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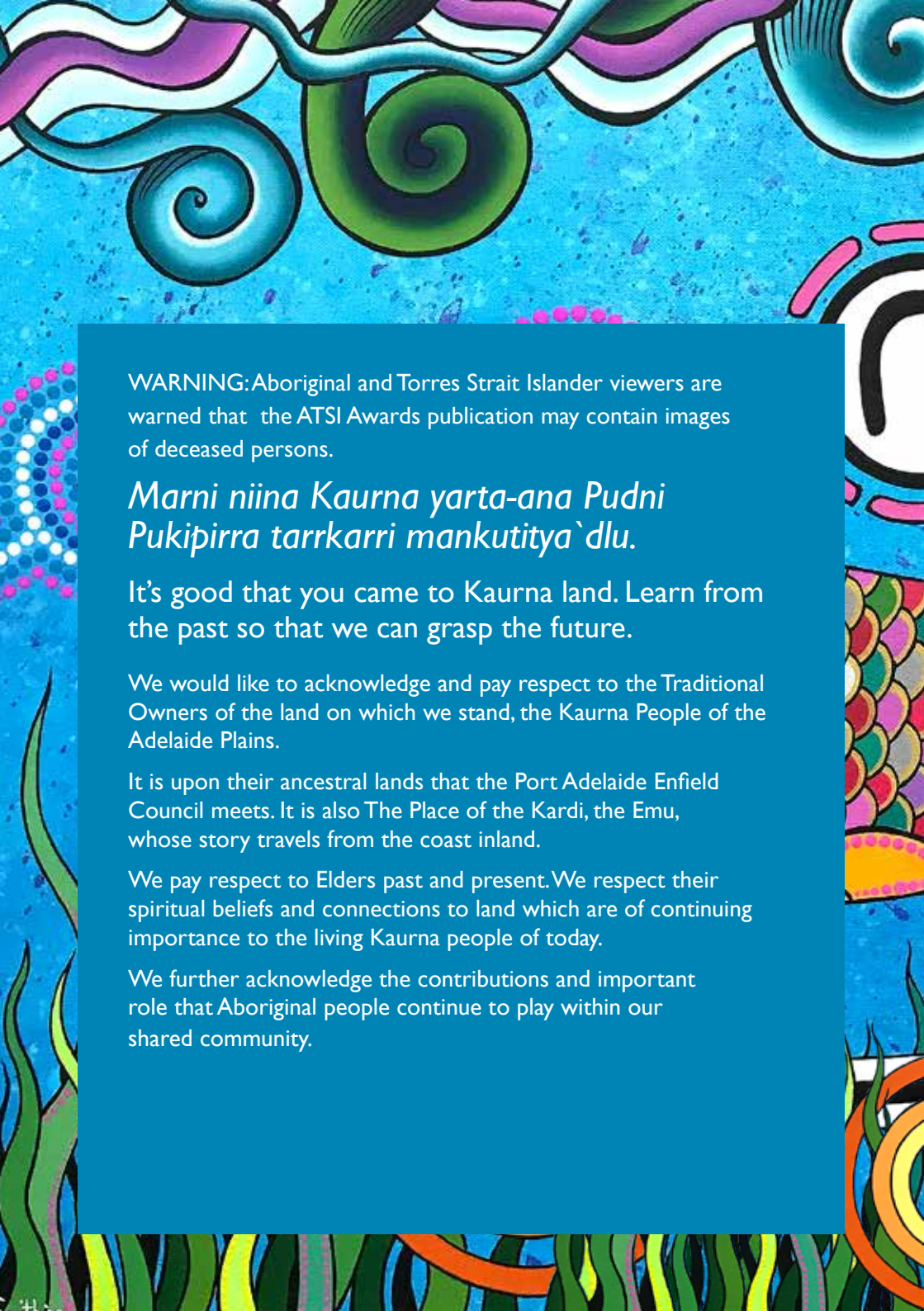
CITY OF
Port Adelaide Enfield

Awards

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*Marni niina Kurna yarta-ana Pudni
Pukipirra tarrkarri mankutitya`dlu.*

It's good that you came to Kurna land. Learn from the past so that we can grasp the future.

We would like to acknowledge and pay respect to the Traditional Owners of the land on which we stand, the Kurna People of the Adelaide Plains.

