## WSA(NZ)/ Pae Akoranga Wahine/ Stout Research Centre for New Zealand Studies

# Feminist Engagements in Aotearoa: 125 years of Suffrage and Beyond

Victoria University of Wellington, 21-23rd September 2018

### Call for Papers Nau Mai Haere Mai – Welcome

To mark 40 years of WSA/PAW conferences and 125 years of women's suffrage in Aotearoa/New Zealand, WSA/PAW joins with the Stout Research Centre for New Zealand Studies in presenting a conference promoting feminist scholarship and activism. The conference will be an opportunity to advance current feminist engagements, while acknowledging and understanding the challenges of the past. We are committed to supporting many perspectives including those of Māori, Pasifika, Tauiwi, Pākehā and ethnic minority women.

This conference will provide a forum for enduring feminist concerns including gendered violence, equal pay, reproduction, race, ethnicity, sexuality and class. It will also provide an opportunity to consider contemporary perspectives that emphasise intersectionality including issues around environmental sustainability, new reproductive technologies, transgender and women's rights in work places.

This two and a half day conference is part of a longer conversation in New Zealand about women's rights and feminist activism in the community and academia. We hope for new insight and vigorous debate into the current state of feminism in New Zealand. To this end, we invite papers from academics, community, practitioners, and activists that address the conference themes, as indicated above.

The Conference Programme Committee extends a general invitation for individual papers, workshops, panel discussions, performances and artistic displays addressing other themes relevant to the work of the association. We also strongly encourage proposals from community-based women's groups and senior secondary school, graduate, and postgraduate students.

Registration commences in July. Details will be made available shortly on the Association website <a href="www.wsanz.org.nz">www.wsanz.org.nz</a> and the Stout Research Centre for New Zealand Studies website <a href="www.victoria.ac.nz/stout-centre">www.victoria.ac.nz/stout-centre</a>.

#### How to submit a proposal:

Proposals are due June 30th 2018.

Please email abstracts (not more than 200 words) and a brief bio to <a href="mailto:deborah.levy@vuw.ac.nz">deborah.levy@vuw.ac.nz</a>. For panels, present a description of its theme and purpose and submit abstracts for the individual contributions. Please nominate a contact person for the panel.

In all cases please also provide:

- Full name and affiliation (where relevant) of presenters
- Full contact details (including email address and phone number)
- Title of your presentation
- An indication of the format: a 20-minute paper (15 minutes plus 5 minutes for questions), 60-minute workshop or panel, or a performance, art display, or poster presentation.

#### Who can present at the Conference?

Anyone is welcome to attend the conference subject to registration. We hope that presenters will also join the Women's Studies Association, New Zealand (WSANZ). Details of membership can be found on <a href="https://www.wsanz.org.nz/membership">www.wsanz.org.nz/membership</a>. Note that WSANZ members receive a discount on conference registration equivalent to the membership fee.

#### **Conference Convenors**

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