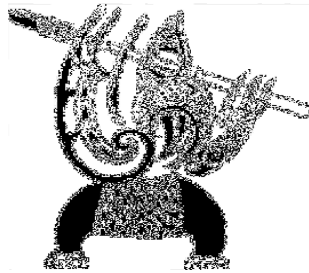


TE RUNANGA O TOA RANGATIRA



SIX (6) GENERAL SEATS

CANDIDATE PROFILES

2011

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Karewa William Arthur Jnr (Sonnyboy)

Tena Koutou nga Iwi o Ngati Toa

I was born and raised on the whenua of my tipuna of Ngati Toa. I am second-born of eight and the eldest son of Karewa and the late Christina Arthur. I am happily married and have five children. Most of the time I have committed myself to be working in the background on behalf of our Iwi, particularly as a member of the non-profit organization commonly known as E Tu, who, among other things dig the graves of our loved ones who have passed on.

At present I am a current member of the Ngati Toa Sports Committee, insuring that our talented Iwi members are supported in their various arenas.

I would now like to step forward to tautoko our Iwi in securing a successful future for all Ngati Toa. I am a graduate of Victoria University having gained a double Bachelor of Arts in Criminology and Social Policy. I have many years of experience and have accumulated skills that would be beneficial and be advantageous in delivering growth for our iwi and financial security in the face of much uncertainty. My pledge to my Iwi is to be fair, honest and trustworthy in this endeavour.

Tiparere Landre Arthur

Tamaki Makaurau

Ngati Toa, Ngati Koata, Nga Ruahine, Te Atiawa, Ngati Tama
Community Advisor, Auckland Council,
Father of five adult children; Grandfather of nine mokopuna.

Despite my living away from the rohe my love for Ngati Toa, in particular our people, has never waived. Our old People have been a passion for me. Up holding our traditions and tikanga through our kaumatua is an absolute priority for me. Being inclusive so that benefits from the iwi are inclusive of all Iwi members, regardless of where they are currently located around the world continue to occupy my thoughts.

I draw on strength from the knowledge that our Tupuna, Te Rauparaha, Te Rangihaeata and others love all their people and though at times their certain acts may have been criticised, no one can ever doubt or question their love for their people. I was lucky enough to be raised in Takapuwahia, the boy may have been taken out of Takapuwahia but Takapuwahia has definitely not been taken out of the boy. I carry in me special treasures, as a result of been brought up in Takapuwahia. I believe I am hard working, honest, inclusive, transparent and not afraid to go the extra mile, especially if it means on behalf of our people.

Having worked in a volunteer role and in the community developed arena for a number of years has equipped me with certain skills to contribute positively for the enhancement of our people.

I relish in the possibility to serve our people and in doing so provide a more meaningful within our Iwi for the advancement of our mokopuna.

Atanatiu Hammond (Tui)

Skills:

If I do possess skills then I believe it is the art of listening, being interactive, and believing in the philosophy of the Boards that I am on.

My experience:

I am currently on the Board of Directors of Ika Toa Ltd and have been a member for around 5 years.

I am also Chairman of the Board of Trustees for Te Korowai Health and Social Services in Stoke, Nelson and have been on the board for around 7 years.

And I am currently on the Board of Age Concern, Nelson and have been there for 2 years.

I have also just joined the Board of Adult Learning Services around 6 months ago.

I'm currently the Chairman and the Co-Ordinator for the Nelson Community Christmas Dinner Trust and have done so for the past 9 years.

At this time I represent Ngatitōa Rangatira on the Nelson Museum Iwi Committee.

And until I began working for Nelson Law Service I was Ngatitōa Rangatira's representative on the Board of Nelson Law Service.

I believe that my involvement with the various boards I have been fortunate to belong to has helped develop any skills I possess.

Evan Hippolite

Of the Solomon and Hippolite whanau, supporting the endeavors of Ngati Toa is a passion of mine.

I currently serve as a board member of Te Runanga o Toarangatira and our fishing company Ika Toa Limited. I also have the privilege of working with a team to encourage our young people to grow and develop through Toa Waka Ama.

As our iwi prepares itself for the post-settlement environment I have been participating in the development of a Ngati Toa education strategy and considering how we can grow our te reo capability. These are two areas that are important to me for the health of Ngati Toa.

