# **Treasury Guest Lecture:**

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### Guest Lecturer Kura Moeahu



## The Iwi Politics of Te Whanganui-a-Tara

### **Abstract:**

The histories that underpin the mana whenua iwi in Te Whanganui-a-Tara (the Wellington region) are fundamentally political. Kura Moeahu will recount a Māori narrative about the settlement of iwi in Wellington from its origins through to the collision with parliament and current political dynamics. These histories guide the post-settlement context that Taranaki Whānui (mana whenua in Wellington) operates in as a major commercial and cultural leaders in Te Whanganui-a-Tara.

#### **About Kura Moeahu:**

Kura Moeahu has strong mana whenua ties here in Te Whanganui a Tara, Wellington. He has whakapapa connections to the eight tribes of Taranaki and Ngāti Mutunga.



- I am a pa boy at heart."

Venue:

Date:

Wharenui

The Treasury

Wednesday 20

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1 The Terrace

Wellington

Time:

11:15 am - 12:30 pm

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He is a tribal leader for his people, who is passionately involved with his iwi governance – being the Chairman of Te Rūnanganui o Te Atiawa, Waiwhetu Marae, Harbour Island Kaitiaki Board, and Waiwhetu Pa Reservation No.4.

Kura is the Kaiwhakarite Māori – Senior Cultural Advisor to Parliament. Who ensures tikanga Māori is upheld and promoted within Parliamentary services.

A true orator of his people, who is steeped in ancient karakia and whakapapa. Kura is also the founder and lead tutor of Ngā uri o Tamarau (a top kapa haka group here in Wellington). He enjoys playing the guitar, composing songs, and spending time with whānau. "Although people see me in suits

He aha te kai a te rangatira? He korero, he korero, he korero. (What is the food of chiefs? It is communication, it is listening, it is knowledge.)