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From The Photo Album - Pressed Brick Homestay



From [Marions Homestay](#) on Waiheke Island (see contact details below)

An invitation to the New Zealand Permaculture Hui 2005 21st-24th October

Hosted by the Taranaki Environment Centre

Participate in a powerful connecting and strengthening of what's already happening in the New Zealand Permaculture community, and develop a shared understanding of where we want to be in the future.

The hui will be based on the Open Space Technology approach with the broad theme of future search. This provides a process to enable an inspired and productive event. We create and manage our own agenda of parallel working sessions around the central theme. Our combined energies and passions can reveal new ways of thinking and doing.

Start: The Hui starts at 1:30 on Friday the 21st of October and ends with a closing ceremony on the afternoon of the 24th.

Registration: Will occur on Friday morning.

Venue: Taranaki Environment Centre; 20 Kauri Street Inglewood Taranaki.

Accommodation and food: Will be provided by the Taranaki Environment Centre, on a communal basis.

You can register, on our website or contact us to confirm your attendance.

This invitation has been extended to NZ holders of a permaculture design certificate.

To make the best use of time it is preferable that you come for the whole event.

For further information contact Grifen Hope: grifen@wholehabitat.co.nz, see the website www.environaki.co.nz or phone 06-756-8229.



Earth Building Internships at Tui Community

Three Months: 13 Jan - 13 April 2006

From 13 Jan 2006, together with a small team of interns, Robina McCurdy and Huckleberry Leonard, international permaculture designer-educators (for background see www.greenworld-earthcare.org), will be continuing the building of their modest earth home, on Tui land in Golden Bay, top of the South Island of Aotearoa/New Zealand. Tui is a 21 year old intentional community, with a strong social culture and a wholistic educational function. The borders of Tui land include the tidal inlet of Wainui Bay and the beautiful Abel Tasman National Park. We are 15 minutes walk from a calm-water swimming beach.

From early Feb till mid April 2005, 6 - 8 intern earth builders, learned and worked together as a mini-community within the fully functioning wider community of Tui. This summer, we will continue on from where this team left off. Techniques used will be Cobb, Wattle & Daub and Adobe, with an earth roof. An aspect of the design is the reciprocating roof Roundhouse style, as developed by Tony Wrench from Wales (see www.thatroundhouse.info)

As with last time, we intend this experience to be a fun, growthful and learningful time together. Hands-on teachers include Earth Building expert Richard Walker (NZ earth architect & consulting engineer, co-wrote the NZ Earthbuilding standards), and Huckleberry (USA) an experienced builder, specializing in old-style timber frame construction, and boatbuilding.

There are 3 categories of interns, each category having a different work exchange/financial arrangement: (1) those well experienced with Earth Building, (2) those having done some building (not earth) and (3) complete beginners. All interns are provided with food, accommodation, internet access, some work clothes, educational handout notes.

We have a limit of 6 - 8 interns, who need to be available for at least one month, and preferably the whole duration. If you

are seriously interested, please make contact for further information and application to: robina@win.co.nz

Strawbale builder requires practical experience

I am currently a student, studying an M.Sc. Architecture (Advanced Environmental and Energy Studies) at the Centre of Alternative Technology in Wales (UK). I have recently been awarded an extension for my expected thesis hand-in-date. This extension has granted me some spare time which I wish to utilise by travelling to New Zealand and getting involved in a practical strawbale building project. **Would anybody be willing to offer me a placement on a project between mid January to the end of March 2006?** I have attended two strawbale workshops both with Amazon Nails and done extensive theoretical research with regards to breathability, noise, and the sequestering of Co2. Any experience would be appreciated as the winter months are coming in now over here. I will be returning to the UK at the beginning of April in preparation for a placement with another strawbale build in Birmingham (the first mainstream building project of strawbale, involving two semi-detached bungalows built opposite one another as part of a low cost housing scheme). Maybe you know of someone else who might be able to help me?

Kind Regards

Leanna Twell

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Need an extra pair of hands to help build your dream home in earth this summer?

Available - a healthy, reliable, thirty two year old Aussie bloke dead keen to work with practitioner of natural earth building methods. full time, casual, travel, ok.

Contact Andrew Jaggers at metroferal@yahoo.com.au



(A teaching experience from the 2004 Conference)

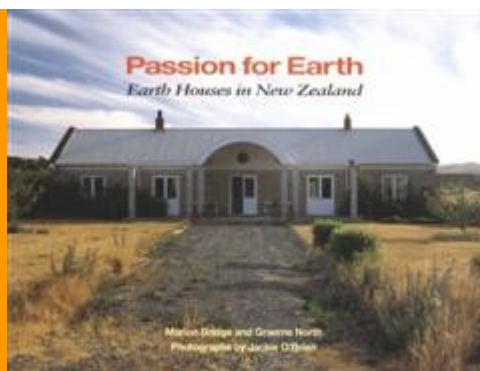
Additional Courses of Interest

Click-through to the courses below to find further information:

www.earthbuilding.org.nz	EBANZ Earth Building Conference	Christchurch	22-23 October 2005
www.dhajs-place.co	Sculptured Earth Building	Northland Ranui (Auckland) Peria (Northland) New Plymouth Kawakawa (Northland)	22-24 October 2005 7-11 December 2005 6-10 January 2006 19-23 January 2006 13-19 February 2006
www.vironaki.org.nz	Permaculture NZ Convergence	New Plymouth	21-24 October 2005
www.anzses.org/conferences.htm	Solar 2005	Dunedin	28-30 November 2005
www.Koanga.org	Permaculture Courses	Koanga	Various dates
Robin@win.co.nz	Earth Building Internship	Golden Bay	13 Jan-13 April 2006
www.thequarry.co.nz	Summer Do Earth Building	Whangarei	9-15 January 2006
www.wessex.ac.uk/conferences/2006/eco-arch2006/cfp.html	Eco Architecture 2006	New Forest (UK)	14-16 June 2006
www.solidearth.co.nz	Outdoor Earth Oven Adobe workshop	Nelson Golden Bay	21 January 2006 14-18 February 2006
www.moderner-lehmbau.com	International Earth Conference	Berlin (Germany)	18-20 November 2005
https://jasperweb.cpit.ac.nz	Earth/Straw Building Alternative technology	Christchurch Polytechnic Christchurch Polytechnic	29 October 2005 5 November 2005

In this space we would like to acknowledge members who have contributed to the success of the EBANZ organisation. This month we introduce Marion Bridge, author, our leading article writer, Assistant Editor.

**Passion for Earth – Earth Houses in New Zealand
By Marion Bridge and Graeme North, Photography Jackie O'Brien.
Last copies of reprint.**



Are you interested in how other people tackled the building of their earth home? What kind of decisions did they make – design, materials, earth floors...?. What did they set out to do and how did they achieve their goals? Their personal stories with colour photos may help or inspire your earthbuilding project. And Graeme North's expertise on techniques, types of construction, the Standards will keep you on track. Plus extensive bibliography.

**Available from Marion, mabridge@ihug.co.nz, Phone 09-3727799,
or send \$39.95 + \$3.00 p&p to 56 Gt. Barrier Rd, Waiheke Island 1240.**

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