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Guringai

FESTIVAL



2015
Story of
place

A Celebration
of Aboriginal Culture
and Heritage

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Kerrie Kenton, *Story of Place*, 2014



Story of Place 2014

By Kerrie Kenton

2400mm x 1200mm

Acrylic on canvas

This artwork was created during the Christmas in the Bush 2014 celebration. This annual event brings together the Aboriginal community and workers to celebrate culture and Christmas. The artwork was created during an arts workshop with Darug artist Kerrie Kenton. Kerrie's design represents the Aboriginal community, organisations and the eleven local Government Councils. Each Council of the northern Sydney Region is depicted by the circles with Aboriginal Elders and community connections surrounding these symbols. The young Aboriginal people of the communities, contributed to the creation of this artwork. Their hand prints placed within the art expresses their connection and participation.

The background colours are a representation of the Dreaming of the northern Sydney Region and the colourful dots are the physical connection to each of the Councils. The white dots express the cultural and spiritual importance of culture and story. The kangaroo and emu tracks show the journey of both male and female ancestors and the participants and reflects some of the totems of the Aboriginal people. This artwork visually expresses the Aboriginal community's connection to this place. It acknowledges and pays respect to the Darug and Guringai people, the traditional people of the northern Sydney Region, the Elders, past and present. The story of yesterday, today and tomorrow and is their ***Story of Place***.

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

From the chairs...

In 2015 the Guringai Festival celebrates 15 years of sharing Australia's First Peoples culture and heritage in the Northern Sydney region. Happy Birthday to us! Someone said there was going to be a cake!

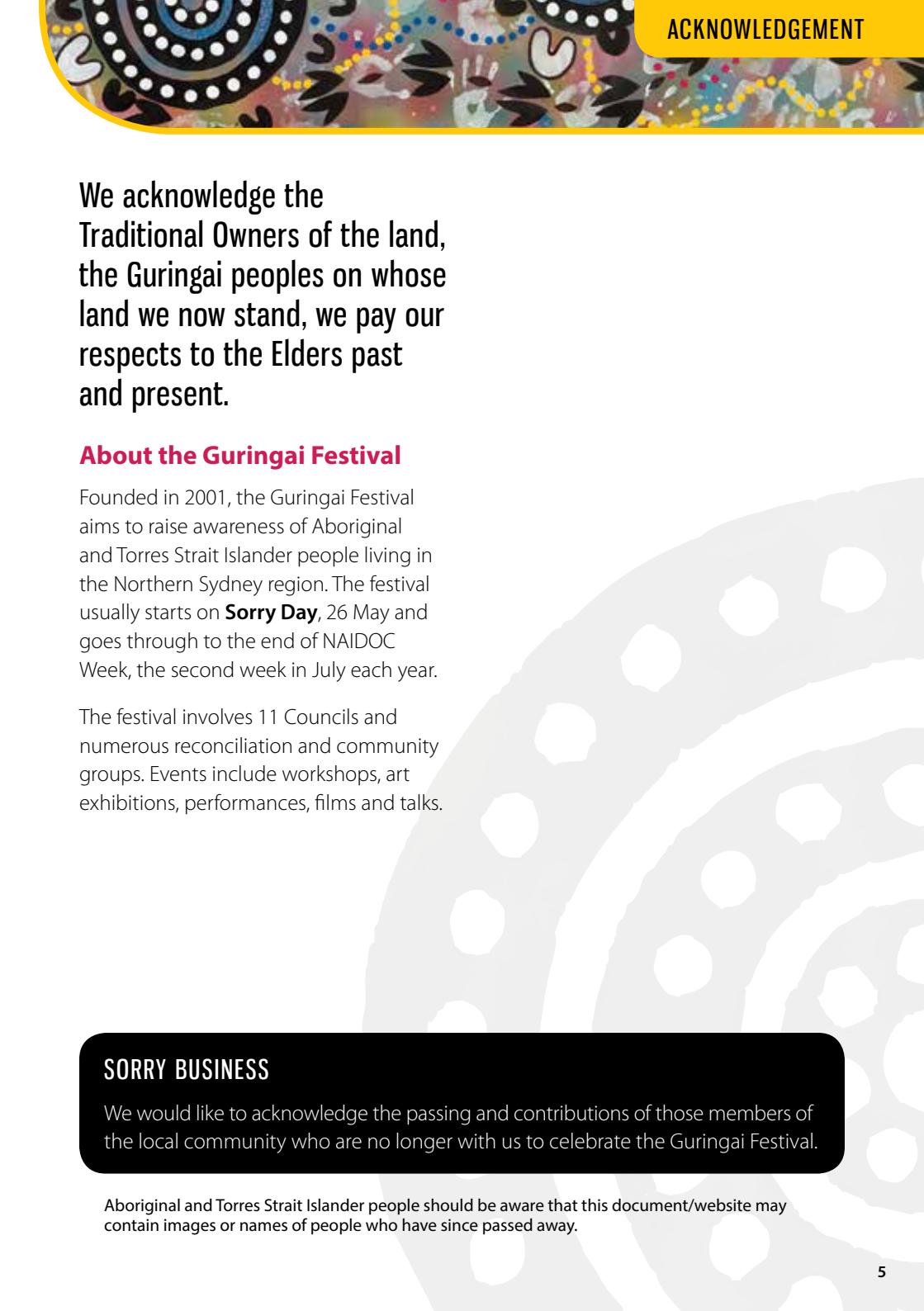
We invite you to join in all the fabulous events and activities of this year's Festival. We hope you are inspired and learn something new.

The jam packed full festival program starts with "Pathways to Recovery" for Sorry Day, continues through Reconciliation Week and culminates at the end of NAIDOC week.

This year's Festival theme **Story of Place** has guided the activities with a line up once again filled with events that will touch your heart, make you laugh and celebrate US as a whole of community living in Northern Sydney, Guringai Country.

We hope you enjoy this years Guringai Festival 2015 and we hope you come and help us eat the cake – at the launch of the Festival on Friday 29 May in Hornsby Mall 10am–2pm, or at many of the events!

Sue Pinckham,
Caroline Glass-Pattison,
and Susan Moylan-Coombs
Co-Chairs,
Guringai Festival
Committee



We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land, the Guringai peoples on whose land we now stand, we pay our respects to the Elders past and present.

About the Guringai Festival

Founded in 2001, the Guringai Festival 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 to the end of NAIDOC Week, the second week in July each year.

