

Gai-mariagal Festival 2018

Because of her, we can!



Saturday 26 May - Sunday 15 July 2018

A Celebration of Aboriginal Culture & Heritage

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people should be aware that this document and the Gai-mariagal Festival website may contain images or names of people who have since passed away.

Acknowledgment

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land, the Gai-mariagal peoples on whose land we now stand. We pay our respects to the Elders past and present.

Sorry Business

We would like to acknowledge the passing and contributions of those members of the local community who are no longer with us to celebrate the Gai-mariagal Festival.

The Gai-mariagal Festival

The Gai-mariagal Festival (formerly the Guringai Festival) was founded in 2001 and aims to raise awareness of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people living in the Northern Sydney region.

The festival usually starts on Sorry Day, 26 May and goes through the end of NAIDOC Week, the second week in July each year. The festival involves Councils and numerous reconciliation and community groups. Events include workshops, art exhibitions, performances, films, talks and more.

The Cover

Australian designer Tim Moriarty created the cover image for the 2018 Gai-mariagal Festival. It is inspired by the land and the waterways of the Northern Beaches.



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Welcome

Welcome to another year of celebrating First Australian culture and heritage in the Northern Sydney region.

2018 marks a major turning point in the Festival's 17 year history. The name change signifies recognition of the traditional custodians and a newfound understanding of the land we all live in. It's also a process of renewal and rebirth of the Festival.

Because of her, we can! is this year's festival theme aligning with the NAIDOC week theme.

As pillars of our society, First Nations women have played - and continue to play - active and significant roles at community, local, state and national levels.

As leaders, trailblazers, politicians, activists and social change advocates, women fought and continue to fight for justice, equal rights, our rights to country, for law and justice, access to education, employment and to maintain and celebrate our culture, language, music and art.

Once again we have a long list of activities that commemorate, celebrate and create spaces and places for those important conversations to be had. We invite you to come along. Attend a concert, film screening, art exhibition, bush walk, or any of the other great events on offer, all of which have been created for you and yours to enjoy.

**Susan Moylan-Coombs,
Caroline Glass-Pattison
and Sue Pinckham**

Co-Chairs, Ga-mariagal Festival Committee

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Hornsby



Children's Voices for Reconciliation

Friday 1 June, 10pm - 12pm

Hornsby Mall, Florence St, Hornsby

Local school students along with Aboriginal Elders will share their understanding of Hornsby Shire's rich Aboriginal culture to celebrate National Reconciliation Week. The concert will express an understanding of Reconciliation between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal Australians and be made up of stories, songs, dance, speech poetry and artwork. Children's Voices of Reconciliation will give a deeper insight into the traditional owners of Hornsby Shire; the Darug and Guringai people. No bookings required.

Cost: Free

Enquiries: events@hornsby.nsw.gov.au
hornsby.nsw.gov.au





Dalang-gal: Stories of Life Journeys

Thursday 28 June, 6 - 9pm

PCYC, 40 Kingsway, Dee Why

First Australian Women's Speaking Event:

An intergenerational discussion exploring the life journeys and experiences that bring us together today. Their achievements, their voice, their unwavering passions have paved the way for generations to come. Join us to celebrate the importance of sharing stories. Light refreshments will be served following the event. Presented by The Hornsby Shire Council's Sector Support and Development Project in partnership with CCNB. Bookings essential via trybooking.com/37848

Cost: Free **RSVP:** Monday 25 June

Enquiries: Tara Russell 9847 6061 or
trussell@hornsby.nsw.gov.au
hornsby.nsw.gov.au

Paialla: A Story of a Life Journey

Thursday 5 July, 10am - 12pm

Thornleigh Community Centre,
Cnr Phyllis and Central Ave, Thornleigh

Hornsby Shire Council's Sector Support and Development Project presents an Aboriginal Woman's Journey. Because of her, we can! (NAIDOC 2018) Proudly supported by HATSICC (The Hornsby Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Consultative Committee). Bookings essential via trybooking.com/378512

Cost: Free **RSVP:** Monday 2 July

Enquiries: Tara Russell 9847 6061 or
trussell@hornsby.nsw.gov.au
hornsby.nsw.gov.au

Hunters Hill

Kelly's Bush Walk & Talk

Saturday 9 June, 2 - 3.30pm

Sunday 17 June, 10.30am - 12pm

Kelly's Bush, Weil Park Hall,
Weil Park, Woolwich Rd, Woolwich

Local Indigenous resident Dave Bird will lead two walks around Kelly's Bush in Woolwich. He has an outstanding knowledge of the area which has a proud Indigenous history. This is the perfect opportunity to learn more about bushland plants and animals as well as the fascinating history of this amazing area. Meet Dave Bird outside Weil Park Hall. No bookings required.

