

BALLARDONG FIRST

Free drop-in workshops!

**SATURDAY 27TH JANUARY
& SUNDAY 28TH JANUARY**

VENUE:

RCS ENVIRONMENTAL CENTRE
CLIFFORD STREET, YORK WA

TIME:

10 AM UNTIL 3 PM

COMMUNITY ARTWORK

Guided by professional artist, Michelle Wilura Kickett contribute to our community artwork based on the Survival Day theme REFLECT, RESPECT, CELEBRATE.

TOOLMAKING WORKSHOP

Local Noongar Elder Uncle Cleve and Digeridoo player Darryl will assist you to craft hunting tools such as dowaks (clubs), clapping sticks, digeridoo, digging sticks and walking sticks.

JEWELLERY CRAFTING

Local Aboriginal jewellery crafter Aunty Marje will demonstrate and assist you to craft your own traditional bracelet or necklace to take away.

MESSAGE STONE PAINTING

Paint your own message stone using traditional Aboriginal symbols based on this year's theme facilitated by renowned Noongar painter Dennis 'Noongali' Kickett and his grandson River.

FREE CHILDRENS ART

Ballardong Elder Aunty Julie (Holland) will facilitate school-age children to work on an individual piece of art on a wooden boomerang that will reflect this year's Australia/ Survival Day theme.

ALL WORKSHOPS ARE FREE - JUST DROP IN!

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ABORIGINAL CORPORATION**

PRESENTS:

FREE EVENT

**BALLARDONG
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*A 3-day program incorporating
culture, arts, food,
music & storytelling*

**FRIDAY 26TH UNTIL
SUNDAY 28TH JANUARY 2024**

For more information:

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Artwork - Kambarang by Michelle Wilura Kickett

BALLARDONG FIRST

Avon Park Bushtucker Picnic! FRIDAY 26 JANUARY

VENUE:

AVON PARK, LOWE STREET, YORK WA
FROM 6PM - 8PM

WELCOME TO COUNTRY

'Welcome to Country' performed by Ballardong Elder Dennis 'Noongali' Kickett.

FREE BUSHTUCKER BBQ

Bring the family, bring your friends, bring a picnic and a blanket to our Sundowner BBQ and enjoy a taste of the FREE bushtucker delicacies.

ABORIGINAL DANCE TROUPE AND DGERIDOO PERFORMANCE

Enjoy the Aboriginal dancers and hypnotic sounds of the orchestra of digeridoo.

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LAUNCH - RAP REFLECT

The Shire of York launches its first Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP)



Australia Day

Reflect. Respect. Celebrate.

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Free storytelling sessions

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FRIDAY 26 JANUARY

YARNING WITH MARION - 4PM

Come with Dr Marion Kickett, a Ballardong - Whadjuk woman of the Noongar Nation as she takes you on a journey back in time on the York Reserve commencing with her own story, then her parents and finally her grandparents.

1960 to 1973 - How do you come from not being a citizen of Australia to a Professor at the largest University in WA?

SATURDAY 27 JANUARY

OLD NANNA QUOKKA - 10.30AM

Yamatji-Noongar Elder Aunty Rhonda Collard-Spratt shares the healing wisdom of her ancestors, and the importance of caring for Country. Children will enjoy this session!

YARNING WITH MARION - 12.30PM

1925 to 1973 - How do you raise 9 children living under the 1905 Act and the constant threat of your children being removed to a mission?

SUNDAY 28 JANUARY

ALICE'S DAUGHTER - 10.30AM

Written in Rhonda's distinctive voice, *Alice's Daughter* is fearless, compelling and intimate reading. Coupled with her vibrant and powerful paintings and poetry, Rhonda's is a journey of sadness, humour, resilience, and ultimately survival.

YARNING WITH MARION - 12.30PM

1925 to 1971 - How do you live your whole life never being a citizen of your country?