

**PROGRAM SCHEDULE**



DIGITAL PROGRAM

**CANBERRA**  
21 - 23  
**NOV**  
2023



**STAN GRANT**  
Keynote Speaker and  
Face of CONVERGE 2023

**MONDAY**  
20<sup>TH</sup> NOV

**LOCATION**  
OLD PARLIAMENT HOUSE - CANBERRA

START TIME	PRE-CONFERENCE MEET & GREET
5:00 PM	Welcome by First Nations Media Australia (FNMA) Co-Chairs, Naomi Moran & Dre Ngatokorua
5:30 PM	Welcome to Country
6:00 PM	Wrap up and thank you, CEO, FNMA Shane Hearn
6:30 PM	Drinks & Canapes
8:00 PM	Event closes and bus departs



TUESDAY  
21<sup>ST</sup> NOV



LOCATION  
OLD PARLIAMENT HOUSE - CANBERRA

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START TIME	DAY ONE			
8:00 am	ARRIVAL AND REGISTRATION			
8:30 am	Introduction & MC Welcome - John Janke & Karina Hogan			
8:35 am	Welcome to Country			
8:45 am	Welcome - Shane Hearn, CEO, FNMA – Introduce FNMA Co Chairs			
8:50 am	FNMA Co-Chairs – Welcome & Opening Address - Naomi Moran & Dre Ngatokorua			
9:10 am	The Hon. Linda Burney MP, Minister for Indigenous Australians			
9:30 am	Keynote Speaker – Stan Grant			
10:00 am	Q & A Discussion – The Way Forward moderated by Shane Hearn, CEO, FNMA			
10:30 am	MORNING TEA			
11:00 am	MEMBER SHOWCASE #1 - Our Media Matters   Celebrating 30 Years of Triple A, Brisbane			
11:15 am	MEMBER SHOWCASE #2 – Umeewarra Aboriginal Media Association			
11:30 am	BREAK OUT SESSIONS			
	MAIN PLENARY	MEETING ROOM 1	MEETING ROOM 2	MEETING ROOM 3
	History of First Nations Media	Leadership & Governance	Beyond 3%, Anna Dancey, SBS/NITV	Closing the Gap -Policy Challenges for First Nations Media
	Nelson Conboy	Robyn Forester, Australian Indigenous Leadership Centre	SBS/NITV	Archie Thomas, David Nolan & Kerry McCallum, University of Canberra
12:30 pm	LUNCH			
1:30 pm	Indigenous Digital Leadership Forum - Panel			
	Naomi Moran & Shane Hearn (FNMA)			
	Sam Dimarco (General Manager, Segments,NBN) & Che Cockatoo-Collins (NBN)			
	Dot West & Lyndon Ormond-Parker, First Nations Digital Inclusion Advisory Group (Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts)			
	Daniel Featherstone, (RMIT)			
	Emma Milliss (e-Safety Commissioner),			
	Gina Rings, inDigiMOB			
	Dr Gareth Downing, Deputy CEO, Australian Communications Consumer Action Network (ACCAN)			
4:00 pm	AFTERNOON TEA			
4:30 pm	Road map 2023 - Ian Hamm, Community Broadcasting Foundation & Jaquie Riddell, Community Broadcasting Association of Australia			
5:00 pm	MC Wrap Up Housekeeping for tomorrow			
5:30 pm	Bus Departs			

# WEDNESDAY

## 22<sup>ND</sup> NOV



**LOCATION**  
OLD PARLIAMENT HOUSE - CANBERRA

START TIME	DAY TWO			
8:00 am	Check in and Registration			
8:15 am	MC Welcome and Recap – John Janke & Karina Hogan			
8:25 am	Video Message – the Hon Michelle Rowland MP, Minister for Communications Department for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communication and the Arts			
8:35 am	Video Message – Senator the Hon Malarndirri McCarthy, Senator for Northern Territory			
8:45 am	Coalition of Peaks – Catherine Liddle			
9:15 am	Legal Frameworks - Keya McGeown, SBS			
9:45 am	MEMBER SHOWCASE # 3 - Queensland Remote Aboriginal Media Association (GRAM)			
10:00 am	MEMBER SHOWCASE #4 – Ngaarda Media			
10:15 am	Group Photo			
10:30 am	MORNING TEA			
11:00 am	MEMBER SHOWCASE #5 – AIATSIS Centre for Australian Languages National Indigenous Languages Survey – Lauren Reed & Kaitlyn Lodewikus			
11:30 am	Corporate Partnerships - Adam Lees, Rio Tinto			
12:00 pm	LUNCH			
1:00 pm	BREAK OUT SESSIONS			
	MAIN PLENARY	MEETING ROOM 1	MEETING ROOM 2	MEETING ROOM 3
	Digital Skills in the Newsroom	Print & Online Forum	Young Peoples' Panel	Working with NITV & SBS
	Neil Varcoe Australian Associated Press (AAP)	Naomi Moran Koori Mail	Sachem Parkins-Owen FNMA	Lowanna Grant NITV/SBS
2:00 pm	AFTERNOON TEA			
2:30 pm	First Nations Digital Inclusion Advisory Group (FNDIAG) sessions			
3:00 pm	BREAK OUT SESSIONS			
	MAIN PLENARY	MEETING ROOM 1	MEETING ROOM 2	MEETING ROOM 3
	Grants Workshop	Media Training Workshop	AI-Tech Workshop	Strong People, Safe Spaces
	Dean Linguey and Liz Landray, Community Broadcasting Foundation	Community Media Training Organisation	Brett Leavy Virtual Songlines	Emma Milliss eSafety Commissioner
4:00 pm	MC Wrap Up & Housekeeping for tomorrow			
4:30 pm	Bus Departs			

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# THURSDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> NOV



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START TIME	DAY THREE	
	FNMA Member Schedule	Non-FNMA Member Schedule
8:00 am	Check in and Registration	Check in and Registration
8:30 am	Closed Member Session – FNMA Co-Chairs, Naomi Moran & Dre Ngatokorau & CEO, FNMA, Shane Hearn	Facilitated by The Role of Non-First Nations Allies – Which Way Now?
9:00 am		Break Out Groups/Discussion
9:30 am	First Nations Media Perspectives and Actions- FNDIAG	
10:30 am	MORNING TEA	
11:00 am	MEMBER SHOWCASE #6 - Midwest Aboriginal Media Association	
11:15 am	Supporting Our Workforce - The Importance of Healing, Social and Emotional Wellbeing - Ginibi Robinson, The Healing Foundation	
11:45 am	Closing Remarks	
12:00 pm	LUNCH	
1:00 pm	First Nations Media Australia - Annual General Meeting	Quiet Time, Tours or Film Screenings
3:30 pm	Bus Departs	Bus Departs
	2023 FIRST NATIONS MEDIA AWARDS AND GALA DINNER	
6:30 pm	Red Carpet	
7:00 pm	Guests seated	
	Introduction & MC Welcome - Kevin Kropiyeri & Bianca Hunt	
	Welcome to Country	
	GALA Dinner and Awards Presentation	
	Entertainment/Live Music – Deadly Showcase (Local Artist/Performers) - Dale Huddleston and others	
11:30 pm	Bus Departs	

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Australian Government  
National Indigenous  
Australians Agency



NIAA



Community  
Broadcasting  
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NITV

RioTinto

ABC



Batchelor  
Institute

Koori Mail