

# YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS **Ngā Tohu Arataki Rakatahi** 2016



**These awesome awards  
recognise individuals and groups  
"Making a difference"**

Awarded jointly by Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu and Environment Canterbury to celebrate rakatahi/young people; who passionately invest their free time to make the world a better place. The awards are held biennially.

Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu and Environment Canterbury has as one of our collaborated priorities to recognise and celebrate our rakatahi/young people's commitment to a more sustainable future. It is a way to connect the different youth movements in our city and promote the work that is being done for generations to come.

Toitū te marae a Tāne - Toitū te marae o Tangaroa - Toitū te iwi  
If the land is well and the sea is well, the people will thrive

We would like to invite you to apply and or nominate a young rakatira/leader who lives for something greater than self-worth. Whether that is leading an environmental enhancement project in schools, marae or collaborating with a community group or fundraising for social enterprises such as bikes in schools.

**Due August 5th.**  
**Prepare your portfolio now!**

We are giving you heaps of lead in time so you can put together a portfolio (hardcopy or digital) that illustrates and explains the change-making activities you, as an individual or within a group have been involved with.

**Check out the 2014  
winners [ecan.govt.nz/  
YouthLeadership](http://ecan.govt.nz/YouthLeadership)**

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## Award recipients 2014 with Dame Margaret Bazley (Environment Canterbury) and Elizabeth Cunningham (Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu)



### A word from our 2014 Award Ambassadors, George & Rachel

This is such a worthwhile award to be in for! So often young people doing something really positive for their schools, communities, marae, striving to make the future so much better, go unrecognised. Ngāi Tahu and Environment Canterbury really believe in giving credit where it's due and look forward to celebrating your hard work in 2016.

### *Service / Ringa Rau-pā*

#### INDIVIDUAL 2014

Elise Wilson, Cashmere High School (Year 12)

As young people, we have got to start to work together to make this world a better place. It's up to us to 'be the change we want to see in this world'.

The Ngāi Tahu and Environment of Canterbury Youth award is an amazing way to recognise, connect, and celebrate the different youth movements; taking place in our city to promote the work that is being done to create a more sustainable future for the generations to come.

### *Sustainability / Mana Taiao*

#### WHY APPLY?

You will get some recognition & kudos for the actions you are taking either as part of a group or as an individual change-maker.

To make the world a better place we need people who are passionate about making a positive difference for our planet and our people. We wish to celebrate your commitment to being a change-maker for future generations.

### *Community / Hapori*

#### GROUP 2014

Burnside High School's Enviro Club

Burnside was delighted to receive the Ngāi Tahu Environment Canterbury Award for 2014 and our Ko Tane dinner was a highlight for the year. The Environment Group has worked hard for the past three years, planting native trees, eliminating litter and reducing our school's carbon footprint. We love our work, know future generations will value our contribution and look forward to seeing the Burnside forest grow.

### KEY INFORMATION

#### There are two categories:

- (One) - Individual Y12 and 13 and
- (Two) Group Y9-13 (secondary school aged groups)

- Must exhibit leadership in their sphere of influence this 'could include' leading an environmental enhancement project in schools, marae or collaborating with a community group, projects that foster kaitiakitanga/guardianship over our environment, innovative and creative initiatives.
- Applicants must reside within the Canterbury rohe/region
- All applicants must prepare a portfolio (Hardcopy or digital) that illustrates and explains the change-making activities.
- Judges will formally review the portfolios after the due date
- Judges are drawn from the sponsoring partners

### Due: August 5th 2016

Final applications for consideration are due: 5th August 2016 at 5:00pm

#### How to apply:

There are two avenues available to be considered for these awards including:

1. Nominations, please ensure nominee is contacted, aware of support and online application
2. Apply or nominate directly online, please visit [www.ecan.govt.nz/youthleadership](http://www.ecan.govt.nz/youthleadership)