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ALGA OPEN DAY NEXT SUNDAY - QUEER INDIGENOUS HISTORIES

When: **Sunday 7 July 2-5 pm**

What: ALGA open day on the theme Queer Indigenous Histories

Where: at the Victorian AIDS Council, 6 Claremont Street, South Yarra.

Please come along to check out some of the materials the Archives holds in relation to queer indigenous histories and hear a report back from ALGA President, Daniel Marshall, on his recent trip to Darwin to celebrate the Archives' 35th Anniversary with Darwin-based queer history lovers and to establish relationships focusing on preserving queer indigenous and NT histories.

As usual there will be an opportunity to "show and tell" so please feel free to bring along material you'd like to share.

All welcome.

VICTORIAN AIDS COUNCIL - 30TH BIRTHDAY EVENTS

Melburnians may be interested to hear that the VAC is celebrating its 30th anniversary this year with

- a **poster exhibition**, Passion: 30 Years of Safe Sex, from 12 July to 16 August at the Public Record Office Victoria (99 Shiel Street, North Melbourne). The exhibition is curated by ALGA. PROV operating hours are Monday–Friday 10 am – 4.30 pm and every second Saturday. For information about PROV visit their website prov.vic.gov.au.

- a **lecture series** complementing the poster exhibition - all held at PROV - at 6.30 pm:

Friday 12 July – Adam Carr presents The Courage of our Convictions: Lessons from the AIDS Panic of the 1980s

Friday 19 July – Bernard Gardiner presents The Lazarus Transformation – the 1990s

Tuesday 23 July – Tex McKenzie presents An Unexpected Journey – the 2000s and Beyond

There will be a guided tour of the poster exhibition by the curators after each of the lectures.

To register for any (or all) the lectures, RSVP to enquiries@vicaids.asn.au.

- a special function, **VAC to the Future**, at the Laird Hotel, 149 Gipps Street Abbotsford, on Saturday 13 July, 12.30 pm - 3.30 pm . Everyone welcome. RSVP to enquiries@vicaids.asn.au for catering. At 2 pm there will be an unveiling of a plaque remembering the night at the Laird Hotel when, 30 years ago, 70 people gathered to establish the Victorian AIDS Action Committee as the united voice of the community on AIDS.
- a **commissioned history** (Under the Red Ribbon) to be launched Saturday 27 July, 2.30 pm - 5 pm at the Positive Living Centre (51 Commercial Road, South Yarra). Everyone's welcome but RSVP essential by Tuesday 23 July to enquiries@vicaids.asn.au or phone 9865 6700.

Further details on all events are at www.vicaids.asn.au/30years.

NB some of these events require a RSVP (note, not to ALGA).

AUSTRALIAN LESBIAN AND GAY LIFE STORIES

A new three-year project is to record the life stories of gay and lesbian Australians in the first comprehensive nation-wide documentation of changing attitudes to, and experiences of, homosexuality.

The Past in the Present: Australian Lesbian and Gay Life Stories, a joint study by Macquarie University and the National Library of Australia, will record the life stories of 60 gay and lesbian people from all walks of life in various parts of Australia. The taped interviews will be lodged with the National Library.

The interviews will be conducted by historians from Macquarie University, the University of Queensland and the University of Melbourne.

Interested individuals can view the project in detail and fill in an expression of interest form on its website at: www.Australianlesbianandgaylifestories.org.au. Or for more information phone (02) 9850 9678 and leave your contact details.

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