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### **Sydney Business District “Rocked” by The Truth About Drugs**

*As wintertime plays out down under, Volunteers from the new Ideal Church of Scientology of Sydney are bringing the truth about drugs to communities throughout the city.*

Winter is here down under, and it seemed like just any other Thursday afternoon in Sydney's central business district. That is, until a troop of men and women in traditional Maori costume transformed the otherwise ordinary day into a celebration—a celebration of drug-free living.

The Kingi family singers are ardent advocates of The Truth About Drugs, a drug prevention initiative supported by the Church of Scientology. They woke up the city with a rousing performance of Maori song and dance outside the Queen Victoria Building. Hundreds stopped to enjoy the performances. Many picked up a copy of *The Truth About Drugs* booklet and signed a drug-free pledge.

Scientists on five continents work in their communities throughout the year to empower others with the truth about drugs. The Church and its members are dedicated to eradicating drug abuse through education.

The Church of Scientology supports The Truth About Drugs initiative, one of the world's largest nongovernmental drug education and prevention campaigns.

It has been conclusively proven that when young people are provided with the truth about drugs—factual information on what drugs are and what they do—usage rates drop commensurately.

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The Church of Scientology has published a brochure, *Scientology: How We Help—The Truth About Drugs, Creating a Drug-Free World*, to meet requests for more information about the drug education and prevention initiative it supports. To learn more or read the brochure, visit the [Scientology website](#).

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*Scientology Founder L. Ron Hubbard wrote, "The planet has hit a barrier which prevents any widespread social progress—drugs and other biochemical substances. These can put people into a condition which not only prohibits and destroys physical health but which can prevent any stable advancement in mental or spiritual well-being."*



A troop of Maori singers and dancers transformed the Sydney central business district June 26, 2014, with a rousing performance of Maori song and dance to promote drug-free living.



Hundreds stopped to enjoy the Kingi Family's Maori songs and dances outside the Queen Victoria Building in Sydney.



Maori warriors, leading the charge against drug abuse in Sydney's central business with a rousing performance of song and dance to draw attention to drug abuse.



Youth picked up copies of *The Truth About Drugs* booklets and signed a Drug-Free Pledge at an event held by volunteers of the new Ideal Church of Scientology of Sydney.