

July  
2017  
Term 2 Week 21

# Waiheke High School Newsletter



Kia ora,

This term has been one of the busiest that the school has had for a while.

Towards the beginning of the term the school discovered e-coli through routine water testing. After a huge amount of investigation and a lot of speculation as to how and why we got e-coli, no real conclusions have been drawn. The good thing is that the school is now testing clear and the Ministry of Education has been supportive by spending a lot of time re-engineering bores, water flow and water storage. By the end of the holidays Waiheke High School should have a new bore, tank farm and piping infrastructures.

The design for the partial rebuild is on track as well. The ten teaching space block is a mixture of an open plan teaching and learning space that can be reconfigured for a more intimate learning space if necessary.

We have had some changes in staffing. Alison Bowden has now shifted off island to teach Maths in a position with the Auckland Regional Health Board. We have appreciated her hard work in this Faculty and we wish her well in her new position.

Suzanne Lee, our Deputy Principal, has retired and the school has farewelled her. Suzanne has been an integral part of the Senior Lead Team and she has been in our school for ten years. Suzanne will be a friend to the school and we look forward to welcoming her back into the school in this capacity. Currently we are advertising for a Deputy Principal and we have appointed a new Mathematics Teacher, Dr Michael Moroney, who will take up his Mathematics teaching position next term.

During the term, we had critical career conversations with our students. Some parents suggested that these conversations would be best at the Year 12 and 13 level. We are keen that all senior students be involved with these conversations and this includes Year 11 students because students who have a career pathway in mind need to ensure they have the necessary prerequisites at Level 1 to pursue those subjects at Level 2 and 3.

Recently we had our new entrants' evening for Year 6 and Year 8 students for 2018. I would like to thank all parents who attended and I think their feedback is imperative. It was lovely to hear how impressed they were with our senior students who acted as guides and the width and breadth of the curriculum that they saw in action.

The Aims Games teams, four in total, are working hard at fundraising and I hope you will assist them with their endeavours next term.

The Aims Games are for Year 7 and 8 students and it truly is wonderful that there are four teams competing.

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**The next Board of Trustees Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, 29th August 7:00pm in the Waiheke High School board room**

<b>Term Dates</b>			
		1 Sep	TEACHER ONLY DAY
		4 Sep	MID TERM BREAK
7 Jul	LAST DAY OF TERM 2	11-17 Sep	Maori Language Week
24 Jul	FIRST DAY OF TERM 3	13 Sep	Hospitality Dinner
2 Aug	Piringakau Whanau Hui	22, 24 Sep	Piringakau Wananga
4 Aug	Senior Prom (7-12pm, Cable Bay)	29 Sep	LAST DAY OF TERM 3
19, 20 Aug	Piringakau Wananga		

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I would like to thank the Local Board who have given a \$5,000 grant for our Duke of Edinburgh/Hillary Awards. Those awards, at the bronze, silver and gold level have been a great programme for our students and we hope that the community will continue to support us with this..

I would like to wish you all a happy and restful holiday.

Thank you, Jude Young



These sketches are indicative designs proposed for the school's upcoming partial rebuild showing what the upgraded Performance and Visual Arts area will look like from the road frontage and from the rear playing field.



## PIRINGĀKAU KAPA HAKA WANANGA



This year we are planning on taking our Piringākau Kapa Haka team to their first competition Te Ahurea Tino Rangatiratanga on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> October at James Cook High School. It's a stepping stone for our students to look at competing in the Polyfest next year. The wananga had a great turn out with over 25 students in attendance. We learnt waiata, haka and warm up activities over the two days. Team building and kotahitanga were upheld over the wananga.



We now look forward to our next wananga dates, 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> August, 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> September and one in the second week of the September school holidays 12, 13 & 14<sup>th</sup> October.

Please parents, we need you to make contact with either Matua Pita or myself on who can work in our kitchen sorting the kai and those police vetted to stay the nights.

