



**State Library of Queensland  
Rockhampton Indigenous Languages Workshop  
9.00am – 1.40pm, Thursday 18 April, 2013.**

**The Frenchville Sports Club, Clifton Street, North Rockhampton.**

As part of the *Our Land, Business and Resources* Symposium, the State Library of Queensland is hosting an Indigenous Languages Workshop. This workshop takes place on Day One of the Symposium to be held at The Frenchville Sports Club, Clifton Street, North Rockhampton.

This half-day workshop will focus on local and regional languages and include information and activities that build capacity in communities to research, document and manage their own language revival.

**Audience:**

This event is aimed at language workers and community members who are currently working/have an interest in traditional languages and supporting language revival programs in Central Queensland communities.

**Aims:**

The language workshop is a unique opportunity for community members to explore local and regional languages of Rockhampton and how State Library can support communities in the research, collection and documentation of language.

1. to raise awareness of local/regional languages in the Rockhampton community;
2. to introduce community members to language resources and materials; and
3. to provide community members with basic information about researching and collecting language material

**Overview of Program:**

*Setting the Scene* – participants explore the current state of Indigenous languages in the Rockhampton community and region.

*Local knowledge* – participants identify what knowledge and material currently exists in the Rockhampton community and region.

*Collecting language* – participants discuss ways language, stories and histories can be documented.

*Supporting community* – participants discover what support is available through State Library and other organisations to support language revival in the Rockhampton community and region.

*Future directions* – reflections on the workshop and general discussion on possible actions for

**See attached Program for further details.**



## Rockhampton Indigenous Languages Workshop

### Expression of Interest

To register your interest in this workshop, please complete the following details and language profile; this information will be passed onto the State Library who can identify materials from their collections to support your language revival.

<b>Name:</b>		
<b>Address:</b>		
<b>Contact:</b>	<b>Phone:</b>	<b>Email:</b>
<b>Your Community / Locality:</b>		
<b>Language Group(s):</b>	(Please list language group(s) that you identify with)	
<b>Your current language activities/projects:</b>	(Please outline any language activities that you are involved in)	
<b>Language Resources:</b>	(Please bring along any language material/resources to share at the workshop)	

**Note:** A maximum of 20-25 participants for the Languages Workshop.

**Applications:** To register your interest in this workshop please email/fax this page to Melissa Lawton, Executive Officer, Fitzroy Basin Elders Committee [Email: [melissa@fbec.org.au](mailto:melissa@fbec.org.au) Fax: **4936 1088**] by Thursday 11 April 2013

**Further information:** For further information on the languages workshop, please call Des. Crump, Indigenous Languages Researcher, State Library of Queensland on 3840 7893 or email: [Des.Crump@slq.qld.gov.au](mailto:Des.Crump@slq.qld.gov.au)

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**9.00am** Introduction/setting the scene

Introduction to languages of the Rockhampton community/region and related languages

- Language and dialects of the community
- What information exists?
- Local knowledge, speakers, etc.?
- Local language projects?

**10.15-10.45am Morning Tea**

**10.45am** How is language documented/recorded?

- Collecting, recording and using local languages.
- Collecting and recording local stories and histories.

Resources to support language revival/revitalisation

- Software and IT
- SLQ, Language Centres, AIATSIS, etc.

**1.15pm** Reflections, closing comments

Explore future directions for language revival and associated activities in the Rockhampton community.

**1.40pm** Close and Lunch

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**State Library of Queensland – Indigenous Languages Webpages:**

[www.slq.qld.gov.au/resources/atsi/languages](http://www.slq.qld.gov.au/resources/atsi/languages)

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