



# RESUME

# Education

Graduate Diploma in Journalism Studies, Massey University Bachelor of Education degree with Auckland University Diploma of Teaching with Auckland College of Education

## Work Experience

Primary Teacher at Intermediate and Primary levels

Editor of Kiwi Write4Kidz newsletter 2002 - 2013

Co-ordinator of Kiwi Wrte4Kidz workshops 2002 - 2013

Speaker at REALM Conference, Palmerston North 2013

Panel Speaker at Golden Yarns Conference, Christchurch 2013

Panel Speaker at SCBWI conference, Sydney, 2012

Writing workshops for adults: Ashton Wylie, Storylines, Kiwi Write4Kidz,

Writing workshops for children in schools 2006 onwards

Writer in school with New Zealand Book Council 2007 onwards

Lecturer and tutor, 'Writing for Children' paper, Massey University, Summer Break 2013-2014

## Writing Experience

#### **Trade Books**

'Find Out! Volcanoes' (Dorling Kindersley, July 2016)

'Anzac Heroes' illustrated by Marco Ivancic (Scholastic, 2016)

'New Zealand Sports Hall of Fame: 25 Kiwi Champions, (New Holland, 2014)

'The Last of Maui's Dolphins' picture book (New Holland, 2014)

'Running Our Country: A look inside New Zealand's Government' (New Holland, 2013)

'Eruption! Discovering New Zealand Volcanoes' (New Holland, 2012)

'The Call of the Kokako' (New Holland, 2011)

'New Zealand's Hall of Fame: 50 Remarkable Kiwis' (New Holland, 2011)

'Rangitoto' (Penguin Books, 2009)

'Save Our Seas' published by New Holland (2009)

'Eco-agents mission: Save our Planet' published by New Holland (2009)

'Dogs on the Job' to be published by Reed (2008)

'Operation Nest Egg' published by Reed (2007)

'Bird's-eye View' published by Penguin Books (2006)

'Homework Powerpack' published by Zenith Publishing (2005)

# **Digital Books**

'Operation Nest Egg Chick' (Pixel Books, 2013)

'The Rock Standing in the Ocean' (Pixel Books, 2013)

# Published under own imprint 'Long White Cloud Books'

'Rangitoto' 2014

'Operation Nest Egg Chick' 2014

#### **Educational Books**

'The Ancient City of Ur' (Learning Media, 2014) America

'The Inventive Lewis Latimer' (Learning Media, 2014) America

'Changing Landscapes' (Learning Media, 2014) America

'A Microscopic World' (Learning Media, 2014) America

'The Power of a Team' (Learning Media, 2014) America

'Save this Space' (Learning Media, 2014) America

'Local Leaders: Pass It On' (Learning Media, 2010) America

'Digging Up a Story: Water Across the Land' (Learning Media, 2010) America

'The Shape of the Land: Saving the Salmon' (Learning Media, 2010) America

'Growing Up: Savannah' (Learning Media, 2010) America

'Science at Play: Try this at Home' (Learning Media, 2010) America

'Inventions: Inventions Take Time' (Learning Media, 2010) America

'Inventions: Science Meets Fiction' (Learning Media, 2010) America

'What a Mess' (South Pacific Press, 2010)

'Earth's Core' (South Pacific Press, 2008) America

'Water: An Amazing Substance' (South Pacific Press, 2008) America

'Making Pancakes' (Red Rockets, 2007) worldwide

'Volcanoes' (South Pacific Press, 2008) America

'Clever Camouflage' (Red Rockets, 2006) worldwide

## **Educational Units**

Girl Guiding New Zealand Pippin, Brownie, Guide, Ranger Children and Adult books (2014, 2015)

'Critical Essay Writing', Essential Resources (Term 4, 2014)

'Non-fiction in the Classroom' Books 1 & 2, Essential Resources (2013)

'Talk it Up!' Oral Language Activities for the Classroom' Books 1 & 2, Essential Resources (2013)

'Sustainable Living: A cross-curricular approach' Books 1 & 2, Essential Resources (2012)

'Care for our River Amazon' commissioned by Sir Peter Blake Trust (2011)

'Care for our Coast Antarctica' commissioned by Sir Peter Blake Trust (2010)

'Leadership' unit commissioned by Sir Peter Blake Trust (2010)

Sir Peter Blake teaching resource for Maritime Museum, Auckland (2010)

'Caring for our Coast' commissioned by Sir Peter Blake Trust (2008)

Grade 3, 4, 7, 8 lesson plans commissioned by South Pacific Press (2007)

'Big Book of Journal' Units 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012

#### **Articles and Short Stories**

'What now for Rena?' non-fiction article, Connected Level 4, 2016, Lift Education

'Castaway' non-fiction article, School Journal Level 4, 2016, Lift Education

'After the spill' non-fiction article, Connected Level 4, 2014, Lift Education

'Six Days' short story in School Journal Level 4, March 2012, Learning Media

'No More Tea Parties' short story in School Journal Part 3, #1 2010, Learning Media

'Flight of the Albatross' short story in School Journal Part 3, #2 2009,

'Cat Attack', 'Dog Operation' short stories in 'Claws & Daws' Anthology) Random House (2004)

Articles published by Kids Life Magazine, Matakana Matters, Organic New Zealand, DANZ

Magazine, Magpie Magazine, NZ Author, New Zealand Book Council, Reading NZ

## Competitions and Awards

'New Zealand Sports Hall of Fame' shortlisted Elsie Locke, Non-fiction award, LIANZA (2015)

'New Zealand Sports Hall of Fame' Storylines Notable Book (2015)

'Running the Country' Storylines Notable Book (2014)

'Eruption! Discovering New Zealand's volcanoes' shortlisted Elsie Locke, Non-fiction award, LIANZA Children's Book Awards (2013)

'Eruption! Discovering New Zealand's volcanoes Storylines Notable Book (2013)

'The Call of the Kokako' shortlisted Elsie Locke - Non-fiction Award and Russell Clark

- Illustration award, LIANZA Children's Book Awards (2012)

'New Zealand Hall of Fame' shortlisted Elsie Locke Award - Non-fiction, LIANZA Children's Book Awards (2012)

'New Zealand Hall of Fame' winner of Children's Choice, non-fiction category,

New Zealand Post Children's Book awards (2012)

'The Call of the Kokako' Storylines Notable Book (2012)

'New Zealand Hall of Fame' Storylines Notable Book (2012)

'Save Our Seas' Storylines Notable Book (2010)

'Rangitoto' shortlisted Non-Fiction category, 2010 New Zealand Post Children's Book Awards.

Second in a national writing competition 'Rodney Writes' in the Premier category

'Bird's-eye View' Storylines Notable Book (2007)

'Bird's-eye View' shortlisted Elsie Locke Award, LIANZA Children's Book Awards (2007)

# Sites

www.mariagill.co.nz

http://kidsbooksnz.blogspot.co.nz

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# Organisations I belong to:

Society of Children's Book Writers & Illustrators Storylines Foundation New Zealand New Zealand Society of Authors