

Te Rangitawaea Festival 2006

Book Wednesday 13th September in your diaries whanau. The 2006 Te Rangitawaea Festival is on again for the third year. The Te Rangitawaea Festival celebrates the ICT/Digital Media achievements (and successful learning outcomes) of Ngati Porou/East Coast students attending the 18 schools in the Ngati Porou rohe from Potaka in the North to Waikirikiri in the south. The festival is the initiative of E Tipu E Rea (ETER), the Te Runanga o Ngati Porou/Ministry of Education Partnership for schooling improvement.

Last year (2005) the festival attracted 265 entries from all schools. The festival includes the Te Rangitawaea Expo and Te Rangitawaea Team Challenge held during the day. The Challenge has teams from each school competing to solve a mystery ICT Challenge within a 3 hour timeframe. They can only use their laptops and their ICT skills to solve the challenge. The final product is presented to a judging panel. The expo features an exhibition site from each school showcasing the ICT achievements of each school. These may include digital photos, music videos, short films, websites, animations created by students. The festival culminates with the Nati Awards ceremony in the evening. The Nati Awards is an 'Oscar' like celebration where schools submit entries in a range of categories and compete for a Nati Award. Schools spend several months creating their entries based on a predetermined theme but open to a wide interpretation. Last year the kaupapa was, Nga Whakataauaki o Ngati Porou. This year it is Te Momo Nati-Nati by Nature. Entries are in English, Maori or both.

The categories for the Nati awards are:

- Documentary
- Fiction Film
- Music Video
- Advertisement
- Original Music Composition
- Graphic Design Poster
- Clay Animation
- Graphic Animation
- Website
- Digital Photo

In addition to the Nati Awards, there are four supreme awards given out on the night. These recognise excellence in particular areas. These awards are all named after prominent tipuna in Ngati Porou whakapapa. Last year they were awarded for:-

- Ponapatukia – Best Te Reo Entry
- Roro – Best Junior School Overall
- Whakaarakura – Winner ICT Challenge
- Whakaatakura – Winner ICT Challenge
- Te Rangitawaea – Best Senior School Overall



Norton Wawatari from Ngata Memorial College films a low angle shot of school mate Rerepo Hovell.



Ngata Memorial College student Henrietta Waitoa takes a high angle shot of fellow student Mena Walker.



Cheyenne Te Maro works on her Senior Graphic Design poster for Ngata Memorial College.



Tane McGuire from Kuranui films fellow student Amez Rewita.



Tolaga Bay Area School student Richard Stack.



Kuranui students Levi Rewita and Mikaia Leach work on their Nati Awards project.



Tangiwai Moran from Kuranui working on his clay animation entry.



Tolaga Bay Area School students Camryn Atkins-Morris & Manasseh Kingi with characters from their animation project.

TE RANGITAWAEA FESTIVAL

Wednesday 13 September, Ruatoria

"A celebration of ICT / digital media within Ngati Porou East Coast Schools"

9am-3pm Te Rangitawaea Expo & Challenge • Ngata Memorial College

6pm-9pm The Nati Awards • Uepohatu

Nau Mai Haere mai !!!