It is upon their ancestral lands that the Port Adelaide Enfield Council meets. It is also The Place of the Kardi, the Emu, whose story travels from the coast inland.

We pay respect to Elders past and present. We respect their spiritual beliefs and connections to land which are of continuing importance to the living Kurna people of today.

We further acknowledge the contributions and important role that Aboriginal people continue to play within our shared community.

Mayors Message



The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Awards are always important and present the opportunity to acknowledge and reflect on the achievements of the local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who are an integral part of the fabric of our community.

The City of PAE and the Aboriginal Advisory Panel are once again, proud presenters of these awards, and the Awards Presentation Night is always a very special evening.

We rely on our Aboriginal Advisory Panel and PAE to recognise the great contribution our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander residents, visitors, students and workers alike make to all of our lives every day. These people are the silent achievers who contribute in a quiet and consistent manner. They are not usually high-profile figures, however the importance and impact that their behaviour has on the lives of individuals and groups within the community cannot be over-emphasised.

These role models demonstrate a true sense of pride and respect for traditional cultural values, and represent strong and positive role models for others. Furthermore, they have a true sense of vision and reconciliation where their pride and respect in culture can be reflected across the whole of community, both Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal.

I congratulate each and every person and group who has been nominated, and thank you for being heroes in our community. I also thank those who have taken the time out to nominate, and those who support those who have been nominated. This includes families, friends, teachers, employers, fellow workers, carers and so many more.

As the Mayor of the City of PAE, I am honoured to acknowledge you all, and thank you for your contribution to the goodwill and recognition that these Awards bring. I wish you all the very best for the future.

Mayor Claire Boan



ATSI Awards Background

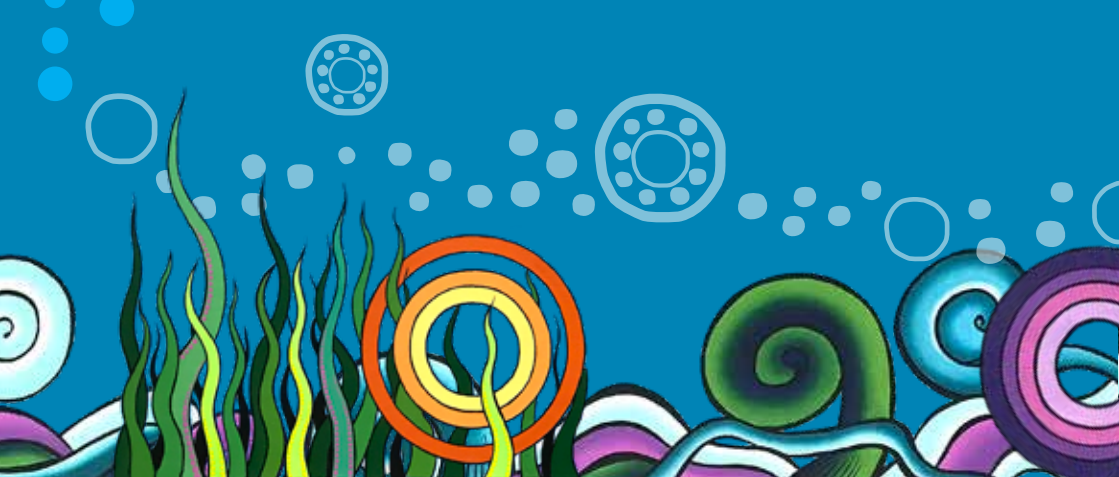
In 1998, members of the Aboriginal Advisory Board, the late Aunty Josie Agius, Aunty Pat Waria-Read and Susan Dixon, approached the City of Port Adelaide Enfield to highlight and promote the great contribution and outstanding achievements by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people within PAE.

A sub-committee was formed by Aunty Josie, Aunty Pat and Susan with support of the previous Mayor, Johanna McCluskey, and Cr Carol Martin, in consultation with the Aboriginal Advisory Panel.

A proposal was then put forward for an annual Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Awards night, which was endorsed by the City of PAE Elected Members.

In 1999, the first Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Awards were held at the Parks Community Centre.

This annual awards night is now a highly anticipated event that is celebrated by both the Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal community as we walk together as one, in the spirit of goodwill and reconciliation.







