



AUCKLAND March
7–24 2019
ARTS FESTIVAL
TE AHUREI TOI O TĀMAKI MAKĀURAU

**KA
TITO
AU
KUPE'S
HEROIC
JOURNEY**

**BY
APIRANA
TAYLOR**

KA HURI HAERE | TĀMAKI MAKĀURAU, 15–24 POUTŪTERANGI • ON TOUR THROUGHOUT REGIONAL AUCKLAND, 15–24 MARCH

Māngere Arts Centre • FRI 15 MARCH 12.30PM

Barnett Hall, Piha • SAT 16 MARCH 2.00PM

Reweti Marae, Waimauku • SAT 16 MARCH 7.00PM

Depot Artspace, Devonport • SUN 17 MARCH 1.00PM

Warkworth Town Hall • SUN 17 MARCH 6.00PM

Piritahi Marae, Waiheke Island • FRI 22 MARCH 7.00PM

Franklin Arts Centre, Pukekohe • SAT 23 MARCH 2.00PM

Te Oro, Glen Innes • SAT 23 MARCH 7.00PM

Uxbridge Arts Centre, Howick • SUN 24 MARCH 1.00PM

Waipapa Marae, Auckland Central • SUN 24 MARCH 6.00PM

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BY APIRANA TAYLOR

PERFORMED BY TOLA NEWBERY
DIRECTED BY MURRAY LYNCH

STAGE MANAGER: PHIL LOIZOU
CHOREOGRAPHER: TEOKOTAI PAITAI

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THE STORY OF KUPE

Kupe was a great Pacific explorer and navigator who lived in Raiātea, also known as Hawaiiki, and believed by many to be the first visitor to these shores. The tales of Kupe stretch far and wide throughout the Pacific.

His people lived in harmony with the seas as this was their pātaka kai (pantry) and karakia (prayers) were regularly recited to show their respect and gratitude to Tangaroa (Māori God of the sea) and Hinemoana (Māori Goddess of the sea) for sustaining his people.

