

2024 TRUSTEE ELECTION Candidate Profiles

Election of TWO (2) trustees

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HART Selah

Selah Hart is a dedicated and passionate individual seeking election to the board of Te Rūnanga a Rangitāne o Wairau Trust. She is



a mokopuna of Mark and Mary Walker (nee Smith), a mother of six children living and working out of Tamaki Makaurau for the last 14 years.

Having grown up in Wairau, Selah has a profound understanding of the unique challenges and opportunities that the community faces. With a background in Māori Health and community development, Selah actively works towards empowering whānau voice and local solutions in her mahi.

As a candidate for the board, Selah is committed to fostering transparency, accountability, and inclusivity. Selah firmly believes that decisions should be made collectively, with the input and involvement of all community members. By actively engaging with the community, Selah aims to ensure that the trust's actions align with the aspirations and needs of our people. Selah's vision for the trust includes promoting cultural revitalization, health and economic development, and environmental sustainability. Additionally, Selah recognizes the importance of sustainable economic growth and will work towards creating opportunities that benefit both the present and future generations.

With Selah Hart's unwavering dedication, extensive experience, and genuine passion for Te Rūnanga a Rangitāne o Wairau community, electing Selah to the board will ensure a strong and prosperous future for all.

MACDONALD Judith

With more than thirtyfive years working in the Treaty sector for both Rangitane and the Crown, it is my privilege to put my name forward for



your consideration as a Trustee.

I have strong Leadership skills and was instrumental in the 2008 Aquaculture Settlement between iwi and the Crown. Still the fastest settlement on record and delivering \$97 million dollars to South Island and Hauraki iwi.

In 2010 I was the Chairperson of the Trust that led the Settlement of Rangitane o Wairau claims in Te Tau Ihu culminating in more than \$22 million in commercial and cultural assets. I continue to provide advice to the Directors of both Rangitane companies whose net assets are now worth more than \$100 million.

I work for Fisheries New Zealand as the Director of Fisheries and Aquaculture Treaty Partnerships. I have held various positions within Fisheries New Zealand and its predecessors starting my career with them in 2004.

Raised in Te Tau Ihu I continue to live here with my whanau building on the work of my forebears and advocating for Maori across Aotearoa, I am the mother of two adult children. A proud Grandmother and a Justice of the Peace.

I believe the last twenty years has seen Rangitane build a strong economic and cultural base. I am committed to maintaining this and driving initiatives for housing and education These social outcomes will give Rangitane more opportunities to make choices for themselves and build dynamic Rangitane leaders mo ake tonu atu.

MACDONALD Tony

Rangitāne tangata rau, Rangitānenuiārangi. Tini whetū ki te rangi, ko Rangitāne ki te whenua.



Together with the support of my Rangitāne whānau, I am seeking to again serve for you. During my previous term, I not only acted as Trustee for the benefit of our people, but also served on the ARCC (Audit, Risk & Compliance Committee) to ensure that we were financially meeting our obligations to provide positive benefit/change to you, our people.

I believe I have the necessary/ complimentary skills to return to serve for you, and to additionally build onto the exceptional governance of our settlement. I am proud to be Rangitāne, proud of what our lwi has accomplished over the last decade, and if elected, will continue to strive for Rangitāne success socially, culturally, and financially.

I have more than 20 years of experience in business and managing external relationships, and understand the role required to be an effective governor. I continue to take pride in my voluntary commitment to rangatahi in our community and have done over the last 15 years. Our rangatahi are what drives me, ensuring that we steer our lwi in a positive direction for them and our future uri.

Manaakitia ngā tangata, ahakoa ko wai, ahakoa nō hea.

#4 Hohua > Joshua > Stephen > Tony #6 Hoani > Rea > Coggie > Stephen > Tony

MEIHANA Peter

Tēnā tātou e te whānau,

It is that time of year again when we exercise our right to vote and elect our



rūnanga representatives. Over the last 3 years Rangitāne has been very busy. We've worked to ensure Rangitāne has a positive public profile; we've continued to provide opportunities for our taiohi to connect with their Rangitānetanga; at times we've had to challenge the Crown and Council; and, we've reengaged with Ngāti Kuri-Ngāi Tahu on the East Coast. These successes owe much to our hardworking GM and staff, as well as our kaikōkiri-portfolio holders. I acknowledge their contribution. A key to these successes is a stable and focussed board. It is here that I think I have made a contribution.

I am an active trustee. I participate in all rūnanga hui. I make myself available for Rangitāne-led events (in and outside of Wairau), and I regularly attend public forum on behalf of our iwi. I continue to work with schools, teachers, and students to ensure our history is retold and our perspectives are heard. I have assisted in the production of history resources that have now been included in local and national curriculum. Moreover, my academic work has focused on the history and experiences of Rangitāne.

To borrow a Rangitāne axiom, there is more 'unfinished business' for us to complete, and I believe I can add value to these endeavours.

Dr Peter Meihana

PALATCHIE Riki

Tini whetū ki te rangi, ko Rangitāne ki te whenua. Kei puta te Wairau.

Seeking re-election as a trustee for



Rangitāne o Wairau fills me with pride. In my current role, I've represented the iwi on various trust boards and delivered key projects, solidifying my commitment to amplifying our voice. Serving on the Risk Committee, I actively pursue further trustee and leadership training for community benefit.

Before my position as Head of Faculty for the Technology Department at Marlborough Boys' College, I dedicated 22 years to Architectural Design, running my own firm for 13 years. This background, aligning business, design, and culture, fuels my passion for our landscape.

Residing in Blenheim with my family, my connection to Rangitāne comes through both my mother, Rozmund White, and my father, Don Palatchie. In my spare time, I annually hikoi our maunga and embrace our awa for inspiration.

As a trustee, I've seen our iwi businesses thrive, with staff not only benefiting but also contributing significantly. In the teaching realm, I've shared cultural passion by teaching kapa haka at local primary schools, a commitment I aim to deepen as a secondary teacher at MBC.

With diverse skills, 22 years of business experience, and a commitment to our culture, I aspire to continue contributing. Projects like papakāinga housing and wānanga for whānau development are close to my heart. With your support, I eagerly dedicate my expertise to ensure our iwi thrives in the future.