

CHANGE FEST

Latji Latji Country
Mildura,
VIC 24

Rivers of Change: *people, places and possibilities.*

Venue Walking Map



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8.00 - 9.15	Registration	Mildura Arts Centre (MAC)
9.30 - 10.30	Opening Ceremony Hosted by the local Aboriginal Community	Rio Vista Park
10.30 - 11.00	Morning Tea	MAC Lawn
11.00 - 12.30	Opening Session: Stan Grant <i>Working from the Inside Out</i>	MAC Theatre
12.30 - 14.00	Lunch and Networking Drumming Circle hosted by Sunraysia Arts and Learning	Powerhouse
14.00 - 15.30	Branching Out: Breakout Sessions + Site Visit	
	<i>Is evaluation of place-based change stuck? (Continued)</i> - Clear Horizon, Barkly Backbone Team, Hands Up Mallee, Connected Beginnings Mildura, CFI/Foundation Partner	MAC Theatre
	<i>How can we reshape our service systems to be in service to community?</i> - The Possibility Partnership, Centre for Policy Development, Mission Australia, The Christie Centre, Mallee Family Care	Powerhouse
	<i>Hearing from diverse voices</i> – two sessions: • <i>Co-designing with Multicultural Communities: Tools and Stories for Change</i> - Sunraysia Mallee Ethnic Communities Council, One Red Step and VCOSS • TBC	Mildura Tennis Club
	<i>Reimagining disaster response, recovery and resilience with a place-based lens</i> - The Australian Centre for Social Innovation (TACSI), Monaro Family Support, DisasterWise Communities, Hands Up Mallee	The Ballroom, Mildura Grand
	<i>Connecting to culture</i> – two sessions • <i>Culturally Safe Family Finding and Research: The VACCA Kinship Program</i> - VACCA • <i>Capability for Community Control</i> - Dharriwaa Elders	Mildura Rowing Club
	<i>HomeBase</i> – Mildura youth space (registration required)	Site Visit
15.30 - 16.00	Afternoon Tea	MAC Lawn
16.00 - 17.00	Closing Session: Reflecting and Sharing	MAC Lawn

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9.30 - 10.30	Starting the Day Together	MAC Theatre
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	<i>Collaborative leadership and governance</i> - Barkly Aboriginal Alliance, Hands Up Mallee, Tamarack Institute	MAC Theatre
	<i>Storytelling for Systems Change: Listening to Understand</i> - Dusseldorp Forum, Centre for Public Impact, Justice Reinvestment NSW	Powerhouse
	<i>Local Responses</i> • <i>Time, Trust and Tenacity: a roadmap to a thriving, community led, rural not-for profit sector</i> - Foundation for Rural & Regional Renewal • <i>Local Government: the forgotten tier</i> - Mildura Rural City Council	Mildura Tennis Club
	<i>The economy is broken, how can local economies build healthy & equitable communities?</i> - The Difference Incubator, Give Where You Live, Neighbourhood Economics	The Ballroom, Mildura Grand
	<i>Family and Child Hub - being led by community to deliver for families and children</i> (registration required)	Site Visit
12.30 - 14.00	Lunch and Networking SunRayseed Voices Choir	Powerhouse
14.00 - 15.30	Branching Out: Breakout Sessions	
	<i>Which way, same way or other way: working in deep collaboration</i> - Collaboration for Impact, Elders	MAC Theatre
	<i>Stories from the Mallee: participatory artmaking and place-based change</i> - Sunraysia Arts and Learning, Arts Mildura	Powerhouse
	<i>Shared decision making for community led change</i> - Far West Community Partnerships; Maranguka Community Hub, Red Cliffs Community, Mildura Rural City Council, Department of Social Services	Mildura Tennis Club
	<i>Small communities, big impact</i> - Our Town, Our Town (Berri and Kangaroo Island), Mission Australia and Meekatharra Community, Our Place (Robinvale)	The Ballroom, Mildura Grand
	<i>Accountability to young people, with young people</i> - Accountable Futures Collective, Mounty Yarns, Koorie Youth Council, Education Equity Alliance, Beyond the Bell	Mildura Rowing Club
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9.30 - 11.00	<p><i>Final Session – Equitable and Connected Communities: community-led systems change from the local to the national</i></p> <p>The Honourable Dr Jim Chalmers MP, Treasurer, will join a line-up of national and local speakers to close ChangeFest24. We will hear perspectives from across place-based ecosystems on our strengths, what’s needed next, how we enable more equitable and connected communities, and equip ourselves for the opportunities and challenges, now and into the future.</p>	MAC Theatre
11.00 - 11.30	Morning Tea	MAC Lawn
11.30 - 12.30	<p>Closing Ceremony Hosted by the local Aboriginal Community</p>	MAC Lawn
12.30 - 13.30	Lunch and Farewells	MAC Lawn

Other Events

Healing Space

The *Healing Space* is a culturally safe and welcoming place for people attending ChangeFest to take some time out, reflect, talk and connect. Aunty Clair Bates will be running a cultural weaving activity in this space that people can choose to participate in. Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people are welcome in the *Healing Space*, located in the marquees set up along the riverfront, opposite the Powerhouse venue.

Wednesday 20 March 12.30-4.00pm and Thursday 21 March 10.30am-3.30pm.

Mildura Corroboree

The Ngiwa Yarna Committee, in partnership with Mildura Rural City Council, is pleased to invite ChangeFest attendees to be part of the biannual *Mildura Corroboree* on Wednesday 20 March 2024 from 5.30pm at Rio Vista Park.

Corroboree is a celebration of the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. It will include dance competitions, local stalls and food.

Campfire – Rio Vista Park

As part of ChangeFest24 the local community is inviting you to be part of *Campfire* on Thursday 21 March 2024 from 6.00pm at Rio Vista Park.

Campfire storytelling is building a better connection within community, connection to Country through journeying across the landscape. It reflects the vibrant nature of our stories, traditional symbols for movement, including animal tracks and meeting places. They are stories of strength, skill and resilience that remind us of both how far we have come, and how far we have to go in creating a culturally safe community. Food and Drinks will be provided.

This is a limited capacity session and will require prior registration via the ChangeFest app.

Collective Movements: First Nations Collectives, Collaborations and Creative Practices from across Victoria

Collective Movements: First Nations Collectives, Collaborations and Creative Practices from across Victoria is a wide-ranging project focusing on the work of historic and contemporary First Nations creative practitioners and community groups from across Victoria that recognises collectivity as integral to Indigenous knowledges and ways of being. More info at milduraartscentre.com.au

ChangeFest24 attendees are welcome to join the exhibition celebration.

Friday 22 March from 5.30pm at Mildura Arts Centre

Free event, refreshments will be served.