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Mandrika Rupa

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Kia ora Mandrika,

INVITATION TO SCREEN WORKS IN THE *PASIFIKA STYLES* EXHIBITION

We would be delighted if you would consider screening some of your film work as part of *Pasifika Styles: Beyond Aesthetics*, a major exhibition project at the University of Cambridge Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology, opening in April 2006.

Pasifika Styles explores the dynamic and contested nature of contemporary art and culture from New Zealand, with a particular focus on work which draws on Maori and Pacific cultural influences. The kaupapa of the show emphasises the role of artists in generating new and innovative ways of negotiating cultural difference, and in creatively responding to issues of authenticity, ownership and artistic authority.

As a participant in the show, we are keen for you to play as active a role as possible in developing this kaupapa as the exhibition unfolds. We have therefore planned a Visiting Artists programme which will, funding permitting, enable us to assist you in presenting your work in Cambridge. While we anticipate being able to provide some financial assistance to people who wish to take part in this programme, we are keen to direct the bulk of any such resources toward those for whom access to funding is most difficult. If you are able to generate your own funding in support of this aim, therefore, this would greatly assist us in providing opportunities for as many artists as possible.

Many thanks for your enthusiasm for this project, and we look forward with great excitement to working with you.

Yours sincerely,

AMIRIA HENARE & ROSANNA RAYMOND

PASIFIKA STYLES 2006

Maori and Pacific art and culture in the 21st century

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PASIFIKA STYLES is an international exhibition-festival project celebrating the styles of 21st-century Maori and Pacific Island art and culture.

Launching in April 2006, the **PASIFIKA STYLES EXHIBITION** will showcase work by some of Aotearoa-New Zealand's best artists and craftspeople alongside the Museum's unparalleled Oceanic collections. Engaging with audiences and artefacts, visiting artists will offer gallery demonstrations, workshops and performances.

In June 2006, Cambridge will move to the vibe of Pacific beats as the **PASIFIKA STYLES FESTIVAL** takes over, celebrating UK- and Pacific-based Maori and Islander communities.

Theatre, dance and music events will take place across Cambridge and on the **PASIFIKA STYLES FESTIVAL DAY**, the Museum courtyard will explode with lush Pacific sounds, sights and sensations.

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