Cost: Free

Enquiries: Jane Tamasauskas 9879 9449 or
community@huntershill.nsw.gov.au
huntershill.nsw.gov.au





Lane Cove



Image: © Lane Cove Council

Lane Cove's Children's Voices for Reconciliation

Thursday 31 May, 10.30am - 12pm

Lane Cove Plaza (between Burns Bay Rd and Longueville Rd)

Celebrating its 22nd year, this combined schools performance brings young people together to celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures and Reconciliation. Join us for an exciting morning of entertainment where young people of all ages share their voice on Reconciliation through music, dance and song. This year's event will feature performances inspired by the Reconciliation Week theme 'Don't Keep History a Mystery'. Proudly presented by Lane Cove Council.

Cost: Free

Enquiries: 9911 3596 or
cultural@lanecove.nsw.gov.au
lanecove.nsw.gov.au/festivals



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Walking Saltwater Country

Saturday 23 June, 10am - 1pm

Gore Creek Reserve, Greenwich

Enjoy a guided walk along Gore Creek with Karen Smith from the Aboriginal Heritage Office. Karen will share local knowledge, stories and experience of Aboriginal women and Indigenous culture. After the walk, join in a conversation over a delicious BBQ bush tucker lunch. Bookings essential via lanecove.nsw.gov.au/bushcareevents

Cost: Free

Enquiries: 9911 3566 or
bushinterp@lanecove.nsw.gov.au
lanecove.nsw.gov.au

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Interpreting the Ancient: Indigenous Symbolism and Contemporary Art

Saturday 30 June, 10am - 1pm

Gallery Lane Cove,
Upper Level 164 Longueville Rd, Lane Cove

Utilising a rich source of Australian Indigenous lore and drawing from the tropes and techniques of comic book, video games and pop culture creators, this workshop will provide an insight into the methods Create NSW Aboriginal Arts Fellow and Gallery Lane Cove + Creative Studios Artist in Residence Travis de Vries has used to create his work.

This workshop is aimed at those who have a strong knowledge of a painting / drawing technique and is suitable for both Indigenous and non-Indigenous

visual artists or even storytellers and writers.

We will be using various artistic techniques to explore broad narrative concepts with a particular focus on blending the very old with the new. Proudly presented by Lane Cove Council and Gallery Lane Cove + Creative Studios. Bookings essential.

Cost: Free **RSVP:** Friday 29 June

Enquiries: Gallery Lane Cove + Creative Studios
9428 4898 or info@gallerylanecove.com.au
gallerylanecove.com.au

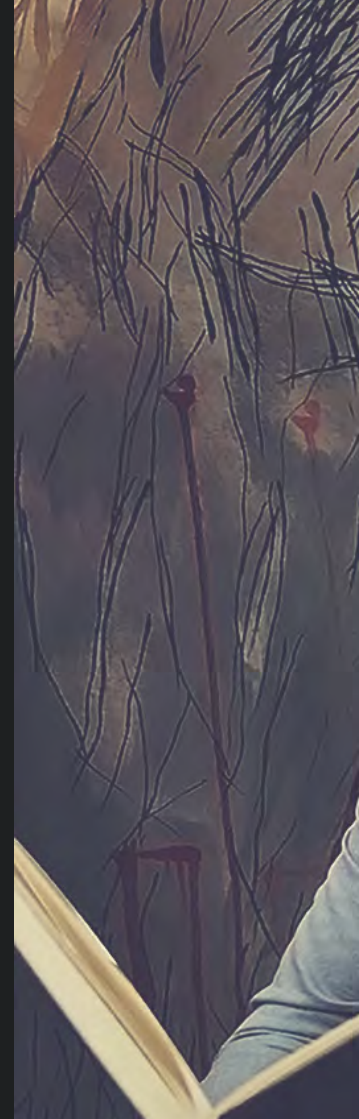




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Bush Tucker Cook Up

Monday 9 July, 1 - 3pm

Synergy Youth Centre, 8 Little St,
Lane Cove

Jess Sinnott, a Yuin and Wailwan woman, will share her wealth of knowledge on all things native and edible as we cook up a delicious bush tucker feed at Synergy. Suitable for participants aged 10 - 17. Proudly presented by Lane Cove Council. Bookings essential.

