

ICOPA VIII

Auckland, New Zealand. 18th - 21st
February 1997
Closing dates for registration: 31st
October 1996

• **Registration fee:** NZ \$200 (approx US \$100)
It is hoped to subsidise according to distance or
waive this altogether for those not in a position to
pay.

• **Accommodation:**

Student Hostel approximately NZ \$40 a day.
Hotels are in walking distance of venue at various
rates.
Billeting in private homes free of charge.

• **English and one other language** will be used
according to need as evidenced on registration.

• **Please contact the organisers if you wish to
present a paper.** These should be submitted at
least a month before the conference to make
photocopies available following presentation.

Preliminary Registration

Yes I would like to attend the ICOPA Conference. Please send
me a full registration form with details of the conference
programme available, accommodation options, and information
on tours and attractions.

NAME.....
ADDRESS.....
COUNTRY.....
Organisation (if any).....

If you wish to present a paper please enclose details.
Return to MAP, P.O. Box 77 039 Auckland, New Zealand.



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PATHWAYS TO PENAL ABOLITION

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ICOPA brings together committed groups of people, reformers, academics, officials working within the criminal justice system whose primary goal is 'healing': healing for victims, offenders and the wounded communities to which they belong.

The Movement For Alternative To Prison (MAP) together with the National Movement for Habilitation Centres and Restorative Justice in New Zealand agreed at the Barcelona ICOPA VII to act as hosts for the next conference to be held from 18th - 21st February 1997 in Auckland.

New Zealand was chosen for such a task because it was time to move the conference to the South Pacific hitherto largely unrepresented at the previous conferences. New Zealand too, has proportionately the second highest imprisonment rate in the western world.

With the forces of reaction re-surfacing, with a rise in imprisonment almost worldwide and with the advent of private prisons it is even more important that ICOPA point the way to a more just society and a less punitive one. ICOPA seeks to bring winds of the future together.

MAKE THIS ICOPA VIII A PRIORITY!!!!

The beautiful islands of New Zealand were known by the Maori, the indigenous people of this country, as Aotearoa ~ "The Land of the Long White Cloud". Volcanoes, alpine skiing, dolphins, sub-tropical beaches and rainforest thermal regions, with bubbling mud and hot pools all feature in or within three hours of NZ's largest city Auckland, which is also the largest Polynesian city in the world.

Further afield New Zealand can offer fjords and alpine lakes, bird and wildlife sanctuaries, whale watching and panning for gold! All these attractions can be added to your itinerary following the conference. February is high summer here and even if you plan to spend only a few days in Auckland we can offer marvellous beaches, spectacular forest walks, and wonderful sailing and island hopping in the Hauraki Gulf, the maritime park and gateway to Auckland.

As part of the ICOPA programme, Maori and Pacific Island models of justice will be presented and you will have the opportunity to visit the tribal home of Maori in Auckland and partake in Polynesian culture.

We may also be able to organise lecture tours for those interested if given sufficient notice.

Simply fill in the attached form and mail it to the address shown or phone or fax: 64 9 445 1011 for a full registration form.

TOPICS

- **Towards the 20th century:** changes in penal policies and values, penal abolition in the 1990's ~ impossible dream?
 - **Decriminalisation and depenalisation.**
 - **Towards fair law and true justice:** the plight of indigenous people.
 - **Empowering the community:**
 - ~ restorative/retributive justice.
 - ~ victim/offender responses.
 - **Innovative responses to drug problems.**
 - **Creating public awareness:** talking to the converted, the sympathetic, the neutral and the hostile.
 - **Changing society?** the path of transformative justice.
 - **Media construction of crime and deviance:**
 - ~ the role of the media in the path to abolition.
 - **Religious and spiritual paths to penal abolition.**
 - **Political involvement:** justice departments, police, courts, prison officers and prisoners.
 - **Creative alternatives to prison for women;** for disabled and mentally afflicted; and for juveniles.
 - **The 'dangerous few':** ~ violent offending and penal abolition.
- There are many different roads to be followed to reach the goal to which ICOPA has committed itself.*
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