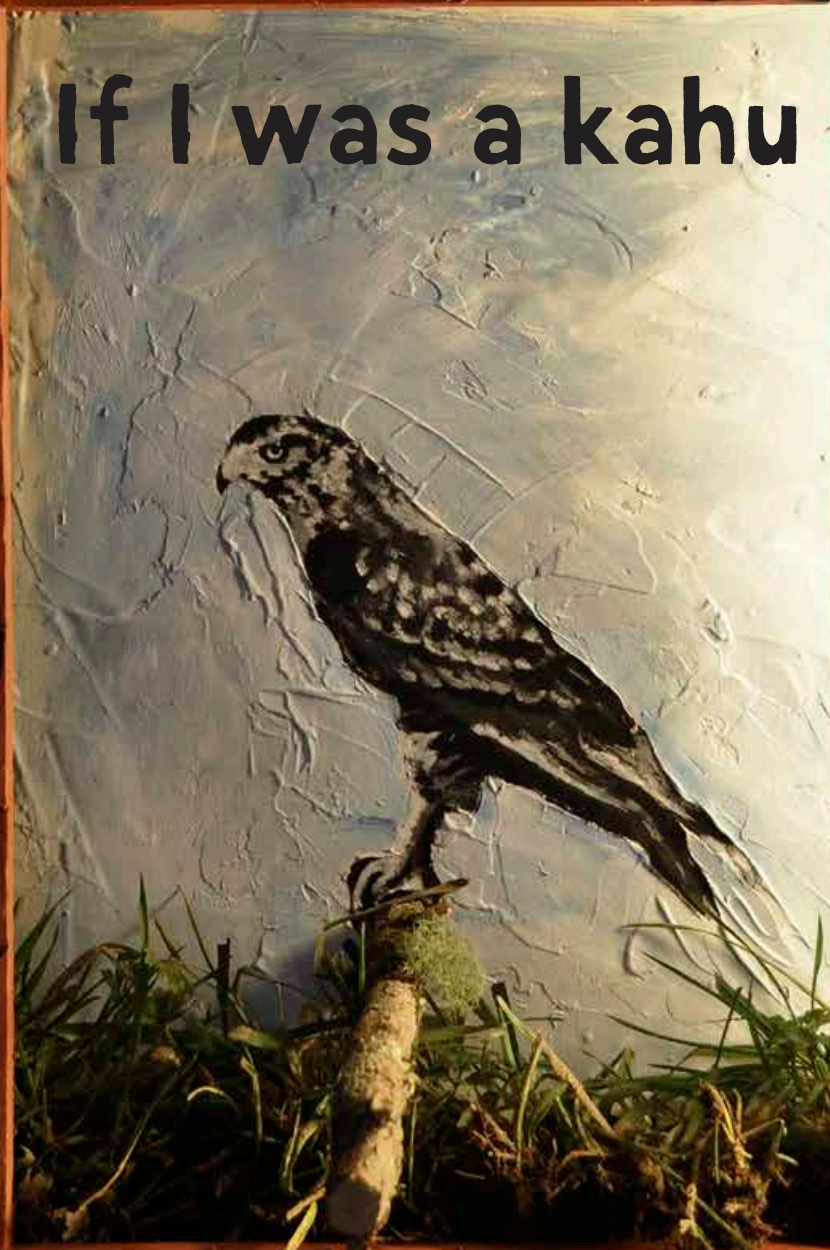


If I was a kahu



A story by Joseph Potangaroa
and illustrated by Mikis van Geffen

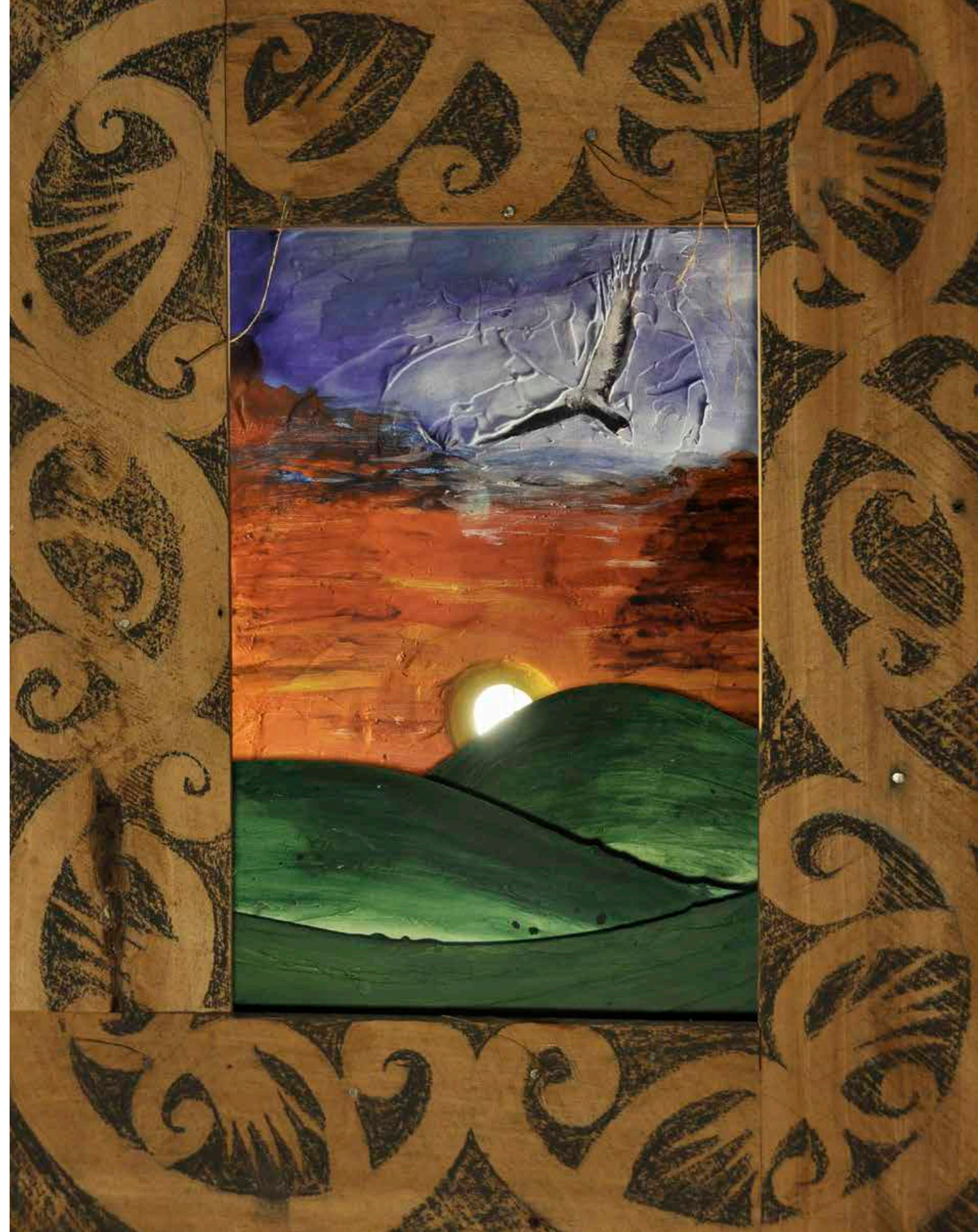
Keira jumped into bed
and as she drifted off to
sleep she dreamed of
being a kahu...



If I was a kahu...



I could watch the sunrise
and...



float on the wind while...



I zig zag between the
clouds before...



gliding in and out of the
trees, then...



go as high as I could to say
hello to the sky, next...



dive down, down, down to
skim over the sea...
and race the rain before...



drifting over the country
watching the people below
and...



when I want a rest
stand on the ground...

By the end of the day I can
go home to my nest and...

Get ready for another
adventure.



“What will I be tonight?”



With thanks to Keira Potangaroa

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