

Sunday July 12 2.30pm

RACE AGAINST TIME: BALANCING THE BICULTURAL AND MULTICULTURAL IN A CHANGING NEW ZEALAND

Sir Anand Satyanand



The last 20 years in New Zealand have been marked by massive social change. Not only has our population grown to 4.4 million, but this population has become increasingly diverse, with around 70% of European descent, 15% Māori, 11% Asian and 7% Pacifica. In Auckland, nearly 20% are Asian and 14% Pacifica.

Does our bicultural partnership, expressed through the signing of the Treaty of Waitangi in 1840, still make sense in such a rapidly-changing, pluralistic society? And can such a partnership embrace the diversity of peoples now living in New Zealand?

Who better to answer these questions than New Zealand's 19th Governor-General, the first person of Indian descent to take on the role?

Sir Anand Satyanand was Governor-General of New Zealand from 2006-2011. Trained as a lawyer, he has been a District Court judge and served two five-year terms as Ombudsman. From 2005-2006, he chaired the Confidential Forum for former inpatients of psychiatric hospitals.

Although now officially retired, Sir Anand, with his wife Susan, maintains a number of patronages, and is chair of the Commonwealth Foundation, based in London, until the end of 2016.

Sunday July 26 2.30pm

ARE WE BECOMING A PENAL COLONY? THE MORAL AND FISCAL FAILURE OF PRISON AND HOW TO GET A BETTER OUTCOME

Judge Carolyn Henwood



Election after election, politicians have turned to law and order as populist issues. Rarely, however, do they talk about who's in prison and how they got there.

Judge Carolyn Henwood will discuss the links between who goes to prison and New Zealand's social welfare policies. Incarceration, she argues, has become part of the fabric of New Zealand society. But does it have to be this way?

Judge Carolyn Henwood is a member of the New Zealand Parole Board and has 30 years' experience as a District and Youth Court judge.

For the last seven years, she has chaired the Confidential Listening and Assistance Service. Established by the Government in 2008, this service enables a panel of appropriately qualified people to travel the country listening to the experiences of, and providing assistance to, anyone who has concerns or alleges abuse or neglect while in State care. Judge Henwood calls these young people, who risk crossing over from care and protection to crime and eventual imprisonment, "the crossover children".

Judge Henwood is also actively involved in the theatre and arts sector and was a founding member of Wellington's Circa Theatre.

Sunday August 9 at 2.30pm

METROPOLIS, CITY, TOWN AND THE VERY SMALL PLACE – BRIDGING THE AUCKLAND/ATHOL DIVIDE

Associate Professor Robin Peace



This century, Aotearoa New Zealand faces a new challenge: how to manage uneven growth between a mega city and small rural settlements. Auckland (population 1.4m) grows exponentially, while places like Athol (population 87 - a small town in Southland) continue to decline.

What is happening in Athol and Ashburton in the South Island, and in Waharoa and Wellington in the North, tells the story of population and economic change in regional New Zealand that is more than the "Auckland story". It is a story we all need to know, share and understand.

Robin Peace is Associate Professor Research and Evaluation at Massey University in Wellington. She is Regional Director for the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, Director of the engaged Social Science (eSocSci) project, and the Royal Society New Zealand representative on the International Social Science Council. She is currently involved in a six-year New Zealand diversity project funded by the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment examining the impact of increased ethnic diversity in New Zealand.

Robin has worked as a principal analyst in the Centre for Social Research and Evaluation at the Ministry of Social Development and has lectured in human and cultural geography at the University of Waikato.

Sunday August 23 at 2.30pm

POVERTY AND WEALTH: WHAT'S THE CONNECTION?

Max Rashbrooke



Poverty is an increasingly pressing issue in New Zealand. But is there any connection between growing rates of deprivation at one end, and increasing affluence at the other? In this talk, Max Rashbrooke teases out the forces that are driving New Zealand society apart.

Max Rashbrooke is the editor of Inequality: A New Zealand Crisis, published in June 2013 by Bridget Williams Books, and the author of The Inequality Debate: An Introduction, published in July 2014. He is also a research associate of the Institute for Governance and Policy Studies at Victoria University of Wellington.

As an investigative journalist, with specialty interests in political and financial matters, he has written stories for national newspapers and magazines in Britain and New Zealand, including The Guardian, the National Business Review and Metro. He has twice been the recipient of the Bruce Jesson Senior Journalism Award, and was recently awarded a 2015 Winston Churchill Fellowship.

Max is well known as a public speaker and has given lectures to a range of organisations including PricewaterhouseCoopers, the New Zealand Institute for Economic Research and the Auckland Readers and Writers Festival.

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