PIRINGĀKAU WHĀNAU HUI week 2 term 3 **Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> August D7 4:30 – 5:30PM**

## Matariki 2017

### TE WHARE TAONGA O WAIHEKE - MATARIKI EXHIBITION OPENING 2017



We started to gather art work early outside our newly named Te Whare Taonga o Waiheke. We were in the cold and yet were warm. Warm with hugs, smiles, wairua, aroha and mauri. An eclectic of kuia, kaumātua, the Honorary Nikki Kaye, Waiheke Local Board members, Artists, Volunteers, Gallery director Linda Chalmers QSM, Piringākau Kapa Haka, and of course our future - our tamariki. Our Whaea Huhana called us in with her karanga ataahua with Whaea Te Ao Marama in reply.

As we entered the gallery, we blessed, touched and felt the gallery's new symbolic sculpture the 'taonga kōhatu'. Our kaumātua guided us in karakia, blessing all the new taonga. We stopped and observed. We felt. We cried. We smiled. We honoured those that have gone before,

those that are present, and those that will carry the mauri in the future.

Piringākau students begun to sing. Tears flowed as they sang waiata about their love of Waiheke, and concluded their bracket with a song about a wonderful bird, the Kererū. They sang with passion that makes moments like these unforgettable.

The Playcentre, Steiner school, Kindergarten, Waiheke Primary School and Waiheke High School were amongst the award winners that evening. We would like to acknowledge our high school award winners;

Shunsuke Fujita, Poppy Blakey, Indica Smith, and Cassidy Andrews. Our new gallery have new taonga. We found new answers for our future. Ngā mihi nui ki a

Annie Melchior, Whaea Te Ao Marama, Matua Pita Mahaki, Whaea Claire Mahaki, and Whaea Huhana mō tō kōutou tautoko. Ngā mihi ki a Nikki Kaye, Matua George Kahi, Jeanine Clarkin, Paora Toi, Linda and the Gallery team. Ka tau ki a Piringākau, ngā kura, ngā whānau whānui o Waiheke mei kore ko kōutou, kua kore te kaupapa e tūtuki! Mauri Ora!

Exhibition is on until the 23<sup>rd</sup> July

By Anton Forde- Nga Kura Waiheke Matariki Exhibition Co-Curator



### TIKI TAANE MAHUTA



This was mainly for the Year 9 Te Reo Maori group. The performance was in Auckland at the Aotea Centre. We left on the 9.30am boat and walked up Queen St towards Aotea Square where we were identified in schools and escorted to our waiting area. There was singing and various hand and dexterity games being played. We were in by 11am and the excitement built as the auditorium filled.

It was a performance only for school groups and they came from all as far as Huntly and Kaikohe.

The performance was based upon the songs of Tiki Tane and told a story of love, jealousy revenge and a very interesting twist at the end. The stage work was spectacular with lighting effects and a lot of aerial work. The story took a while to unfold and as it did the audience were

gripped by the drama of it. After the performance there was a Q and A and Tiki Tane and the Director gave us an insight into the 10 year journey to get this far. The haka of support from many of the schools created a final buzz that we carried with us on our journey back to the island. Overall a fantastic outing that hopefully stirred us into being more creative in our future performances.

By Jan Newton

## HAWAKI TŪ - TE MANAWA

Presented by Hawaiki Tū, Te Manawa was an annual Haka Theatre performance that combines elements of Kapa Haka, Māori Movement and theatre into a unique Māori performance representing the themes associated with Matariki which are Navigation, Cultivation and the Celebration of life. Te Manawa was a love story between a Chiefs daughter and a man who fell in love with her voice and slowly fell in love with her. There were funny moments, sad moments but overall entertaining and very inspiring. Te Manawa helped our class understand the kaupapa of Māori Performing Arts and we all took a bit of new knowledge with us. Hawaiki Tū vision was to “Inspire and shape the future of Māori Performing Arts by creating and sharing high quality Haka Theatre through ihi, wehi and to the world”. If you ever get the opportunity to watch a show by Hawaiki Tū, do it!