I hold a Bachelor of Matuaranga Maori from Te Wananga o Raukawa. I'm currently a kaiwhakatupu (researcher) at Te Wananga o Raukawa focusing on Ngati Toa history and our marae Takapuwahia. I teach a paper about Maori Art using the whare Toarangatira as the example for Iwi and Hapu studies. I also serve as the Deputy Chair of the Takapuwahia Marae.

I am also a Director of a family company specializing in rental properties.

Michelle, Marsella, Tame and I live in Takapuwahia. We enjoy traveling and being with whanau.

Te Oti Kerei (George) Katene - Profile Not Available

Willis Katene



I currently hold the position of Director, Te Kupenga at Whitireia Community Polytechnic, Porirua, responsible for the academic programmes within Te Wānanga Māori and also student support services.

I was previously Kaihautū of Iwi and Hapū Studies at Te Wānanga o Raukawa. I am a current board member on Te Rūnanga o Toa Rangatira, Chair of the Finance Committee and am a member of the Education Committee which at the present time is developing an Education Strategy for Ngāti Toa.

I am a member of Te Mana Whakahaere for Te Wānanga o Raukawa, and a Trustee for *Ōrotokare: Art, Story, Motion*. I contribute to TOA Waka Ama on the Executive Committee and also represent Ngāti Toa as a member on the Ōtaki and Porirua Trusts Board.

I have a BA (Hons) degree from Victoria University, and hold a masters degree in management from Te

Wānanga-o-Raukawa.

I am married to Huia Winiata (Ngāti Raukawa) and we have both spent many years in support of Māori education, and the revitalisation of te reo Māori. Our four children are graduates of Te Kakano o te Kura Kōhanga Reo, three are currently attending of Te Kura Kaupapa Māori o Te Rito, while the eldest is in her first year at Victoria University.

I am particularly passionate about developing external relationships that align to the interests and needs of our tamariki and rangatahi and the long term strategy for increasing the capacity and capability of Ngāti Toa whānau to become stronger and to be more successful – as Ngāti Toa – in the post-settlement era.

Toa Rangatira Love

I was born in Porirua in 1948 and lived in Takapuwahia until 2001 when my wife Carole and I moved to Titahi Bay to be with our mokopuna.

I have spent my life among my Whanau, our Marae and our People. I was fortunate enough to be taught by my mother, Mere Hautonga Te Hiko and my father Luke Love, the importance of Whanau and Iwi and that we must nurture and strengthen both for our people to be united and achieve our goals.

I believe in the balance of work and leisure and over the years I have been involved with:

- Porirua City Rugby League
- The Toa Softball Club, coaching, playing and administration
- Being one of many who worked for several years fundraising for our current wharenuī
- Working at the Marae and wharenuī
- Supporting our mokopuna in their academic and sporting endeavors.

Currently, I am one of the trustees of the top Urupa.

What I have learned and lived throughout the years, puts me in good stead to be a valuable contributor, with a mission to see our Iwi recognize and reach their full potential.

Previous Professional Experience:

- Motor Trade Association (MTA), Wellington – Marketing Dept
- Mitsubishi Motors, Porirua – Stock control
- Carter Holt Engineering, Tawa – Senior Clerk
- NZ Post Office, Porirua – 2nd Division Relief

Ariel Piripi Metekingi



Son of Mark Metekingi and Karanga Wineera (Aunty Clare) my grandparents were Ariki Wineera (Uncle Alex) and Ramari Te Hiko (Aunty Molly). I am married with 10 children and have lived in Porirua, Hamilton and the USA. We returned home to the Pah over 2 years ago and now live in Takapuwahia Drive. Like many others our links between the families are quite extensive,

Over the years I have been involved mainly in business development, I was in the Car and Vehicle Importing business for 14 years, worked with the Tainui Māori Trust Board prior to the settlement and after their settlement. I managed the property site in Hamilton which is now called the Base for Tainui. Also involved in Māori Rugby and Māori Rugby League with Te Whanau O Waipereira. Did work with Trade New Zealand as a Māori Business Broker.

In recent years, my experience has mainly been in business networking, Property development and property management, creating a sales and marketing company in the US where we sold a large property development in Las Vegas. Also worked with Investors to evaluate business opportunities, in the US and internationally.

Since returning home, have mainly focused on our family business, which a property management and residential business. I believe we are the 2nd largest property residential rental business in Porirua after Housing New Zealand.

It is my hope that with my experience both here and internationally that I can contribute to the next phase of Ngati Toa's development, as well as be grounded on the things that are important to our families.

