



WIPC:E 2008 Site Inspection Day

Wednesday 10th December 2008

Koorie Education in Melbourne

Option 1: Early Years/Primary

Spend today visiting sites with a focus on Early Years and Primary school Education.

Yappera Multifunctional Aboriginal Children's Service (MACS) is located in Thornbury, an urban area in Melbourne, and provides childcare and other services to the local Koorie (South Eastern Australian Aboriginal) community. It assists Koorie families in the surrounding area and cares for up to 35 children a day. Non-Koorie children can attend the service but Koorie children are the priority. Yappera was developed in the early 1980s and is run by an all-Koorie committee of management and has between 20 and 30 staff, most of them Indigenous. Yappera promotes a philosophy of strengthening culture. The vision for Yappera is one that is not only about caring for the children, but also includes the parents—for example, by offering education programs after hours. In addition to the provision of child care services, the centre also provides a range of additional services for the children including dental care, immunisation, eye and ear tests. Parents are put in touch with other services such as housing, health, neonatal care and with each other.

Thornbury Primary School is a state government primary school offering generalised curriculum specialising in a personal development. With 74 Aboriginal students the school strives to incorporate a strong and respectful curriculum that is culturally inclusive. The program features cultural classes conducted by Aboriginal educators in the schools Indigenous studies room. The integrated curriculum through the school is culturally inclusive.

Melbourne Museum – Bunjilaka: visit the Bunjilaka Aboriginal Cultural Centre at Melbourne Museum; a living cultural centre, with artist space and exhibition gallery celebrating the survival of Victoria's Koorie people. Meet the Education officers and discuss the Early Years programs on offer.

Includes: lunch, coach transport and site visits.

Departs: 9.30am – arrive 15 minutes prior to departure

Returns: approx 4.30pm

Additional Tour not available for passengers not registered as delegates to

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Option 2: Secondary Education

Spend today visiting sites with a focus on Secondary school Education.

Reservoir District Secondary College is a coeducational school for students in Years 7-12. The school is proud of the fact that many of its students come from different cultural backgrounds. Reservoir District Secondary College has one of the highest Koorie enrolments in the Northern Metropolitan Melbourne region.

Bundoora Secondary School has approximately 660 students, with a Koorie population of approximately 20. They have a Koorie worker and are implementing their Indigenous action plan which will see Indigenous culture embedded in the college curriculum program.

Northcote High School: Allow us to show visitors our school, visit our well being room and meet some of our Indigenous action team.

Northland Secondary School: Where visitors can tour the school and see unique programs available to Indigenous and non-Indigenous students, meet the Koorie educators and the principal. Learn about how the Koorie and non-Koorie community managed to reopen the school after a 2 year battle with the government. Look at the 4 million technology centre running automotive, electro-technology, furnishing, woodwork and engineering and learn about our success in getting young Indigenous students into both tertiary studies and apprenticeships.

Includes: lunch, coach transport and site visits.

Departs: 9am – arrive 15 minutes prior to departure

Returns: approx 6pm

Additional Passengers: Tour not available for passengers not registered as delegates to WIPC:E 2008

Option 3: Tertiary Education

Spend today visiting sites with a focus on Tertiary Education.

Kangan Batman TAFE: The Gunung-Willam-Balluk Learning Centre which is named after the traditional owners of the area at Kangan Batman TAFE is a leading provider of vocational education to Koorie students. The Gunung-Willam-Balluk Learning Centre aims to empower students by merging the cultural heritage and values of Koorie people with contemporary culture and cutting-edge learning technology to provide improved outcomes and pathways into advanced learning and employment.

La Trobe University is a higher Education institution that has a network of campuses that accommodate over 26,000 students. 15,000 students are at our Melbourne (Bundoora) campus and over 7,000 at our campuses in Albury-Wodonga, Shepparton, Beechworth, Bendigo, Mildura, Melb City, and approx 3,500 international students from over 90 countries. The Indigenous education group at LaTrobe Uni incorporates: Indigenous Student Services, Indigenous Australian Teaching and Research, Indigenous Employment.