The festival involves 11 Councils and numerous reconciliation and community groups. Events include workshops, art exhibitions, performances, films and talks.

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 Guringai Festival.

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

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Photo supplied by Hornsby Shire Council – Previous Reconciliation event*

Launch of the Guringai Festival at Children's Voices For Reconciliation – Muddi Mittigar (Darug for Young Friends)

**Friday 29 May, 10am-2pm
Florence Street, Hornsby Mall,
Hornsby
FREE**

Help launch the Guringai Festival in its 15th year during National Reconciliation Week with Muddi Mittigar. Aboriginal markets, short films, photos, school student presentations about Australia's Aboriginal history and future. Pick up a Guringai Festival booklet.

Launch event

**Students on stage
in the mall from
10am-12pm**

All welcome

**Enquiries:
Community
Development Team
on 9847 6531
hornsby.nsw.gov.au/whatson**



Photo supplied by Susan Moylan-Coombs – Pathways to Recovery 2014*

Pathways to Recovery for Stolen Generations Survivors and their Families

**Tuesday 26 May, 9am-1pm
The Civic Pavillion at The Concourse
409 Victoria Avenue, Chatswood
FREE**

National Sorry Day is an Australian wide observance day held on May 26 each year. This day gives us a chance to come together and share the stories and walk together towards healing for the Stolen Generations, their families and communities.

Last year we started a new dialogue and lay the foundations for a **Pathway to Recovery** and posed the questions, what does healing and wellbeing look like and how can we write a new story? We cannot simply keep rereading our old ones. Each new generation must be given the tools and be empowered to create communities that are healthy, happy and whole. The future is in their hands and they hold the key to the survival of this planet and of humanity.

So what are our new stories, what are our stories of wellness, stories of healing and **Story of Place**

This year's Sorry Day event will continue to explore the theme Pathways to Recovery with an expert panel and special guest performance.

In the afternoon members of the Stolen Generations and their families are invited to the Healing Circle in Lane Cove National Park. Transport will be provided to and from The Concourse, Chatswood.

Enquiries:

**Community Care(Northern Beaches) Ltd
Sally Cornelius on 9998 2900
sally@ccnb.com.au**

Bookings:

2015sorrydayevent.eventzilla.net

Hosted by Community Care Northern Beaches Ltd – "Partners In Recovery", Sydney North Shore and Beaches Medicare Local, Northern Sydney Medicare Local and Northern Sydney Local Health District. The aim of the event is to allow Australia's First Peoples affected by these past policies to explore and share their own stories and experiences; as well as increase understanding about these experiences and resulting needs with service providers, policy makers and members of the general public.



Photo supplied by Hornsby Shire Council – NAIDOC Week 2013, Hornsby*

NAIDOC Week Celebration 2015

Thursday 9 July, 10am-1pm

Evening start time:

6.30pm-8pm

28-44 George Street, Hornsby

FREE

Traditional Aboriginal Story Telling,
Colouring In, Morning tea,
Author talk by Julie Janson and the
Northside Aboriginal Artists' Exhibition.

Artist panel by Jessica Birk, Claire Jackson
and Julie Janson in the evening, talking
about their work.

Enquiries:

Hornsby Library on 9847 6614

hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library

Bookings essential:

Ticketed event.

Book online at

hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library

or at any Hornsby Shire
Library branch.

NorthSide Aboriginal Artists Exhibition - Hunters Hill

Tuesday 12 May - Sunday 24 May

10am-4pm

Hunters Hill Art Gallery

Garibaldi Inn, 37 Alexandra Street, Hunters Hill

Opening Event:

Saturday 16 May, 2pm-4pm

FREE

NorthSide Aboriginal Artists (NSAA) is a non-profit group of artists wishing to show publicly that there are many talented Aboriginal people living and working on the northside of Sydney, who are not only contributing to the general community but producing artworks of a high standard which we wish to share with the whole community of northern Sydney. Come along to our Exhibition which will be held in conjunction with the Hunters Hill Art Exhibition to view, discuss, enjoy and perhaps purchase our exciting works.

Enquiries:

0438 020 709

ljackson@vtown.com.au

northsideaboriginalartists.com



Photo supplied by Hunters Hill Council – KVS Bennelong*

Bennelong: In England and After

Wednesday 3 June, 10am-12pm

**Gladesville Road Community Centre,
44 Gladesville Road, Hunters Hill**

FREE

Keith Vincent Smith and Peter Mitchell will present a joint talk on the life and death of Woollarawaree Bennelong, one of the most significant figures in Australian history. It will be an illustrated talk about Bennelong's visit to London and his life on the Parramatta River after his return, with details of the fate of the brick hut built for Bennelong by Governor Arthur Phillip that gave Bennelong Point its name. Both Keith and Peter are experts in their fields and Dr Peter Mitchell was responsible for identifying Bennelong's likely final resting place.

Bookings:

Margaret Kelly on 9879 9419

kellym@huntershill.nsw.gov.au

Guringai Tribe Exhibition

Monday 25 May - Sunday 12 July
St Ives Library
St Ives Village Shopping Centre
166 Mona Vale Road, St Ives
FREE

A collection of pictures and brief text on the Guringai Tribe will be on display for the duration of the Festival.

Enquiries:
Penny Xavier on 9424 0452
kmc.nsw.gov.au/guringai

Children's Voices for Reconciliation

Thursday 4 June, 9.30am-11.30am
Ravenswood School for Girls
Cecil Street, Gordon
FREE

Ku-ring-gai Council are pleased to once again present Children's Voices for Reconciliation. Special Guest Gumaroy Newman will MC the program which will showcase the talents of local school children presenting a theme of Reconciliation in dance, drama, poetry, art and song.

Enquiries:
Rachael Thomson on 9424 0868
kmc.nsw.gov.au/guringai

Walk the Basin Track with Uncle Laurie Bimson

Sunday 21 June, 10am-2pm
Basin Track, West Head Road,
Ku-Ring-Gai Chase National Park
Cost: \$50.00 (includes lunch)

At the site you will have explanations as to how the rock carvings were made and be told stories of times long gone by.

Come and taste some Aboriginal food and experience the culture. Be quick, maximum 30 people. Bring your camera for the view from West Head.