Te Taku Parai



Whitireia te maunga
Pari-rua te moana
Takapuwahia te marae
Toa Rangatira te tupuna whare
Tainui te waka
Ngati Toa Rangatira te iwi
Ko Te Taku Parai ahau

I have been a past representative of the Runanga board and am seeking re-election.

I'm an active member within the iwi and have been so for many years. I currently represent the iwi on the Ngati Toa Haka Committee. This committee oversees the use of the haka and have recently been involved with Rugby World Cup initiatives such as the Ka Mate Exhibition at Te Papa. I am also the Ngati Toa media spokesperson on current affair issues.

For many years I have been a strong advocate for the revitalization of the Porirua Harbour and the surrounding environs. Recently I was appointed to the newly established Whitireia Management Board.

I was born and raised in Takapuwahia but have spent a lot of time in the wider rohe of Ngati Toa and I have a strong knowledge of Ngati Toatanga.

I have and continue to be an advocate for the advancement of our rangatahi, care and wellbeing of our kaumatua and our wider iwi. I feel it a deep responsibility to support our whanau through tangihanga to ensure they are safe and cared for.

I have a Bachelor of Arts (History/Sociology) Honours 1st Class (Maori) and am studying towards my PhD.

I would be proud to represent the iwi as a member of the Runanga Board as we embark in a new phase with the settlement of our historic treaty claim.

Mauriora

Hyrum Stubbs Parata

Tenei taku mihi ki a koutou Katoa nga uri o Toa Rangatira. Ko tenei taku tono ki te noho ki runga I te Runanga hei kaikorero mo tatou katou.

Serving our iwi on the Runanga has been both challenging & exciting.

We are now on the home stretch and our longstanding treaty claim will finally see the light of day. Whiti Te Ra!

Infrastructural changes will be required to protect the assets that are to be returned to us. Competent management is necessary to maximize opportunities and to minimize encroachment and competition from others.

Post settlement issues will be as complex as the settlement process itself, as we are embarking upon an era in our history that is new to us all.

It is vitally important that people familiar with best practice models, an understanding of due diligence & transparent governance are engaged at this critical juncture.

My tipuna Te Kakakura Wi Parata was essentially the first ever treaty claimant when he challenged the unethical conduct of the Church of England and the NZ government in 1877 in the case of *Wi Parata v Bishop of Wellington*.

My mother's Wi Neera Whanau also re-litigated the same disputed land (Whitireia) on all of our behalf in 1902 in the case of *Hohepa Wi Neera v Attorney General*.

My papa's mum's Horomona Whanau attended to our marae and the various activities held there. A role they have maintained to this day. Since early times my Whanau have played an active role in the affairs of Ngati Toa Rangatira.

My whakapapa also embraces other Iwi. Born and bred in Takapuwahia and Waikanae my allegiance is solely to Ngati Toa. I do not meddle in the affairs of other Iwi or represent myself as belonging to any other Iwi than Ngati Toa.

This should not be read as an expression of disdain or contempt for any of those other Iwi. Quite the contrary. Respect is paid where respect is due. However I remain curiously fascinated as to why any Maori would want to pry into the affairs of people who although related, they know very little about.

During my tenure on our Runanga I have sat on the Haka Committee and on our Finance Committee selection panel. I have missed one meeting over the last 6 years. My flight was cancelled due to fog. I'm told I have the highest meeting attendance record during my tenure.

I am a lawyer with 25 years experience. I have sat on provincial and national statutory bodies scrutinizing legislative changes in Criminal, Mental health and Youth Law. And the appointment of lawyers applying to work in the Maori Land Court and Waitangi Tribunal. And spoken at various law conferences, tertiary institutions, on those areas of the law.

I chaired the NZ Maori Rugby League Board and drafted and successfully argued for a Maori team to play in the World series at a meeting of the World Rugby League Board in Sydney where the NZRL Board represented by David Lange, the former Prime Minister of NZ opposed our bid. The NZRL lost. Maori won.

I was a trustee for Waipareira Trust during their formative years and advocated on behalf of pohara Maori whose Whanau, hapu and Iwi ties had been severed and who found themselves in desperate circumstances. We provided free legal representation, quality medical and dental services, early parenting programs, budgeting support, skill training schemes and Te Reo Maori courses.

