CONFERENCE SPEAKERS

Jackie Katona

Jacqui Katona is the CEO of the Lumbu Indigenous Community Foundation. A member of the Djok clan, located within Kakadu National Park, Jacqui was at the forefront of the highly celebrated campaign against the Jabiluka uranium mine.

Michael Raper

Michael Raper has been the Director of the Welfare Rights Centre in Sydney since 1990 and President of the Australian Council of Social Service (ACOSS) from 1997 to 2001. He is currently Treasurer of the International Council of Social Work.

Chris McGrath

Chris is a Brisbane barrister practising in environmental law. He has acted for community groups in several climate change cases in Australian courts. He is a presenter for The Climate Project and the Australian Conservation Foundation.

Christine Black

Christine Black is a descendant of the Kombumerri and Munaljahlai clans and a Post Doctoral Fellow of the Socio Legal Research Centre, Griffith University. She has carried out extensive research in Indigenous communities throughout Australia.

Professor Jan McDonald

Joined Griffith University in 2002 as the inaugural John F Kearney Chair in Law. She is currently Deputy Director (Research) and served as Head of School in 2003, and Deputy Head of School (Gold Coast Campus) in 2002.

Peter Norden SJ

Father Peter Norden SJ is the Associate Director of Jesuit Social Services, and an Adjunct Professor in the School of Social Science and Planning at R.M.I.T. University. He is a National Board Member of A.C.O.S.S.and the Convenor of the Victorian Criminal Justice Coalition.

The Hon W.J. Carter QC

Admitted to the Bar in 1959 and practised 1962 – 1980, Townsville, Brisbane. Took silk 1978. The Hon W.J Carter has been appointed to District and Supreme Court of Queensland, various Commissions of Inquiry, Chair of the Queensland Parole Board and of the Queensland Institution Licensing Authority.

Stephen Keim

Former President or committee member of a number of CLCs including Caxton Legal Centre, Prisoners' Legal Service and the Youth Advocacy Centre. Former President of the Qld Council for Civil Liberties and was President of the Legal Aid Commission. Stephen has been a barrister for 22 years, taking silk in 2004.

Julian Burnside QC

A barrister based in Melbourne. He joined the Bar in 1976 and took silk in 1989. He is President of Liberty Victoria, and has acted pro bono in many human rights cases, in particular the treatment of refugees.

Choirs: Union Choir and African Women's Choir

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INVITATION

The National Association of Community Legal Centres and the Queensland Association of Independent Legal Services invite you to register for the annual National Conference of Community Legal Centres in Brisbane.

We acknowledge the traditional owners of Brisbane and pay our respects to their elders.

The theme of this year's conference is *Justice in a Climate of Change – CLCs Looking to the Future*.

Environmental climate change has finally captured mainstream attention in Australia. The political, social, economic and justice advocacy climate in which community legal centres operate is also changing; creating opportunities and challenges.

The conference will explore the impact of each of these changing climates on the communities that CLCs serve and the ways these changes relate to and affect each other. The conference will consider the effect of these changes in climates through the lens of justice and human rights. In particular, the conference will address the changing justice climate – attempts to stifle our law reform advocacy, the Indigenous Justice climate, the impact of welfare reforms on the social justice climate, Family Law and the climate in which women and children struggle for the right to lead lives free from fear and violence, the "values climate", and the myriad ways our clients and communities are affected

Keynote speakers include Jackie Katona, Lumbu (opening), Julian Burnside QC (closing), Michael Raper, National Welfare Rights Network, Chris McGrath, environmental barrister, The Hon W.J. Carter (retired Queensland Supreme Court judge) and Peter Norden SJ, (Associate Director of Jesuit Social Services and Adjunct Professor in the School of Social Science and Planning at RMIT University), with more to be confirmed.

The conference will also celebrate the work CLCs undertake in their communities and explore how we adapt to changing climates in access to justice. There will be papers and discussion on Environmental Protection and Social Justice, the Human Rights climate, the workplace climate and challenging a racist climate. Above all how do the changes in these climates impact on our clients and our communities and how can we best engage in the task of advancing justice into the future? Meetings of CLC Networks will precede the conference. We encourage CLC Networks to use the conference as an opportunity to get together.

