

Winhanga-rra (*hear, think, listen*)

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING for TEACHERS

Winhanga-rra (*win-ung-uh-rruh*) is a professional learning program that explores processes and practices for engagement with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Culture in an education context.

Focusing on cultural engagement and story-telling through contemporary dance theatre, the workshop is open to all education professionals and will include talks, open forum discussion, film presentations and practical tasks.

Teachers will be sent preparation material to consider and are welcome to bring information and ideas to the workshop.

No dance experience necessary.

CURRICULUM LINKS:

Cross-curricula priority: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories and cultures.

General capabilities: Intercultural Understanding, Critical and creative thinking, Literacy, Personal and social capabilities, Ethical understanding.

Learning Areas: Arts (Dance, Music, Visual Arts), Humanities and Social Sciences, Health & Physical Education, English, Languages.

WORKSHOP PROGRAM

Acknowledgement of Country

At the start of the day, we will take a little time to talk about the significance and the underlying purpose of the Welcome and/or Acknowledgement as it is practiced in Australia.

The workshop will be delivered in **four parts**. The setting for the workshop is collaborative and informal.

- Talk/film presentation: Bangarra's role in bringing stories of ancient and contemporary Indigenous like to audiences through is dance theatre production focusing on selected works.
- Discussion & practical tasks: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural and community engagement in the context of education. Topics include cultural engagement, building connection with community, protocols, creating activities/events.
- Practical tasks/creative process: Creative processes discussed and applied to themes to stimulate ideas. Choreographic processes are explored, tested, developed and applied to create sequences ready for further development.
- Talk/discussion: we will have a look at a case study of an in-school project, and discuss any further questions and follow-up ideas.

Workshop will commence at 9.00am and conclude at 4.30pm. Morning tea, and lunch is provided and detailed information regarding location and venue will be sent prior to the event. Participants will also be asked to let us know about any access needs and/or dietary requirements we should know about.

Please feel free to email education@bangarra.com.au if you have any questions.