



Maia Dreams

CONFIDENT DREAMS



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KRISTYL'S INTERVIEW WITH JILL MACDONALD

Maia Dreams founder Kristyl Neho recently had the pleasure of being interviewed by Jill MacDonald for the Common Good conversations at the Common Room. The interview was a wonderful opportunity to hear more in depth about the work done in Maia Dreams. Kristyl spoke about the importance of building confidence and self-belief in tamariki and rangatahi, and how Maia Dreams is helping to achieve this.

ST ANDREWS CHURCH OFFERING FUNDING TOWARDS THE UPCOMING AUMANGEA PROJECT

St Andrews church has offered funding towards the upcoming Aumangea Project. The Aumangea Project is a collaboration between Maia Dreams and 6 local schools, 8 local artists, and 7 organisations. The project aims to support tamariki and rangatahi to grow in confidence and self-belief through the creation of artwork and a 60-minute show. St Andrews church's funding will be used to support the costs of the project, such as materials, transport, and catering.

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The first session of the OOS program for the year was held on Tuesday, June 13th. The OOS program is a small group program for tamariki and rangatahi who are looking to build their confidence and self-belief. The session was led by Pam de Frere, and focused on helping participants to identify their strengths and weaknesses, and to develop strategies for overcoming challenges.

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ONGOING PARTNERSHIP WITH MATUA CONRAD WAITOA FROM INSPIRE IN EDUCATION

Maia Dreams is continuing its ongoing partnership with Matua Conrad Waitoa from Inspire in Education. Matua Conrad is a kapa haka expert and cultural mentor, and he has been working with Maia Dreams to help tamariki and rangatahi to develop their confidence and self-belief through kapa haka.

RELAUNCH OF THE CONFIDENT ME ONLINE PROGRAM

After 4 years in the making, Maia Dreams is finally relaunching its Confident Me Online Program in just a few weeks! The Confident Me Program has been delivered for 14 years and has been compiled into an online program. The program is designed to help tamariki and rangatahi to develop the skills and confidence they need to succeed in life. The program is divided into 3 modules: Module 1 for the parent, Module 2 for the parent to teach their child, and Module 3 for the child.

SACHA FROM AKINA GALLERY BROUGHT RESOURCES AND TECHNIQUES TO HERETAUNGA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL, IRONGATE SCHOOL AND OMAHU SCHOOL

Amy Griffiths, an improviser and actor, led a session at the Performing Arts Program to help participants tap into their creativity and explore new ways of expressing themselves. The session was a great success, and participants had a lot of fun exploring different techniques.

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Sacha from Akina Gallery brought resources and techniques to Heretaunga Intermediate School, allowing students to create artwork for their Art Exhibition at Toitōi Hawkes Bay Arts and Events Centre. The students had a great time creating their artwork, and the finished pieces looked fantastic. Sacha also had a session with Irongate School and Omaha School students to teach them art techniques for their Art Exhibition during the Aumangea project.

SUCCESSFUL PERFORMANCES OF YOUR YOUTH AT THE AUMANGEA PROJECT HELD IN TOI TOI HAWKES BAY ARTS AND EVENTS CENTRE

Last Tuesday, the 27th of June, we were so proud to watch a crowd that gathered at Toi Toi Hawkes Bay Arts and Events Centre to witness the Aumangea Project. The Maia Dreams Team together with 6 participating schools, 8 local artists, and 7 organisations came to give their all out support to our tamariki and rangatahi as they continue to grow in confidence and self-belief. They also created artwork for an art exhibition curated by Sacha Van Den Berg and a 60-minute show exploring themes of Bravery, Confidence, Identity, and the Cyclone that was held at around 1pm on the same day. We're thrilled to have our Rangatahi Rangatira present in support of our schools, as well. We hope you enjoyed this issue and we'll make sure to keep the good news coming. 'Til next time!

