

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

We acknowledge the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, the Traditional Custodians of this land, with deep respect. May the Elders, past and present, be blessed and honoured. May we join together and build a future based on compassion, justice, hope, faith, and reconciliation.

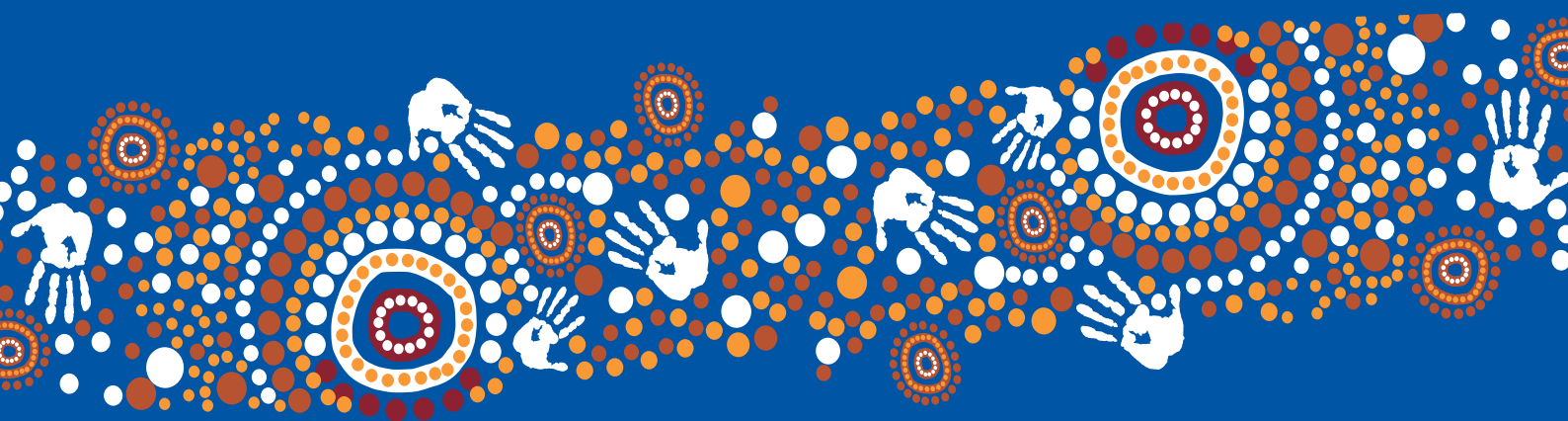
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PRAYER OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Holy Spirit, we invoke your blessing on this country and on us as we gather today. We acknowledge the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elders of this place, both past and present, and the continued cultural and spiritual connection to the lands and waters.

We also acknowledge that our forbearers came into these sacred spaces, changing forever an older way of life.

Bless our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander brothers and sisters and bless us. Help us to join our hands and hearts together. Help us to heal one another and the land, so that our lives may flow with harmony and that we may live with love and deep respect. Amen.



Traditional Koori artist, proud Gamilaroi man and 2015 NAIDOC Artist of the year Daren Dunn has designed this unique artwork for the Society. Daren's work reflects our belief that the reconciliation journey is one of conversations. The circular patterns symbolise the camp-fire while the hands symbolise belonging.



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