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NAIDOC WEEK 2020

Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Traditional Fire Knowledge - Cultural Burning

The University of Melbourne, The Department of Rural Health invite you to our 2020 NAIDOC Week event 'Always Was, Always Will Be' with 3 expert panelists Dr Julie Andrews, Mr Victor Steffensen and Mr Michael Bourke.

Australia had a disastrous 2019/20 fire season which was highlighted internationally and also in the nationwide Bushfire Royal Commission which addressed fuel management and Indigenous land and fire practices.

This has made people more receptive to draw on Aboriginal knowledge, including lighting fires, as a better way to avoid bushfires.

Date: Friday 13th November, 2020

Time: 11:00 - 12:15pm

Register: <http://go.unimelb.edu.au/85qj>



Dr Julie Andrews

Senior Lecturer, Aboriginal Studies
La Trobe University



Mr Victor Steffensen

Indigenous Fire Practitioner and Author



Mr Michael Bourke

Cultural Burn Planner
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