



NAIDOC WEEK EVENTS 2026

50 Years of Deadly is the 2026 theme. This year marks a milestone, it's a tribute to the people who built the movement.

Saturday July 4th | Mungangga Garlagula (Yarning by the Fire) at Bunjil Place

A collaboration in music, sound and storytelling by renowned musicians Mark Atkins and Erkki Veltheim. Mungangga Garlagula (Yarning by the fire) is a roadmap to the shadowlands of the most ancient place on earth: Western Australia.

7:00-8:10 PM

[Buy tickets here](#)

Sunday July 5th

The Last Daughter screening

Free event hosted by the Mornington Peninsula Shire. Peninsula Cinemas Rosebud Parade

2:00-3:30pm

[Learn more about the film](#)

Monday July 6th

Willum Warrain Flag Raising event

Free event includes a Welcome to Country, speeches and flag-raising followed by afternoon tea.

4:00-5:00pm no booking required

Willum Warrain Gathering Place, Hastings

Maloga Art Centre workshop- Rosebud library

Learn about Aboriginal culture and art through the eyes of Shanai Kellett, a qualified primary school teacher, contemporary Aboriginal artist passionate about educating the future generations about First Nations culture.

Recommended for 6–12-year-olds. Free event

11:00am-12:00pm

[Book here](#)

Tuesday July 7th

Mick Harding Talks | AMCI

ACMI's NAIDOC Week celebrations
As part of ACMI's NAIDOC Week celebrations, visitors are invited to join Taungurung artist Mick Harding for two intimate micro-talks exploring Baan Biik Woorra Woorra (Water, Land and Sky)—his striking five-screen animated welcome artwork currently installed in the ACMI Fed Square foyer.

There will be two talks (10:30am-11:00am and 2:30pm-3:00pm)

Featuring vibrant South-Eastern Aboriginal geometric patterns and an evocative soundscape of traditional song produced with Ngarga Warendj and his sons, the work honours Country and welcomes visitors to Wurundjeri land.

Free and unticketed event.

DDACL Community Lunch

Please join for lunch, art & craft, door prizes and more.

11:00am-2:00pm Tatterson Pavilion 400
Cheltenham Road Keysborough.

[Register here](#)

Wednesday July 8th

Casey Aboriginal Gathering Place | Melbourne Football Club

Koorie School Holiday program is free for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people aged 10-17 years.

[Click here to register attendance.](#)

Aboriginal Comedy Allstars | Bunjil Place

Celebrate NAIDOC with this bellyaching, cheek hurting, thought provoking comedy show. Starring Australia's premier First Nations comedians.

7:00-8:10 pm

[Buy tickers here](#)

VACCA Community Day

Endeavour Hill Leisure Centre, free event for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander community members and their families/carers. Cultural activities, food and entertainment

10:00am-2:00pm at 1 Raymond McMahon Blvd, Endeavour Hills.

Thursday July 9th

NAIDOC week shorts | ACMI 7:00 pm start time

A retrospective dive into the creative and cultural landscape of First Nations filmmaking. As a celebration of the endurance of previous generations who have refused to compromise in the face of colonial adversity, this year's NAIDOC Week theme pays tribute to the peoples and communities who have shaped the movement with "Fifty Years of Deadly". Bringing together a selection of essential voices from the past five decades, this short film program foregrounds First Nations filmmakers who have channeled their truth-telling experiences into powerful reflections on identity, resilience and resistance.

Price \$20 [Buy tickets here](#)

Nairm Marr Djambana | NAIDOC Family Day

Free BBQ lunch and all welcome. Activities include youth disco, wildlife encounters, face painting, arts & craft, youth bus, police car visit and more.

10:00am-2:00pm at Nairm Marr Djambana
32 Nursery Avenue Frankston

Friday July 10th

NAIDOC March

Starting at 12pm from the VAHS building in Nicholson Street Fitzroy.

Cardinia Leisure | Indigenous Games

Free entry, join to celebrate NAIDOC Week this school holidays. Traditional indigenous inspired games and activities that celebrate culture, connection and community.

11:00am-1:00 pm

4 Olympic Way Pakenham

Saturday July 11th- Art Tour | Ringwood Arts Precinct

Join for a 90-minute guided tour with Wemba Wemba artist Jason Deane with Arts in Maroondah team members to celebrate First Peoples art and culture in the Ringwood arts precinct.

10:00am-11:30am- meeting at Realm Customer Service desk

[Register here](#)

Willum Warrain's NAIDOC First Nations & Kin Community BBQ

Event for mob and kin only. Join for a BBQ and the launch of Willum Warrain's seasonal calendar.

11:00am-1:00pm Willum Warrain Gathering Place Hastings.

NAIDOC week at Peninsula Hot Springs

"Songlines on Country" an immersive Boonwurrung Cultural experience. Complementary with bathing experience.

10:00am-12:00pm

Sunday July 12th

NAIDOC Tree Planting

This project is for a continuing part of the Greens Bush to Arthurs Seat Biolink project, planting trees to build a wildlife corridor on the peninsula.

Meeting place to be announced

[Register to plant here](#)