Enquiries:
Laurie Bimson on 0438 877 509
info@asgmwp.net
GuringaiTours.com.au

Aboriginal Heritage Walk

Saturday 27 June, 10am-12pm
End of Carnarvon Road, Roseville
FREE

The Little Digger Track is a short walk with remnants of rainforest vegetation including, Sydney Red Gums, She Oaks and ferns. The walk will reveal waterfalls, rock pools and caves. Join this educational walk lead by the Aboriginal Heritage Office and learn about local Aboriginal heritage and culture.

Bookings essential:
Kathy Kai on 9424 0933
kmc.nsw.gov.au/guringai

Campfire and Culture Walks

**Thursday 25 June,
10am-11.30am and 1pm-2.30pm
Ku-ring-gai Wildflower Garden
420 Mona Vale Road, St Ives**

Cost: \$11.00

Aboriginal Heritage Officer Karen Smith brings her knowledge and experience of local Aboriginal culture to share on a step-free bushwalk through the Ku-ring-gai Wildflower Garden, followed by billy tea and damper around the campfire. Suitable for all ages and abilities. Carers of participants with a disability are admitted free.

Kids' Bush Skills and Aboriginal Culture Day

**Thursday 9 July, 9am-4pm
Ku-ring-gai Wildflower Garden
420 Mona Vale Road, St Ives**

Cost: \$55.00

Kids aged 6-12 can spend a day in the bush learning skills such as boomerang-throwing, bush tucker identification and fire-lighting. Renowned Aboriginal artist and teacher Walangari Karntawarra will join us for a special culture workshop of storytelling, didgeridoo playing and Aboriginal art.



Photo supplied by Ku-ring-gai Wildflower Garden*

Dreamtime Stories and Art for Children

**Thursday 9 July, 10am-11.30am
Ku-ring-gai Wildflower Garden
420 Mona Vale Road, St Ives**

Cost: \$12.00

Aboriginal artist and teacher Walangari Karntawarra will introduce young children aged 2-5 years old to Aboriginal culture through activities including art, singing, storytelling and boomerang-throwing. Accompanying adults \$7.00.

**Enquiries for the
above events:
Jenny Edyejones
on 9424 0353
kwg@kmc.nsw.gov.au
kmc.nsw.gov.au/guringai**



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Children's Voices for Reconciliation

**Thursday 28 May, 10.30am-12pm
Lane Cove Plaza, Burns Bay Road,
Lane Cove**

**In the event of wet weather, this
program will be hosted in the main
hall at Lane Cove Public School**

FREE

Now in its 19th 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.

Enquiries:
**Cultural Development Officer
on 9911 3594**
lanecove.nsw.gov.au/festivals

Bush Tucker Cooking

**Friday 29 May, 4pm-6pm
Synergy Youth Centre
8 Little Street, Lane Cove
(Under the pool grandstand)
FREE**

Come along and join us as we cook up a bush tucker storm at Synergy Youth Centre. Aboriginal Education Officer from Koori Kinnections Jessica Sinnott will be teaching 11-18 year olds about local bush tucker and how to cook some scrumptious food.

Enquiries:
**Community Development Officer -
Youth Services on 9911 3586**
youth@lanecove.nsw.gov.au
lanecove.nsw.gov.au/festivals



Aboriginal Sites Guided Tours

Tuesday 30 June, 9.30am-11.30am

Lovetts Reserve

Penrose Street, Lane Cove West

FREE

Discover middens, etchings, native bush foods, artefacts and more in your local bushland. Join a guided walk through Lane Cove with an Aboriginal Heritage Officer.

Bookings essential on 9911 3583 or lanecove.nsw.gov.au/bushcareevents



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Animals of the Dreaming

Wednesday 8 July, 1pm-2pm

Lane Cove Plaza

Burns Bay Road, Lane Cove

FREE

Join Col Hardy (OAM) for Animals of the Dreaming these school holidays for an exciting program combining two facets of Australia, native animals and Dreamtime stories. An Indigenous Taronga Zoo staff member and a Zoo Education Officer weave Dreamtime stories through the animal presentation.

Enquiries:

Cultural Development Officer

on 9911 3594

lanecove.nsw.gov.au/festivals

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Image: Fiona Foley *The Oyster Fishermen #1*, 2011, inkjet print on Hahnemühle paper, 60 x 80cm.
Courtesy of the artist, Andrew Baker Art Dealer, Brisbane, and Niagara Galleries, Melbourne*

Saltwater Country Exhibition

Open Tuesday - Sunday, 10am-5pm
Exhibition Dates: 8 May - 28 June
Manly Art Gallery and Museum
West Esplanade Reserve, Manly
FREE

Saltwater Country is a major touring exhibition that presents new work by 16 contemporary Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists. The term 'Country' has come to be understood as an all-encompassing word to explain the intrinsic nature of Aboriginal culture and creative expression as a reflection of the connectedness to land and place of birth. What is less understood is the equally strong cultural connection to the sea and water's edge. This exhibition seeks to capture the distinctive cultural and creative experience as artists reclaim histories,

investigate their pasts and establish new ways of caring for country and community through their artistic practice. Artists: Vernon Ah Kee / Daniel Boyd / Michael Cook / Megan Cope / Erub Arts / Fiona Foley / Rosella Namok / Mavis Ngallametta / Laurie Nilsen / Napolean Oui / Ryan Presley / Brian Robinson / Ken Thaiday / Alick Tipoti / Ian Waldron / Judy Watson. Curated by Michael Aird and Virginia Rigney. A touring exhibition by Museums & Galleries Queensland and Gold Coast City Gallery.

Enquiries:
Manly Art Gallery & Museum
on 9976 1421
artgallery@manly.nsw.gov.au
manly.nsw.gov.au/attractions/gallery
magsq.com

Des Mullion: Raids and Wars

Open Tuesday - Sunday, 10am-5pm

Exhibition dates: 8 May - 28 June

Manly Art Gallery and Museum

West Esplanade Reserve, Manly

FREE

Manly Art Gallery and Museum presents the work of emerging Indigenous Kamarilloi artist Des Mullion. Des paints the goanna and the brown snake, exploring his narrative as a member of the stolen generation through his art. This exhibition is presented in partnership with the Manly-Gunnedah Sister City program.

