

TEACHING FACULTY

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Fiona Begg

Dip. Ac., Grad Dip. Clnl Acup, Toyohari Foundation and Advanced Programs

Fiona is an Acupuncturist with over 30 years clinical experience. After completing a four-year acupuncture course at the Australian Acupuncture College in Camberwell, Melbourne in 1988, she worked in acupuncture departments in hospitals in Nanjing, and Taiwan. Fiona completed a Graduate Dipmola of Clinical acupuncture in 1996 and discovered Japanese acupuncture in 2001. She completed the Advanced Toyohari Training Program in 2019 and received an award for her service to Toyohari in Japan that same year. Fiona practices in Pakenham, Victoria.



Monika Habicht

BScBHSc (TCM), Toyohari Foundation and Advanced Programs.

Monika completed a Bachelor of Health Science degree in TCM in 2003 and in the same year, an internship at the China Japan Friendship Hospital in Beijing, China. In 2003 Monika also completed the 6 month Toyohari foundation training which she put into practice when she started her clinical practice in 2004. Monika did the Advanced training with the Australasian Branch of the Toyohari Association in 2009. She is committed to the sharing of her experience with those who would like to learn Toyohari skills. She practices in NSW.



Stefan Hafner

BHSc Acu, Toyohari Foundation Program

Dr Stefan Hafner (TCM) graduated with a Bachelor of Health Science in Traditional Chinese Medicine from the University of Technology, Sydney in 2004. As part of his course, he completed a clinical internship at the China-Japan friendship hospital in Beijing. Stefan completed the Toyohari Foundation Program in 2008. He is also an established leech therapist and practices in Booker Bay, NSW.



Elizabeth Keen

BHSc-CM, Toyohari Foundation and Advanced Programs

Elizabeth is a registered practitioner of Toyohari, Chinese medicine and shiatsu. She completed the Toyohari Foundation Program in 2007, the Advanced Program in 2018 and graduated with a degree in Chinese Medicine from the Southern School of Natural Therapies in Melbourne in 2014. She has been in professional practice since 2007 and is the President of the Australasian Branch of the Toyohari Association. Elizabeth practices in Northcote, Vic.



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Anne Macann

Dip. Acupuncture; Toyohari Foundation and Advanced Programs

After qualifying in the PAANZ acupuncture training in 1991, Anne met Dr. Ted Pearson a Toyohari Acupuncture Teacher. She was so impressed that she studied Toyohari under Ted, Steve Birch and various Japanese teachers in the combined Christchurch and Melbourne Toyohari Program in 2004. In 2018 she was granted the Advanced Toyohari Program Certificate and began teaching in the Toyohari Programme in NZ. Anne's practice is in Nelson. NZ.



Matiu Pearson

Dip. Acupuncture; Toyohari Foundation and Advanced Programs

Matiu comes from an impressive lineage of medical and healing practitioners. Despite this, his journey began in the hospitality industry as a chef, which took him though New Zealand, Australia, Asia and Africa. His desire to deepen his understanding of healing led him to explore a variety of healing modalities, and was most impressed by the efficacy and thorough methodologies that is embraced by the Toyohari system. Maitu has completed the Toyohari Foundation Program and practices in Christchurch, NZ.



Judith Thompson

Dip Acu, BA.Acu, Toyohari Foundation and Advanced Programs

Judith started her career in health in 1973 as a nurse, then shortly after became a midwife. After completing her Bachelor of Acupuncture at the College of Natural Medicine in Brisbane in 1990, she commenced a combined Acupuncture/midwifery practice in the Brisbane CBD. In 1991 she completed advanced studies in acupuncture and moxibustion in Nanning, China. Judith was introduced to the Toyohari style meridian therapy in Brisbane in 2001. She began practicing Toyohari and has travelled to Japan to learn from the predominantly blind Toyohari Masters.