The Tu Te Akaakaroa symbol – Depicts the male and female genus of the living vine; Mythically entwined in the historical imminence, of two divine principles of Aotearoa; Ranginui and Papatuanuku. So aptly portrayed in the following time honored portrait and sculpture, poetry and song.

‘He who is all omnipotent, shaped man and woman of pleasing symmetry and functional proportions. He breathed the life force into their inert forms, to inflate the lungs, to pulsate the heart, to warm the life-fluid, to feed the brain, to co-ordinate the messages, in praise and reverence through Ranginui and Papatuanuku, and welcome in true spirit the dedications to Rongo-ma-tane, to Rongo-marae-roa, the guardians of Agriculture and Cultivations, natural Medicines, Mediation, Peace, Harmony, Serenity, Poetry, Artistry, Recreation and Musical pursuits.’

Tu Te Akaaka-roa
Ko koe te ngākau nui mō te oranga
Whāia te mātauranga no Aotearoa
Tu Te Akaaka-roa.......................mō ngā tāi kino.......................mō ngā tāi marangai
Whāia te Toi Huarewa o Tāwhirimātea
Ōtira ki te kaupapa, piri ponotia
Tu Te Akaaka-roa.......................Mō ngā tāi kino.......................Mō ngā tāi marangai

You of radiant heart, spirit of life and wellbeing
Knowledge and wisdom gleaned of the melodies of Aotearoa
Stand Reverent Akaakaroa ........... for they in turmoil.............. for they rising to the task
Pursue the wisdom of the vine, buoyed upon the four winds
Culturally bound, steadfast and true
Stand Reverent Akaakaroa ........... for they in turmoil.............. for they rising to the task

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Spiritual Symbol - The living Vine (*Reverent and of radiant heart, spirit of life and wellbeing*)
Physical Symbol - The College

Spiritual Symbol - Knowledge and wisdom gleaned of the melodies of Aotearoa
Physical Symbol - The College intellectual property

Spiritual Symbol - for they in turmoil; for they rising to the task
Physical Symbol - The College Graduate

Spiritual Symbol - Pursue the wisdom of the vine, buoyed upon the four winds
Physical Symbol - The College Curriculum

Spiritual Symbol - Culturally bound, steadfast and true
Physical Symbol - The College Graduate outcomes

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Nga Whakamarama

TU TE AKAAKAROA

Ranginui

Papatuanuku

Rongo-Marae-roa

Rongo-ma-Taane

‘He who is all omnipotent, shaped man of pleasing symmetry and functional proportions. He breathed the life force into their inert forms, to inflate the lungs, to pulsate the heart, to warm the life-fluid, to feed the brain, to co-ordinate the messages, in praise and reverence through Ranginui and Papatuanuku, and welcome in true spirit the dedications to Rongo-ma-tane, to Rongo-marae-roa, the guardians of Agriculture and Cultivations, natural Medicines, Mediation, Peace, Harmony, Serenity, Poetry, Artistry, Recreation and Musical pursuits.’

Tu Te Akaakaroa

Spiritual Symbol - The living Vine
- Reverent and of radiant heart, spirit of life and wellbeing.

Tu Te Akaakaroa

Physical Symbol - The Carved Portrait
- Depicts the male and female genus of the living vine; Mythically entwined in the history of the two divine principles, Ranginui and Papatuanuku.

And the historical dedications to Rongo
- in the history of Rongo-Marae-roa guardian of Agriculture and cultivations, and in particular the Kumara (Sweet Potato).

Nga Manu Tioriori
- Resolution of Kauniwhera: Hui held 20 March 2015 Wellington.
- Nga Waiata (Poetry) - by Bob Elliot esquire.
- Artwork and song - by Artist Mark Koopua & Dr Dianne Rangihuna.