ATSI Awards Night Program

Performance - Tony Minniecon and
3rd Degree

Awards Opening - MC Jack Buckskin

Welcome to Country - Jack Buckskin

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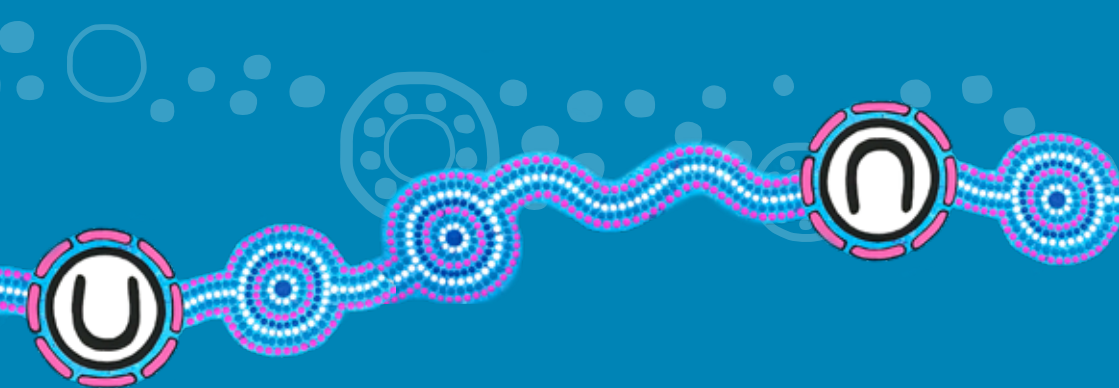
City of PAE Mayor Claire Boan speech

Award Presentation

- Elder of the Year
- Educational Achievement
- Lifetime Achievement
- Person of the Year

Performance - Tony Minniecon and
3rd Degree





Award Presentation

- Recognition of an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person, group or organisation for its contribution to the ATSI community
- Recognition of a non-Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person, group or organisation for their contribution to the ATSI community
- Contribution to the Arts

10 minute break

Award Presentation

- Aunty Josie Youth Achievement Award
- Sports Person of the Year

Performance - Tony Minniecon and 3rd Degree

Raffle

Close



Elder of the Year

Major “Moogy” Sumner



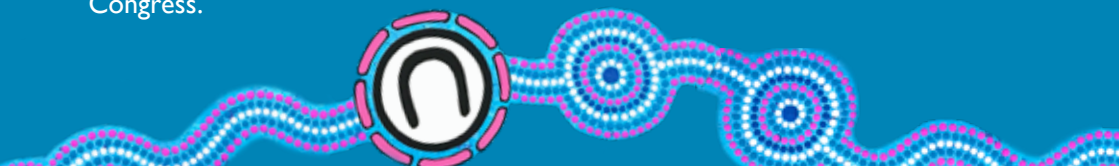
Major Sumner (Uncle Moogy) is a world-renowned performer and cultural ambassador of Ngarrindjeri arts, crafts, martial arts and traditional culture. He is a highly respected Elder and has been working to develop local, national and international communities for over 30 years. He has received a number of awards in recognition of all that he has done for his community. He is a member of the World Council of Elders and a member of the South Australian Aboriginal Advisory Council.

Uncle Moogy has gained considerable recognition and media attention for his efforts in the repatriation of Aboriginal remains to Australia from overseas institutions and is a member of the World Archaeological Congress.

Through the Ringbalin and Dupang Festivals Uncle Moogy brings awareness of the destruction of our rivers, and dances for the rain. He shares his experiences with Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people to encourage them to help care for our waterways.

Uncle Moogy is a local ambassador for Aboriginal people and culture within the City of Port Adelaide Enfield and the broader western Adelaide suburbs. He is widely known for his Aboriginal dance performances with Tal-kin-jeri Dance group, which he founded in 1994.

He is an international, national and local icon.



