

JOHN BELL IN AUSTRALIA 2019



Announcing the visit of John Bell, preacher, hymn writer, composer, lecturer and broadcaster, and member of the Iona Community to Australia and Melbourne this coming May.

John Bell's visit is being sponsored by a number of organisations nationwide, and is bound to attract a lot of interest.

His visit to Victoria is from 11, 12 and 13 May during which time he will take part in conversations on God, Delight and Diversity, Non-Violent Peacemaking, Celtic and Indigenous spirituality. He will conduct a Quiet Day for ministers and ministry students in

the Macedon Ranges, and will deliver a public lecture, Space, Rumour and Hospitality at an inner-city venue still to be confirmed.

The sponsoring groups in Melbourne include the Anglican Parish of Mount Macedon/Gisborne, Holy Name of Jesus Anglican Church, Vermont South, Equal Voices, Anglican Parish of Glen Iris, St Andrew's Uniting Church Alphington/Fairfield, the Australian Academy of Liturgy and Wellspring Community Inc.

This document contains all of the contact information and booking information for John Bell's visit, as well as an overview of his programme in other states.

More information

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John Bell... preacher, hymn writer, composer, lecturer and broadcaster, spends much of the year travelling, mostly in the Americas and Europe. He is an ordained minister of the Church of Scotland and a member of the Iona Community. During his studies in Theology, he became the first (and last) student Rector of the University of Glasgow. After a period in the Netherlands and two posts in church youth work, he became employed, firstly in youth work and then in the areas of music and worship, founding during that time, with Graham Maule, the Wild Goose Worship Group and the Wild Goose Resource Group.

He is a past convenor of the Church of Scotland's Panel on Worship and the committee that produced the ground-breaking Church Hymnary 4. In 1999, he was honoured by the Presbyterian Church of Canada and the Royal School of Church Music which bestowed a Fellowship on him. In 2002, he was awarded an honorary doctorate by the University of Glasgow. In 2013, he was awarded the Community of Christ International Peace Award.

John has produced many collections of liturgy, scripts, sermons and reflections, original hymns and songs (some in collaboration with Graham) and three collections of songs of the World Church. These are published by the Iona Community's Wild Goose Publishing arm in Scotland and by G.I.A. Publications (Chicago) in N. America. He lectures in theological colleges in Britain and U.S., but is primarily concerned with the renewal of congregational worship at grass roots level.

John's visit to Australia and New Zealand in May 2019 will begin in Western Australia on 6 May and end in Springwood, NSW on 2 June with a conference on Fair Trade at which he will be a guest lecturer. In between he will visit most states in Australia as well as New Zealand and his programme will cover a wide range of activities, including conversations about diversity with Equal Voices, links between indigenous and Celtic spirituality, workshops on worship, a Quiet Day for ministers and ministry students, and public lectures.

John hails from Kilmarnock and like Johnnie Walker, the ubiquitous creator of the world-wide whisky, John shares an affection for colourfully, distinctive dressing (without the top hat, red coat, white britches and black knee-length boots).

The various sponsoring organisations are looking forward to welcoming this engaging speaker, distinguished thinker, poet, musician and theologian to our shores and hope that many will be encouraged, strengthened and stimulated through their attendances at the various activities on offer.

A DAY OF CONVERSATION: GOD, DELIGHT AND DIVERSITY, NON-VIOLENT PEACEMAKING

Saturday 11 May

10.00 am-12.30 pm

God, Delight and Diversity

Conversation on enabling voices of sexually and gender diverse people

2.00 pm - 4.30 pm

Non Violent Peacemaking

Conversation on enabling non-violent peacemaking in our communities

St Andrew's Uniting Church
85 Gillies St, Fairfield.

Cost: \$45/40 single session

\$85/75 Whole day
Does not include lunch
Cash only on the day

Bookings from 11 Feb 2019

<https://www.trybooking.com/BAPXK>

Sponsoring Groups

Equal Voices, Uniting Network UCA Victoria, Fairfield Uniting Church, Transforming Worship Assembly Circle, Wellspring Community

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SUNDAY AFTERNOON CONVERSATION

Sunday, 12 May 2019

5.30 pm - 7.30 pm

Intersections - Celtic and Indigenous Spirituality

Come and join John Bell in conversation with indigenous man Glenn Loughrey and others about the lessons we can learn at the intersection of Celtic and indigenous spirituality

St Oswald's Anglican Church 100 High Street Glen Iris 3146

Cost: \$30/25

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JOHN BELL IN AUSTRALIA – MAY 2019 – NATIONAL PROGRAMME IN A NUTSHELL

PERTH	
Dates	Monday 6 May - Tuesday 7 May
Activity	A mix of workshops and talks on worship and Holy Scripture over two days.
Venue(s)	St. Cuthbert's Anglican Church, Darlington, WA
Further details	Fr Chris Bedding chrisbedding@live.com.au
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ADELAIDE	
Dates	Wednesday 8 May - Friday 10 May
Activity	Ecumenical events at various locations across Adelaide
Venue(s)	Various
Further details	Rev Dr Peter Balabanski peter.balabanski@gmail.com
MELBOURNE	
Dates	Saturday 11 May – Monday 13 May
Activity	Conversations, Worship, Quiet Day, Public Lecture
Venue(s)	Various locations across Melbourne
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BRISBANE AND THE GOLD COAST	
Dates	Wednesday 15 May - Sunday 19 May
Activities	Two evenings at St John's Anglican Cathedral, a Wellspring meet-up, day workshop and Sunday preaching
Venue(s)	St John's Cathedral, Coochiemudlo Island, Robina Anglican Parish
Further details	Rev Jo Inkpin (Cathedral) pjinkpin@hotmail.com
	Margaret Holm (Wellspring meetup) n_m_holm@internode.on.net
	Rev Stewart Perry (Robina) stewart@robinaanglican.com

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SYDNEY METRO	
Dates	Sunday 26 May - Monday 27 May
Activity	Sunday worship, workshops, lecture discussion,
Venue(s)	South Sydney UCA, Pitt Street UCA, Parramatta Mission
Further details	Rev Andrew Collis (S.Syd) sshandrew@bigpond.com
	0438 719 470
	Rev Amelia Koh-Butler (P'matta) rev.ameliak@gmail.com
	Elizabeth Lee (Pitt Street) 0422 932 044
NEWCASTLE	
Dates	Wednesday 29 May - Thursday 30 May
Activity	Lecture on arts/justice, worship and song workshops
Venue(s)	Adamstown Uniting Church
Further details	Rev Rod Pattenden pattenden@bigpond.com
	0418 861 267
BLUE MOUNTAINS	
Dates	Friday 31 May – Sunday 2 June
Activity	Keynote talks at Fair Trade Faith Conference, Noelene Martin Memorial Lecture, worship and workshop
Venue(s)	Springwood Uniting Church Centre
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