



Heart Politics Gathering 2017

Envisioning the world we want

Port Waikato

4th to 8th January 2017

Our stories of us - the ones that bind our stories of self together into various communities - are increasingly under pressure. Increasingly we are sold a view of the world in which the individual reigns supreme and community is only meant to serve our personal self-interest.

Each of us can point to things in the world we wish were better – but what does the ‘better’ world look, sound, taste, feel like? At this gathering we will come together to share our thoughts and stories about – **the world we want**.



Are we ready for a:

- Sustainable
- Socially just
- Spiritually respectful
- Life appreciating
- Reciprocal
- Compassionate
- Mutually enhancing
- Empowering

Envisioning The World We Want

WORLD?

If we are ready, how would it look like?

Ksenija Napan: inspired by Pachamama Alliance's work and Banksy

It's more than a theme
It's more than a purpose

It's a challenge to each of us to find the words that inspire us and others to tell the new stories of us. There is no one vision – in diversity is our strength and each of us will bring a unique way of describing what moves and inspires us to do what we can, to create more just and sustainable communities.

Go to [our website](#) for more information

Personal + Political + Spiritual + Ecological



WE are A
COMMUNITY

Striving for
social justice is
the most valuable
thing to do in
life.

Albert Einstein

meetville.com

Participant Voices

These are people, just like you, who will attend the gathering. When you register you will be invited to contribute a couple of sentences explaining why you want to come, or what you have to offer the Gathering (along with an image). This will then be uploaded to the website.

2017 Participant Voices and Speakers include:

- **The Loop Crew** - Campbell, Nikki, Bracken, Breeze and Reef are touring New Zealand
- **Dale Hunter** - "whole people co-operating together to create a just and sustainable world"
- **Donald Joyce** - "I want the world to be a better place for all creatures"
- **Linda Shaw** - "a soft place to fall, to be challenged, deep heart expanding conversations"
- **Gillian Emslie** - "there are always delightful surprises with a spirit of good will"
- **Juliet Batten** - offering a workshop - Ritual of Rebalancing: for times of overwhelm
- **Anthea Ogilvie** - offering space for a conversation - Feminism Now
- **Rosie Kaplan** - offering an experiential opportunity - Death Cafe

What does it cost?

Heart Politics Gathering contributions are designed to cover accommodation (*single rooms, shared rooms, dorms and camping*), wholesome and predominantly vegetarian catering with specific dietary requirements accommodated and other costs.

In 2017 there is a sliding scale so that participants can choose what to pay, taking into account their personal circumstances and the level of contributions needed for the Gathering to "break even". Adult contributions are designed to subsidise the costs of teenagers and children.

Sliding scale of Gathering contributions for a five day residential experience:

Adults	\$120-\$320 (costs usually around \$220)
Teenagers (13-18 years)	\$60-\$160 (costs usually around \$170)
Children (5-12 years)	\$30-\$80 (costs usually around \$110)
Children under 5 years	Free (costs usually around \$40)

All contributions are appreciated as we are not funded by any outside organisations.

[Register online](#) or contact [Donald Joyce](#) for further information.