Includes: lunch, coach transport and site visits.

Departs: 9.30am – arrive 15 minutes prior to departure

Returns: approx 5pm

Additional Passengers: Tour not available for passengers not registered as delegates to WIPC:E 2008

Option 4: Community Organisations and Education

Spend the day visiting sites with a community development and education focus.

Victorian Aboriginal Community Services Association Ltd (VACSAL) is acknowledged as the peak agency within the community services portfolio. It is a statewide organisation with a role in community consultation and representation, advocacy, liaison with government, policy and service development. It has a community development approach and is responsive to community priorities and needs.

Victorian Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (VACCHO) is Victoria's peak body of Aboriginal controlled health organisations. It's membership consists of twenty-six independent Aboriginal community controlled organisations, which deliver primary health services to the Aboriginal community. VACCHO's role is to build capacity of its members and to advocate for issues on their behalf. This is achieved through strengthening support networks, increasing workforce development opportunities and through leadership on particular health areas. Advocacy is carried out at a state and national level on all issues relating to Aboriginal health with a range of private, community and government agencies. VACCHO is a Registered Training Organisation in the area of health.

Aborigines Advancement League is the oldest Aboriginal organisation in Australia. It is primarily concerned with Aboriginal welfare issues and the preservation of Aboriginal culture and heritage.

Gurwidj Koorie Neighbourhood House provides programs to the Koorie community to help promote higher self-esteem and confidence and to increase pride in cultural Heritage. The programs at Gurwidj aim to increase possible employment opportunities through skills development. The program also provides courses in arts and crafts as a cottage industry. The program was established to enable Indigenous people to come to Gurwidj to learn skills and work in a friendly atmosphere.

SEIMA 3KND: We also visit SEIMA 3KND the Indigenous Radio Station to learn more about their programs.

Includes: lunch, coach transport and site visits.

Departs: 9am – arrive 15 minutes prior to departure

Returns: approx 6.00pm

Additional Passengers: Tour not available for passengers not registered as delegates to WIPC:E 2008

Explore Melbourne

Botanic Gardens: This morning visit the Botanic Gardens. The Aboriginal heritage walk provides visitors with a greater understanding of, and respect for, the customs and rich heritage of the Boonwurrung and Woiwurrung people. Discover ancestral lands; explore traditional uses of plants for food, medicine, tools and ceremonies. Aboriginal guide.

Yarra Cruise: Then enjoy a cruise along the Yarra River. Within moments of departing Melbourne's cultural Arts precinct, you are cruising through Melbourne's picturesque gardens, parklands and some of our famous sporting arenas. Cruising highlights will include the Royal Botanic Gardens, Governor's residence, Lexus Centre, Melbourne Olympic Park, Melbourne Park (Home of the Australian Open), Herring Island and Melbourne 2006 Commonwealth Games Sporting Precinct.

Observation Deck: Visit Melbourne's 360 degrees - with breathtaking 360-degree views of the city and beyond. It also provides you with the award winning 20-minute film spectacular, 'Melbourne the Living City'.

Koorie Heritage Trust: The Koorie Heritage Trust Inc Cultural Centre aims to protect, preserve and promote the living culture of the Indigenous people of south-eastern Australia. The Trust embraces reconciliation by having Koories and non-Koories working together, side-by-side from the Board level down. All of the Trust's activities and projects focus on reconciliation, healing, moving forward and honouring what has been before. Activities include storytelling and time to explore the gallery spaces.

Includes: Guided walking tour, entrances and light lunch.

Departs: 9am – arrive 15 minutes prior to departure

Returns: approx 5.30pm

Additional Adults - \$150.00

Passengers: Children (17 years and under) - \$130.00 ***Adult supervision required**

Explore Melbourne at Leisure

Self Guided

Today you have Melbourne at your leisure. With your Met ticket you can travel on Melbourne's trams, trains and buses within the Zone 1 area. Explore the museums of Melbourne at your own pace. Equipped with your transport ticket, map and museum listing, you can travel on Melbourne's Met system, which includes trams, trains and buses to access many of our museums.

