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NSW GOVERNMENT SET TO SUPPORT COMMUNITIES FOR NAIDOC WEEK 2021

The NSW Government is gearing up to support community-led and COVID-safe NAIDOC Week events across the State in 2021, with applications now open for funding for the 4 – 11 July celebrations.

Minister for Aboriginal Affairs Don Harwin said that large or small, each celebration makes an important contribution to communities across NSW.

“NAIDOC Week is a significant time in Australia, and I’m lucky to have seen first-hand the passion that communities across the State put into sharing and celebrating our ancient culture and diversity,” Mr Harwin said.

“Having helped communities to successfully stage a range of COVID-safe celebrations last year, including fun days, arts projects and online experiences, we’re confident of being able to support these again in 2021.

“Now is the time to start planning for July’s events, and I encourage communities to take up this opportunity.”

The *NAIDOC Grants* program is an initiative administered by Aboriginal Affairs NSW that aims to celebrate Aboriginal history, culture and achievements during NAIDOC Week.

Through a variety of grants, ranging from \$500 to \$3,000, eligible organisations are supported to promote greater awareness and understanding of Aboriginal history and culture within their broader local or regional community.

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Applications for the *2021 NAIDOC Grants* program **are now open** and **close Friday 23 April 2021**.

More information, guidelines and previous 2020 case studies can be found [here](#).