



*Ko Ngā Tiritiri o te moana te Maunga  
Ko te Waihora te awa  
Ko Takitimu te waka  
Ko Ngai Tahu Whānui te iwi  
Ko Ngai Te Ruahikihiki te hapu  
Ko Ngati Mokī te marae  
Ko Nutira tōku whānau  
Ko Lilia tōku tamahine  
Ko Lora Marie Nutira taku ingoa tuturu  
Ko Carolyn Santiago taku ingoa inaianei  
Tena koutou katoa*

## ABOUT THE PRESENTER ...

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**Carolyn Santiago** is a Rotorua-based educator and coach who has worked with community groups for 15+ years. Her qualifications include a business degree majoring in management and communications management and certificates in public relations and adult teaching. She has also nearly finished a tourism management degree and started on a graduate diploma in not-for-profit management. Carolyn is a member of the Fundraising Institute of NZ and is the Secretary and Professional Development Coordinator for FINZ's Bay of Plenty Region.

Carolyn has a particular interest in planning, fundraising, policy development, special events, health and wellness tourism, political and environmental issues. Recent fundraising experience includes project work for Age Concern Rotorua and schools, recreational and sporting clubs around New Zealand. Carolyn also has a part-time role with Plunket managing non-clinical services in the Lakes DHB area (carseat rental schemes, parent education, community support services). Current voluntary roles include Rotorua Council of Social Services Executive Committee Member, Acting Treasurer for Age Concern Rotorua and she is a Registered Speaker for Hearing Dogs for Deaf People.

Carolyn's 18-year government career was mainly with the NZ Foreign Service during which time she lived in several countries and was involved in numerous major national and international events, negotiations, conferences, ministerial visits, providing consular assistance to kiwis overseas and a secondment to the Prime Minister's Department for several years. After an early temporary retirement in 1995 on medical grounds, Carolyn established a massage and beauty therapy clinic in Wellington. Since then Carolyn has taken on numerous challenging, rewarding roles in the voluntary sector at both local and national levels. .

In 2003 Carolyn moved to Rotorua to pursue interests in spa, health and wellness tourism and in search of a healthier lifestyle. She is deaf and relies heavily on lip-reading, hearing aids and her Hearing Dog Bailey. She married her flight instructor in Hong Kong in the early 80s, but Carolyn has been a single parent for many years. Her adult daughter Lilia was born in Fiji and travelled with Carolyn to numerous countries as a child. Lilia is now a Police Officer based in Rotorua.