By Shaolin Karaitiana.



## KOTAHI AROHA

It was our honour and privilege to host the first community event that brought all the schools on the island together to celebrate Matariki for 2017. We had Pirihati Childcare, Te Puna o te Mātauranga o te Motu-ārai-roa, Waiheke Kindergarten, Waiheke Primary School, Te Huruhi School and Waiheke High School embark on a journey of cultural awareness, identity, celebration and kotahitanga under the umbrella of Matariki. The high school hall was packed to the rafters with cheering crowds



and endless tears from the joy and overwhelming pride of parents watching their child perform on stage. Each kura had the opportunity to showcase their talented taira through waiata, poi, ngēri, manu kōrero and haka. The finale performance by all the schools was met with haka tautoko performed by members of the crowd in acknowledgement of the talent and hard work all those taira displayed that evening.

We would like to acknowledge the organising committee who made the event happen, the High School for providing the venue, our talented and charming MC Teddy Koro Whatarangī and James Kara. Our volunteer fire marshals of the evening, the principals of all schools, our parents, family, community and lastly our tamariki who stood on that stage and made the evening a night we will never forget, ngā mihi matakui kua kōtōu katoa. The future looks bright. *‘Ka pū te ruha, ka hao te rangatahi - as the old net withers another is remade’*



Nā Whaea Te Ao Marama Hau

## Waiheke High School Matariki Celebration

### MATARIKI 2017



This year's Matariki celebration was different from the rest with not having the hāngi to feast on during lunch, however the day was not dampened by that and we organised for whatever the weather brought us. In light of the weather, the plan had to be altered to cater for all the participants and supporters. Our day started with the Prefect assembly and their fierce display of school pride performing the haka to the entire school body. With that opening, saw our student's disburse to the activities on demand – house quiz competition, Ki O Rahi competition and a film for those retreating to a more secluded environment. The activities continued with last minute house waiata and haka practice to finalise those choreography transitions, ready for the competition later on that day. Festivities brought the school back to the hall where they were welcomed by a Māori Performing Arts Academy group Hawaiki Tū whom have travelled around Auckland sharing their creative dance in Haka theatre. They were astounding and invigorating which enhanced the adrenaline in the hall, preparing for haka house competitions coming up next. Pōnui opened the house Kapa Haka competition with flair and power, followed by Rākino with its tight and compacted group, Rangitoto and its beautiful trio harmony, closing with Pakatoa and it's simple but effective stance. Kaitahi lunch where the school body were treated to an abun-

dance of sausages, bread, onions and sauces to ease the hunger. Ending our day with the prize giving back in the hall.



The prizes were as follows, Rākino 1<sup>st</sup> in poster competition, Pōnui 1<sup>st</sup> in senior quiz, Pakatoa 1<sup>st</sup> in junior quiz, Pōnui 1<sup>st</sup> in

Ki O Rahi, Haka-Pua Noa 1<sup>st</sup> = Pōnui & Rākino, Aroha 1<sup>st</sup> Rangitoto, Te Wero 1<sup>st</sup> Rangitoto, Whakarongo mai 1<sup>st</sup> Rangitoto, Male leader 1<sup>st</sup> = Rangitoto & Pōnui, Female leader 1<sup>st</sup> Rangitoto. The overall house winner for 2017 Matariki with 825 points Rangitoto. The school exploded with an all school haka in acknowledgement of the winning house. Nei rā te mihi maioha kia kōutou te whare o Rangitoto, o kaitātaki, o kaiako tae atu kit ō koutou kaiwhakahāere a whare a Whaea Huhana, e kore ngā mihi e momotu.

We would like to acknowledge Kura Te Waati and her Hawaiki Tū academy for showcasing their art form and exposing our kura to haka theatre making new life for our Matariki school celebrations. A big thank you to the team at Fullers, for sponsoring our visiting group and making their journey across Te Waitematā a safe and pleasurable ride on the ferry. Our prefects for hosting the day as our MC, the staff for being supportive and adaptable, SLT for doing the behind the scenes and finally our students for bringing the school spirit on the day. We are all winners at the end of the day. 'Matariki ahunga nui, Matariki of plentiful food'.

