



Arshita Bhardwaj



“I applied to be part of the Youth Press Gallery because I’m deeply invested in increasing youth engagement in politics, an area often hindered by accessibility barriers. As political science student, I understand how crucial it is for young people to be involved in the decisions that affect their lives, yet many feel excluded from political processes due to language, resources, and representation gaps. I want to contribute to breaking down these barriers, ensuring youth voices are not only heard but valued. I’m particularly passionate about social justice and environmental issues, and I aim to use this opportunity to amplify the perspectives of young people who are eager to influence change.”

Youth Press Gallery member

Location: Auckland