Includes: map for self guided tour, transport ticket (included in your conference registration), museum listing (entry to most museums) and voucher for lunch at one of Melbourne's restaurants.

Departs: Self guided at leisure

Note: Pick up Self Guided tour pack on registration

Additional Adults - \$150.00

Passengers: Children (17 years and under) - \$130.00 ***Adult supervision required**

Melbourne Walking Tour

Half Day Walking Tour – Please select morning or afternoon option.

NOTE: Departure and return for this tour is NOT from Rod Laver arena. Please make your own way to the departure points.

Take a guided walking tour through Melbourne. This unique walk gives participants a sense of a small, but significant portion of the ancestral lands of the Kulin people. Walkin' Birrarung is a journey back through time exploring the dramatic and irrevocable changes of both the people and the place. A multiple sensory experience that evokes the memories of a vibrant natural and cultural landscape. A memory that now lies beneath our urban existence today.

Morning: This morning tour begins at Enterprize Park where you will follow the river upstream, stopping to discover the significance of sites and landmarks to the Kulin people and the colonial settlement of Melbourne. The tour concludes at Princes Bridge and Federation Square. A short walk, further on into Birrarung Marr and the new 'Common Ground' Aboriginal public art space is an optional activity that could be taken on tour completion, a worthwhile addition to the experience.

On arrival at Federation Square, visit The Ian Potter Centre, home to the National Gallery of Victoria's Aboriginal Art Collection. Finish with lunch at Tjanabi - in language Tjanabi means to celebrate and at Tjanabi we celebrate the spirit of this great city with a menu focusing on seasonal produce with which we have combined the tastes of regional Victorian produce with Australian native produce and game.

*** Departs from Koorie Heritage Trust, 295 Kings Street. Please make your own way to Koorie Heritage Trust**

Includes: Guided walking tour, entrances and 2 course lunch.

Departs: 9.30 am – arrive 15 minutes prior to departure

Returns: approx 1pm

Additional Adults - \$150.00

Passengers: Children (17 years and under) - \$130.00 ***Adult supervision required**

Afternoon: This afternoons tour begins at Federation Square, with lunch at Tjanabi - in language Tjanabi means to celebrate and at Tjanabi we celebrate the spirit of this great city with a menu focusing on seasonal produce with which we have combined the tastes of regional Victorian produce with Australian native produce and game. After lunch visit the Ian Potter Centre, home to the National Gallery of Victoria's Aboriginal Art Collection.

Then follow the river downstream to Enterprize Park stopping to discover the significance of sites and landmarks to the Kulin people and the colonial settlement of Melbourne where you will follow the river upstream. The tour concludes at the Koorie Heritage Trust. Prior to your tour commencing you might like to take a short walk, further on into Birrarung Marr and the new 'Common Ground' Aboriginal public art space is an optional activity that could be taken prior to your tour departure, a worthwhile addition to the experience.

*** Departs from Tjanabi at Federation Square. Please make your own way to Federation Square**

Includes: Guided walking tour, entrances and 2 course lunch.

Departs: 12pm – arrive 15 minutes prior to departure

Returns: approx 3.30pm

Additional Adults - \$150.00

Passengers: Children (17 years and under) - \$130.00 ***Adult supervision required**

Indigenous Golf Tournament at the Growling Frog

Spend a day on the green and participate in our Indigenous Golf Tournament.

Transfer from by coach from the city to the Growling Frog Golf Course the first golf course in Victoria designed by golfing legend and internationally renowned golf course architect Graham Marsh, the superbly crafted 18 hole Par 72, 6185 metre layout will appeal to golfers seeking a golfing experience in a true Australian environment.

The Growling Frog name is derived from the protected Growling Grass Frog that is native to the area, and reflects one of the many unique environmental attributes of the course.