*Nā Whaea Te Ao Marama Hau*



## From the Careers Office

A BIG THANK YOU to the following companies and institutions for providing Taster Days for our Year 12 and 13 students:

University of Auckland  
Auckland Tourism Events and Economic Development  
Karl Majurey Architects  
Sculpture on the Gulf  
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Waiheke Flower Company  
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Thanks also to Nicola Hambly from Aotearoa Insurance for her support and Fullers for sponsoring the programme with ferry tickets for our Year 13 students.

We would also like to thank Reuben Reid, Jonathan Miller, Mia Jullig, Luke Van Glabbeek, Susan Wilson, Bruce Plested and Mandy Smith for speaking to our students during the Career Development Days.

(Tanique Deacon, Careers Advisor)

## Visual Arts News

Kiva Harrison- Hughes has been selected as our Year 13 Pat Hanly Art Award at Auckland Art Gallery. This gives her special access to the art gallery, membership and mentoring opportunities.

The Pat Hanly Art Awards were created to acknowledge the voice of young people, the artist respected and encouraged those voices, indeed when he 'retired' as an artist, he said it was 'to make way for the new generation of artists'. Youth and art and new ways of seeing were things he honoured and cared about and wished to give a platform to.

(Annie Melchior, HOD Arts)

## English Department

A group of students and teachers attended the National Theatre Live Screening of "Twelfth Night" on Wednesday, 28 June at Waiheke Cinema. We were blown away by the stagecraft, the technical aspects, the brilliant acting and the bold interpretation of the script. We are fortunate indeed to be able to see the best stage actors in the world right here on our small island! We are planning to attend further National Theatre Live productions later on this year, including "Rosencrantz & Guildenstern are Dead" by Tom Stoppard and "Angels in America" by Tony Kushner. Thank you so much to the people at Waiheke Cinema who make these screenings possible.

For more information on National Theatre Live Productions:

<http://ntlive.nationaltheatre.org.uk/>

(Mariette Dodd, HOD English))



## Staff Profiles

### Paul McKelvie, HOF Technology, Teacher Building & Construction

I have been a Waiheke resident for 35 years having been drawn here by its country feel and amazing beaches. Prior to settling on Waiheke, I had seen some of the world through travel and met and married my wife in the USA. I have two children, both of whom did virtually all their schooling here, at Te Huruhi and then the High School. As well, Linda, my wife, has taught here since 1992. So I have had a fairly close relationship with the High School, and education in general, and have taught here starting in 2000 after I took up teaching as a new career. I enjoy my time working with the young people of the community, seeing them progress and then find their place in the world. Also, it's never boring.

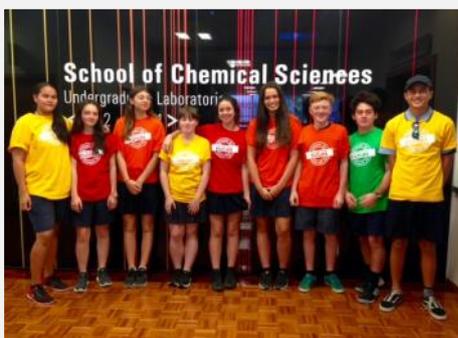
### Maria Heer, Teacher Viticulture and Sea Sports

I have been around Waiheke High for over 10 years in different departments and community roles. Science, Maths, Biology and now Viticulture and Sea Sports. With a degree in Agricultural Science, a Coastguard volunteer and recently a tutor in Boating education, all this makes me a bit of an all rounder. I have run a beach store or two and then Gulf Foods for several years. My 3 daughters, Rebecca, Olivia and Briar and my husband Mark have lived on the island for 17 years. "It is the place we will always call home."

