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ABSTRACT

He Kawa Oranga, Māori Achievement in the 21st Century, investigates the relevance of kawa to modern times. The thesis is essentially about Māori engagement with society and the ways in which kawa can be applied to a range of situations and events in Te Ao Hurihuri, the changing world. But although the focus is on kawa in contemporary times, the origins of kawa are ancient and are embedded in a Māori knowledge system, Mātauranga Māori. For that reason the research methodology adopted in the thesis is based on a Mātauranga Maori epistemology and an associated research paradigm that draws on Māori concepts of knowledge, knowledge transfer, and the expansion of knowledge.

Insights from exponents of kawa, observations on marae, together with an examination of kawa in three contemporary situations contributed to an understanding of the several dimensions of kawa. An important finding was that the outward expressions of kawa have little meaning if they are detached from the kaupapa, the values, that underlie the kawa. The values contained in kawa reflect Māori world views and especially the relationships between people and between people and the environment. Maintaining the values in environments where Māori world views are not the prevailing norm is one of the dilemmas addressed in *He Kawa Oranga*.

The thesis concludes, however, that kawa provides a useful values-based approach to the encounters that will increasingly confront young Māori in a rapidly changing world. It does not suggest a return to the past, but by linking values and actions in ways that make sense to Māori, kawa is seen as an enabling process that can enhance performance, generate cohesion, inspire achievement and provide a measure of certainty.

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GLOSSARY OF KEY TERMS

Āronga	World View
Awa	River
Atua	Guardian, Domain, Source
Hapū	Sub-Tribe
Haumietiketike	Atua of Cultivated Foods
Hinengaro	Intellect
Hui	Gathering of People
Ihi	Energy
Iwi	Tribe
Kaumātua	Elders
Kaupapa	Foundation
Karakia	Spiritual Incantation
Kawa	Protocol derived from Mātauranga Māori
Kohanga Reo	Te Reo Māori Early Childhood Immersion Centre
Kotahitanga	Unity
Kura Kaupapa Māori	Te Reo Māori Immersion School
Mana	Prestige
Manawa	Heart
Manaakitanga	Hospitality and Care
Manuhiri	Visitors, Guests
Marae	Meeting Place for Hapū and Iwi
Mātauranga	Knowledge

Mātauranga Māori	Māori Specific
Maunga	Mountain
Mauri	Life Principle
Mokopuna	Grandchild
Noa	Unrestricted
Ohakī	Dying Wish
Pakeke	Adult
Pātaka Iringa Kōrero	Tribal Narrative
Rongo-mā-tāne	Atua of Peace and Cultivated Foods
Roto	Lake
Take	Reason / Base
Tamariki	Children
Tāne Mahuta	Atua of Forests, Birds and People
Tangaroa	Atua of the Oceans and Fish
Tangata Whenua	Indigenous Peoples
Tapu	Under Restriction
Tawhirimātea	Atua of Wind and Weather
Te Ao Māori	Māori World
Te Reo Māori	Māori Language
Tikanga	Customs, Desired Behaviours
Tinana	Body
Toa	Warrior
Tūmatauenga	Atua of War and Conflict
Waihanga	Construct
Wairua	Spirit

Wairuatanga

Spirituality

Whakapapa

Geneological Connections

Whakatupuranga

Generation

Whakawhitiwhiti kōrero

Discussion

Whānau

Family

Whare Wānanga

Centre for Higher Learning

Ūkaipō

Source of Nourishment

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HE KUPU WHAKATAKI

Mai ea te tipua mai ea te tawhito

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E huakina atu ana i konei te tatau o te whare o te mātauranga. Koia rā te pūtake o tēnei kaupapa, he āta titiro ki tēnei hanga a te tikanga me te kawa kia mārama ai te wāhi ki ngā tikanga i roto i te ao hurihuri nei. Kāti he kaupapa mātauranga tēnei te whakatakoto ake nei.

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Ko te urupounamu o tēnei tuhinga roa nei a *He Kawa Oranga* e pēnei ana,

*'E taea rānei e te kawa me ōna whakahaere te hāngai torotika atu ki ngā tini horopaki,
āhukatanga hoki o te ao hurihuri?'*

Arā atu ētahi kaupapa Māori nō mua atu, nō muri tata nei hoki kua pūāwaitia mai hei oranga mō te Māori. Koia tērā ko te aronga tuarua o tēnei kaupapa rangahau, ko te whai kia mōhio, kia mārama ai te wāhi ki te kawa i roto i ngā kaupapa nui o te ao hurihuri. Hei whaiwhai ake i tērā, he kāhui tohunga kua uiuia ki ngā tūāhukatanga o te tikanga, o te kawa.

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