I am equally proud of successfully stopping the Auckland Regional Council from building a refuse tip, a dump on an historical urupa. The ARC were represented by Paul Cavanagh QC and an army of junior lawyers. With the testimony of an elderly kuia, Mary Zister from the Waiohau hapu of northern Waikato (South Auckland) we stopped the ARC proceeding any further. She was then 90 years old. My payment was been shown their prime puha and watercress gathering spots.

I believe what I can bring to the table is an over riding sense of fairness. To treat all equally. To demand transparency. To hold people to account. To ask the hard questions many want to ask but for whatever reason are unable to do so.

Lastly I am grateful to my Uncle Mahurenga, our Kaumatua tane Runanga representative for nominating me. His sister my mother I believe is the eldest living Toa Women's Hockey member.

Ian Lee Parata

A professional manager with an accounting background with 18 years experience. I am a member of the Runanga Finance Committee born and raised in and around the Pa, my parents were Leo & Hinewairoro (Parata) Solomon or Aunty Milly.

My broad range of skills and experience is sourced from time spent at the marae, my education and diverse employment background. I attended Aotea College, Bay of Plenty Polytechnic and Massey University.

Experience:

- a. 4 years project management including:
 - Taupo Intermediate developed the 10 Year Property Plan, 5YA agreement and managed the \$1.2 million capital spend.
- b. 4 years Beker Findlay Allan Accountants:
 - Completed employment mediations.
 - Provided financial and employment advisory services to businesses with turnovers ranging \$240,000 to \$11,000,000 with staff numbers ranging from 5 to 48.
 - Acted as Salisbury Traffic Services' General Manager. A company who specialised in road vegetation, traffic services maintenance and minor civil construction. Company turnover \$2.2 million.
- c. Chairman Tauhara College Board of Trustees directly responsible for delivering a \$1.2million school refurbishment.
- d. 5 years Business information Manager Fletcher Wood Panels. The turnover and cost base for this business was in excess of \$120 million per annum.
- e. 5 years OSH inspector Department of Labour.

Key Attributes and Achievements:

- a. Chairman Tauhara College Board of Trustees, successfully implemented a complete review of the schools management structure.
- b. Structural reorganisation and introduction of new management & financial reporting systems for the Taupo Native Plant Nursery Ltd.
- c. Restructured Salisbury Traffic Services to reduce total cost structure while retaining staff numbers and increasing overall profitability.
- d. With Fletcher Wood Panels was responsible for restructuring the manufacturing and support services.

Hohepa Potini

I am a direct descendant of Te Rauparaha and a member of Ngāti Toa Rangatira, being appointed as a Runanga board member is a position of high interest to me. I am an exponent of Ngati Toa tikanga, kawa, and history; and I am a fluent speaker of te reo Māori. I am well versed in Ngāti Toa history, and the many deeds of Te Rauparaha. Over the years, I have taken an active role within the iwi and the wider rohe teaching Ngati Toa haka.

I have also held a number of coaching positions working with adult and young adult rugby and rugby league teams.

I'm a strong advocate for Ngati Toatanga and would proudly represent all members of Ngati Toa should I be elected.

Nāku me ngā mihi, nā

Frances Amelia Roiri

I am writing to apply for one of the six elected seats on Te Runanga o Toa Rangatira Board.

As part of Ngati Toa I believe I have the relevant skills and experience to take the iwi and Te Runanga Board in the 21st century. I enjoy dealing with people from different ethnic and cultural backgrounds in what is a vibrant community. I also have the experience necessary for liaising with local community service providers.

Previous employment includes working for the inland Revenue Department. My skills include communication, investigation, writing and archival research.

I currently live amongst our people of Ngati Toa, Takapuwahia which I can honestly say has been an incredible journey.

I care very much for our home people and the environment I live in and I definitely want to see more opportunities bestowed to our Rangatahi and Mothers.

Our Business Future: To go forward into the International and global areas and to maintain the STATUS Quo that a Ngati Toa from Takapuwahia must always be on the board. I definitely would not like to see the board full of non – Ngati Toa of Takapuwahia and a whole foreign overseas look. I would always ensure that the Board controls 51 percent of Ngati Toa, Takapuwahia.

I wish to play a more active business role in the running of my Iwi. I believe that I have much to offer by being on the Board. Tis Whanau, Tis Whanau, Tis Whanau. Without my family I am nothing.

My passion is Film making. Story telling Ngati Toa History. I love shooting film and recording Ngati Toa, Takapuwahia History. I have been privileged to be able to do and undertake this wonderful journey. Weaving a wonderful TUKUTUKU between our families of Ngati Toa Takapuwahia. My movie making knowledge belongs to no one else but to our beautiful families of Ngati Toa.