### Brenda Harrington, Principal's P.A.

Originally from a dairy farm in the Far North, I lived in Melbourne for 7 years working mainly in insurance and financial companies doing customer service and supervising call centres. Returning to NZ in 1996 I visited Waiheke Island with a friend and fell in love with the Island. One week after moving here to live, I met my now husband in Vino Vino's! We went travelling in NZ and Europe before deciding to return to NZ to get married. 20 years on and we have two children who attend Waiheke High School. I have been blessed in my working life, spending about 5 years commuting to Auckland to work for Vodafone and then working here for the Health Trust, Waiheke Kindergarten and now the High School. I thoroughly enjoy my role at the High School. It is challenging and never, ever dull!

## Science Department



Nine Year 11 students attended the one day Whakapiki Ake Te Whe programme recently at the University of Auckland, along with students from three other Auckland schools. They experienced hands-on activities in the school of Biological, Chemical and Physical Sciences and had a tour of the Anatomy Museum at the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences. The programme is designed to encourage students to continue studying senior Science subjects and consider future health careers.

(Katherine Cole, HOD Science)



The Science Department hosted a number of parent and new student groups in our Open Day. We showed them aspects of Biology, Chemistry and Physics.



They really enjoyed viewing micro-organisms under the microscopes, especially those that cause disease in humans. They learnt about flame testing to identify various elements in common compounds and also observed the properties of concave mirrors with much hilarity. Big faces, little upside-down faces. The parents seemed to enjoy the microscopy hugely and maybe we will have some mature students in our junior science classes next year! (Tom Mulvey, Physics Teacher)

**Financial Assistance for NCEA Exam Fee  
(\$76.70 per candidate)**

*Who can apply for financial assistance?*

Financial assistance is available to assist with the payment of entry fees for National Secondary School qualifications. To be eligible to apply you must be the fee payer and meet at least one of the following criteria:

- ◆ Be receiving a Work and Income or Study Link benefit (**benefit based application**)
- ◆ Have a joint family income that would entitle you to receive a Community Services Card (**income based application**)
- ◆ Be a fee payer with two or more children who are candidates, irrespective of family income (**multiple candidate applications**), where the total fees you would have to pay would otherwise be more than the \$200 multiple candidate maximum

Application forms are available at the school office. It only takes 2-3 minutes to complete so bring in your Community Services card as soon as possible so that we can reduce your fee to only \$20.00. **NZQA fees must be paid by 25th August.**

## Host an International Student

Thought about hosting an International student but don't know how it works or who to contact?

Waiheke High School is looking for wonderful Waiheke families to take care of our students arriving in 2018. We have a range of students coming from around the world, some staying for a few months, others the whole year. You will be paid of course, \$260.00 per week tax free, and in return you will give these students a real taste of Waiheke family life.

Interested? Contact Bridget on 022 641 9804 or email [international@waihekehigh.school.nz](mailto:international@waihekehigh.school.nz)

## Zero Waste Fashion Workshop - 22/23 July.

This is a weekend workshop suitable for senior students where they can learn to create Fashion that results in Zero Waste. It is a free event, however students will need to register.

The workshop will involve pattern cutting from templates for approx. 3-5 garments, fabricating the patterns by stitching. While fabric will be supplied there will be the opportunity for them to screen print their own fabric. This is a unique opportunity to engage in a programme developed by the Massey University School of Fashion Design, which has worldwide profile.

The workshops will be facilitated by Jeanine Clarkin, Maori Fashion Designer and Jalina Joukova, Senior Technician in Fashion, AUT University, Auckland.

