

# Tiriti-based Multicultural Day Poster Competition

## Who are we?

We are Multicultural New Zealand, also known as MNZ. We're a collection of community groups doing our best to empower ethnic communities and support new migrants and refugees to successfully settle in Aotearoa.

## What's multiculturalism?

The word multicultural describes a society where many different cultures live alongside each other. We believe that for a multicultural society to thrive there needs to be tolerance and understanding.

## Why te tiriti-based?

Excellent question! One of MNZ's important commitments is helping ethnic communities understand that Aotearoa New Zealand is a multicultural society in which Māori, as tangata whenua – the people of the land – have special status and rights under te Tiriti o Waitangi. It is because of the invitation extended through te Tiriti that we, tangata tiriti – the people of the treaty – can call Aotearoa home.

To learn more about Te Tiriti o Waitangi check out Network Waitangi Otautahi - <https://nwo.org.nz/resources/>

## What's this day all about?

Tiriti-based Multicultural Day is about sharing your culture, whether it's food and drink, traditional clothing, songs and waiata, games and stories, or music and dance – a celebration of the many cultures that make Aotearoa New Zealand such a diverse and interesting place to live. The more we see of each other's cultures, the more we'll understand, and the more we understand, the better we'll get along.

## So, where does that leave you and the amazing poster you're going to make?

We don't have too many rules for this competition, just a couple of guidelines:

**Poster Size:** Your poster should be no bigger than A3. Big enough to be seen, but small enough so you can scan it at school and email it to us. Let's keep it simple!

**Required Details:** The only thing your poster has to say is that Tiriti-based Multicultural Day is on Friday the 25th of August in 2023.

**Everything Else:** It's up to you! You can use any materials or media you like. Collage, paint, crayon, whatever suits you. You're into digital? Go for it. Same goes for content. Busy and colourful? Why not! Minimal black and white? Sounds good to us! We want to know what multiculturalism means to you, and see how you choose to express it. There are no medals in this competition, but we still want you to go for gold!

**Once you're done, scan and email your poster to [info@mnz.org.nz](mailto:info@mnz.org.nz) before midday on Wednesday the 9th of August 2023**

