Master of Science degree in Journalism, specialising in investigative journalism, at Columbia University in New York. Charlotte departed in July.

**Ben Prewett** from Auckland will complete a Master of Laws degree in Corporate Governance and Practice, specialising in corporate governance and international dispute resolution, at Stanford University in Stanford, California. Ben departs in August.

**Joshua Tait** from Christchurch will complete a PhD in History, specialising in the American conservative movement, at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Joshua departs in August.

**Simon Todd** from Christchurch will complete a PhD in Linguistics, specialising in the intersection between language variation and change, and computational methods and models, at Stanford University in Stanford, California. Simon departs in September.

**Sally Trafford** from Auckland will complete a Master of Laws degree in Taxation Law, specialising in economic inequality and tax reform, at Harvard University in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Sally departs in August.

**Kate Yang** from Auckland is completing a Master of Public Health degree in Clinical Effectiveness, specialising in statistical and epidemiological

methods for translating scientific research into clinical relevance, at Harvard University in Boston, Massachusetts. Kate departed in June.

#### **Fulbright New Zealand Scholar Awards**

**Lisa Emerson** from Massey University Manawatu will research the beliefs, attitudes and experiences of scientists as writers over the “lifecycle” of their careers, at the University of Vermont in Burlington. Lisa departs in August.

**Barrie Gordon** from Victoria University of Wellington will research implementation of the Teaching Personal and Social Responsibility pedagogical model in out-of-school programmes for underserved youth in the US, at North Illinois University in DeKalb. Barrie departs in September.

**Nēpia Mahuika** from the University of Waikato will research the roles of oral traditions and oral histories as historical sources for Native American and Māori peoples, at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in Urbana. Nēpia departs in August.

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

**Leilani Tamu** from Auckland will research and write her second book of poetry, *Cultural Diplomacy*, at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa in Honolulu. Leilani departs in September.

#### **Fulbright-Harkness New Zealand Fellowship**

**Acushla Dee O'Carroll** from Massey University will research the use of social networking sites by Native Hawaiian and Native American peoples, at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa in Honolulu and the University of Washington in Seattle. Acushla departs in September.

#### **Fulbright New Zealand Travel Awards**

**Edwina Pio** from AUT University will present her research into infusing diversity into postgraduate business programmes, at the Academy of Management's 2013 Annual Meeting in Orlando, Florida. Edwina departs in August.

**Nikini Puhulwelle Gamage** from the University of Auckland is presenting his research into model-based prediction of head injuries in shaken babies, at the 12th US National Congress on Computational Mechanics in Raleigh, North Carolina. Nikini departed in July.

#### **Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence Programme**

Southern Polytechnic State University in Marietta, Georgia, will host **Ana Terry** from Otago Polytechnic, who will teach courses in new media arts and give talks about New Zealand art and culture and her own practice to university audiences and the wider community. Ana departs in August. ➤



51 of this year's 83 Fulbright grantees and the three 2013 Ian Axford (New Zealand) Fellows in Public Policy pictured with dignitaries including Hon David Huebner (US Ambassador to New Zealand) and Hon Steven Joyce (Minister of Science and Innovation) at the parliamentary awards ceremony in June



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### Fulbright Science and Innovation 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. Valued at up to US\$33,000. **Applications close 1 August 2013**

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For a promising New Zealand graduate student to undertake postgraduate study or research at a US institution in the field of natural disaster research. Valued at up to US\$33,000. **Applications close 1 August 2013**

### Fulbright-Ngā Pae o Te Māramatanga Graduate Award

For a promising New Zealand graduate student to undertake postgraduate study or research at a US institution in a field of indigenous development. Valued at up to US\$33,000. **Applications close 1 August 2013**

### Fulbright New Zealand General Graduate Awards

For promising New Zealand graduate students to undertake postgraduate study or research at US institutions in any field. Valued at up to US\$33,000. **Applications close 1 August 2013**

### Fulbright-Wallace Arts Trust Award

For an outstanding mid-career or senior New Zealand visual artist to undertake a ten week residency at Headlands Center for the Arts in Sausalito, California. Valued at up to US\$24,000. **Applications close 1 August 2013**

### Fulbright New Zealand Travel Awards

For New Zealand academics, artists or professionals to visit the US for 12 to 90 days in order to present their work to American audiences. Valued at up to NZ\$5,000. **Applications close 1 August 2013 and 1 April 2014**

### Fulbright-Ngā Pae o Te Māramatanga Travel Awards in Indigenous Development

For New Zealand academics, artists or professionals to visit the US for 12 to 90 days in order to present their work on a theme of indigenous development to American audiences. Valued at up to NZ\$5,000. **Applications close 1 August 2013 and 1 April 2014**

### Fulbright 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. Valued at up to US\$11,700. **Applications close 1 August 2013 and 1 April 2014**

### Fulbright US Scholar Awards

For US academics, artists or professionals to lecture and/or conduct research in New Zealand for three to five months. Valued at up to NZ\$41,000. **Applications close 1 August 2013**

### Harkness Fellowships in Health Care Policy and Practice

For promising New Zealand health policy researchers and practitioners to conduct a policy-orientated research project and work with leading health policy experts in the US for up to 12 months. Valued at up to US\$107,000. **Applications close 16 September 2013**

### Fulbright New Zealand Scholar Awards

For New Zealand academics, artists or professionals to lecture and/or conduct research in the US for three to five months. Valued at up to US\$37,500. **Applications close 1 October 2013**

### Fulbright-Ngā Pae o Te Māramatanga Scholar Award

For a New Zealand academic, artist or professional to conduct research and/or lecture in the US for three to five months in a field of indigenous development. Valued at up to US\$37,500. **Applications close 1 October 2013**

### Fulbright-Cognition Scholar Award in Education Research

For a New Zealand educator or researcher to pursue research in the US designed to have an impact on New Zealand early childhood, primary or secondary education and student achievement, for three to five months. Valued at up to US\$37,500. **Applications close 1 October 2013**

### Fulbright-Meg Everton Professional Enhancement Awards in Education

For New Zealand teachers, principals and educational researchers in early childhood, primary or secondary education to undertake a professional development activity in the US for 12 to 90 days. Valued at up to NZ\$5,000. **Applications close 1 October 2013**

### Fulbright US Graduate Awards (including Fulbright-ANZA US Graduate Award)

For promising US graduate students to undertake postgraduate study or research in any field at New Zealand institutions. The Fulbright-ANZA US Graduate Award is awarded for study or research related to earthquakes and their repercussions in the fields of environmental studies, public health, geology and engineering. Valued at up to NZ\$33,000. **Applications close 15 October 2013**

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

For a New Zealand writer of Pacific heritage to carry out work on a creative writing project exploring Pacific identity, culture or history at the University of Hawai'i for three months. Valued at NZ\$30,000. **Applications close 1 March 2014**

**Ian Axford (New Zealand) Fellowships in Public Policy**  
For outstanding mid-career US professionals to research and gain firsthand experience of public policy in New Zealand for seven months. Valued at up to NZ\$58,500. **Applications close 1 March 2014**

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For an emerging New Zealand business leader to complete an MBA degree at a US institution and gain professional work experience in the US and New Zealand. Valued at up to US\$75,000 plus a paid internship. **Applications close 1 June 2014**

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