Cost: Free **RSVP:** Wednesday 4 July

Enquiries: youth@lanecove.nsw.gov.au
lanecove.nsw.gov.au



Image: © Teresa Tan

Sacred Lore to Short Fiction

Saturday 14 July, 1 - 4pm

Gallery Lane Cove,

Upper Level 164 Longueville Rd, Lane Cove

Many of us find the stories of Australia's Indigenous cultures fascinating. From gods of creation, demons of powerful evil to the sacred rites of death, each old story magically represents an important part of everyday human life. How do we use these respectfully to create something new?

In this workshop, Create NSW Aboriginal Arts Fellow Travis de Vries shares his techniques to examine the key components of old stories, breaking down cultural tales to their raw storytelling elements to then reform them into original contemporary stories that will thrill and delight. Proudly presented by Lane Cove Council and Gallery Lane Cove + Creative Studios. Bookings essential.

Cost: Free **RSVP:** Friday 13 July

Enquiries: Gallery Lane Cove + Creative Studios
9428 4898 or info@gallerylanecove.com.au
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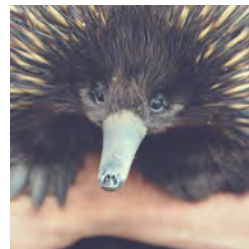


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Animals of the Dreaming: Taronga Zoomobile visit

Saturday 14 July, 10 - 11am

Lane Cove Plaza (between Burns Bay Rd and Longueville Rd), Lane Cove

To celebrate NAIDOC Week, the Taronga Zoomobile will be visiting Lane Cove Plaza. Hear stories and songs about Mother Nature and her animals as told by highly respected Aboriginal Elder Col Hardy. Plus meet a number of amazing native animals, each with their own very special character! Proudly presented by Lane Cove Council.

Cost: Free

Enquiries: 9911 3596 or
cultural@lanecove.nsw.gov.au
lanecove.nsw.gov.au/festivals

Reconciliation Cocktail Fundraiser

Thursday 31 May, 4 - 7pm

Macquarie University Art Gallery,
19 Eastern Rd, Macquarie Park

Macquarie University's Reconciliation Auction helps to raise funds for Aboriginal Scholarships. Amazing Aboriginal art and artifacts are available, along with traditional foods and entertainment and an online auction.

Cost: Free

Enquiries: Emily Sutton 9850 4209 or
emily.sutton@mq.edu.au
mq.edu.au





Colour Your Own Boomerang

Thursday 5 July, 4 - 5pm

Barry O'Keefe Library, 605 Military Rd, Mosman

In this activity we will be drawing beautiful designs onto boomerangs for the children to take home. Will you be able to throw it so that it comes back? Bookings essential via trybooking.com/VGEL

Cost: Free **RSVP:** Thursday 5 July

Enquiries: Simin Reyhanian 9978 4092 or s.reyhanian@mosman.nsw.gov.au
mosman.nsw.gov.au

NAIDOC Week School Students' Artwork Exhibition

Sunday 8 - Sunday 15 July

Mosman Library, 605 Military Rd, Mosman

Display of artwork by public and private schools in the Mosman/Neutral Bay areas on the Gai-mariagal Festival theme, Because of her, we can! Presented by Mosman Reconciliation.

Cost: Free

Enquiries: Frennie Beytagh 9909 0203 or frennieb@yahoo.com.au

*Image: Country by
Warwick Keen (assisted by
Noel Wellington), 2012,
hand carved installation of
24 trees, variable dimensions*

Because of her, we can! A Mosman High School Gai-mariagal Festival Exhibition

Monday 9 July - Sunday 15 July

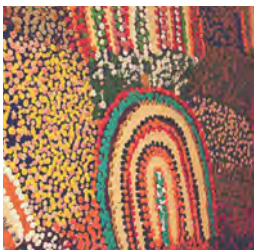
Mosman Art Gallery,
Ground Floor, 1 Art Gallery Way, Mosman

A series of silk-screen posters produced by Mosman High School students inspired by Russian Constructivism and Feminist posters. The students are a group of 15 specially selected young artists aged between 12 and 13. The students have the deepest respect for the traditional Indigenous people of the land both past and present, and enjoy the opportunity to celebrate NAIDOC Week at the Mosman Art Gallery.