Educational Achievement

Tauondi Aboriginal College

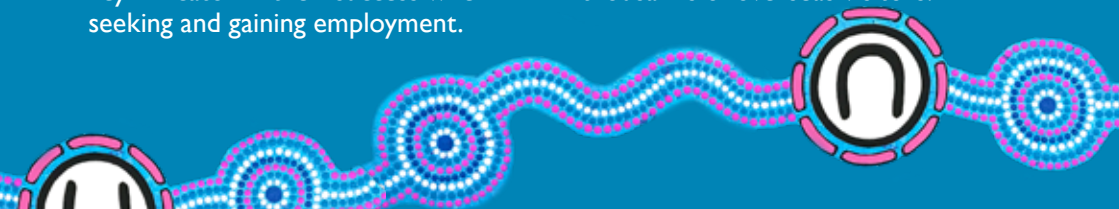


Tauondi College is an Aboriginal community organisation that leads the way in delivering training, health and wellbeing programs, cultural services and employment services. It is recognized not only for education but also for community development and social action.

Tauondi hosts numerous important community events, including Reconciliation in the West, NAIDOC, Health and Disability Days, Taste of Tauondi and more. The College is driven to provide a centre of excellence with high standards of education and training, also fostering personal development and confidence building in students that has been a key indicator in their success when seeking and gaining employment.

Tauondi staff are committed to voluntary work, spending hours of time and their own resources to donate toys and gifts for children and their mothers who are experiencing, or have left domestic violence situations, even supplying an Aboriginal Santa to distribute the gifts!

A further significant outcome for Tauondi is the hosting of the next World Indigenous Peoples Conference, which is expected to attract some 5,000 participants from all over the globe. This significant outcome will not only bring international participants to Adelaide, but will provide the opportunity to showcase the City of PAE region to thousands of overseas visitors.



Lifetime Achievement Award

Patricia (Pat) Waria-Read



Aunty Pat Waria-Read is a proud Nhadjuri woman, a living icon of the Port Adelaide Enfield Council area and beyond.

She is a well-known, hardworking, passionate activist for her people and the community that she loves. She is a true testament as a woman who “walks the talk”.

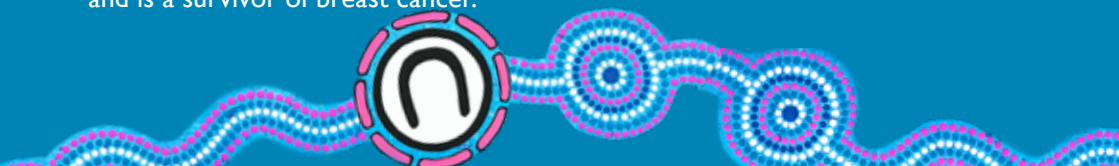
She has been, and continues to be active on numerous boards, groups and committees. She has been both chairperson and board member of many Aboriginal Community Controlled organisations and is a firm believer in governance and self-determination.

An inspirational role model, Aunty Pat has faced challenging health issues, and is a survivor of breast cancer.

She has been a catalyst for the rights of Aboriginal women at a community, state and national level, ensuring their voices are heard, acknowledged and respected. She has contributed her cultural knowledge and insight to many publications, video vignettes, research documents and a Ngadjuri picture dictionary.

She is featured on the City of PAE website, telling her stories. She is passionate about keeping local stories alive so that they can be handed down to the next generation.

Her stories and voice are featured on the City of PAE’s website and many of the walking trails around the Port districts (Yertabulti).



Lifetime Achievement Award

Diana Grose



Aunty Diana Grose has a lifetime of achievement and participation in the Aboriginal community in both a work and personal capacity. She is one of three women who founded the Grannies Group in 1999 as a grass-roots forum of Aboriginal women to discuss Women Exiting Prison – Their Children and Carers Issues.

The group is an open forum committed to meeting on a regular basis as a peer support network of Aboriginal grandparents who advocate on issues affecting their children, grandchildren and community. Since the inaugural meeting more than 20 years ago she has been the facilitator of the Grannies Group, maintaining the agenda and tabling documents and

coordinating and facilitating guest speakers at the regular fortnightly meetings.

Aunty Diana is a community advocate, friend and Elder who is well known to the Aboriginal community and staff from government and non-government organisations. She has been an icon within the Aboriginal Kinship Program for over a decade and has served on many committees.

Aunty Diana has played an integral part as an Aboriginal Elder, working alongside many other Elders and has generously passed on her wealth of cultural knowledge, skills and experience to the younger generations.



