

The background is a vibrant purple with intricate white and red line art. The lines are thick and hand-drawn, forming various loops and swirls. Small, scattered dots in shades of pink and red are interspersed throughout the design. The overall aesthetic is modern and artistic, with a focus on organic, flowing shapes.

Warra

Indigenous Languages Youth Forum

22nd and 23rd November 2022
Pullman Adelaide

Welcome

First Languages Australia is hosting Warra Indigenous Languages Youth Forum to bring tomorrow’s leaders together, to build networks, gain skills and inspire young people to take on vital community language roles. This forum is an opportunity to promote young people and the valuable work they are doing towards the revival of Australia’s first languages.

First Languages Australia

First Languages Australia is the national peak body working to ensure the strength of all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander languages. We support a network of language centres, community programs and industry partners covering the whole of Australia and all our efforts are designed to have both an immediate and longstanding impact on the future of our languages.

The organisation takes a leading role in targeting issues that impact our languages. It shares critical communications from language communities with government and key non-government agencies to bring about change. These changes impact the future strength of our languages — those spoken strongly today, the languages proudly being revived or those that haven’t been heard for many years.

Together with our network of language centres and programs, First Languages Australia is working towards a future where all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander language communities have full command of their languages and can use them as much as they desire.

Acknowledgement of Country

Kurna Language

Kurna miyurna yaitya yarta-mathanya Wama Tarntanyaku ngathu tampinhi.

Purkarna pukinangku, yalaka ngathu tampinhi.

Purrutyi Yaitya miyurna iya yalaka ngathu tampinhi.

English

I acknowledge the Kurna people are the traditional custodians of the Adelaide Plains and pay respects to Elders past and present.

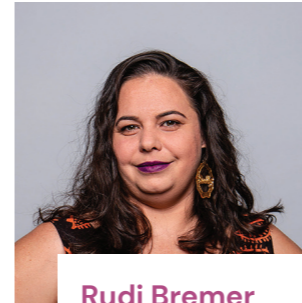
I recognise all Indigenous peoples here today.

Warra is a noun for ‘talk’ that also means language, speech, the act of talking, voice, throat and word in the Kurna language of the Adelaide Plains. The ‘rr’ in warra is a rolled r-sound. The ‘a’ sound in warra is pronounced as in Māori haka. The title Warra has been contributed by Kurna Warra Pintyanthi and is shared by related languages, including Nukunu and Narungga.



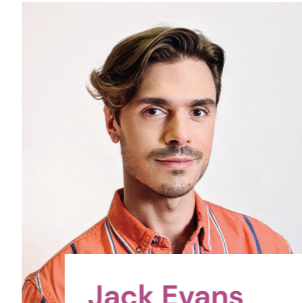
Kurna Language link

Masters of Ceremonies



Rudi Bremer

Rudi has been a radio broadcaster since 2012. Having honed her skills at community radio, Rudi joined the ABC initially as a master control technician before returning to her producer roots in 2017. As the presenter of ABC Radio National’s Away! and ABC Kids’ Listen’s Little Yarns, Rudi relishes the opportunity to share her love of performing arts, literature and Indigenous languages — like her own language, Gamilaraay.



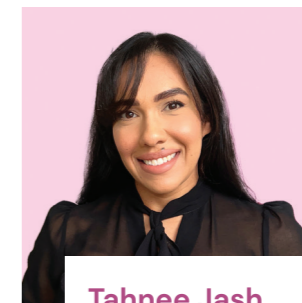
Jack Evans

Jack is a proud Gomerioi man who has been a part of the ABC since 2011 when he started out as a cadet. He has since been involved in many ABC projects, most notably in 2016 when he co-produced a digital radio station for NAIDOC week and in 2022 when he presented ‘Language and Me’, a collaboration between the ABC and First Languages Australia. Since 2017, Jack can be seen weekly as a Presenter/Reporter for the iconic kids’ news program ‘Behind The News’. Outside of his work with the ABC, Jack is one half of the award-winning stage show, ‘The Jack and Annie Show’.