Cost: Free

Enquiries: Jane Gillespie 9978 4186 or
j.gillespie@mosman.nsw.gov.au
mosmanartgallery.org.au





Aboriginal Art

Monday 9 July, 10.30 - 11.30am

Barry O'Keefe Library, 605 Military Rd, Mosman

In celebration of NAIDOC week we will explore patterns and symbols used in Aboriginal art through the creation of our own dot paintings. Suitable for children aged 5-12. Bookings essential via events.mosman.nsw.gov.au

Cost: Free **RSVP:** Monday 9 July

Enquiries: Simin Reyhanian 9978 4092 or s.reyhanian@mosman.nsw.gov.au
mosman.nsw.gov.au

Mosman Seniors Walking Group

Tuesday 10 July, 10.30am - 2.30pm

Bus leaves from Mosman Council Car Park, The Crescent, Mosman

Seniors' Walking Group is held every second Tuesday of month and requires a minimum of 60 minutes' leisurely walking every time. This particular walk commemorates NAIDOC week and its theme Because of her, we can! The majority of the participants of the Walking Group are women whose enthusiasm has kept the step count rising since the group's inception. This walk revisits the historical La Perouse. Bus leaves from Mosman Council Car Park at 10.30am. Bookings essential

Cost: \$22 (cost of transport) **RSVP:** Tuesday 10 July

Enquiries: Nitesh Gurbani 9978 4120
mosman.nsw.gov.au



Image: Kadal with Ryka Ali

Kadal with Ryka Ali

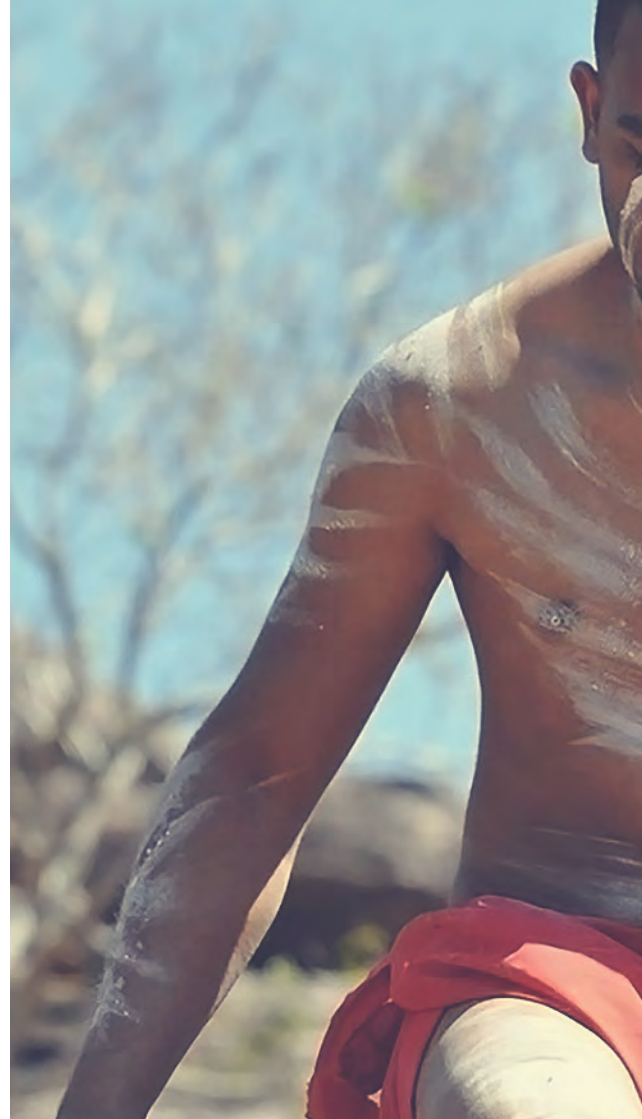
Friday 13 July, 2.30 - 3.30pm

Barry O'Keefe Library, 605 Military Rd, Mosman

Be entertained and educated by a delightful performance about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island cultures. The show features songs and dances about unique animals, Torres Strait playdances and didgeridoo music. Audience participation is encouraged. Suitable for children aged 5 - 12. Bookings essential via events.mosman.nsw.gov.au

Cost: Free **RSVP:** Friday 13 July

Enquiries: Simin Reyhanian 9978 4092 or
s.reyhanian@mosman.nsw.gov.au
mosman.nsw.gov.au





Mosman Youth NAIDOC Celebration

Friday 13 July, 3 - 7pm

Mosman Youth Centre, 30 The Crescent, Mosman

An afternoon of celebration and education of Indigenous culture including a live performance from incredible local Indigenous performers Lambros. No bookings required.