Person of the Year

Kylie Wanganeen



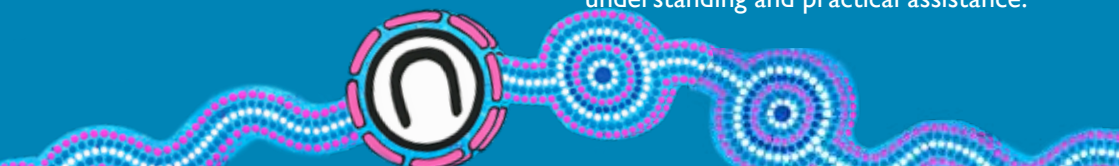
Of Kurna, Narungga and Ngarrindjeri heritage, Kylie is a true Port Adelaide local whose work extends beyond the City of PAE boundaries. She is well known and highly respected for her compassion, cultural knowledge and willingness to offer practical support and promote cultural pride and understanding. Her professional role at St John's Youth Services (SJYS) at Foyer in Port Adelaide has seen her assist hundreds of young people to overcome homelessness. Her participation on the SJYS Reconciliation Action Plan Committee and her advocacy within SJYS has significantly contributed to a range of achievements and structural changes within the organisation.

She has helped ensure that SJYS has grown into a welcoming and culturally safe service for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander youth.

Kylie is a member of a range of groups and committees and in 2019 she presented at the National Change Fest conference in Sydney, speaking passionately about youth justice issues in South Australia.

Kylie completed the Gladys Elphick Sisterhood Leadership and Personal Development program and was a finalist in the 2019 Shirley Peisley Awards.

Kylie is an inspirational role model, and is well known for her willingness to engage with people right across the community, providing support, understanding and practical assistance.



Person of the Year

Rosney Snell



Rosney is an Aboriginal woman born in Dubbo and raised in South Australia. She has a wide range of qualifications and is an experienced CEO. She took up the position of Chairperson of the Aboriginal Sobriety Group (ASG) in October 2019 and has dealt with many challenges in this role. These include dealing with community outcomes from the South Australian bush fires, with ASG providing many social supports to those needing assistance. She has steered the organisation through the challenges brought by Covid-19, ensuring that essential services have been maintained. Upon the resignation of the CEO in April 2020 Rosney temporarily stood down as chairperson to provide voluntary corporate support, ensuring that

services were maintained through this transition period. Rosney is also Vice Chairperson of the Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement.

As CEO of Nunga Mi:Minar from 2004 -2018, Rosney's success in this role saw her achieve a range of positive outcomes for the organisation and she received a number of awards in recognition of her work.

Rosney is a strong and respectful leader who has placed herself in a position to sit among decision-makers to address and respond to the generational and social issues that continue to affect Aboriginal communities.



Recognition of an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person, group or organisation for its contribution to the community

Tiraapendi Wodli Aboriginal Community Advocates



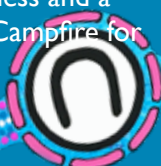
Tiraapendi Wodli Aboriginal Community Advocates is a group of community members who live in the Port Adelaide and western metropolitan area and work closely with the Tiraapendi Wodli Justice Reinvestment leadership group to improve the health, safety and wellbeing of local Aboriginal families and their children. Their values and principles of practice are founded on leading by example.

Since 2019, a small group of women have been meeting on a weekly basis to co-design Justice Reinvestment activities and services for Aboriginal families. Programs include art and yarning, personal development and healing, health and fitness and a monthly Around the Campfire for

Aboriginal women, where more than 20 women come together to share cultural yarning across the generations and teaching young women to make damper and Kangaroo tail stew.

Group members have a shared passion to improve themselves to be role models for others and a cultural and personal drive to see more Aboriginal families thriving.

They have a combined wealth of community and cultural experience and feel motivated through their desire to give back and share their learnings and life experiences while building culturally safe environments for families who are seeking assistance and support.



Recognition of a non-Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person,
group or organisation for its contribution to the community

Labhaoise Upton



Labhaoise has worked with the Kurna community for many years, working with at-risk Aboriginal primary school children, assisting them to connect to their community and culture to help them stay on the right track. She ensures that students can access their language and culture, and works to get the Kurna language taught in primary schools.