Enquiries:

Manly Art Gallery & Museum

on 9976 1421

artgallery@manly.nsw.gov.au

manly.nsw.gov.au/attractions/gallery

Image courtesy Des Mullion*



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Weaving Bridges Project

Yarn to Yarn Workshops - FREE

Thursdays: 21 May - 2 July, 12pm-2.30pm

Manly Community Centre

12 Wentworth Street, Manly

Launch of Weaving Bridges Project - FREE

Tuesday 7 July, 10.30am-12.30pm

Queenscliff Surf Life Saving Club

Building on from the success of the

Weaving Bridges Project in 2013 and

2014 - join the Manly Environment Centre,

Manly Community Centre, Northern

Beaches Aboriginal Community members

and Warringah Council for an exciting new

weaving project in 2015 - **Story of Place**.

Individuals and community groups are

invited to participate in **Yarn to Yarn**

workshops collaborating towards a large

scale art installation. Enjoy a laugh and

a yarn with a member of the Aboriginal

community at the same time.

We need lots of helping hands for this

project. Join us and bring along a friend/s.

Like us on facebook to find out about

workshops in your area.

facebook.com/Weavingbridgesproject

Enquiries:

Robyn Millward

Manly Environment Centre

on 9976 2842 or

robynne.millward@manly.nsw.gov.au

mec.org.au

Angelique Lubomirof

Manly Community Centre on 9977 1066

or mcc2@bigpond.net.au



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Walk and Talk to North Head Sanctuary

Saturday 30 May
9.45am for 10am start - 12.30pm
Meet at Little Manly Beach
(beside cafe)
FREE

Learn about your local Aboriginal heritage on a guided walk with Karen Smith, Aboriginal Heritage Office from Little Manly Beach up to North Head Sanctuary Foundation Nursery. Following morning tea join the conversation with Aunty Frances Bodkin, Dharawal knowledge-holder and botanical author.

Bookings essential as limited numbers:
Robynne Millward on 9976 2842
robynne.millward@manly.nsw.gov.au
www.mec.org.au



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Senior's Guringai Festival Lunch

Friday 26 June, 12pm-2pm
Mosman Seniors Centre
Mosman Square, Spit Junction
Cost: \$12.00

A fantastic three course luncheon for the over 55s to celebrate the Guringai Festival.

Enquiries:
Olivier Strobel on 9978 4127

Rainbow Serpent

Wednesday 1 July, 10am-11am
Mosman Library, Library Walk
605 Military Road, Mosman
FREE

Have you ever heard the story of the rainbow serpent? In this workshop we will be using the Aboriginal dreamtime story to create your own rainbow serpent using traditional techniques; such as dot painting. Suitable for ages 5-12 years.

Enquiries:
Simin Reyhanian on 9978 4091
Bookings essential:
trybooking.com/GPJC

Boomerang

Thursday 2 July, 10am-11am
Mosman Library, Library Walk,
605 Military Road, Mosman
FREE

Did you know there are three different types of Boomerangs? Learn about Aboriginal history and culture in preparation for NAIDOC week and use cardboard and paint to create your own boomerang. Suitable for ages 5-12 years.

Enquiries:
Simin Reyhanian on 9978 4091
Bookings essential:
trybooking.com/GPMB

Mosman High Year 7 Art Project

Sunday 5 July - Sunday 12 July,
10am-5pm
Mosman Art Gallery
Corner Myahgah Road and Art
Gallery Way, Mosman
FREE

A collaborative artwork produced by Mosman High's Year 7 special art group, exploring themes of the Guringai Festival and NAIDOC week.

Enquiries:
Mosman Art Gallery on 9978 4178
mosmanartgallery.org.au

NAIDOC Week School Student's Artwork Exhibiton

**Sunday 5 July - Sunday 12 July,
10am-5pm**

**Mosman Library, Library Walk,
605 Military Road, Mosman**
FREE

Display of artwork by public and private schools in the Mosman and Neutral Bay areas on the Guringai Festival theme, Story of Place and NAIDOC theme

**We all Stand on Sacred Ground:
Learn, Respect and Celebrate.**

Enquiries:
9909 0203
frennieb@yahoo.com.au

Kadul Dance Performance with Ryka Ali

Tuesday 7 July, 10am-11am
**Mosman Library, Library Walk,
605 Military Road, Mosman**
FREE

Ryka's performance includes both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island songs and participatory dances inspired by Australian animals. Ryka is a previous winner of the Young, Black and Deadly Talent Quest. His show is entertaining, educational and participation is greatly encouraged. This is an event for all ages.

Enquiries: Simin Reyhanian on 9978 4091
Bookings essential:
trybooking.com/GPJQ

Wuruniri with Matthew Doyle

Thursday 9 July, 10am-11am

**Mosman Library, Library Walk,
605 Military Road, Mosman**

Dreamtime stories, personal stories and a vast knowledge of Aboriginal culture are intertwined in an interactive programme. Matthew brings a wealth of experience to demonstrate traditional dance and music skills. This event is suitable for all ages.

Enquiries:
Simin Reyhanian on 9978 4091
Bookings essential:
trybooking.com/GPMG

Country: By Warwick Keen assisted by Noel Wellington

**Sunday 5 July - Sunday 12 July,
10am-5pm**

**Mosman Art Gallery, Corner Myahgah
Road and Art Gallery Way, Mosman**
FREE

Originally a part of Bungaree's Farm exhibition celebrating the 200th anniversary of Bungaree's Land grant, the 24 carved poles will be installed in the Mosman Art Gallery forecourt sculpture garden in recognition of the Guringai Festival and NAIDOC week.

Enquiries:
Mosman Art Gallery on 9978 4178
mosmanartgallery.org.au



Image: Jessica Birk, *Whale Stories*, acrylic on canvas, 2008*

15 Years: Guringai Festival Poster Exhibition

Thursday 4 June - Thursday 2 July

9am-5pm

inTransit Art Space

**Council Chambers Building, 1st floor,
200 Miller Street, North Sydney**

FREE

North Sydney Council hosts 15 Years: Guringai Festival Poster Exhibition in celebration of the 15 year anniversary of the Guringai Festival in the Northern Sydney Region. This exhibition presents a collection of posters ranging from the initial festival in 2001 to the present day and featuring the artworks of local Aboriginal artists including Bibi Barba, Jessica Birk, Kerrie Kenton, Paul McCarthy and Tim Moriarty. Please join us for the exhibition's opening between 5pm-7pm on Thursday 4 June.