Karla Ranby

Karla Ranby is a Gomerioi woman and descendant of the Benge, McGrady, Tighe and Griffen families from Moree. Karla programs and produces Triple J’s new First Nations show, Blak Out, and is the Diversity & Inclusion Lead for the music networks at the ABC. Prior to this, Karla worked as the host of Weekend Lunch and the Group Music Researcher/Producer at Triple J.



Tahnee Jash

Tahnee Jash is a proud Yuin/Kamilaroi woman who grew up across Tharawal and Dharug Country. She is currently a digital reporter with ABC Everyday. Prior to joining the team, Tahnee worked at ABC Science, Junkee and Ten News First.

Program

Tuesday 22nd November 2022

8:30 am	Registration		
9:00 am	Welcome to Country – Taylor Power Introductions & Overview		
9:20 am	First Languages Australia Beau Williams Who we are, what we do and why we are supporting young indigenous people in their efforts to revive and strengthen their languages.		
9:50 am	Introduction to Kurna language Host: Taylor Power, Kurna Warra Karrpanthi Learn Kurna greetings and phrases. This is an interactive presentation where you will learn some Kurna greetings and phrases. Taylor will share her Kurna language and talk to you about different resources she makes that is helping to strengthen her language.		
10:20	Launch Mangurr-jangu Mirlamirlajinjikki Teaching and learning with pictures		
10:30 am	Morning Tea		
Room	1	Ballroom	2
11:00 am	Engaging two-way learning Host: Abigail & Roxanne Carter Using engaging learning experiences like camps, excursions and performances to teach kids to listen and speak, read and write in their first language.	Indigenous Literacy Foundation Host: Emma Toomey, Ella Schofield & Jolene Brown A presentation about the Indigenous Literacy Foundation programs, working in remote Communities and the importance of recognising and preserving First Languages.	Language: the key to country, culture and identity Host: Edmond Doolan Join Edmond Doolan, a young Arrernte man from Alyneketharre (Sandy Bore), an outstation as he details why language is integral to his own understanding of his country, culture and identity, and describes practical initiatives to keep language alive and strong.
11:30 am	Learning Language Host: Trinity Clarke Self-sustained language learning, and how to stay motivated and use the most of your available resources.	What government funding support is available to do First Nations language activities in my community Host: Gary Hibberson The Indigenous Languages and Arts (ILA) program is a primary source of grant funding from the Australian Government to support Indigenous cultural expression through languages and arts activities. Questions to consider are: what is the funding for; how can I access it; what can I do with it; and what are the rules.	Teaching Arrernte in Primary Schools Host: Crystal-Rose Furber-Swan & Tanisha Davis The Arrernte Educator team will showcase their language and culture program, how they teach traditional stories and how they have worked with Elders to assist in teaching and ensure they are teaching accurately. They also use action language learning games and songs in which students learn a lot of language.