The conference is a time to look around us and see what we have done and how remarkable our centres and resilient our communities are. We have our own climate of work in strong social justice advocacy, we will be planning how to advance the rights of our clients and our communities to basic rights of shelter, work, health care, freedom from violence and equal access to justice for all.

As always the conference will operate in a climate of shared experience, stunning legal expertise, networking, talking, thinking, planning, plotting and a few wise old owls!

So we invite you and your associates to Brisbane in September 2007 to meet together to look at the future of CLCs and their communities.

– Liz O'Brien, NACLC Convenor

WELCOME RECEPTION

The Welcome Reception will be held on Sunday 9 September at the Tropicana Pool Deck of the Hilton Hotel from 5.30–7pm.

CONFERENCE DINNER

The dinner will be held on Tuesday 11 September in the Hilton Ballroom, 7–11pm. It is included in the cost of the registration.

MAKING THE CONFERENCE ACCESSIBLE

The Conference Organising Committee is committed to making this Conference accessible. Please provide advice about your support needs: attendant care, interpreter services, dietary requirements, document translation, child-care or any other adjustments needed to enhance your participation.

BACKGROUND

There are around 200 CLCs in Australia run by local community people from all walks of life. They are independent non-government (although some are Government funded), community based, not for profit organisations. They provide a range of legal and related services to disadvantaged people in the community and for public interest. Legal centres witness at close range the growing inequities between the 'haves' and the 'have nots' in Australian society. This will be the 28th conference of Australian CLCs.

NETWORK MEETINGS PROGRAM

National CLC Networks will be meeting prior to the conference. Networks that are meeting for more than one day may need to charge network participants a small fee to assist with cost recovery. Network coordinators will inform you of these details.

Please telephone or BBS the network contact person listed here for details regarding:

- Cost of attendance
- Venue and Date of meeting

Please indicate, by ticking ONE box, the Network Meeting you will be attending. This will help to ensure that we assign appropriate venues:

Administrators

This network has no convenor at present. If you are interested in attending a network meeting of administrators please call Toni at the NACLC office.

Child Support

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- National Network of Indigenous Women's Legal Services (NNIWLS)

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REGISTRATION FORM

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		Wheelchair access	
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Personal Information		Delegate dietary requirements	
Title		CONFERENCE REGISTRATION (All prices include GST)	
First Name		CLC and other community organisations Early bird registration before 10 August	\$495.00
Surname		 CLC/community full registration – non early bird 	\$577.00
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Job Title		Non CLC/Non community full registration	\$850.00
Address for Correspondence		 Non CLC/Non community day registration (excl. dinner) 	\$300.00
Address for correspondence		REGISTRATION for WELCOME RECEPTION Sunday 9 September, 5:30–7pm	
		 Do not pay separately for the welcome reception if you are attending the full conference. Day and student registrations do need to pay separately. 	
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Email Address		(A CASH BAR WILL OPERATE AT THE DINNER – BEVERAGES ARE NOT	INCLUDED).
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DO YOU HAVE ANY INDIVIDUAL NEEDS?

A confirmation letter will be emailed to you when payment has been received.

TOTAL: \$

PAYMENT DETAILS: FORWARD REGISTRATION FORM WITH CHEQUE, PAYABLE TO: National Association of Community Legal Centres

National Association of Community Legal Centres (ABN: 67 757 001 303) PO Box A2245, Sydney South NSW 1235, Australia

Telephone: 02 9264 9595 Fax: 02 9264 9594

ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS

All delegates will need to book and pay for their own accommodation. For an extensive list of accommodation and general tourist information please visit;

www.brisbane.visitorsbureau.com.au/ or www.ourbrisbane.com/visitors/

Or call Travelonline.com for phone bookings (07) 3512 8100

Hilton Hotel - Quote NACLC Conference

Telephone: (07) 3231 3130 190 Elizabeth St, Brisbane From \$285/night www.hilton.com Rooms available with disability access

The following accommodation is within walking distance of the Hilton;

Pacific International Apartments

Telephone: (07) 3234 8888 570 Queen Street, Brisbane Hotel Room From \$169/night 1 bedroom From \$189/night 2 bedroom \$239/night www.pacificinthotels.com/ brisbane/brisbane.aspx

Mecure Hotel

Telephone: (07) 3237 2300 85-87 North Quay, Brisbane From \$185/night www.accorhotels.com.au Rooms available with disability access