Enquiries:

Lisa Sammut on 9936 8100

lisa.sammut@northsydney.nsw.gov.au
northsydney.nsw.gov.au

Traditional story telling, art, dance and music at Explorers Playgroup

Wednesday 10 June

**North Sydney Community Centre
220 Miller Street, North Sydney**

An opportunity for kids aged 0-5 years to be introduced to and explore Aboriginal culture and heritage. Aboriginal facilitators share traditional stories and history through dance, song, art, face painting and music.

Enquiries:

Anneke Barnes on 9922 2299

anneke@northsydneycentre.com.au
northsydneycentre.com.au

Photo supplied by North Sydney Centre – Indigenous Day 12 June 2013*





Indigenous Heritage and Bush Food Talk and Taste

**Saturday 13 June, 11am-1pm
Stanton Library
FREE**

Experienced Aboriginal educator and guide, Jess Sinnott will talk about seasonally available native produce from the local area, giving out samples of her homemade delicacies. Come along and try local foods in delicious dishes such as johnny cakes, a native flavoured cake accompanied with a native flavoured dip.

Enquiries:
Amanda Hudson on 9936 8400
northsydney.nsw.gov.au

Guringai Festival @ North Sydney Market on Miller

Saturday 13 June
Civic Park, 220 Miller Street,
North Sydney
Free parking in Ridge Street car park
FREE

A market celebration of Aboriginal culture, story and place through kids and adults workshops, bush tucker stalls featuring handcrafted Aboriginal sculpture and art. Songbirds descend as Aboriginal musicians present original music and market goers can pick up a free native tree or bush from Bushcare.

Enquiries:
Anneke Barnes on 9922 2299
anneke@northsydneycentre.com.au
northsydneycentre.com.au

Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Walk

Sunday 14 June, 9am-12pm
Berry Island Reserve
Shirley Road, Wollstonecraft
FREE

Join the Aboriginal Heritage Officer for an Aboriginal cultural heritage and awareness tour of significant sites at Berry Island and Balls Head Reserves. Easy to medium grade trek from Wollstonecraft to Waverton.

Enquiries:
Andrew Scott on 9936 8100
andrew.scott@northsydney.nsw.gov.au
northsydney.nsw.gov.au/greenevents

Bookings essential:
trybooking.com/118913

Maruku Marketplace

Thursday 18 June - Friday 19 June

6pm-8.30pm Thursday

9am-1.30pm Friday

Monte Sant' Angelo Mercy College

128 Miller Street, North Sydney

O'Regan Arts and Cultural Common

FREE

Maruku Marketplace is an opportunity to purchase paintings, walka boards (boards with incised and painted designs) and punu (carved wooden sculptures) made by Anangu artists of the Maruku Arts co-operative in the Central Desert. This event is part of our celebrations for NAIDOC Week and we will be joined by Aboriginal people of the Wreck Bay and Central Desert communities.

Enquiries:

Marshall Leaver on 9409 6499

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monte.nsw.edu.au

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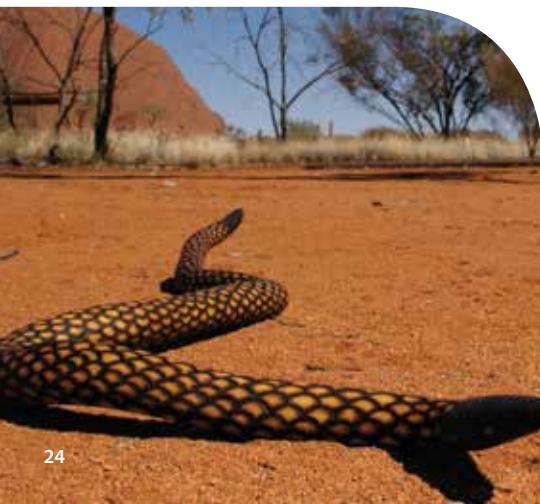


Photo from the film *The Sapphires**

Film Screening: The Sapphires

Thursday 10 July, 10.30am-1pm

Crows Nest Centre

2 Ernest Place, Crows Nest

FREE

Please join us for the screening of the film *The Sapphires* to celebrate NAIDOC week at the Crows Nest Centre. *The Sapphires* is a musical comedy based on a true story of four Aboriginal women who are discovered by a talent scout who form a music group, travelling to Vietnam in 1968 to sing for troops during the war.

This is a free event and light refreshments will be provided.

Enquiries:

Camelia Tobia on 9437 7502

c.tobia@crowsnestcentre.org.au

crowsnestcentre.org.au

SORRY DAY

Sunday 24 May, 3pm-6pm

Scout Hall

Bilarong Reserve

Wakehurst Parkway, North Narrabeen

FREE

Come and commemorate National Sorry Day 2015.

A time for all Australians to reflect on the profound grief and trauma experienced by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, particularly members of the Stolen Generations.

It is also an opportunity to celebrate their strength and resilience, and to reaffirm our shared commitment to healing and reconciliation.

All Welcome free BBQ and afternoon tea.

Enquiries:

Neil Evers on 0419 219 770

info@asgmwp.net

asgmwp.net

The Albert Namatjira Room

6 Showings - Thursdays only

Thursday 4 June - Thursday 9 July

1pm-3pm

Mona Vale Bowling Club

1598 Pittwater Road, Mona Vale

FREE

All Welcome: You won't believe these hidden treasures.

See original art work rarely displayed. The bigger than life size paintings and rare collection of spears.

Not to be missed – only 6 Thursday showings.

Enquiries:

Neil Evers on 0419 219 770

info@budawagroup.com

budawagroup.com

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Mona Vale Rock Platform*

Indigenous Walk

Sunday 14 June, 9am-11am

**Details to be provided on booking
FREE**

A guided bushwalk discovering cultural sites including rock engravings in Ku-ring-gai Chase National Park. This tour led by staff from the Coastal Environment Centre and an Indigenous guide offers a great opportunity to learn more about this amazing area. The walk will give you information on the local flora and their uses as bush Tucker and medicines. Look for native animals and their tracks as we explore.

This event is suitable for the whole family!

Aboriginal Heritage Walk and Talk at Turimetta Head

Saturday 20 June, 9am-11am

**Details to be provided on booking
FREE**

Join the Aboriginal Heritage Office and Pittwater Council for an Aboriginal walk and talk around Turimetta Head. This walk is in an area of amazing beauty with outstanding history and heritage.

Some stairs are involved but this walk is taken at a gentle pace allowing for the opportunity to share information on the cultural heritage of the area.