12:00 noon	Lunch		
12:45 pm	Language & Music Host: Karla Ranby Panel: Corey Theatre, Rob Edwards, Tilly Tjala Thomas, Rulla-Kelly Mansell & Zaachariaha Fielding While we are hearing more First Nations artists writing and performing music in their own languages, we still have a long way to go. How can we collectively work together to support the development and championing of artists who are making music in Indigenous languages?		
Room	1	Ballroom	2
1:30 pm	Dharawal Language Workshop Host: Bradley Hansen, Maali Lowe & Jamie-Lee Rooke A workshop on Dharawal Language which will consist of group games that we run as part of our Dharawal Language Program.	Noongar Kaadadjiny – Kalyakoorl – Noongar Learning – Always. Host: Dylan Collard Gain an insight into Primary School Teaching of Noongar Language. Dylan will share his journey to become a Noongar language teacher. Dylan will share some of the resources he has created and explain the process of creating sand using the resources and how he helps scaffold student learning.	Master-Apprentice Program (MAP) Host: Vanessa Farrelly, Shania Armstrong & Sashanna Armstrong The Master-Apprentice Program (MAP) is a world leading method of Indigenous language revival that was developed by Indigenous communities in California. The Pertame community will share their methods, learnings and success.
2:30 pm	Afternoon tea		
Room	1	Ballroom	2
2:50 pm	Using video to promote your language work Host: Kirstie Wellauer, Hugh Sando & Dan Conifer This workshop will teach participants how to use their smart phones to capture the great language work happening in your communities. Participants will record and share a vox pop video for the Gambay map during the workshop about their language or a place name.	Savvy on social media Host: Brooke Fryer, Jack Evans & Dylan Goolagong Find out the tips and tricks for getting likes, views, and comments on your YouTube, Facebook, Snapchat, Instagram and Tik Tok posts. You will also learn what kinds of stories work for what platform and learn how to create great images and slideshow for your posts.	Immersion Language Teaching Workshop Host: Ebony Joachim Strategies, techniques and activities to help keep language sessions in full language.
4:50 pm	Day 1 wrap up Host: MC		
6:30 pm	Dinner and Live entertainment		

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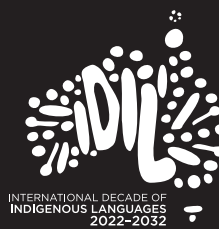
Wednesday 23rd November 2022

9:00 am	<p>How the ABC is bringing language into the national conversation Host: Ryan Parry, Rudi Bremer, Tahnee Jash, Dan Conifer & Karla Ranby Meet the ABC Indigenous presenters, journalists and professionals who are ensuring Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander languages, voices and names become an everyday part of the vocabulary of the nation.</p>		
9:30 am	<p>Language and Linguistics — training, study, and professional pathways Host: Robert McLellan, University of Queensland Getting skilled up in language work and linguistics is a bit of a challenge as there are many different kinds of language work, and no single, clear path to the skills people want. The speakers in this panel will share their experience and plans for training, study, independent and professional learning, on their journey in language work. They will get things started for a group yarn.</p>		
Room	1	Ballroom	2
10:00 am	<p>The Nyingarn Project — this echidna doesn't walk on its own Host: Allyra Murray & Thomas Watson The Nyingarn Project makes manuscript sources for Australian languages available as searchable and reusable text documents. Tom and Allyra will present their different but complementary Nyingarn experiences.</p>	<p>Living Languages Host: Ebony Joachim Who we are, who we work with, what we provide training in, and what will be available over the next two years. The session will include discussion of our community-based training, online training, Online Sharing Circle and Paper & Talk project.</p>	<p>Our journey to speaking Gumbaynggirr Host: Ricky Buchanan This presentation will take you through the journey to revive the Gumbaynggirr language: where we began, the obstacles we faced and the incredible achievements the Gumbaynggirr language community have realised. The presentation will include how we developed fluent speakers, establishing weekly Gumbaynggirr lessons, accredited Gumbaynggirr language courses, and language nests.</p>
10:30 am	Morning Tea		
Room	1	Ballroom	2
10:50 am	<p>The power of words Host: Tahnee Jash, Dan Conifer & Brooke Fryer Discover the writing secrets journalists use to captivate an audience. Learn writing tips and tricks plus simple tools to boost your skills and amplify the voices and important work happening in your community.</p>	<p>Learning Ngunawal: the traditional language of Canberra and surrounding regions Host: Melissa Bell & Rebecca King The Ngunawal people have been working hard to revitalise their language. Come along and learn some Ngunawal greetings and simple terms — there might even be a couple of language games too!</p>	<p>Podcasting Host: Rudi Bremer, Karla Ranby, Kirstie Wellauer & Rulla Kelly-Mansell Explore the power of audio as a storytelling tool. Participants will record a radio ident during the workshop.</p>

