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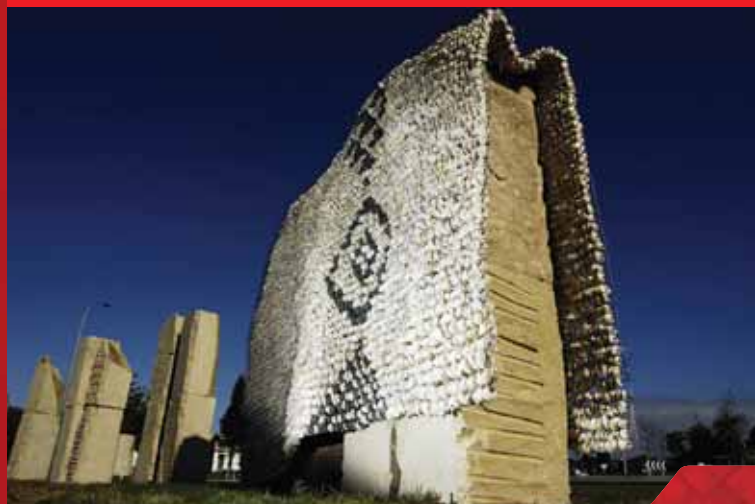
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Weaving our Stories: International Mantle of the Expert Conference

*WEL Energy Trust Academy of Performing Arts
27-30 August 2009*



A once in a lifetime professional development opportunity for teachers, principals and others interested in innovative approaches to teaching and learning.



This conference introduces **Mantle of the Expert** – Professor Dorothy Heathcote's fully integrated approach in which children learn across all curriculum areas by taking on the roles of experts engaged in a high status project for a fictional client.

MANTLE OF THE EXPERT OFFERS

- An innovative, yet tried and tested approach to teaching and learning, used in hundreds of classrooms around the world.
- A dramatic inquiry-based learning system in which students become 'experts' in authentic, but fictional learning contexts.
- A new and creative approach to curriculum delivery allowing learning areas to be taught in an integrated and relevant way.
- A model for whole school curriculum design (officially mandated at Ministry level in the United Kingdom and in line with Ministry objectives in New Zealand).
- A means to improve educational outcomes, leading to 'measurable improvement in key skills' and 'accelerated attainment' for learners (Mantle research project, UK 2007).
- An approach to teaching and learning that is enjoyable, creative, energising and engaging for teachers and learners alike.

To learn more and to be part of the development of Mantle of the Expert in New Zealand, enrol now for the inaugural Mantle of the Expert International Conference 27-30 August 2009, Hamilton.



PRESENTERS

Dr Dorothy Heathcote (via live link), Luke Abbott, Tim Taylor, Julia Walshaw and Allana Taylor. Contributions from a panel of distinguished New Zealand educators and closing remarks from Assoc. Prof Peter O'Connor.

REGISTRATION FEES

	Before 26 June 09	After 26 June 09
Full Registration	NZ\$650	NZ\$700
Student (Full time)	NZ\$450	NZ\$500
Conference Dinner	NZ\$60 for meal, entertainment and transfers	

Conference opens 9am Thursday 27 August, closes 2.30pm Sunday 30 August. Welcome function 5pm Thursday 27 (costs included in registration). Conference dinner 7pm Saturday 29, Vilagrad Winery (costs as above).

WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING ABOUT MANTLE OF THE EXPERT

"The Mantle of the Expert system makes learning meaningful, relevant and engaging and the children are the driving force of their own learning path. I could not wish for more."

Head teacher

"In over four years Mantle of the Expert has transformed my teaching and the attitudes of children in my class. It provides a meaningful learning context, engaging pupils at a deep level and developing them as thoughtful, enquiring and empathetic individuals."

Classroom teacher

"I know it's right because of the engagement I have seen in the eyes of the children, the passion in the voices of the teachers, and the feeling in the air in a classroom when everyone is taking part."

Head teacher

"It's a fantastic and exciting way of learning. I really like the way it has taken away some of the routine ways of learning and basics."

Parent

"It's great great great because it's hard work but it's really really fun."

Student

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For details regarding the conference, accommodation and social functions go to www.mantleoftheexpert.co.nz