Participants should phone Waiheke Community Art Gallery on 3729907, by 20 July to register

**We would like to acknowledge the photographers who have contributed to our Matariki stories. They are: Lenka Tengblad, Phillipa Karn, Bella Hessel, Mariette Dodd, Zoe Wallace and Te Ao Marama Hau.**

Waiheke High School would like to thank the following businesses and individuals for their ongoing support

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The New Hope Shop  
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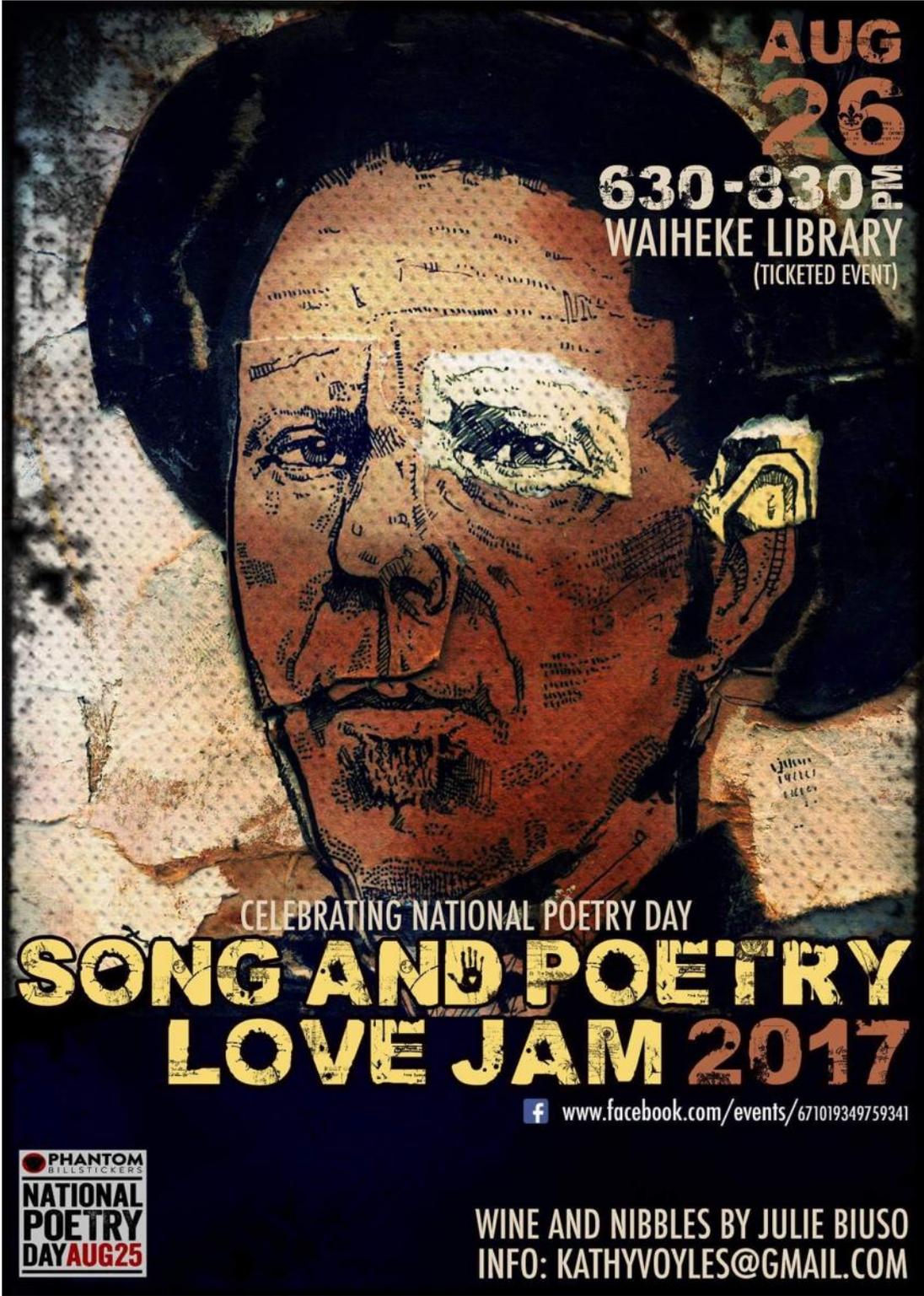
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