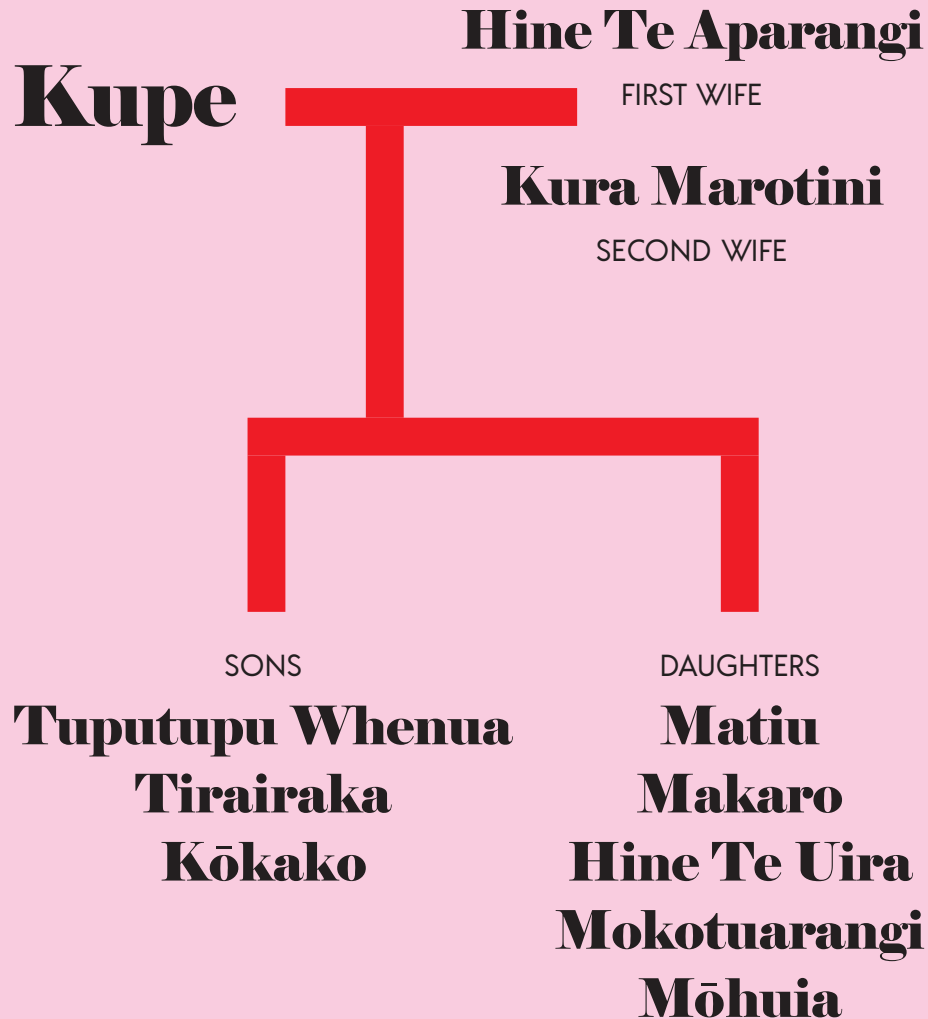


One day while Kupe was out fishing a slimy substance appeared on his hook. Enraged, he knew it was Maturangi's giant pet octopus taking his bait and eating all their kai-moana. When Kupe asked Maturangi to tell his pet to stop, Maturangi simply refused. Kupe warned Maturangi that he would slay his beloved pet and Maturangi laughed and said "not if he slays you first." Kupe was a proud man and did not take lightly this wero (challenge), and thus began the epic expedition on the waka Matahourua and his climatic battle with the giant octopus Te Wheke-o-Maturangi, which brought him all the way to this land, Aotearoa.

KA TITO AU takes you on an epic voyage across the seas from Raiātea to Aotearoa, where Kupe explored and named many places, thus allowing his people to settle and stake claim to these new lands.

This thrilling odyssey weaves together a myriad of narratives richly imagined by writer and poet Apirana Taylor.

WHAKAPAPA CHART



GLOSSARY & CHARACTERS

Rangiātea ANCESTRAL HOMELAND OF ANCIENT POLYNESIANS, ALSO KNOWN AS HAWAIKI

Whakapapa GENEALOGY, KUPE'S WHAKAPAPA STRETCHES ACROSS MANY TRIBES

Tangaroa GOD OF THE SEA

Hinemoana GODDESS OF THE SEA

The Priest of Rangiātea KUPE'S GUARDIAN & TEACHER

Tā moko MĀORI TATTOO

Waka CANOE

Matahaurua KUPE'S CANOE

Kura Marotini KUPE'S SECOND WIFE, TAKEN FROM HOTURAPA (KUPE'S RELATIVE)

Hine Te Aparangi KUPE'S FIRST WIFE

Kupe's sons TUPUTUPU WHENUA, TIRAIRAKA & KŌKAKO

Kupe's daughters MATIU, MAKARO, HINE TE URIA, MOKOTUARANGI & MŌHUIA

Kupe's pet birds RUPE (PIGEON) & TE KAWAU A TORU (SHAG)

Te Kawau ā Toru IS ALSO REFERRED TO AS KUPE'S SERVANT, WHO HIS DAUGHTER MŌHUIA IS IN LOVE WITH

Te Wheke ā Muturangi MUTURANGI'S GIANT PET OCTOPUS

Muturangi A RIVAL CHIEF OF KUPE, WHO OWNS TE WHEKE

Mana STATUS, POWER & AUTHORITY

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Kia kawea atu koe e te hekenga nui a te tohunga whakaterere waka, a te kaihōpara rongonui o Te Moana Nui a Kiwa, a Kupe, i tēnei whakaari takitahi, he mea pohewa nui, nā te kaitito, nā te toikupu hoki, nā Apirana Taylor.

Be swept along by the voyage of Kupe, the great Pacific explorer and navigator, in this richly imagined solo show by writer and poet Apirana Taylor.

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Performances
FRI 15 MARCH 11.30AM
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