Cost: Free

Enquiries: Andrew Marselos 9978 4213 or
a.marselos@mosman.nsw.gov.au
youth.mosman.nsw.gov.au

North Sydney






Image: Aboriginal Cultural Heritage
Walk, Warriewood, 2017

Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Walk

Sunday 27 May, 9am - 3pm

North Sydney Council, 200 Miller St, North Sydney

Join Aboriginal Heritage Officer Karen Smith on this medium-grade walk starting at Little Manly Point Park, heading to Collins Flat Beach and then to North Head Sanctuary. The walk will be followed by a presentation on Aboriginal women ancestors.

Includes catering by Fred's Bush Tucker and return transport from 200 Miller Street with the North Sydney Council Bushland Team. Recommended for ages 12+. Subsidised payment to be made in cash to caterer on the day. Bookings essential via northsydney.nsw.gov.au/greenevents

Cost: \$20 **RSVP:** Friday 25 May

Enquiries: Andrew Scott 0478 303 042 or
andrew.scott@northsydney.nsw.gov.au
northsydney.nsw.gov.au



Image: Explorers
Playgroup 2017 event

A Celebration of Indigenous Culture at Explorers Playgroup

Wednesday 20 June, 10am - 12.30pm

Explorers Playgroup, North Sydney
Community Centre, 220 Miller St, North Sydney

Join Explorers Playgroup Dreamtime session for a wonderful cultural learning experience tailored to pre-schoolers. Be enchanted by traditional stories, ancestral song and learn about Aboriginal culture. No bookings required.

Cost: \$12 (18mths - 5yrs) / \$6 (under 18mths)

Enquiries: 9922 2299 or
info@northsydneycentre.com.au
northsydneycentre.com.au





Books to Movies: Jasper Jones

Tuesday 26 June, 10.30am - 12pm
 Stanton Library Conference Room,
 Level 2, 234 Miller St, North Sydney

In celebration of the Gai-mariagal Festival, the Stanton Library book-to-movie group will be screening the film Jasper Jones based on the novel by Craig Silvey. All welcome.

Cost: Free

Enquiries: 9936 8400 or
library@northsydney.nsw.gov.au
northsydney.nsw.gov.au



Image: Bronwyn Bancroft

Biamunga Yarn-up

Tuesday 26 June, 6 - 7pm
 The O'Regan Arts and Cultural Common Auditorium,
 Monte Sant' Angelo Mercy College, 128 Miller St,
 North Sydney

A community sharing of stories and experiences with artist, activist and author Bronwyn Bancroft reflecting on the NAIDOC 2018 theme, Because of her, we can! Money raised goes to Bronwyn Bancroft's nominated organisation AIME (Australian Indigenous Mentoring Experience). Bookings essential via trybooking.com/VCAQ

Cost: \$10 (adults) / \$3 (under 18s)

Enquiries: Kate Watson 9409 6405 or
info@monte.nsw.edu.au
monte.nsw.edu.au



Image: Christine West
Kungkarangkalpa - Seven Sisters Story - Warburton, Western Australia, Acrylic on canvas 975 x 977mm

Maruku Marketplace

Tuesday 26 - Thursday 28 June

The O'Regan Arts and Cultural Common Galleries, Monte Sant' Angelo Mercy College, 128 Miller St, North Sydney

Artworks from the Desert to the Coast. All artwork sales to support Aboriginal artists from Central Desert and Wreck Bay communities. A Monte Sant' Angelo Mercy College and Maruku Arts partnership.

The Marketplace will be open

Tuesday 26 June: 7 - 9pm

Wednesday 27 June: 10am - 6pm

Thursday 28 June: 10am - 7pm

Cost: Free

Enquiries: Kate Watson 9409 6405

info@monte.nsw.edu.au

monte.nsw.edu.au

Bloodlines and Coastlines Exhibition

Friday 6 July - Thursday 9 August

InTransit Art Space, North Sydney Council, 200 Miller St, North Sydney

An exhibition of ceramics and works on paper created by Bradfield Senior College students and artist Jess Birk which celebrates ancestry, place and the legacy of Barangaroo; a courageous and powerful Cammeraygal woman. This project was made possible through a partnership between artist Jess Birk, Bradfield Senior College, the 2018 Gai-mariagal Festival and North Sydney Council. InTransit Art Space is open Mon - Fri, 9am - 5pm.

