

NATIONAL INDIGENOUS LEGAL CONFERENCE

LEVEL 17, RACV CLUB, 501 BOURKE STREET, MELBOURNE

THE 2008 NATIONAL INDIGENOUS LEGAL CONFERENCE will bring together lawyers, judges, barristers, solicitors, policy makers, service providers, researchers, Community Elders and many other stakeholders.

In particular, the Conference will focus on topical issues such as Native Title, the Stolen Generations, Indigenous issues at the United Nations, and the Northern Territory Intervention.

This conference will be of particular interest and relevance to lawyers, law students, barristers, solicitors, judges, Indigenous community workers, Indigenous Community Elders, community legal centres, local government, Aboriginal legal services, land councils, native title representative bodies, academics and public servants.

THE BRIAN WILLIS NATIONAL INDIGENOUS LEGAL BALL

MAIN HALL, MELBOURNE TOWN HALL, SWANSTON ST, MELBOURNE

The Ball is a formal, black tie event.

The Ball will be held in the prestigious main ballroom of the Melbourne Town Hall, with a sumptuous three course dinner provided. Entertainment for the evening will showcase some of Australia's best Indigenous talent.

MC: John Harding.

Liz Cavanagh, who is fast earning a reputation not only for her captivating vocal ability and imaginative arrangements but the ambience she creates when she steps on stage. As the first Indigenous person to have been accepted into the School of Music at the Victorian College of the Arts, Liz graduated in May 2002.

Richard Frankland who is one of Australia's most experienced Aboriginal singer/songwriters, authors and filmmakers. Richard wrote his first song when he was 13 years old. Since then he has written and recorded over 100 original songs about Aboriginal culture, deaths in custody, Stolen Generations, voice, land rights, falling in love, culture, family and life.

Third act to be announced.

ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS IN MELBOURNE CBD

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City Square Motel ***

\$79-\$95 per night
67 Swanston Street, Melbourne
03 9654 7011

The Victoria Hotel ****

\$85-\$189 per night
215 Little Collins Street, Melbourne
1800 331 147

Hotel Enterprize ****

\$90-\$180 per night
44 Spencer Street, Melbourne
03 9629 6991

MID-RANGE

Hotel Ibis ****

\$109-\$329 per night
15 Therry Street, Melbourne
1800 656 565

Mercure Hotel ****

\$130-\$220 per night
13 Spring Street, Melbourne
1800 813 442

Rendezvous Hotel *****

\$159-\$299 per night
328 Flinders Street, Melbourne
03 9250 1811

Holiday Inn on Flinders *****

\$195-\$400 per night
575 Flinders Lane, Melbourne
13 83 88

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RACV Club *****

Mention you are attending the NILC when booking
\$205-\$340 per night
501 Bourke Street, Melbourne
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Grand Hyatt *****

\$215-\$695 per night
123 Collins Street, Melbourne
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Melbourne 12 & 13 September 2008



"The Vision Splendid: Australia Beyond Black and White"

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- 10.00am-10.30am *Registration & Refreshments*
- 10.30am-11.15am **Opening of the 3rd National Indigenous Legal Conference: Wominjeka**
- Welcome to Country
 - Local Koori Dancers
 - Opening address by Jim Berg, Community Elder
 - The Hon Rob Hulls MP
 - The Hon Bob Debus MP
- 11.20am-12.35pm **The Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples**
- Chair: Professor Larissa Behrendt, Director, UTS*
- The Hon Justice Michael Kirby, High Court of Aust.
 - Megan Davis, Director, Indigenous Law Centre
- 12.40pm-1.25pm **Review of the Charter of Human Rights**
- Chair: Hans Bokelund, Victorian Bar*
- The Hon Justice Kevin Bell, Supreme Court of Vic.
- 1.25pm-2.10pm *Judicial College of Victoria Lunch. Meet judges, magistrates and tribunal members from Victoria*
- 2.10pm-3.10pm **Sorry Business: the Stolen Generation**
- Co-Chairs: Lynette Austin and Syd Jackson, Stolen Generations Victoria*
- Julian Burnside QC, Victorian Bar
- 3.15pm-4.20pm **Criminal and sentencing issues amongst Indigenous communities**
- Chair: Commissioner Tom Calma, HREOC*
- Linda Lovett, Principal Solicitor, Goldfields CLC
 - The Hon Bob Debus MP
 - The Hon Justice Geoffrey Eames, Supreme Court of Northern Territory
- 4.20pm-4.40pm *Afternoon tea*
- 4.40pm-5.35pm **Native Title**
- Chair: Tony McAvoy, NSW Bar*
- Dr Wayne Atkinson, Melbourne University
 - The Hon Justice Tony North, Federal Court
- 6.00pm *Drinks hosted by the Victorian Bar at the Essoign Club, Level 1, Owen Dixon Chambers East, 205 William Street, Melbourne*

- 8.30am-9.00am *Tea and coffee facilities available*
- 9.00am-10.00am **An Introduction to The Koori Court in Victoria**
- The path from the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody and the Aboriginal Justice Agreement
- Chair: Abbie Burchill, Senior solicitor, CDPP*
- Rudolph Kirby, Deputy Director, Dept of Justice
 - Daniel Briggs, Project Manager, Dept of Justice
 - Kate Auty, WA Magistrate
 - Colin Walker, Koori Court Elder
 - Sergeant Gordon Porter, Police prosecutor
 - Mason Atkinson, Manager, Koori Court
 - Jelena Popovic, Deputy Chief Magistrate
- 10.00am-10.20am *Morning tea*
- 10.20am-11.40am **Reviewing the NT Intervention scheme**
- Chair: Brendan Loizou, Victorian Bar*
- Pat Miller, Director, CAALAS
 - Rex Wild QC, Co-author "Little Children are Sacred"
 - Raelene Webb QC, Northern Territory Bar
- 11.45am-1.00pm **Protecting Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander culture, knowledge and heritage**
- Chair: Terri Janke, NSW IP lawyer*
- Robynne Quiggin, NSW IP lawyer
 - Assoc Prof Maureen Tehan, Melbourne University
 - Colin Golvan SC, Victorian Bar
 - Jason Eades, CEO, Koori Heritage Trust
- 1.00pm-1.45pm *Lunch*
- 1.45pm-2.40pm **Indigenous Australia and Social Justice: Sports law and why it matters**
- Chair: Brian Bero, Solicitor, VGSO/Assoc to Osborn J*
- Paul Hayes, Victorian Bar
 - Barry Judd, Acting Director, CIE
- 2.40pm-3.00pm *Afternoon tea*
- 3.00pm-4.00pm **Issues facing Indigenous law students**
- Chair: Daniel Star, Victorian Bar*
- Jidah Clark, Melbourne University
 - Josh Creamer, Griffith University
 - Nadia Currie, Griffith University
 - Jamie-Lee McConnachie, Deakin University
 - Peta MacGillivray, UNSW
 - Josie Clements, Deakin University
 - Rebecca Cavanagh, Deakin University
 - Ian Taylor, Monash University
- 4.00pm-4.15pm **Closing remarks**
- Frank Guivarra, CEO, Vic Aboriginal Legal Service
- 4.15pm-4.30pm *AGM/Launch of National Indigenous Legal Association*
- 6.30pm *Inaugural Indigenous Legal Ball, Melbourne Town Hall*
- *Pre-dinner drinks start at 6.30pm*
 - *All guests to be seated by 7.00pm*

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 Saturday, 13 September
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