NEWS: Premier announces 2020 - the Year of Indigenous Tourism

The Premier has announced **2020 would be dedicated to First Nations experiences in Queensland**, in front of a packed audience at the Queensland Tourism Awards on the Sunshine Coast.



Buoyed by the success of this year's record-breaking Year of Outback Tourism campaign, Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk declared 2020 the Year of Indigenous Tourism.

"Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples have been proudly practicing and preserving their cultures by sharing it with the next generation for tens of thousands of years," the Premier said.

Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk

"In recent times, their culture and stories have been an *integral part of our* tourism industry, attracting people from all around the world to learn and experience more about the world's oldest living cultures.



"During the last financial year almost half a million visitors to Queensland took part in *First Nations experiences* like visiting an Aboriginal art gallery or festival, visiting an Aboriginal cultural site or community or taking a tour with an Indigenous guide or ranger.

"*More tourists than ever before want a cultural experience* when they travel and Queensland is perfectly placed to capitalise on that demand.



Minister Kate Jones LINK: http://statements.qld.gov.au/Statement/2019/11/8/premier-announces-2020--the-year-of-indigenous-tourism

Do you want to be a part of Indigenous Tourism in Kuranda 2020?

In the 1980-90's the Kuranda Village had a vibrant range of Indigenous Tourism Experiences! As a young man from Kuranda, Buluwai Elder Willie Brim toured the world showcasing Australian Aboriginal Culture to a global audience for the first time! Teaming up with Ewamian man David Hudson and Djabugay men Alby Baird, Wayne Nicols, Irwin Riley, Neville Hobbler and Dion Riley, and with the support of Kuranda locals Don and Judy Freeman, the TJAPUKAI DANCE THEATRE was co-created in Kuranda 1987. *Major Achievements:* World Tour with Australian Tourist Commission giving 58 shows in 60 days on four continents. Performs at World Expo in Japan. Represents Australia at USA Fair. Wins Queensland Small Business Award and Queensland Tourism Award for Heritage and Cultural Tourism.

\mathbf{V} Which cultural experiences do you want to create in Kuranda?

Visual Arts & Handcrafts Visito Sculpture & Carving Tou Weaving Will T-Shirt / textile printing Plat Artefact making Arc Painting canvas Loc Painting artefacts "Marke Outdoor murals Drawing & design Drawing & design Trill Singing Face-painting for visitors Busking Smail



- "Meet & Greet" tourism service roles
- Bush foods & medicines
- Tribal languages



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