Includes: transport, green fees, lunch and soft drinks. * **Club hire additional.**

Departs: 6am – arrive 15 minutes prior to departure

Returns: To be confirmed

Additional cost per person: \$25.00

OPTIONAL EXTRAS:

Pull Buggy Hire \$4.00

Motorised Cart Hire \$30.00

Club Hire \$25.00

Additional Adults - \$175.00

Passengers: Children are not catered for

Geelong, You Yangs, Wathaurong Country and Deakin University

Enjoy a fun day experiencing the Australian bush with a guided tour at the You Yangs and Serendip Sanctuary, a Welcome to Country and activities for the official opening of the Institute of Koorie Education's Kitjarra student study centre/residency at Deakin University and learn of the successes of the Indigenous programs at Wathaurong Co-operative.

Serendip Sanctuary: This morning visit Serendip Sanctuary. On your guided tour you might walk amongst large free ranging "mobs" (groups) of wild kangaroos. Spot emus, wallabies, cockatoos and other unique Australian wildlife in the sweeping grasslands and around the billabongs of Melbourne's western plains. Visit an open forest in a National Park that is home to a large and healthy population of wild koalas. Our Koala Research Project ensures that on most days we have multiple sightings of these delightful creatures.

You Yangs: On your guided tour visit the granite peaks of the You Yangs which rise dramatically in the Werribee lava plains. Although only 352 metres in height, they dominate the landscape and are clearly identifiable from Melbourne and beyond. See the Aboriginal rock wells on Big Rock. Try to identify some of the 200 or more birds in the area.

Institute of Koorie Education, Deakin University: The Institute of Koorie Education provides a holistic approach to education. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students from all Australian states and territories attend intensive two-week long study blocks twice per semester. Community based delivery allows students to remain connected to their families and communities while completing a higher education qualification. On your visit you will participate in the formal opening of the Kitjarra Student Residency/Study Centre and enjoy Koorie dancing and a tour of the facilities.

Wathaurong Aboriginal Co-Operative: Visit Wathaurong Aboriginal Co-Operative and learn more about the local Aboriginal Community and the role of the Co-op.

Includes: Coach transport, guided tours, National Park Fees and entrances, lunch.

Departs: 8.45am – arrive 15 minutes prior to departure

Returns: approx 6pm

Additional Adults - \$150.00

Passengers: Children (17 years and under) - \$130.00 ***Adult supervision required**

Boomerangs, Volcanoes and the 12 Apostles

Experience Victoria's fabulous natural environment including a welcome to country, boomerang throwing lessons and Tower Hill an extinct volcano, finishing at the 12 Apostles before returning to Melbourne.

Narana Creations: In the morning visit Narana Creations which is an Australian Aboriginal cultural tourism and educational enterprise, committed to providing a welcome entree to today's Indigenous culture. Experience exhilarating cultural demonstrations, amazing didgeridoo playing and try 'hands-on' boomerang throwing and enjoy a guided walk around the native garden. Also available for purchase is genuine Aboriginal art and craft.

The 12 Apostles and Loch Ard Gorge: The 12 Apostles giant rocks stacks that rise majestically from the southern Ocean and are the central feature of the Port Campbell National Park. The 12 Apostles are remnants from constant erosion of the limestone cliffs of the mainland that began 10-20 billion years ago. This area known as the Shipwreck coast is the site of many wrecks the most famous being the Loch Ard which the Loch Ard Gorge is named after. Spend some time to take photos and explore as you view this awe inspiring coastal scenery.

Worn Gundidj – Tower Hill: From the 12 Apostles you will travel to Worn Gundidj – Tower Hill. Nestled inside a crater of a dormant volcano, it's a haven for wildlife, a fascinating ecological site and a showcase for local Aboriginal culture. Within its broad crater rim a number of volcanic cones rise from a lake in a formation known as a *nested maar*. Artefacts found in the layers of exposed ash show that Aboriginal people were living in the area at the time of the eruption, around 30 000 years ago. You will experience Welcome to Country a guided tour, BBQ bush tucker lunch and participate in activities including spear throwing and traditional football. Aboriginal Art and Craft is also available to purchase.

