Continuing Your Journey - Module 2

Things to do

- Find out about the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples who live in your town or city. Learn who the traditional owners are and the histories of people who have moved there.
- Map your own family tree and kinship connections, and find out more about your family’s histories and the threads that influence your life today.
- Enrol in a relevant short course at a university or TAFE. It may be possible for you to learn a language — see if you can find a language centre near you.
- Go online and do The University of Sydney’s kinship module: http://sydney.edu.au/kinship-module/.
- Look for an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural festival or dance festival near to you — or consider travelling to one further away. There are multiple festivals happening in each state throughout the year — have a look at a few ideas below.
- Do some research into the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander history of places in your area.

Cultural festivals

Dance Rites, NSW
http://www.sydneyoperahouse.com/whatson/dance_rites.aspx

Yabun Festival, NSW
http://yabun.org.au/

Garma Festival, NT

Walking with Spirits Festival, NT
http://www.offtheleash.net.au/features/festivals/2015/06/walking-spirits-festival

Laura Dance Festival, QLD
http://www.lauradancefestival.com/

Spirit Festival, SA
http://www.thespiritfestival.com/

Melbourne Indigenous Arts Festival, VIC
http://www.australiaunwrapped.com/2016/01/08/melbourne-indigenous-arts-festival/

Mowanjum Festival, WA
Wardarnji Festival, WA

Read


Fredericks, BL 2013, ‘We don’t leave our identities at the city limits: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people living in urban localities’, *Australian Aboriginal Studies*, vol. 1, pp. 4–16.
http://eprints.qut.edu.au/61823/


http://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2015/nov/02/what-if-aboriginal-people-helped-all-australians-to-connect-to-country


References:


Pascoe, B 2014, *Dark emu*, Magabala Books, Broome, WA.


**Watch**

*Ailan Kastom: the culture of the Torres Strait*, 2012, documentary film, Torres Strait Regional Authority, Australia.

*Bush mechanics*, 2001, documentary series, Film Australia and Paw Media, Australia.

*First footprints*, 2013, documentary series, Contact Films and First Footprints, Australia.

*Indigenous Protected Areas — culture*, 2010, online video, Parks Australia.  
https://vimeo.com/15857848

*Mad bastards*, 2011, motion picture, Bush Turkey Films, Australia.


*Plenary: who is urban (part 1)*, 2012, online video, AIATSIS, Canberra.  
https://vimeo.com/30460637

*Putuparri and the rainmakers*, 2015, documentary film, Sensible Films, Australia.


*Stone Bros.*, 2009, motion picture, Media World Pictures, Australia.

*Twelve Canoes*, 2009, online videos, 12Canoes.com.au, Australia.

*Two distinct cultures*, online video, JP Janke and AIATSIS, Canberra.  

*Yolgnu boy*, 2002, motion picture, Australian Children’s Television Foundation and Barrundi Pictures, Australia.

**Visit websites**

Creative Spirits  
http://www.creativespirits.info/aboriginalculture/arts/aboriginal-cultural-festivals#axzz47d2L8Lgw

Australian Museum  
http://australianmuseum.net.au/burial-pukumani-tiwi-islands#sthash.6OEn6ltK.dpuf

AUSTLANG  

Kalacc  
http://www.kalacc.org.au/
Koorie Heritage Trust
http://www.koorieheritagetrust.com/

The Monash Country Lines Archive

Noongar Culture

SBS, Symbols of Strength

We Don’t Need a Map

The Conversation

The University of Sydney, National Centre for Cultural Competence
http://sydney.edu.au/nccc/