

Australia Day Council Northern Territory Board Members

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Australia Day

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Board Members

Nigel Browne (Chair)



Nigel is a descendant of the Larrakia and Wulna peoples. His traditional Country encompasses the lands and waters of the Greater Darwin Region including Darwin & Bynoe harbours, Cox Peninsula, Vernon Islands, Adelaide & Mary Rivers, Acacia, Cape Hotham, Fogg Dam, Humpty Doo & Koolpinyah Stations and Djukbinj National Park. He is the current CEO of the LDC after serving as a Director on the board since 2005 and Chair from 2010 to 2013. In August 2011 Nigel was announced as the National Indigenous Legal Professional of the Year, in recognition of his advocacy, representation, and contribution to Larrakia people. He is also a member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors.

Katherine Li

Katherine Li is proud to call Australia home after migrating from China around ten years ago. As a fluent and confident communicator in Mandarin and English, Katherine prides herself on building strong relationships with those she meets. As a passionate advocate for multicultural societies, Australia has helped Katherine's passion for supporting others to grow. In 2018/19, Katherine was the President of the Young Professionals Network NT supporting hundreds of young Territorians to get involved with social and professional development events. With experience in commercial, public sector, not-for-profit and membership organisations, Katherine brings her wealth of experience and knowledge to her work.



David Taylor

David was named 2016 Australian of the Year NT Local Hero in recognition for his work with disengaged, homeless, and at-risk young people. Using his background as a teaching Chef, he used his culinary knowledge and his passion to affect real change to guide them back into education or into meaningful employment. David facilitates personal growth and wellness sessions in Darwin schools for the GROW Foundation. He believes that until young people can see themselves as useful and worthwhile, they will struggle to have a positive outlook for the future. It is up to each of us to encourage our young people with love, care, and compassion.



Nathan Fanning

Nathan is a mechanical engineer with experience in oil and gas, mining, public policy and local government sectors.

Currently a Principal Project Officer for the NT Government, Nathan is passionate about supporting industry sectors grow their capabilities. Nathan has provided community service leadership as 2014 Chair of the Chief Ministers Round Table of Young Territorians, tutor for Aboriginal university students and organising awards to honour Northern Territory firefighters.





Malia Ford

Malia is a born and bred Territorian currently completing her master's in occupational therapy. She is an avid networker, after completing a term on the Chief Ministers Round Table of Young Territorians she gave 1.5 years to the Young Professionals Network Committee. She has volunteered her time to the community through yearly contributions to the Salvation Army Christmas Lunch, Launch Night Series Basketball and the Starlight ball. Along with various one-off events. She has a long-standing relationship with the Australia Day Council NT, having organised and participated in Australia Day events in the Roper Gulf Region, along with attending many regional and state conferences. Malia is also a Board member for Two Two One Mental Health Charity.

Dr Edwin Joseph

Edwin is passionate about serving the community and being active in public life. He has a multidisciplinary education, including a doctoral degree. His experience includes roles in higher education, project management, research, policy and more. Throughout his life, Edwin has been volunteering for community groups, not-for-profit organizations and professional associations. Currently he serves on five boards in the Northern Territory.



Shipra Soni

Shipra is the State Program Accountant working for Save the Children. She is passionate towards children's' future and has been a Board Member (Treasurer) for Variety the Children's Charity NT. She is an immensely grounded human being, her heart reaches out for anyone in need ,be it family, a friend or stranger. Through her innate skills and formal qualifications she has accomplished a lot in the last 8 years in Darwin.

Robert Annis-Brown

Robert has had a 37 year career in Banking of which the last 21 years have been spent in Darwin servicing the business community gaining inspiration from the people he has interacted with who have come to call the Territory home. He is passionate about what makes Australia great and has volunteered for several community groups. Robert has served on the boards of the Charles Darwin University Foundation, Australian Institute of Management & the Property Council NT Division. Robert is a Graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors.





Gail Barker

Born in Perth Western Australian where I grew up studied and became a teacher.

I moved to Darwin with my husband and children in December 1989 where I took on a role as a teacher at The Essington School Darwin. I was appointed Principal at the school after spending several years as Head Teacher followed by Assistant Principal.

After 10 years at Essington, I moved to the Association of Independent Schools of the Northern Territory as the Educational Support Officer. I have now been with AISNT for 21 years and have been in the position of Executive Director for the past 15 years.

I feel privileged to be accepted onto the Board of the Australia Day Board of the Northern Territory.

Catherine Satour

Councilor Catherine Satour seeks to strengthen the community of Alice Springs. As a passionate Central Australian, she believes that the town's spirit and pride can be enhanced through greater community support, and through the arts.

Councilor Satour intends to further encourage initiatives of collaboration and transparency within Council and is passionate about ensuring good governance.