Includes: Coach transport, National Park Fees and entrances, guided tours and BBQ lunch.

Departs: 7.30am – arrive 15 minutes prior to departure

Returns: approx 7.30pm

Additional Adults - \$150.00

Passengers: Children (17 years and under) - \$130.00 ***Adult supervision required**

Ancient Relics, Contemporary Art, Seaside Towns and 12 Apostles

Travel to Heywood - home of the Gunditjmara people, see the heritage landscape; ancient relics of stone huts, the complex traditionally engineered aquaculture system used for eel traps and the recently restored Lake Condah. Take guided tours of the region with Budj Bim Tours and enjoy a Welcome to Country, bush tucker and BBQ lunch.

Next visit the delightful town of Port Fairy for some free time to explore. Including a visit to Kaawirn Kuunawarn Hissing Swan Arts which is a unique Aboriginal family owned and operated retail outlet and gallery offering a range of Aboriginal arts, crafts, giftwares, music CD's, books etc.

Finish today with a visit to the 12 Apostles - giant rocks stacks that rise majestically from the southern Ocean and are the central feature of the Port Campbell National Park. The 12 Apostles are remnants from constant erosion of the limestone cliffs of the mainland that began 10-20 billion years ago.

Return to Melbourne late evening and stop along the way for dinner (own expense).

Includes: Coach transport, entrances, guided tours and BBQ lunch

Departs: 7am – arrive 15 minutes prior to departure

Returns: approx: 10pm

Additional Adults - \$150.00

Passengers: Children (17 years and under) - \$130.00 ***Adult supervision required**

Phillip Island – Aboriginal History, Koalas and Penguins

On this tour we visit Phillip Island, situated in Western Port, a place of natural beauty, sandy beaches, tranquil wetlands and unique wildlife experiences.

The Boonwurrung lived in this area of Australia and visited Phillip Island on a semi-regular basis for many thousands of years. Bean Gurt or Korri Ying as Phillip Island was known was a place visited for food, tool making, other materials and for spiritual reasons. Most of the places visited were close to the coastline and wetlands. There are well over 100 known sites that were occupied for varying lengths of time. Many of these sites are within the Phillip Island Nature Parks.

Fishers wetland and Churchill Island were special places and still retain the natural resources that were abundant in the past. The midden at North Point is extensive. Forrest Caves was one of the main camp areas for the Boonwurrung. Close to the beach and rock platforms, sand dunes provided shelter from the coastal winds, a freshwater spring provided for water needs.

The Koala Conservation Centre at the heart of Phillip Island is set in Blue Gum and Manna Gum woodlands, places where Swamp Wallaby, Pottoroo and Possum may have been hunted. Summerland peninsula was by far the richest place on Phillip Island. Swan Lake, Green Lake, the Penguin Parade and the Nobbies were and still are dense with wildlife, birds and marine life. These are the places that have the greatest evidence of Boonwurrung occupation.

Your Ranger guided tour includes a visit to these places of significance (lunch own expense). We finish today with time for dinner (own expense) before viewing the evening Penguin Parade, this nightly phenomenon occurs when the Little Penguins return to their burrows after their long day at sea.

Includes: Coach transport, entrances, guided tours.

Departs: 10am – arrive 15 minutes prior to departure

Returns: approx 11pm

Additional Adults - \$150.00

Passengers: Children (17 years and under) - \$130.00 ***Adult supervision required**

Gariwerd (Grampians National Park)

This morning travel to the Grampians. They are a series of five spectacular sandstone ridges running north to south with steep and craggy slopes on the eastern side and gentler slopes to the west. This resulted from the earth movements lifting and tilting the hard sandstones creating an impressive landscape of peaks and valleys. There are lookouts with stunning panoramic views as well as a number of picturesque waterfalls.

