

Programme

Forest & Bird Centennial Conference: 100 years of Conservation

Theme: *Inspiring Bold Leadership in a Time of Crisis*

Te Papa Tongarewa, Pōneke Wellington

Saturday 29 July 2023



Time	Session
8:15am – 8:45am	OPENING: CONNECTING PEOPLE TO TE TAIAO Mihi whakatau: Peter Jackson (Te Atiawa, Taranaki Iwi) Trustee, Wellington Tenth Trust Welcome: Mark Hanger Forest & Bird Chair MC: Jesse Mulligan RNZ, Discovery
8:45am – 9:10am	SESSION 1: STATE OF THE NATION ADDRESS – Past, present & future: why the environment matters now more than ever Keynote: Nicola Toki Chief Executive, Forest & Bird
9:10am – 9:30am	SESSION 2: THE IMPORTANCE OF COURAGE AND LEADERSHIP IN GIVING NATURE A VOICE Keynote: Rt Hon. Simon Upton Parliamentary Commissioner for the Environment – <i>Why bold leadership needs boring foundations</i>
9:30am – 10:45am	SESSION 3: THINKING OUTSIDE THE BOX – is Aotearoa’s approach to environmental stewardship failing and what should the future of conservation look like? Panel members: Dr Amanda Black Co-director at Bio-Protection Aotearoa Research Centre & Associate Professor at Lincoln University Mananui Ramsden Chairperson of Te Rūnaka o Koukourata, Banks Peninsula Danielle Shanahan Chief Executive, Zealandia Ecosanctuary Te Māra a Tāne, Pōneke Wellington Dr Deidre Koolen-Bourke Senior Policy Researcher, Environmental Defence Society Chair: Jesse Mulligan RNZ, Discovery Audience questions

10:45am – 11:15am	Morning tea
11:15am – 12:30pm	<p>SESSION 4: COURAGEOUS LEADERSHIP IN THE TIME OF THE CLIMATE & BIODIVERSITY CRISES - what are business and sector leaders doing to address the climate and biodiversity crises when we know time isn't on our side?</p> <p>Panel members:</p> <p>Terry Copeland Chief Executive, Federated Farmers</p> <p>Kiri Hannifin Chief Sustainability Officer, Air New Zealand</p> <p>Rehette Stoltz Gisborne Mayor & Regional Sector Representative Local Government NZ (LGNZ)</p> <p>Caroline Saunders Distinguished Professor and Director of the Agribusiness & Economics Research Unit, Lincoln University</p> <p>Chair: Jesse Mulligan</p> <p>Audience questions</p>
12:30pm – 1:15pm	Lunch
1:15pm – 2:30pm	<p>SESSION 5: CRISIS COMMUNICATION & CONFRONTING CLIMATE APATHY – what will it take for political leaders and the wider public to act on environmental issues?</p> <p>Panel members:</p> <p>Eloise Gibson Climate change editor, Stuff NZ</p> <p>Dale Husband (Ngāti Maru) Presenter, Waatea News</p> <p>Marc Daalder Senior political reporter, Newsroom</p> <p>Isobel Ewing Climate correspondent, Discovery</p> <p>Chair: Jesse Mulligan</p> <p>Audience Questions</p>
2:30pm – 3:30pm	<p>SESSION 6: RANGATAHI ARE THE FUTURE – so why aren't we listening to them?</p> <p>Panel members:</p> <p>Eden Skipper (Ngāi Tahu) Indigenous rights advocate and forager</p> <p>Isla Day Founding member & organiser, School Strike 4 Climate Aotearoa</p> <p>Madison Seymour Future Farmers NZ</p> <p>Chair: George Hobson Forest & Bird Youth</p>

3:30pm – 4:00pm	Afternoon tea
4:00pm – 4:20pm	Presentation of the Kōtuku Award Te Tohu Kōtuku
4:20pm – 5:30pm	<p>SESSION 7: SHIFTING OUR MINDSET – caring for the environment to build a stronger, better country</p> <p>Talk 1 <i>The possibilities for a tino rangatiratanga sphere in conservation legislation and policy</i> – Professor Jacinta Ruru MNZM FRSNZ Māori Law Professor and legal scholar</p> <p>Talk 2 <i>Forest & Bird whakapapa, ongoing mahi, and courageous conservation: looking to the future</i> – Nicola Toki</p>
5:30pm – 5:45pm	<p>CONFERENCE CLOSE</p> <p>Closing Karakia: Mark Hanger</p>
5:45pm – 7:00pm	Networking drinks
7:00pm – 10:00pm	<p>SANDERSON DINNER</p> <p>Rob Thorne (Ngāti Tumutumu, Tainui) Te pūtōrino</p> <p>Speeches:</p> <p>Dame Anne Salmond Historian, author & environmentalist</p> <p>Connor Wallace Co-director, Forest & Bird Youth</p> <p>Awards: Old Blue, Distinguished Life Member, Youth Award - Te Kaiārahi Rangatagi o te Taiao.</p>