



Reuben Smith



“I applied to have the opportunity to progress my journalism. I have always had a keen passion for politics growing up, and I've known ever since I started watching the news when I was a child that I wanted to report on the decision-makers and the decisions being made. It is imperative that government is reported in a way that makes it accessible to the general population so that those in power can be held to account and that people can understand what is affecting their daily lives. I jumped at the opportunity to be able to gain some experience reporting on this. The Youth Press Gallery will give me the opportunity to increase my knowledge of Parliament and its systems to progress my journey towards being a political journalist and effectively present the decisions of government to the people it impacts. I couldn't be more excited!”

Youth Press Gallery member

Location: Christchurch