Hobbies: Toa Ladies Hockey, Toa Softball, Badminton, Reading, whakapapa, Anthropology, Archaeology, Physiology (study of human skeleton), Travel, Film making Classical Music, Ballet & Opera.

Education: Ngati Toa Primary School, Mana College, Whitireia Polytechnic, Victoria University, Te Wananga o Aoteroa.

Whakapapa

Ko Te Rauparaha Te Tangata
Ko Wera Wera (m) raua ko Parekohatu (f)
Ko Te Rauparaha (m) raua Ko Marore (f)
Ko Wineera Te Kanae (m) raua Ko Harata Cootes (f)
Ko Wiremu Wineera (m) raua Ko Waina Reweti Cootes (f)
Ko Hokimate Wineera (f) raua Ko Wiremu T. Pohio (m)
Ko Ina Wineera Pohio (f) raua Ko Rota Roiri (m)
Ko Fran Roiri

Tena koutou, Tena koutou, Tena koutou katoa

Charlene Puiwahine Williams

Personal Statement:

I have over 50 years of experience in nursing (hospital, community and psychiatric), the development of Maori health in the community and many more years of life experiences.

I have been the Manager of Ora Toa since its inception 20 years ago. I am now retired but still continue to be a strong advocate of Maori health and of providing quality services.

I am on the Ora Toa PHO Board and have recently been appointed to the Maori Partnership Board Community Health of our local DHB.

I have strong organisational skills and people skills. I am passionate about people, have a strong sense of family commitment and enjoy collecting Whanau whakapapa, stories and achievements.

My desires are to see Maori educated, supported and encouraged to take up the opportunities offered, to ensure their Whanau be the best they can be.

I would welcome the opportunity to support the Runanga in its advancement and promotion of opportunities for Maori and the health and wealth of our Iwi.

Paul Pere Wi-Neera



Current Role: Business owner and operator

Organization: Cutting Contractors Ltd

Personal Statement, Qualifications, Training, and experience outline:

Qualified motor mechanic by trade. I am currently running my own grass cutting contracting business which I have run for five years.

I am currently living in the Pa, and was born and bred in Takapuwahia and have lived here most of my life. I am the father of five children. I attended Porirua School and Mana College, before going in to complete an apprenticeship as a motor mechanic.

I am passionate about Ngati Toa and helping people particularly our rangatahi. I have served on the Marae committee in the past. I see a bright future for our young people of Ngati Toa and would like to assist in the future growth of Ngati Toa, for all of our iwi members.

I believe that I can bring new ideas and passion to the Runanga and contribute my knowledge and experiences to benefit our iwi.

Riki Alex Wi Neera - Withdrawn

Te Ariki Kawhe Wi Neera (Jnr)

Ngati Toa Rangatira's wealth is its people, its whakapapa. The strong relationships with one another, between cousins, between whanau and then the relationships with others outside of whakapapa are one of our many strengths.

The challenge for us going forward, is to maintain and grow this unity, these close relationships and what connects us, the strength that those relationships provide, enable us to deal with how we manage and grow our new assets, our new opportunity. To become healthy, educated and wealthy.

This is not our wealth. It is our mokopuna's wealth; it is for our children, their children, and so on, inter-generational wealth. It gives us and them influence and options, something necessary in the world now and the world to come, influence and the power of choice, the recognition of others to take heed of Ngati Toa Rangatira.

This what I believe, this is what I think of every day, this is my core or what drives me to get our people to that place, health, education and wealth creation, the power of choice and influence – its not new, we have been there before.

It has, and continues to be, a privilege to serve our people, nga mihi aroha oku whanaunga, na

Year	Organisation	Position
2005 - current	Te Kaha Treaty of Waitangi Negotiation team	Runanga representative
2009 - current	Kapiti Island Marine Reserve Committee	Runanga representative

2002 -2010	Ngati Toa Rangatira/Porirua City Council Treaty Partnership Committee	Runanga representative	
2004 - current	Ngati Toa limited	Chair/Director	
2009 - current	Kapiti Tours Limited	Director	
2004 - current	Ati Awa Toa Radio Station	Director	
2002- current	Ka Mate Komiti sub- committee	Whānau/Runanga representative	
1999 - current	Te Runanga o Ngati Toa Rangatira Board member	Board Member	