Cost: Free

Enquiries: 9936 8192 or

artsandculture@northsydney.nsw.gov.au

northsydney.nsw.gov.au



Lunchtime Series: Lunch with Lorraine McGee-Sippel and Susan Moylan-Coombs

Friday 6 July, 12 - 1.30pm

North Sydney Community Centre,
220 Miller St, North Sydney

Enjoy a light lunch and a glass of wine while listening to Lorraine McGee-Sippel and Susan Moylan Coombs, who are two local community First Nations women. This cultural conversation is an honest discussion exploring the fragility of reconnection and cultural identity. Bookings essential via northsydneycentre.com.au

Cost: \$35

Enquiries: 9922 2299 or
info@northsydneycentre.com.au
northsydneycentre.com.au



Image: © Mi-kaisha Masella

Mi-kaisha Sings the Blues

Thursday 12 July, 10.30 - 11.30am

Crows Nest Centre, 2 Ernest Pl, Crows Nest

Indigenous and Murri woman Mi-Kaisha Masella is an emerging Sydney sensation. She is an accomplished musician and award winning songwriter whose unique sound captures the dichotomy between deadly and sweet. Her voice is soulful and smooth, yet her lyrics are hard-hitting and touch on politics, social issues and the experience of being a young black woman in urban Australia. Bookings essential.

Cost: Free **RSVP:** Friday 6 July

Enquiries: 9439 5122 or

cncadmin@crowsnestcentre.org.au

crowsnestcentre.org.au

Reclaim and Reuse! Create Decorative Wall Designs

Tuesday 26 June, 6 - 8pm

Stanton Library Conference Room,
Level 2, 234 Miller St, North Sydney

Indigenous artist Karleen Green has been working with recyclable textiles and reclaiming and reusing old fans. In this workshop, Karleen shares her interest in recycling and demonstrates how, with a little creative thinking, old and used items can become a decorative piece of art. Ages 16+. All materials provided. Bookings essential via northsydney.nsw.gov.au

Cost: Free **RSVP:** Tuesday 26 June
Enquiries: 9936 8400 or
library@northsydney.nsw.gov.au
northsydney.nsw.gov.au

Indigenous Artists in Conversation

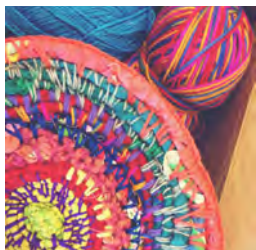
Thursday 5 July, 7 - 8pm

Don Bank Museum, 6 Napier St, North Sydney

Join Indigenous poet, performer and activist Elizabeth Wymarra for a conversation with her creative friends. Light refreshments from 6.30pm. Bookings essential via northsydney.nsw.gov.au

Cost: Free **RSVP:** Thursday 5 July
Enquiries: 9936 8400 or
library@northsydney.nsw.gov.au
northsydney.nsw.gov.au

Northern Beaches



Weaving Bridges Project

Thursdays, 24 May - 5 July, 1 - 3pm

Community Northern Beaches,
12 Wentworth Street, Manly

Wednesdays, 30 May, 13 & 20 June, 6 - 8pm

Creative Space, 105 Abbott Rd, North Curl Curl

Join weaving workshops with local artists and members of the Northern Beaches Aboriginal community and contribute to a public artwork that will be displayed on Stuart Somerville Bridge in Queenscliff. The Artwork Celebration will take place at Queenscliff SLSC on Tuesday 10 July from 10.30am - 12.30pm.

Cost: Free

Enquiries: Arts & Culture Team 9942 2969 or
creative@northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au





A Thousand Journeys: The Helen Read Collection

Saturday 26 May - Sunday 8 July

Manly Art Gallery & Museum
West Esplanade Reserve, Manly

Initially trained in fine art, Helen Read began her pioneering journey with Aboriginal art while working as a midwife and pilot for the Pintupi Homelands Health Service in the Gibson Desert. Living in Walungurru (Kintore, NT) in 1985 was the beginning of a deep appreciation for Australia's First Nation art and cultures.

A Thousand Journeys is a visual diary from a period when many of the artists were little known. MAG&M is open Tuesday - Sunday, 10am - 5pm excluding public holidays. The exhibition opening is on Friday 25 May from 6 - 8pm with a special talk on Sunday 27 May from 3 - 4pm.

