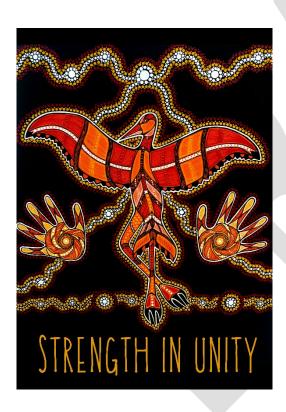
## EVENT PROGRAM DRAFT

**Queensland Indigenous Family Violence Prevention Forum – 2023** 

**Mackay Entertainment and Convention Centre** 

**MACKAY** 

Tuesday, 9th May and Wednesday, 10th May, 2023



The words of the artwork creator, Mr Les Stewart:

"The yellow (the giver of life) surrounds the white, and the yellow is surrounded by the red dots (the blood shed through domestic and family violence in communities). The little white dots represent the small weakened spirits that have come through life (yellow). Tears and blood (red) are being shed from violence in our families. The Dancing Crane creates stronger blood that gives stronger life, and this creates stronger spirits. Like the bird and the design, everything becomes flowing and beautiful. It comes to a peak above with a strong flow – stronger dots over the beautiful bird showing strength. It connects all the strength and power with its widespread wings of hope that we all have for our women, families and community.

It is also still painted on the background of darkness that can overtake if we do not keep adding to the painting to block out the sad and harmful dangers that hide in the shadows.

To me this painting represents the first time I attended the Queensland Indigenous Family Violence Prevention Forum and what it has become, since then. The bird represents the beauty of the Forum, its people and the attendees. The lines are the waves of change, getting stronger as we add to the discussions and services. Under the umbrella of services, we head in one direction together to bring strength and support to our communities that are now providing the safety our women, children and families deserve. This then supports our communities to become as one and beautiful like we want."

## Day 1 | Tuesday 9th May 2023

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Time	Program
8.00am - 9.00am	Registration
9.00am - 9.10am	Opening address, Dr Heather Lovatt, Director, QCDFVR
9.10am - 9.40am	Welcome to Country
9.45am – 10.30am	Introductions /Welcome to Mackay
10.30am - 11.00am	Morning Tea
11.00am – 11.45am	Key Note Presentation
11.45am -12.30pm	Presentations (from national/ state/ regional stakeholders)
12.30pm - 1.30pm	Lunch
1.30pm - 2.30pm	Presentations
	(from national/ state/ regional stakeholders)
2.30pm – 4.00pm	Workshop
	Theme: self-care

Time	Program
4.00pm – 7.00pm	Catered Networking Event

## Day 2 | Wednesday 10th May 2023

Time	Program
8.30am-9.00am	Registration
9.00am - 9.30am	Welcome to Day 2
9.30am – 10.15am	Key Note Presentation
10.15am - 10.45am	Morning Tea
10.45am - 11.25pm	Presentations
	(from national/ state/ regional stakeholders)
11.25am - 12.30pm	Activity: Groupwork
12.30pm - 1.30pm	Lunch
1.30pm - 2.30pm	Speaker/ activity/ workshop
2.30pm – 3.00 pm	Forum Conclusion

Please note: This program is subject to change at any time. A final program will be available by Friday, 05th May, 2023.