Australia Day Program 2022

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17th January 2022

Our program of FREE events will enable everyone to explore how "We're all part of the story".

Aus Lights on the River

Aus Lights on the River is is an immersion of light, sound and vision to be held over five spectacular nights in Elder Park/Tarntanya Wama, culminating on 26 January.
Stroll through the park and take a breath taking journey to explore your connection to nature and bel
to Country:

- Explore the 9.5 metre tall AirLume, illuminated with artwork created by school students in the Adelaide Hills to depict bushfire recovery and community healing

- See performances by the Tjarutja dance collective projected onto a water screen on the River Torrens

- Swim with virtual fish, see virtual wildlife and learn the traditional story of the River Torrens

- Hear South Australians talk about what Country means to them in "Our Story", projected onto the Adelaide Festival Centre's iconic shells

- Watch the creation of a a sand painting by First Nations artist Derik Lynch in collaboration with Kaurna Elder Frank Wanganeen.

The food hub will be open from 5.30pm, giving you a chance to try some local food and drinks while overlooking the attractions along the river. This is a not to be missed event and everyone is welcome.

Elder Park/Tarntanya WamaDaily: Saturday 22 January to Wednesday 26 January. Food Hub opens at 5:30pm. Light show starts at 8:30pm.
Free entry.

Aus Lights on the River is assisted by the Australian Government through the National Australia Day Council and supported by the Government of South Australia.

Smoking Ceremony

Australia Day 2022 will begin with a powerful Smoking Ceremony, hosted by senior Kaurna leaders on Kaurna land at Elder Park/Tarntanya Wama. In the customs of the First Nations peoples, the burning of native plants produces a cleansing of smoke for healing and acknowledgment on this day. The ceremony acknowledges the past, and present First Nations People and reflects on their relationship to Country, waters, and seas.

All are welcome to the Smoking Ceremony, which is a time for reflection, inclusion and reconciliation. Join with our First Nations peoples as a sign of respect and to honour their cultures and elders.

The ceremony will feature a speech by Kaurna Elder Rosemary Kudnarto Wanganeen, a performance by renowned singer and musician Nancy Bates and the unveiling of a stunning Sand Painting created by First Nations artist Derik Lynch in collaboration with Kaurna elder Frank Wanganeen.

Elder Park /Tarntanya Wama 8am to 9am, Wednesday January 26. Free entry. Bookings essential. [Click here to secure your ticket.](#)

Smoking Ceremony is presented in partnership with the [City of Adelaide,](#) [SA Power Networks](#) and [SARAH Constructions.](#) Assisted by the Australian Government through the National Australia Day Council, and supported by the Government of South Australia.

Aus Day in Rundle Mall

Rundle Mall will be infused with live music, storytelling, cooking demonstrations and performances. More than 60 South Australian community organisations will be featured across a five-day program, telling the story of South Australia and our nation.

Please note: The cooking demonstrations, conversations and performances which were to have been held as a separate event at **Aus Day in the Market** in Adelaide Central Market will now be integrated into our expanded Aus Day in Rundle Mall program. This has been done to allay COVID-19 concerns about an indoor event.

Rundle Mall - Gawler Place Canopy
Daily: Thursday 20 January until Wednesday 26 January.11am to 2pm *(subject to change)* **Free entry.**

Aus Day in Rundle Mall is presented in partnership with the City of Adelaide and Vili's Family Bakery. Assisted by the Australian Government through the National Australia Day Council, and supported by the Government of South Australia.