Bookings essential for both events:
Coastal Environment Centre
on 1300 000 232
(Reception - Option1)
pittwater.nsw.gov.au/cecbookings



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Kids Bark Painting with Karleen Green

Saturday 20 June, 10am-12pm
Scout Hall
Bilarong Reserve Wakehurst Parkway, North Narrabeen
Cost: \$15.00

Kids just want to have fun with Karleen Green. Kids get to take home their work.

All equipment included.

Enquiries:
Neil Evers on 0419 219 770
info@asgmwp.com
asgmwp.net

Native Grass Weaving with Karleen Green

Saturday 20 June, 1pm-5pm
Scout Hall,
Bilarong Reserve Wakehurst Parkway, North Narrabeen
Cost: \$55.00 (Max 15)

Karleen will teach you the basic skills in traditional grass weaving.

Learn how native grasses can be made into beautiful and useful objects.

All equipment and afternoon tea included

Enquiries:

Neil Evers on 0419 219 770
info@asgmwp.com
asgmwp.net

Pre-school Storytelling at Mona Vale Library

Wednesday 24 June, 10am
Mona Vale Library
1 Park Street, Mona Vale
FREE

We will be having a themed story-telling session in the library on 24 June at 10am to celebrate the festival.

No bookings are required. There will be story-telling, music and craft.

Enquiries:
Mary Anderson on 9970 1606
mary_anderson@pittwater.nsw.gov.au
pittwater.nsw.gov.au/library

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Photo supplied by Sharon Smithies – Artwork from last years Art Festival*

One Community Many Stories

Friday 26 June, 5pm-8pm
Avalon Public School Hall
Old Barrenjoey Road, Avalon
Cost: \$1.00

Arts Festival; an exhibition of arts by the students from K to Y12 who attend the 13 Peninsula Community of Schools, collection of works reflect the Guringai Festival theme, depicting the many stories from our community.

Enquiries:
Sharon Smithies on 9918 8811
or 0433 590 093
sharon.smithies@det.nsw.edu.au
peninsulacommunityofschools.schools.nsw.edu.au

NAIDOC

Monday 13 July, 7.30pm-9.30pm
Mona Vale Memorial Hall
1606 Pittwater Road, Mona Vale
FREE

2015 theme: We all Stand on Sacred Ground: Learn, Respect and Celebrate
Speaker to be advised.

All welcome - night including light supper

Enquiries:
Neil Evers on 0419 219 770
info@asgmwp.net
asgmwp.net

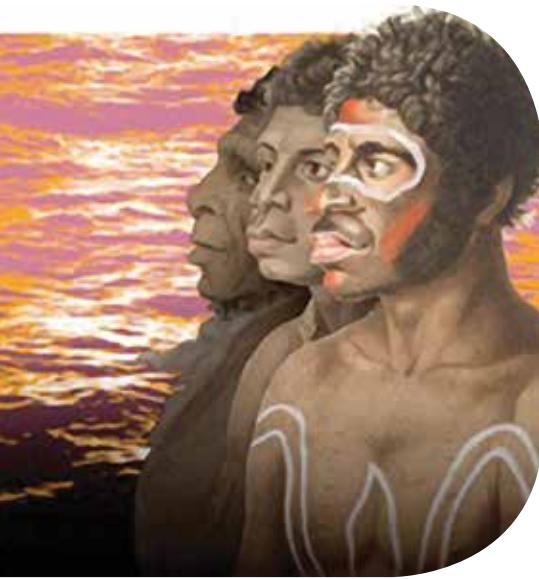


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EORA: Parramatta River Clans

**Saturday 30 May, 1.30pm-4.30pm
Walumetta Room
Ryde Library, Pope Street, Ryde
FREE**

They called themselves Eora, meaning 'people'.

In this illustrated talk, Keith Vincent Smith will locate and describe the Indigenous clans of coastal Sydney identified by Woollarawarre Bennelong, with a brief history of the lives of their leading personalities.

Enquiries:
Judy McGregor on 0403 348 925
judy.apple87@gmail.com
sl.nsw.gov.au/discover_collections

NAIDOC Week at Ryde Library - Stories and Culture

**Wednesday 8 July, 10.30am-12.15pm
Ryde Library
1 Pope Street, Ryde**

A fun and interactive NAIDOC week morning for children and families to come on a journey with special guest Chris Tobin, Aboriginal artist and story teller, to learn a whole lot of things you didn't know about Aboriginal history in the Ryde area, enjoy stories that have been told for generations and find out about how culture is lived.

**Bookings essential:
Ryde Library on 9952 8352
jnanlohy@ryde.nsw.gov.au
ryde.nsw.gov.au**

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**NUKAL by artists:
Julie Janson,
Michelle Ball, Emma Hicks,
Katie Louise Williams**

Friday 29 May - Sunday 14 June

10am-3pm

304 McCarrs Creek Road, Terrey Hills

Opening night:

Friday 29 May, 6pm - 8pm

Open Days / Time:

Saturday and Sundays only

10am-3pm or by appointment

Cost: \$2.00

Four artists: two Aboriginal and two European Australian women ("Nukal" women in Aboriginal Guringai language). Objects, installations and images that convey shared history. A confluence of Aboriginal and European memory

and interpretation of belonging to country. How do we make sense of colonisation and living together?
Public Program with Exhibition:

Julie Janson will talk about her new book: *The Crocodile Hotel*. Tuesday 2 June, 6.30-8pm. Cost: \$10.00 cuppa provided

Q & A with the Artists by the Curators Sunday 31 May, 2pm-3pm. Free.

Enquiries:

**Susan Milne and Greg Stonehouse
Co Artistic Director/ Curator
on 0429 428 813**

info@eramboo.com

eramboo.com

4 hour Bushwalk in Narrabeen Lagoon Catchment

**Saturday 30 May, 10am-2pm
27 Morgan Road, Belrose
FREE**

Events in association with ASG-MWP

Allow 4 hours. BYO lunch and water. See impressive carvings and extraordinary biodiversity when transversing the Narrabeen Lagoon Catchment. So don't forget your camera.

Oxford Falls Triangle Walk

**Sunday 31 May, 10am-2pm
27 Morgan Road, Belrose
FREE**

Events in association with ASG-MWP

Allow 4 hours. BYO lunch and water. See great carvings near Red Hill. We will walk down to Oxford Falls and carpool back. Bring your camera.

