



**He Wananga
Ngati Matawhaiti & Auckland Museum**

E nga rau Rangatira ma – tena koutou katoa.

This Saturday 15th October 2022 Auckland Museum representatives will be at our marae to discuss plans for the revitalisation of Te Toki-a-Tapiri.

As we all know, in the 1830s Ngati Matawhaiti instigated the construction of this waka under the leadership of Te Waaka Tarakau who named the waka in memory of his tipuna. The log for the hull of this waka came from our traditional lands in Waiatai Valley and the hull was completed at Tatatehe, not far from present day Iwitea Pa. After a long journey, this waka rests today in Auckland Museum.

The members of Ngati Matawhaiti are called to host the reception of Auckland Museum and discuss their revitalisation proposal. Base details for the day are:

- **10.30am. Whakatau at Iwitea Marae for Auckland Museum representatives.**
- **3.30pm. Our manuhiri depart Iwitea Marae.**

During this time, Auckland Museum will provide information and a forum to discuss the revitalisation of the waka and, weather permitting, a walk to Tatatehe.

E nga rau o Ngati Matawhaiti -tautoko mai, nau mai, haere mai.

Pai Marire,

Nigel How,
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