

# IWIRAKAU LECTURE SERIES

## TAIRAWHITI MUSEUM - IWIRAKAU EXHIBITION

Tairawhiti Museum is offering a series of three lectures by prominent Ngati Porou authorities on the Iwirakau style of carving. The lectures are open to everyone and free of charge. Participants will learn more about this unique Ngati Porou art-form and have the opportunity to ask questions and engage in discussion. The lecture series will explore the history of the Iwirakau style and explore the ways in which it remains an integral component of contemporary art forms in Tairawhiti.

### LECTURE 1

#### *The Maui Whakairo on Hikurangi Maunga and Wananga Korero o Te Pou a Pakarae*

This lecture will be given by prominent East Coast Ta-Moko artists Derek Lardelli and Mark Kopua. The talk will be about the history of the Maui whakairo located on Hikurangi Mountain and some of the korero (knowledge) about the wananga on the East Coast pertaining to Iwirakau.

Wednesday 27 January 2010

5.30pm – 7pm

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### LECTURE 2

#### *Iwirakau Wharenui Iwirakau Carvers*

This lecture will be given by Ngati Porou academic art historians Ngarino Ellis & Robert Jahnke. Their presentations will focus on the history of the wharenui Hau-te-ana-nui-a-Tangaroa (now in the Canterbury museum), Tumoana-a-Kotore (Otago Museum), Ruatēpupuke II (Field Museum, Chicago) and Mauitikitiki-a-Taranga and the work of Hone Taahu, Hoani Ngatai and Riwai Pakerau.

Wednesday 3 February 2010

5.30pm – 7pm

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### LECTURE 3

#### *The House of Hingangaroa – Te Rawheoro*

This talk will be given by Te Aitanga-a-Hauiti authority and historian, Victor Walker and will focus on the history of the famous East Coast whare wananga, Te Rawheoro. Iwirakau attended Te Rawheoro Wananga before returning to Waiapu to develop his carving style and training the next generation of carvers.

Wednesday 10 February 2010

5.30pm – 7pm

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*Iwirakau, poutokomanawa, formerly from Tikapa, Waiapu. On loan from Auckland Museum*



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