Cost: Free

Enquiries: 9976 1421 or
artgallery@northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au
magam.nsw.gov.au



Image © Jess Birk

Singing Up Country 2018 Presents: Rockafellas

Sunday 27 May, 4.30 - 7.30pm

St Anthony in the Fields Church,
46 Myoora Rd, Terrey Hills

A night of entertainment with Aboriginal dancers and musicians, featuring Michael Birk, Uncle Johnny Nicol and The Black Turtles. A sausage sizzle and soups will also be provided.

This event is part of the continuing journey of 'Sharing the Story, Sharing the Land' bringing the community together to celebrate Aboriginal Culture and the importance of Aboriginal Languages.

In light of this year's NAIDOC Week theme, Singing Up Country would like to thank Lois Birk, Aboriginal community member and leader, for her driving force to start the discussion of language in which the event 'Singing Up Country' was conceived. Bookings essential via trybooking.com/357890

Cost: \$30 (adult) / \$20 (concession)

RSVP: Sunday 20 May

Enquiries: annelanyon@gmail.com



Image: Stories of Place,
Class 5JM, Year 5 2016,
Avalon Public School

Peninsula Community of Schools Art Show

Thursday 21 - Friday 29 June

Warriewood Square, Jackson Rd, Warriewood

Artworks created by the students from Kindergarten to Year 12 students attending the 13 state primary and secondary schools on the Northern Beaches, from Cromer PS up to Avalon. The collection is based on the 2018 theme from NAIDOC Week celebrating Aboriginal culture on the Northern Beaches. The exhibition opening is on Thursday 21 June from 5 - 7.30pm.

Cost: Free

Enquiries: Michelle Flaskas 9918 8811

michelle.flaskas@det.nsw.edu.au

or Germaine Oris 9913 4444

peninsulacommunityofschools.schools.nsw.edu.au



Wetland Wonderland Walk

Sunday 24 June, 10am - 12pm

14 Jackson Rd, Warriewood

Join this tour to discover how Aboriginal people used these places and experience this unique environment. The walk will reveal wetlands, waterfalls, amazing bird life and bush food. Guided by Karen from the Aboriginal Heritage Officer, you may see evidence of Aboriginal life and could be lucky enough to discover the remains of ancient camp sites. The walk will take over 2 hours. BYO lunch to have along the way. Bookings essential.

Cost: Free **RSVP:** Friday 22 June

Enquiries: Jillian Macintyre 9924 2913

northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au

Ryde



Image: Banalong, c. 1793

by William Waterhouse c.1752-1822

Pen and ink wash DGB 10 f.13 Dixson Library,
Sydney Courtesy of the State Library of
New South Wales, Sydney

Bennelong: Last years at Kissing Point

Saturday 2 June, 10am - 2pm

Kissing Point, James Squire's Orchard, Putney

An excursion by RiverCat ferry via the Parramatta River through Wangal and Wallumedegal territory and history, to the site of James Squire's orchard at Kissing Point Putney, where Woollarawarre Bennelong spent his last years and was buried in 1813. Conducted by Keith Vincent Smith, cultural historian and emeritus curator, Library Council of New South Wales. Meet at Circular Quay 10am. Bookings essential.

Cost: Free **RSVP:** Friday 1 June

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Myall Creek Massacre: Its Significance told by Graeme & Sallie Cordiner

Saturday 23 June, 11am - 12.30pm

Ryde Library, Level 1, 1 Pope St, Ryde

Myall Creek is symbolic in that it was the first and only massacre of Aboriginal people where the perpetrators were convicted. Along with film clips, Graeme and Sallie Cordiner will speak about the significance of Myall Creek and their own involvement. Bookings essential via cityofryde.eventbrite.com.au

Cost: Free **RSVP:** Saturday 23 June

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ryde.nsw.gov.au



Image: Chris Tobin at
Ryde Library Story Time

NAIDOC Week Story Time

Wednesday 11 July, 11am - 12.30pm

Ryde Library, Level 1, 1 Pope St, Ryde

A fun and interactive NAIDOC Week morning for families. Come on a journey with Indigenous artist and story teller Chris Tobin to enjoy stories that have been told for generations and find out about Indigenous people in the Ryde area and their history.