Hotel Ibis

Telephone: (07) 3237 2333 27-35 Turbot Street, Brisbane From \$159/night www.accorhotels.com.au Rooms available with disability access

Astor Apartments

Telephone: (07) 3144 4000 193 Wickham Terrace, Brisbane From \$89/night www.astorhotel.com.au

Annie's Shandon Inn

Telephone: (07) 3831 8684 405 Upper Edward Street, Brisbane From \$59/night www.babs.com.au/annies

Cloud 9 Backpackers

Telephone: (07) 3236 2300 350 Upper Roma St, Brisbane Share Dorm from \$17/night Single Room From \$65/night www.cloud9backpackers.com/ Rooms available with disability access

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GETTING AROUND

All domestic airlines fly to Brisbane. From the Brisbane Domestic Airport it is approximately a 20 minute cabride into the Brisbane CBD. The fare is approximately \$33 (plus a \$2 fee for departing taxis).

Coachtrans operates services between Brisbane Airport and Brisbane Transit Centre and to the door of all CBD Hotels. It meets all major flights 7 days a week. The fare is \$9.00 per person to the Transit Centre and \$11.00 per person to the hotel door. Phone: 07 3238 4700 or www.coachtrans.com.au

There is also a train Brisbane Airport (Domestic Terminal) to the city. It takes approx 22 minutes and a one-way single adult ticket is \$12. Discounts apply for pre-booked fares. The train runs from 6.16am to 7.35pm, 7 days a week. For more information or bookings online go to www.airtrain.com.au

For cabs, contact 131 008 or 13 19 24. Vehicles with wheelchair access are available.

LOCAL BUS ROUTES

The Brisbane City Council operates bus, train and ferry services all over Brisbane. The closest train station to the Hilton Hotel is Central Station. Buses operate all over Brisbane City, and in Adelaide St. Buses will take you to the closest most interesting suburbs: West End and New Farm (Bus Route numbers 196/197/199). The CityCat is one of the best ways to see Brisbane and you can take a 7 minute walk to the closest CityCat stop from the Hilton. Important to note that if you purchase a ticket on a bus, you can use this same ticket on a ferry or train (and vice versa). It is recommended that you purchase a Daily ticket that entitles you to unlimited travel in one day. All transport information can be found on www.translink.com.au or call 13 12 30.

CHILDCARE PROGRAM 2007

Childcare will be available during the conference, the network day, and on the Tuesday night when the conference dinner is being held.

A programme of activities will be available for school-aged children (over 5) as well as care facilities for under 5's. The programme is still being finalised.

If you are attending the conference with children please contact the Conference Organiser before August 10 2007.

2007 CONFERENCE ORGANISING COMMITTEE

Liz O'Brien, NACLC Convenor

Sarah Mitchell / Toni Luu, NACLC Office

Susan Bothmann, Arts Law Centre of Queensland

Penny Carr, Tenants Union Queensland

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CONFERENCE ORGANISER

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CONFERENCE AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

- To provide an interesting, stimulating and accessible Conference
- To provide a wide variety of workshops and event opportunities
- To promote law reform that enhances peoples' human rights, the environment and access to justice
- To enrich the community legal centre sector
- To promote the further development of strategic alliances

The Conference will appeal to:

- CLC workers, volunteers, administrators and managers
- community development workers
- researchers and policy workers
- lawyers and paralegals
- counsellors and educators
- providers of other community services
- private legal practitioners
- public administrators and policy makers
- legal aid workers
- academics and students
- workers in other related areas

This year's conference is jointly organised by the Queensland CLCs, the Queensland Association of Independent Legal Services (QAILS) and the National Association of Community Legal Centres (NACLC).

Program

The conference program will follow a similar structure to last year's. There will be an opening session with keynote speakers and plenary sessions on Monday afternoon, Tuesday morning and Tuesday afternoon. Workshops will be 90 minutes long. The closing plenary will feature Julian Burnside QC speaking about the social justice climate in Australia.

This year will be an opportunity for Centre administrators/manager to consider "greening" our offices, improving our knowledge of sustainable management practices in our climate of chronic under-resourcing, as well as a strong focus on sector development,

The tech room will be available for BBS and CLSIS training and for delegates to use during the conference.