Singing Up Country

**Sunday 31 May, 5pm-7.30pm
Saint Anthony in the Fields Church
46 Myoora Road, Terrey Hills
Cost: \$15.00
Students/Unwaged/
Pensioners: By donation**

Join us for a concert with a difference featuring young Aboriginal performers singing in traditional languages, indigenous dancers, as well as young Non-Aboriginal performers.

This event is part of the 'Sharing the Story', Sharing the Land partnership between the Frenchs Forest Catholic Parish community and the Northern Beaches Aboriginal community. Hosted by the FFCP Social Justice Group, this as a change from the usual Dinner and Conversation. The concert will be followed by yarning over supper and a campfire.

**Bookings essential by Tuesday 26 May:
Anne Lanyon on 0408 279 871
annelanyon@gmail.com
or Imogen Kelly on 0425 226 380
sjaroundthebay.org**

**Enquiries for the
above events:
Conny Harris
on 0432 643 295
info@asgmwp.net
asgmwp.net**



Guided Walk of Gulgaldya Muru at Manly Dam

Saturday 13 June, 10am-12pm
Manly Dam
Manly Warringah War Memorial Park

Discover Manly Dam through the eyes of its original inhabitants, led by the Aboriginal Heritage Office.

You will see evidence of Aboriginal life and you could be lucky enough to discover the remains of ancient camp sites. The walk will take two hours and will finish with refreshments.

Booking essential as places are limited:
Warringah Events on 9942 2603
warringah.nsw.gov.au

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Promotional photo from the movie *Charlie's Country**

Movie: Charlie's Country

Wednesday 17 June, 9.45am-12 pm
Collaroy Cinema
1097 Pittwater Road, Collaroy
FREE

Charlie (David Gulpilil), an aging Native Australian living in the Northern Territory, is broke. He does not have a house. He is also hungry and his spirits are low as a result of the erosion of his way of life. The intervention is making life more difficult on his remote community, what with the proper policing of white fella laws now. So Charlie takes off.

Writers: David Gulpilil, Rolf de Heer
Starring: David Gulpilil

Enquiries:
Neil Evers on 0419 219 770
info@asmw.net
asmw.net



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Weaving Bridges Project

Yarn to Yarn Workshops - FREE

**Wednesdays: 20 May - 1 July,
9.30am-11.30am**

**Relationships Australia Community
Hub - Northern Beaches
2 Alfred Road, Brookvale**

Launch of Weaving Bridges Workshop FREE

**Tuesday 7 July, 10.30am-12.30pm
Queenscliff Surf Life Saving Club**

Building on from the success of the **Weaving Bridges Project** in 2013 and 2014 - join Warringah Council, Relationships Australia Community Hub - Northern Beaches, Northern Beaches Aboriginal Community members and Manly Environment Centre, for an exciting new weaving project in 2015 **Story of Place**.

Individuals and community groups are invited to participate in **Yarn to Yarn**

workshops collaborating towards a large scale art installation. Enjoy a laugh and a yarn with a member of the Aboriginal community at the same time.

We need lots of helping hands for this project. Join us and bring along a friend/s.

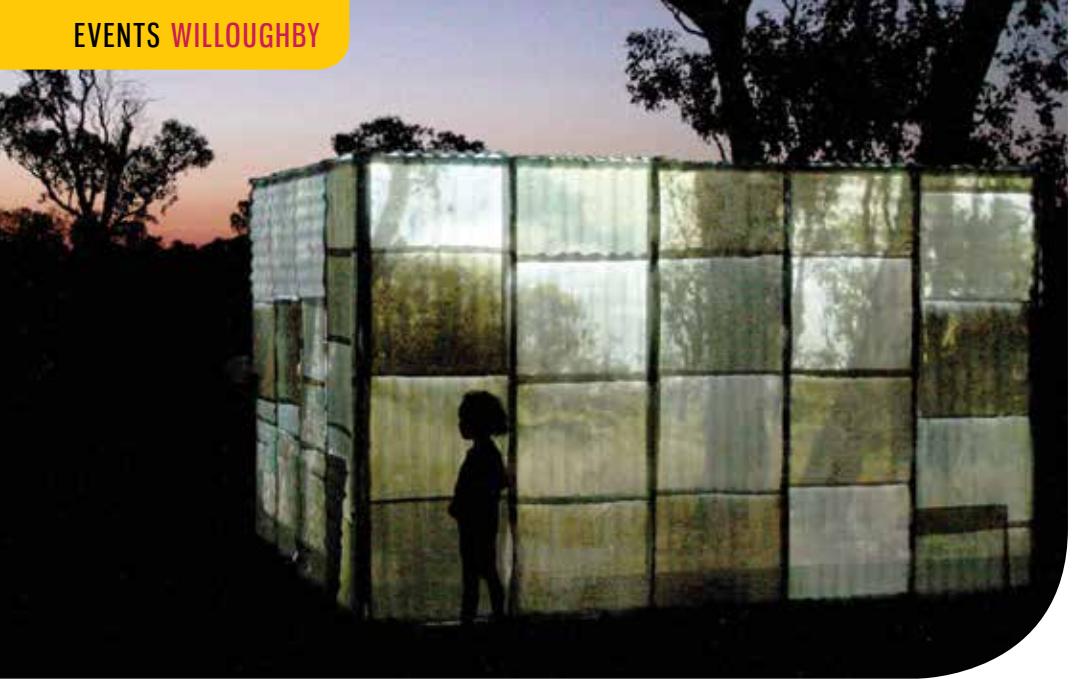
Like us on facebook to find out about workshops in your area:

facebook.com/Weavingbridgesproject

Enquiries:

**Rachel Carroll on 9942 2522 or
rachel.carroll@warringah.nsw.gov.au
warringah.nsw.gov.au**

**Sue Johansson on 9938 5240
or sue@ransw.org.au
Relationships Australia Community
Hub - Northern Beaches**



Illuminate, Euraba Artists and Papermakers on exhibition at Incinerator Art Space. Image by Kate Ford.*

Guringai Reconciliation Writing Competition

Monday 2 March - Friday 22 May
Competition open during these dates
Awards Ceremony:
Chatswood Library on The Concourse

The Guringai Reconciliation Writing Competition is open to students in years 5 to 9. An awards presentation will be held on Tuesday 23 June at Chatswood Library on The Concourse with the winning entries on display.