Bookings essential via cityofryde.eventbrite.com.au

Cost: Free **RSVP:** Wednesday 11 July

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NAIDOC Week Guest Speakers

Wednesday 11 July, 6 - 7.30pm

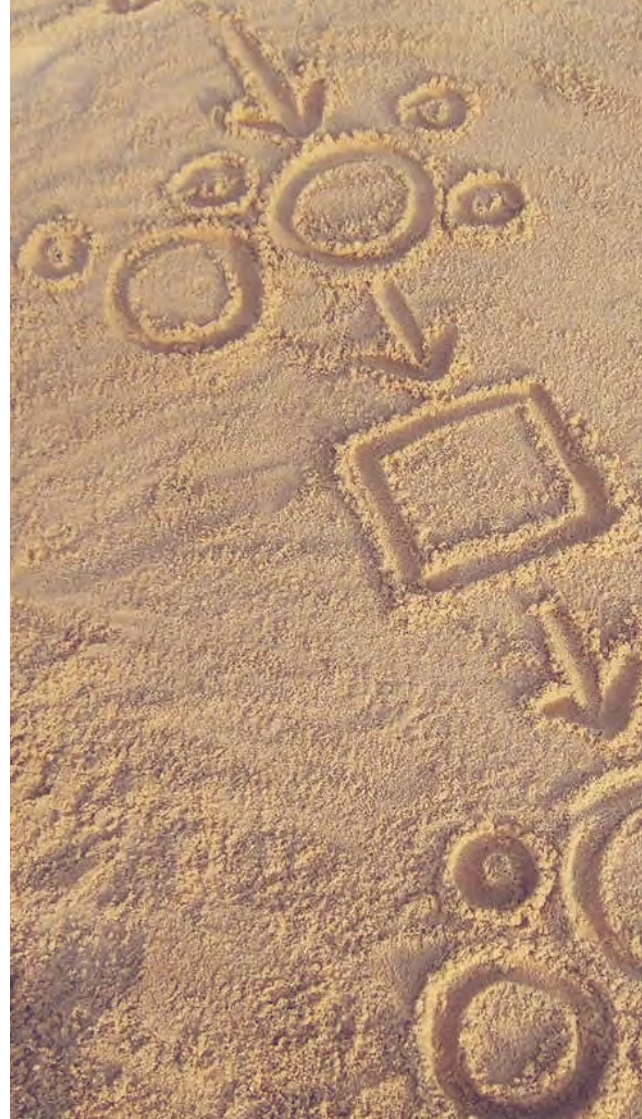
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Because of her, we can! guest speaker session at Ryde library. Speakers include Sue Pinckham from Macquarie University and artist Kerrie Kenton speaking about the meaning of this year's NAIDOC theme. Bookings essential via cityofryde.eventbrite.com.au

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Willoughby

The Aboriginal Experience: An Aboriginal Voice in The School Curriculum - Dr Christine Evans

Sunday 1 July, 7 - 9pm

VJ Hall, North Shore Temple Emanuel,
28 Chatswood Avenue, Chatswood

The representation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander knowledge in the curriculum of universities and schools in New South Wales is an improvement being unveiled incrementally.

Dr Christine Evans, a Wiradjuri woman with connection to the Mudgee region but living on the Hawkesbury River, will share her experience of education systems and explore ways of including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories and cultures in the school and teacher education curriculum.

Chris will explore how Indigenous researchers can contribute to improvements in the expressions of Indigenous knowledge, skills and understanding by educators, so as to provide increased cultural safety and inclusion for Indigenous students. Presented by Jews for Social Action North Shore Temple Emanuel. No bookings required.

Cost: Free

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Important Dates

Sorry Day

Saturday 26 May

National Sorry Day is an Australia-wide observance held on 26 May each year. This day gives people the chance to come together and take steps towards healing for the Stolen Generations, their families and communities. Stolen Generations refer to Aboriginal Australians who were forcibly removed from their families and communities.

[nsdc.org.au](https://www.nsd.org.au)

Reconciliation Week

Sunday 27 May - Sunday 3 June

National Reconciliation Week offers people across Australia the opportunity to focus on reconciliation, to hear about the cultures and histories of Australia's First Nations peoples, and to explore new and better ways of meeting challenges in our communities.

The week is timed to coincide with two significant dates in Australia's history, which provide strong symbols of our hopes and aims for reconciliation.

[nswreconciliation.org.au](https://www.nswreconciliation.org.au)

NAIDOC Week

Sunday 8 July - Sunday 15 July

NAIDOC Week celebrations are held across Australia each July to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Australia's First Nations peoples.

NAIDOC originally stood for 'National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee'. This committee was once responsible for organising national activities during NAIDOC Week and its acronym has since become the name of the week itself.

The NAIDOC Week theme for 2018 is Because of her, we can! See the website for local community celebrations during NAIDOC Week.

naidoc.org.au





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