

## New Zealand Broadcast Commissioners List

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- Jude Callen – Commissioner Premium Factual: [Jude.Callen@tvnz.co.nz](mailto:Jude.Callen@tvnz.co.nz)
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- Sondiyp Singh – Assistant Commissioner: [Sondiyp.Singh@tvnz.co.nz](mailto:Sondiyp.Singh@tvnz.co.nz)

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- General Submissions: [proposals@whakaatamaori.co.nz](mailto:proposals@whakaatamaori.co.nz)
- Ngatapa Black - Tumu Pāpāho, Head of Content Curation
- Maria Barlow - Kaiurungi Pāpāho, Director of Content & Audience Engagement
- Lanita Ririnui - Kaikōmihana Huapāho, Content Commissioner
- Keisha Castle-Hughes - Kaikōmihana Huapāho, Content Commissioner
- Marama Jones - Kaikōmihana Huapāho, Content Commissioner

### Three / ThreeNow (Sky NZ)

- General Submissions: [three@sky.co.nz](mailto:three@sky.co.nz)
- Tina McLaren - Senior Commissioner
- Rob Brown – Senior Producer & Commissioner
- Shelley Quinn - Commissioner ANZ
- Tyler Brown-Ortiz - Content Assistant

### Sky / Prime

- Nick Ward – Senior Non-scripted Commissioner: [nick.ward@sky.co.nz](mailto:nick.ward@sky.co.nz)
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