Today you will visit the Brambuk Visitors Centre, a community owned and operated facility, it's a gathering place for Aboriginal communities. Enjoy Welcome to Country, BBQ bush tucker lunch, and activities followed by a guided walk in the National Park and an Aboriginal Rock Art site.

Return to Melbourne stop en route for dinner (own expense)

Includes: Coach transport, entrances, guided tours and lunch.

Departs: 7am – arrive 15 minutes prior to departure

Returns: approx 9.30pm

Additional Adults - \$150.00

Passengers: Children (17 years and under) - \$130.00 ***Adult supervision required**

Ballarat – Gold Rush and Aboriginal History

Originally home to the Wathaurong people, the name "Ballarat" comes from the Aboriginal word meaning "resting place."

Sovereign Hill: This morning travel to Sovereign Hill, Victoria's 1850s gold rush heritage is alive, exciting and very hands-on at Sovereign Hill with creative, stimulating and interactive experiences for the general public, school students and classes. Experience Sovereign Hill indoors, outdoors, above-ground and below-ground, giving a tremendous variety and ensuring an action-packed, fun day. Take a guided tour with a particular focus on the Aboriginal presence in the goldfields.

Kirrit Barreet: This afternoon we visit to Kirrit Barreet. A world class tourism attraction opened in Ballarat, birthplace of Australian Democracy. Your tour will be run by Aboriginal people. You will be taken on a journey that starts with a welcome to the centre, a brief history of the centre. Along the way be told about traditional stories which include the story of Bunjil (the spirited ancestor who created the land) and the story of how Mt Buninyong and Mt Elephant were formed. Walk through the permanent exhibition. Next see the artefacts, how they were used and why. Some of the weapons you will see are spears, stone axes and boomerangs.

Includes: Coach transport, guided tours, entrances.

Departs: 8.30am – arrive 15 minutes prior to departure

Returns: approx 6pm

Additional Adults - \$150.00

Passengers: Children (17 years and under) - \$130.00 ***Adult supervision required**

Wildlife, Indigenous Heritage and Worawa Aboriginal College

Take a trip out to the beautiful Yarra Valley home to the Wurundjeri people.

Healesville Sanctuary: Visit Healesville Sanctuary and take a closer look at Australia's unique wildlife than you ever thought possible. Featuring wild encounters and unique experiences with Australian wildlife amongst the sights, sounds and scents of the stunning bush land surrounds.

Birds of Prey Show - a presentation demonstrating the magnificent flying skills of some of Australia's amazing birds of prey such as the Wedge-tailed Eagle and Peregrine Falcon, diving and soaring with speed and precision just inches about your head. This will be followed by a "Welcome to Country" and Indigenous presentation by Murrundindi - elder of the Wurundjeri people - then spend some time on site to explore and discover the magic of Healesville Sanctuary and enjoy a picnic lunch.

Worawa Aboriginal College: visit the beautiful grounds of Worawa Aboriginal College, Victoria's only Aboriginal community controlled school. Situated on land that once formed part of the Coranderrk Aboriginal Station, visitors can learn about the history and past experiences of Aboriginal life on a Government Reserve. You will have the opportunity to experience a conducted tour of the College campus, a walk on the Dreaming Trail, conversation with Aboriginal Elders and the opportunity to learn something of Victorian Aboriginal lives - in both historical and contemporary contexts. Find out more about the College and its aspirations for young Indigenous Australians.

Includes: Coach transport, entrances and lunch.

Departs: 9.30am - arrive 15 minutes prior to departure

Returns: approx 5.30pm

Additional cost per person: \$10.00

Additional Adults - \$160.00

Passengers: Children (17 years and under) - \$140.00 ***Adult supervision required**

A day on the Mornington Peninsula

This morning depart Melbourne for the Mornington Peninsula. Visit the Australian Garden at Cranbourne, a place where visitors can immerse themselves in Australian flora, landscapes, art and architecture. This amazing garden features a gallery of exhibition gardens, sculpture and displays - all highlighting the beauty and diversity of our Australian landscape. On arrival meet with Vicki Nicholson the Aboriginal officer for a welcome and overview of Aboriginal importance of site, then enjoy a guided tour including morning tea.

