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Emma Ormsby

Faculty of Arts and Faculty of Creative Arts and Industries

Emma is an emerging Māori artist. She is passionate about art in public spaces, having led a 60-metre mural project that is brightening up the centre of Takapuna. The project derives from community workshops Emma delivered to local schools, and consists of drawings by more than 50 students from nine schools.

Halaevalu Tu'ipulotu-Halanukonuka

Faculty of Engineering and Faculty of Science

Halaevalu runs free maths classes called Maths For Juniors. These classes aim to teach and inspire youngsters in underprivileged areas, and have so far helped over 200 students. Halaevalu uses a range of teaching methods to make the subject as fun as possible.

Haris Murtaza

Faculty of Engineering

Haris is the founding executive member and co-chair of the National Islamic Youth Association (NIYA), a national youth organisation run by Muslim youth for Muslim youth. The organisation advocates for Muslim youth issues, and is actively assisting the government's response to the Royal Commission of Inquiry into the Christchurch mosque attacks.

Jae Min Seo

Faculty of Engineering

Jae Min is the founder of the New Zealand Physics and Mathematics Competition (NZPMC). In just two years, over 2000 students from 150 schools around the country have participated in STEM-oriented workshops and competitions. He aims to improve physics and mathematics education through a student-led approach to learning.

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Julia Plank

Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences

As the founding director of Elder Care Volunteers, Julia works to improve the wellbeing of care home residents. Julia's voluntary work focuses on mitigating social isolation and strengthening social support networks for the elderly.

Nandini Singh

Business School

Nandini is the co-founder of Kairos (formerly known as The Next Step), a non-profit educational programme that aims to empower low-decile students to enter university education. Kairos is a multi-step programme consisting of workshops and a mentorship programme that equips students with the support they need to successfully transition into university education.

Shehnaz Hussain

Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences

Shehnaz created a charity cookbook, "Tang, Spice, Crunch", which shares her Tamil-Indian and Singaporean recipes. Six hundred copies of the book were sold within 10 months. Proceeds from the sales raised \$13,000 for an orphanage in Chennai, India.