She teaches the Kurna language at two primary schools, with the permission and support of the Kurna community. She also ensures that community members teach and run cultural sessions with students, and that they are reimbursed for their work.

She is also writing other important material with the Kurna Warra Karrpanthi committee, which is sensitive and confidential work that will be very important for the Kurna language movement.

Labhaoise has had a significant impact on the youth in the community, with past students often returning to say hello to her.

She is a hardworking, supportive person who seeks the necessary permissions for everything she does and ensures her work is culturally appropriate. She assists other non-Aboriginal people working in schools, providing them with appropriate resources and is an inspiration to others.



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Junction Community Centre



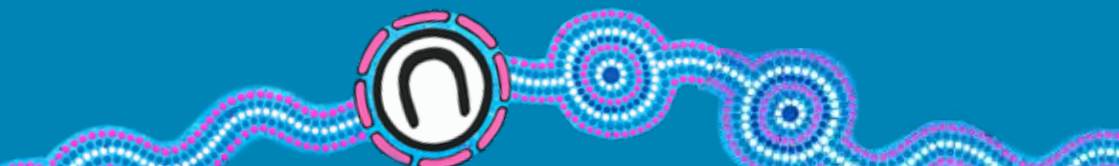
The Junction Community Centre (JCC) aims to create a welcoming, responsive, inclusive and supportive environment, working with the Aboriginal community to help it meet the needs of individuals, families and community groups in the local area. It offers educational, recreational and social activities in addition to a variety of community events to reach as many members of the community as possible.

As a result of a willingness to learn and a persistent approach, JCC has built a strong rapport with the local Aboriginal community, and has supported and conducted a number of events to create greater awareness of Aboriginal history, culture and the current position of Aboriginal

people in Australia; JCC is proud of the marked increase in knowledge and confidence within the organisation.

JCC actively engages with Aboriginal people to stay in touch with their needs and concerns, and seeks ways to support them. Its team provide a venue where Aboriginal community members feel at home, where their culture is respected and their voices heard.

JCC holds a number of events to increase understanding and relationships between the Aboriginal and wider community and is open to ongoing learning, actively engaging with Aboriginal community members and listening to what they are saying.



Recognition of a non-Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person,
group or organisation for its contribution to the community

Warren Guppy



Warren has lived in the City of PAE for 25 years. After gaining his degree almost 30 years ago, he has worked for the Aboriginal community starting as the Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement's Manager, Information and Monitoring Unit.

He was concurrently Executive Officer of the state and national Aboriginal Justice Advocacy Committees, working with Tauto Sansbury on the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody. He was Tauto's right hand 24/7, supporting him through the investigation of 18 deaths in custody. Warren never flinched from supporting Tauto through this harrowing work.

After nine years Warren became Adelaide City Council's Reconciliation Officer, building strong links with the Kaurna community.

He mediated many positive outcomes, including negotiating a successful outcome following the unearthing of Aboriginal remains within the Adelaide City Council area.

Nine years later Warren moved to Aboriginal Family Support Services as Senior Manager, Regional Services, and currently is Senior Manager Metropolitan Services, working to reduce the number of Aboriginal children and young people in the child protection system.

Warren is a quiet achiever and inspirational role model for non-Aboriginal people working for the community. He is widely known, loved and respected for his dedication and commitment to effect positive change for Aboriginal people.

Contribution to the Arts

Tony Wilson



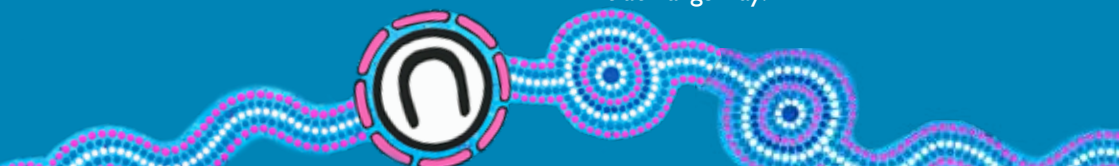
Tony is a Kurna, Narungga, Ngarrindjeri man who lives in the City of Port Adelaide Enfield. He works with children and young people at Woodville Gardens and Alberton Primary Schools, providing support and mentoring through his Calm and Deadly program that helps them to explore their emotions, stay calm and regulate and use art to express themselves. He also works with groups of students and inspires them to learn about Aboriginal culture, sharing what he has learned on his own journey, and he shares his personal experiences through his artworks.