The Mornington Peninsula has long been a favourite for summer holidays. Its diverse environments range from the basalt cliffs at Cape Schanck to the native bushland of Greens Bush and the roaring surf beaches. Spend time on the Peninsula visit Pt Nepean National Park and learn of the significance of the area to the traditional owners the Boonerwurrung people. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant.

Includes: Coach transport, National Park Fees, guided tours and entrances and lunch.

Departs: 8am – arrive 15 minutes prior to departure

Returns: approx 6pm

Additional Adults - \$150.00

Passengers: Children (17 years and under) - \$130.00 ***Adult supervision required**

Monash University, Indigenous Art in Gippsland

This morning travel to Monash University in Gippsland and experience Bubbles on the surface exhibition, then visit the switchback gallery with welcome to country, meet the artists and listen to them speak about their research and work projects. Enjoy lunch on campus and have time to explore the beautiful Gippsland Campus before returning to Melbourne.

The Exhibition opens at Switchback Gallery, Monash University, Churchill in Gippsland on 8th December 2008. It is the culminating exhibition of a three year partnership between Indigenous artists and university researchers about water in the Murray Darling Basin and features the work of two highly acclaimed Indigenous artists - Paakantji artist Badger Bates and Yorta Yorta woman Treaahna Hamm. During the visit to the Exhibition, Badger and Treaahna will be available to speak to the Delegates and Margaret Somerville will also introduce the research and educational purposes underpinning the research and the Exhibition.

The exhibition is an outcome of three years of research supported by the highly competitive Australian Research Council Discovery Scheme and led by Margaret Somerville, Professor of Education, who has a longstanding reputation in Indigenous partnership research. This has allowed us to work with Indigenous artists and researchers in country and develop strong partnerships resulting in important and powerful work through creative methodologies.

The Exhibition begins at the Narran Lake, fed by flows of water from the Balonne and Condamine catchments in Queensland. Here U'Alayi artist Crissiejoy Marshall grew up by Terewah, home of the black swan, lulled to sleep by the chattering of migratory birds, or woken by frogs calling the return of the waters in dry times. On the Darling, Badger Bates' lino prints translate the marks of his grandmother's stories of the ngatjyis as they travelled across the land making the waterways. The spirit re-enters his carved wood sculptures to invite viewers to move through the ancient poles that mark the stories of the river and its creatures. Along the Murray River Treaahna Hamm re-makes possum skin cloaks that reveal the connections between people and country.

Includes: Coach transport, entrances and lunch

Departs: 8am – arrive 15 minutes prior to departure

Returns: approx 6pm

Additional Adults - \$150.00

Passengers: Children (17 years and under) - \$130.00 ***Adult supervision required**

Tour departures are subject to minimum and maximum numbers per departure. If minimum numbers are not met and the tour needs to be cancelled you will be notified prior to the site inspection day at which time an alternative tour will be offered. Running order of some tours may be different on the day. Tour descriptions and inclusions in the tour are correct at time of issue however if some of the activities are not available at time of travel, wherever possible a suitable alternative will be offered.

No cancellation or change to tour selection can be made after 24 November 2008.

All tours except for the Melbourne Walking Tour and the Explore Melbourne at Leisure (Self Guided) tour depart and return from the Rod Laver arena. Please read the Melbourne Walking tour description for departure point details.

Delegates must be at the departure point 15 minutes prior to the stated departure time. All tours are scheduled to leave on time and departures cannot wait for any late comers. In the case that you are late and miss your departure no other tour will be offered on the day.

Southbound Australia reserves the right to pass on additional charges for fuel levies or changes to government taxes if introduced between now and 10th December 2008.