



WD2026

Schedule of the 'Baggarrook Biik First Nations Gathering Hub'

Tuesday 28 April

1:30 - 2:30 PM

Djirri Djirri Dance Workshop

Djirri Djirri will share and teach two of their Creation dances with participants, who can join in the following day for a performance!

1:00 - 3:00 PM

Gammin Threads Tote Bag Making Workshop

Gammin Threads is a Narrm-based label celebrating culture through language, humour, and storytelling. Join their popular custom tote bag workshop, offered free to conference delegates. Choose from a curated range of transfer designs with a focus on women and First Nations themes, to create your own unique piece to take home as a keepsake from WD2026. Proudly supported by Djirra, an Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisation specialising in family violence prevention and legal services.





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2:30 PM

Spot Talk - Reclaiming Yourself after Abuse

The Skillfull Mumma – Brittni Akom: A proud Khoisan woman living on Boonwurrung Country. Brittni is a domestic violence advocate, who walks beside First Nations women as they heal, rebuild, and reclaim their power.





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Mau rākau – meaning "to bear a weapon", is a martial art based on traditional Māori weapons.

Te Ara Hononga will showcase their womens weaponry skills, the use of traditional Māori weaponry declined after Europeans arrived in New Zealand. Since the 1980s, as part of the Māori cultural renaissance, there has been renewed interest in traditional weapons – although a narrower range than were once in use.

Thursday 30th April

11 AM- 12 PM

Djirri Djirri will screen their Women's Ceremony short film 'Murrum Turruk-urruk' their Coming of Age and Welcome Baby To Country Ceremony.

Mandy Nicholson will talk about the revitalisation of this ancient ceremony.





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12:30 PM

Ngā Mātai Pūrua Women's Group

Maori Kapa Haka and Interactive Session.

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DAILY ACTIVATIONS:

- Spot Talks each day
- Performance Activations
- Healing
- Weaving
- Screenings
- Wurundjeri Culture