For writing topic and entry forms, visit:
willoughby.nsw.gov.au

Enquiries:
Tracey Walker on 9777 7982
(Monday - Wednesday)
tracey.walker@willoughby.nsw.gov.au
or
angela.casey@willoughby.nsw.gov.au

Kadul Dance Performance at Chatswood Youth Centre

Thursday 11 June, 4pm-6pm
Chatswood Youth Centre
64 Albert Avenue, Chatswood

Enjoy a performance by Indigenous artist, Ryka Ali, followed by a bush tucker dinner. Ryka's performance will include participatory dances, a didgeridoo demonstration and the amazing sounds he creates - including modern DJ and beat-boxing sounds. Ryka is a previous winner of the Young, Black and Deadly Talent Quest.

Enquiries:
Lucy Myers on 9777 7986
willoughby.nsw.gov.au

The Aboriginal Experience - Constitutional Reform

Sunday 14 June, 7.30pm-9.30pm
North Shore Temple Emanuel
28 Chatswood Avenue, Chatswood

How much do you know about the Australian Constitution? You know that there is a move to recognise our First Peoples in the Constitution. Join us to hear an Indigenous member of the Recognise team on the challenge of changing our Constitution.

Enquiries:
Nic Witton on 9888 5774
wittons@optusnet.com.au
nste.org.au/category/community/caring-others/jews-social-action

Illuminate

Wednesday 17 June - Sunday 5 July
10am-4pm, Wednesday - Sunday only
Incinerator Art Space
2 Small Street, Willoughby

This immersive new media installation, led by members of the Euraba Artists and Papermakers, is created with paper, light and sound and explores stories and ideas of home and housing, culture and community. An initiative of the Goomeroi people.

Enquiries:
Kathie Najar on 0401 638 501
willoughby.nsw.gov.au

Stories of Flat Rock from an Indigenous Perspective

Sunday 21 June, 9.30am-11am
Flat Rock Reserve
Bush car park at the end of Small Street, Willoughby

Join us for a short walk, exhibition viewing, chat and 'cuppa' with Karen Smith from the Aboriginal Heritage Office. Walking along the flat upper section of the reserve, stopping to discuss how the local Aboriginal people cared for and lived in this area. Enjoy a tour of the Guringai Festival Exhibition at Incinerator Art Space and stay on for a chat with Karen.

Bookings Essential:
Emma Hayes on 9777 7755
willoughby.nsw.gov.au

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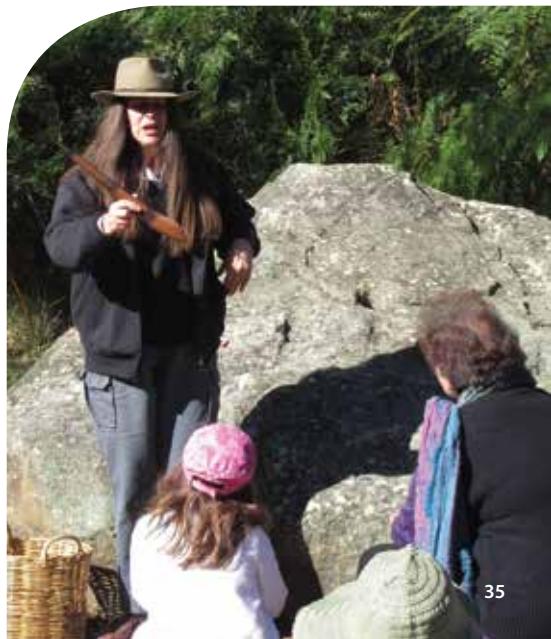




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Guided Bushwalk and Aboriginal Art Exhibition

**Thursday 25 June, 9.30am-2pm
Incinerator Art Space
and Flat Rock Gully
Transport provided from Chatswood
Youth Centre**

For young people aged 12-18 years. The day will start with a tour of the Illuminate exhibition at the Incinerator Art Space, followed by a guided bushwalk down the Flat Rock Gully track with Aboriginal heritage and bush tucker expert Terry Lennis. Lunch will be provided, as well as transport to and from the Chatswood Youth Centre

Enquiries:
John Woodward on 9777 7993
john.woodward@willoughby.nsw.gov.au
willoughby.nsw.gov.au

School Holiday Writing Workshops

**Monday 29 June and Monday 6 July
2pm-4pm
Chatswood Library on the Concourse
409 Victoria Avenue, Chatswood
FREE**

Suitable for ages 12-18 years.

Learn how to translate your ideas into well-crafted stories. You will learn how to map the narrative, creating interesting characters and giving your stories a sense of place through games and using a visual focus.

**Bookings essential
as spaces are limited:
Phone 9777 7900 or book online
willoughby.nsw.gov.au/library**



Sorry Day

Tuesday 26 May

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

nsdc.org.au

Reconciliation Week

Tuesday 26 May

National Reconciliation Week offers people across Australia the opportunity to focus on reconciliation, to hear about the cultures and histories of Australia's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander 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

NAIDOC Week

We all Stand on Sacred Ground: Learn, Respect and Celebrate

Sunday 5 – Sunday 12 July

This year the theme highlights Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' strong spiritual and cultural connection to land and sea. The theme is an opportunity to pay respects to country; honour those who work tirelessly on preserving land, sea and culture and to share the stories of many sites of significance or sacred places with the nation.

As the oldest continuing culture on the planet, the living culture of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people is intrinsically linked with these sacred places. Sacred places can be geographic feature like a river or lake, a beach, bays, inlets, hills or mountain ranges or ceremonial grounds, galleries of rock art or engravings or places used for gathering for cultural practices.

This year's theme was also chosen specifically to highlight and celebrate the anniversary of the 'Handback' of Uluru, one of these sacred sites, to its traditional owners on 26 October, 30 years ago.

naidoc.org.au



Aboriginal Heritage Office



Aboriginal Support Group – Manly Warringah Pittwater



Bennelong & Surrounds Residents for Reconciliation



Budawa Aboriginal Signage Group



Crows Nest Centre



Frenchs Forest Catholic Parish



Guringai Aboriginal Tours



Hornsby Shire Council



Hunters Hill Council



Jews for Social Action: North Shore Temple Emanuel



Ku-ring-gai Council



Lane Cove Bushcare



Lane Cove Council



Manly Art Gallery



Manly Council



Manly Environment Centre



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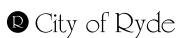
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