In 2019 Tony supported 17 students aged from 4 to 13 years from Woodville Gardens School to

co-create a Welcome to Kurna Country mural for the children's centre entrance. There have been many positive comments about the mural. This project was supported by a grant from City of Port Adelaide Enfield.

Tony supported older students to create individual paintings for exhibition at the Kurna Living Arts Centre and for the 2019 Our Mob exhibition at the Festival Theatre.

He also contributes to the local art scene in Port Adelaide and has held numerous exhibitions. He undertook a special commission for City of Port Adelaide Enfield for an artwork to recognise the traditional use of the land on the Peninsula near the Snake Pit at Largs Bay.



Contribution to the Arts

Elizabeth Close

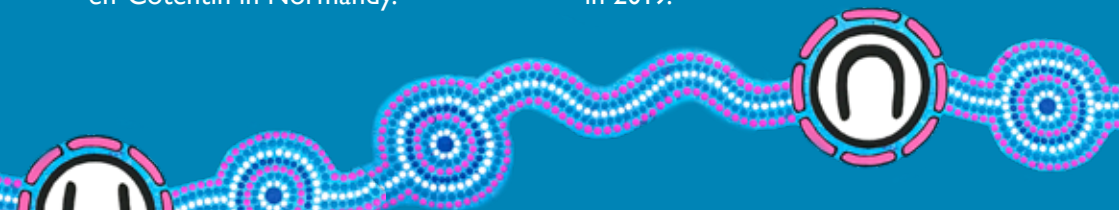


Elizabeth is widely recognised for her visually engaging, strongly personal public artworks which contribute to increased community engagement with her culture, its visual imagery and stories. She is committed to her art, her culture and her community and brings life and creativity to the urban landscape by sharing her art with the world.

Elizabeth's works have seen her go from Wonderwalls participant to international representative for the City of Port Adelaide Enfield in Cherbourg, France, when in May 2019 the City of Port Adelaide Enfield sent her as a cultural delegate of the Council to our sister city, Cherbourg-en-Cotentin in Normandy.

Working in partnership with Jimmy C she completed The Ripples, a large scale mural in the heart of Cherbourg.

Elizabeth's work is seen in a number of locations across the City of Port Adelaide Enfield. She has two works in Port Adelaide, one created for the 2017 Wonderwalls Festival and the other commissioned for Tarnanthi in the Port 2017. Her commissioned work Into the Lights (a collaborative work with Thomas Readett) on the City's flagship community facility – The Lights Community and Sports Centre – supports its intent to be a community and cultural hub for the region. This iconic work was created in 2019.



Aunty Josie Youth Achievement Award

Temaana Sanderson-Bromely



Temaana Sanderson-Bromley is of Adnyamathanha, Narungga and Yarluyandi heritage. He is 16 years old and is a student, athlete, coach, artist, volunteer, and dedicated community member.

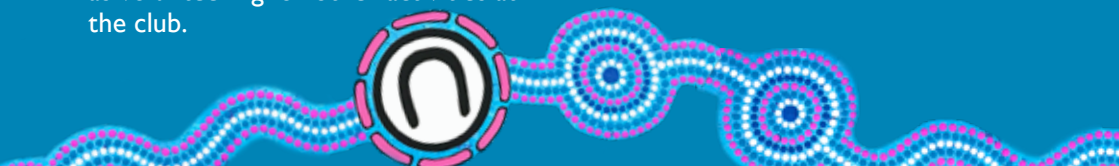
He is a member of Port Adelaide Athletics Club, a Club Champion, three-times South Australian State Champion, a coach and volunteer. Temaana has competed in Australian Championships and attended a National Training camp at Melbourne University. He also plays basketball for West Adelaide Bearcats.

Temaana coaches the Aboriginal Athletics Squad at Port Adelaide and regularly volunteers his time to assist and coach at Little Athletics, as well as volunteering for other activities at the club.

He has received school awards for his high academic achievement and leadership and is in the Adelaide University Karnkanthi Education Program.

