

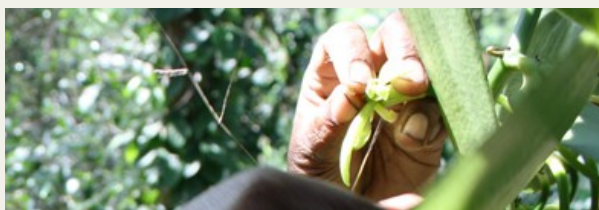


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In this issue we hear from volunteer Sara McBride who offers 10 reasons for volunteering in the laid back Solomon Islands and her take on life in the capital, Honiara. We feature some exciting one year education assignments for teachers looking for a short term change. And Lindsay Riddick gives his perspective on being an accompanying partner to a VSA volunteer in Bougainville.

Through the lens



Check out the story behind this photo sent in by Tanya Wilkinson who is volunteering in Timor-Leste.

[See the complete picture ▶](#)

One year teaching assignments now available



VSA is now recruiting for one year teaching assignments in Bougainville, Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands. Just one year out of your NZ teaching job for a lifetime of experience gained.

[Find out more ▶](#)

Busy in Bougainville



Lindsay Riddick is accompanying his wife Norah while she is on assignment in Bougainville. In the 12 months since arriving, he's been an extra on a movie set, a general handyman, amateur photographer and judged a local culture competition...

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For the price of a couple of coffees a week...



...you could be sending a lifetime of Kiwi skills to share with our neighbours in the Pacific.

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Moving and shaking



Find out who has returned to New Zealand over the past two months and the latest group of volunteers heading out on assignment.

[New volunteers ▶](#)

[Returned volunteers ▶](#)

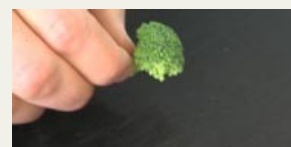
Ten reasons to volunteer in the Solomon Islands



VSA volunteer Sara McBride offers 10 reasons to volunteer in the Solomon Islands.

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Live Below the Line a success for VSA



Find out how much money we raised during August while living on \$2.25 a day for five days.

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'Tis the season



Self-confessed fashionista Sara McBride never particularly considered herself 'volunteer material'. But, like many other 'non-volunteers' before her, she had the time of her life volunteering for VSA in the Solomon Islands.

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What's new on our website

1 VOLUNTEER PROFILES:

Find out more about the work of our volunteers and how their assignments are going through their profiles. We've been busy this month pulling together 12 new volunteer profiles.

[Read them here ▶](#)

2 NEWS AND DEVELOPMENTS

[Read the latest news ▶](#)

in November



It's not too late to sign up and come along to VSA's 2011 congress. Hear volunteers speak about their experiences and find out more about VSA's work.

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VSA in view 2011



VSA is just about to publish *Discover the possibilities* a new brochure all about our work and *VSA in view*, a look back over the great work achieved by our volunteers and partner organisations in 2011. Click below to request copies of either.

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