



# 2022 Program

## Welcoming Australia Symposium

Gandel Hall, National Gallery of Australia, ACT



# From Welcoming to Belonging

**Tuesday 10 May** | MC Janice Petersen

9:15 am	Event Registration Opens
10:00	Welcome to Country   <b>Aunty Violet Sheridan</b>
10:15	Event opening   <b>Tara Cheyne</b> , Minister for Multicultural Affairs
10:30	<b>First Nations Keynote and Q&amp;A</b>   <b>Another day in the colony</b>   <b>Professor Chelsea Watego</b> , Professor of Indigenous Health, Queensland University of Technology
11:30	<b>Blue Sky Moments</b>   <b>Aunty Violet Sheridan</b> , Director, Traditional Elders Owners Corporation   <b>Aunty Sally Vea Vea</b> , Darumbal Elder   <b>Peter Morris</b> , General Manager, RAP Program, Reconciliation Australia
12:20 pm	Table discussion
12:30	Lunch
1:30	<b>National Keynote and Q&amp;A</b>   <b>Sport and Belonging: from platitudes to game plan</b>   <b>David Pocock</b> , Former Wallabies Captain
2:30	Table discussion
2:45	Afternoon Tea
3:15	<b>Encouraging Participation</b>   <b>Role of local government in sport, recreation &amp; healthy lifestyles</b>   <b>Nader Ibrahim</b> , Chief Operations Officer, One Culture   <b>Sarah Scarce</b> , Founding Director, The Aqua English Project
4:00	Welcoming Australia update   <b>Aleem Ali</b> , CEO, Welcoming Australia
4:15 pm	Day one close

**Event Reception** | MC Aleem Ali

5:30 pm	Guests Arrive
6:00	Acknowledgement of Country   <b>Wiradjuri Echoes</b>
6:15	<b>Opening Address</b>   <b>Zakia Patel</b> , Multicultural Hub Canberra
6:25	<b>Welcoming Cities Awards for Change</b>   Awarded by <b>Con Pagonis</b>
6:40	Symposium Welcome   <b>Aleem Ali</b> , CEO, Welcoming Australia
7:30 pm	Reception Close



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**Wednesday 11 May** | MC Janice Petersen

8:30 am	Registration Opens
9:00	Opening Provocation   <b>Renee Dixon</b> , Co-Founder, Forcibly Displaced People Network
9:15	<b>International Keynote and Q&amp;A</b>   <b>This isn't my party; othering, belonging and bridging</b>   <b>Professor John a Powell</b> , Director, Othering and Belonging Institute Professor of Law, African American, and Ethnic Studies
10:15	Table discussion
10:30	Morning Tea
10:50	<b>Community Support for Humanitarian Settlement</b>   <b>Shabnam Safa</b> , Chair, National Refugee-led Advisory and Advocacy Group (NRAAG)   <b>Lisa Button</b> , CEO, Community Refugee Sponsorship Australia
11:30	<b>Partnering for Belonging</b>   <b>Erica Borrowdale</b> , Principal Program Officer, Multicultural Affairs, Department of Children, Youth Justice and Multicultural Affairs   <b>Cassie White</b> , CEO, Paroo Shire Council   <b>Trudi Bartlett</b> , Employment Facilitator Local Jobs Program RDA DDSW
12:15 pm	Lunch
1:15	<b>Looking Forward Challenges and opportunities for Australian migration</b>   <b>Abul Rizvi</b> , former official Dept of Immigration   <b>Carla Wilshire OAM</b> , Centre for Digital Wellbeing - <i>Digitalisation and social media - the new frontier of social cohesion</i>
2:20	Afternoon Tea
2:45	<b>Stories of Welcome ACT Community Services Directorate</b>   <b>Jenny Wells</b> , Senior Director, Office for Multicultural Affairs, ACT   <b>Dr Sana Ashraf</b> , Assistant Director  Office for Multicultural Affairs, ACT   <b>Julie Andrews</b> , Coordinator, Community Capacity Building, City of Hume   <b>Maia Tua-Davidson</b> , Manager, Welcoming Clubs, Welcoming Australia
3:50	<b>Closing Address</b>   <b>Bwe Thay</b> , Deputy Chair, Victorian Multicultural Commission
4:00pm	Symposium Close