Temaana has run art workshops with SAASTA students and interactive silk painting during the 2020 Adelaide Fringe. He also painted a mural at the Port Adelaide Athletics Club and as a member of Malka Wiriwiri Arts Collective and participated in five art exhibitions.

Temaana is regularly involved in Aboriginal community events and has taken part in the Port Adelaide Deadly Fun Run and several of the Semaphore Deadly Fun Runs.



Aunty Josie Youth Achievement Award

Amy Weber



Amy is a 24-year-old Narungga/Nukunu woman who has worked at Kalaya Children's Centre for the past six years as an Early Childhood Educator. She is a valued team member who supports other staff and willingly shares her culture.

Amy works with the Speech Pathologist in running small group sessions that build on the speech and language of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children. She has developed strong relationships with the children and their families. Her patience, understanding and love for the children shine through.

Amy goes above and beyond her duties and has undertaken additional activities to connect with Kalaya and the broader Aboriginal community in her free time.

She recently joined the Kalaya Reconciliation Action Plan Working Group.

As well as excelling at work, Amy is a loving sister and daughter. She demonstrated great resilience and determination as she navigated the health care system and took on a carer's role for her sick father and battled with her own health issues, while continuing to work at Kalaya full-time.

Amy plans to continue her career in working with children and community and is an amazing role model for other young people wanting to enter the Early Childhood field.



Sports Person of the Year

Zac Scott



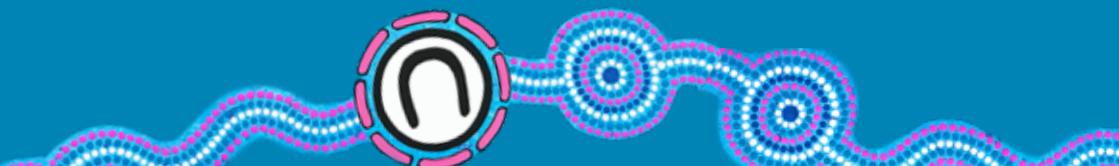
Zac Scott is a dedicated and high performing athlete who has achieved great things in athletics and basketball. He is a member of Port Adelaide Athletics Club and competes in multiple events including hurdles, high jump and long jump. He is the current South Australian State Champion in 110m hurdles, 400m hurdles and high jump. Zac also holds the State record for Under 18's 110 metre hurdles.

He has won numerous gold medals at a State level and has competed nationally on many occasions. He participated in Raise the Bar Athletics Australia Academy, Melbourne University, in January 2020.

Zac is a member of Port Adelaide's Aboriginal Athletics Squad and is a great role model to younger athletes. He also coaches the Aboriginal squad one day a week, and coaches Port Adelaide Little Athletics program on Friday nights.

Zac plays basketball for West Adelaide Bearcats based in Port Adelaide and is a member of their Division 1 Under 23s.

As a sportsperson Zac has also competed in Surf Lifesaving and achieved his Bronze Medallion qualification, and in his final year at school in 2019 he was awarded the 2019 Senior Male Athlete of the Year.



Reconciliation Statement

*Niina Marni, Puki Puki tampi`dlu nartangka wapi`dlu marnintyaria tarrkarri tai`dlu.
Welcome. Let us recognise the past, act in the present and build a better future.
The City of Port Adelaide Enfield is located on the lands of the Kurna People.*

The City of Port Adelaide Enfield recognises Aboriginal people as the first Australians, with a unique culture and spiritual relationship to the land and sea that they have strived to retain through the period of non-indigenous settlement. Council is strongly committed to work with and support the cultural, spiritual, health, emotional and economic wellbeing of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island people in this region.

In consultation and collaboration with the local Aboriginal community Council will:

- Be a region which exemplifies pride in and support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture including language, arts, story telling, song and dance;
- Build on a partnership between the City of Port Adelaide Enfield and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community which is respectful and collaborative;
- Advocate for the allocation of resources and services based on a sound understanding of the demographic profile, the strengths and needs of the Port Adelaide Enfield Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community;
- Facilitate opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to benefit from economic growth within the region by supporting employment, education and training initiatives;
- Promote a community that is racism free, safe, welcoming and inclusive for all;
- Collaborate with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisations and agencies, and the wider community to implement measures to “Close the Gap” in relation to disadvantage within the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community.



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