12:00 noon	<p>Accessing Language at AIATSIS Host: Kaitlyn Lodewikus AIATSIS has a collection of more than 1 million items. Many records at AIATSIS are the only archival sources relating to sleeping languages. This presentation will cover Language items in the AIATSIS collection and how to access them, including an overview of AustLang and AustLang codes.</p>	<p>Willguba, Ngajaguba yawutung Gathang Host: Will Simon & Ngaja Perry-Tighe Our language journeys: from growing up on Worimi country, to completing the Certificate 3 in Gathang (2020), to where we are now. We will discuss our experiences so far as young Worimi language workers, and our hopes for the future of Gathang through education and community, as well as some of the challenges we've faced along the way.</p>	<p>Reviving the Ngunawal Language during COVID-19 Host: Melissa Bell & Rebecca King Due to past practices, there are no longer any fluent Ngunawal speakers or anyone who learns Ngunawal as their first language. In this presentation we discuss how we were able to evolve and adapt to continue our important work in Ngunawal language revitalisation during the unprecedented COVID-19 pandemic.</p>
12:30 pm	Lunch		
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1:30 pm	<p>Central Queensland Language Centre Host: Chenica Saltner, Delysha Tanner & Tanja Pompey The young language workers at CQLC will share aspects of the work they undertake in their roles at the language centre and the amazing opportunities to embed language in local and state enterprises.</p>	<p>Mobile Language Team supporting South Australian Aboriginal Languages Host: Karina Lester, MLT trainees Jessica Hughes, Brooke Rigney, Larissa Hughes The Mobile Language Team has been supporting South Australian Aboriginal Languages for over 10 years. Today the MLT will share stories of our Language activities across South Australia.</p>	<p>Gunggay Bama Bandu Nyang-gadjing Host: Nathan Schrieber, Candice Sexton and Hamish Yeatman Working in partnership with our Rangers to develop free resources to share within our community, to talk about Ngandji Djabu (Our Country). We want to share our idea of utilising technology to spread the use of Gunggay Language in our Community.</p>
2:00 pm	<p>Language in Parkes schools Host: Kyah Turnbull & Iesha Charlton This presentation is about the language and culture in our Parkes schools. It explains our roles, what we have done and continue to do, and where we work.</p>	<p>Working in partnership to deliver Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander languages policy reform Host: Sheridan Williams The Indigenous Languages Policy Taskforce leads the Australian Government's policy work for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander languages. The Taskforce is committed to working in partnership to support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander languages, and to bring Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander voices into Government languages policy development.</p>	<p>Language Work is crucial in First Nations Media Host: Dennis Jupurrula Charles & Steve Hodder Watt First Nations languages are crucial in all facets of media engagement, community broadcasting and archival work within Aboriginal communities.</p>
2:30 pm	<p>Wrap up Workshop — what was great and what to do next to keep momentum.</p>		
3:00 pm	Afternoon tea and goodbye		

International Decade of Indigenous Languages

The United Nations General Assembly (Resolution A/RES/74/135) proclaimed the period between 2022 and 2032 as the International Decade of Indigenous Languages (IDIL 2022–2032) to draw global attention to the critical situation of many indigenous languages and to mobilise stakeholders and resources for their preservation, revitalization and promotion.



First Languages Australia is one of the three Pacific representatives on the Global Task Force for Making a Decade of Action for Indigenous Languages. The Task Force worked to develop the Global Action Plan of the International Decade of Indigenous Languages which aims to ensure international cooperation among stakeholders. It provides a strategic framework, outlines major actions and guidelines on implementation, monitoring and evaluation of activities for UN entities, national governments, indigenous peoples' organisations, civil society, academia, the private sector and other actors.

In Australia, we continue to work towards national policy and legislation for our languages. We are in partnership with the Australian Government and national Indigenous language experts to set the agenda for the International Decade through the establishment of the International Decade of Indigenous Languages Directions Group.

