# Work in Progress 8 Internment Symposium Program \*subject to minor changes

**Delegates are requested to do registration for the symposium in the afternoon of March 6th Thursday at the Cowra Japanese Gardens or on the morning between 8:30-9:00 on March 7th Friday in the Foyer of the Cowra Civic Centre.**

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| **Pre-Symposium**  **(Mar 6, Thu )** | **(venue)** |  |  |
| 4:00  Symposium Registration  5:00 for 5:30 – 6:30  EVIDENCE: Exhibition by Mutsumi Tsuda  Opening with refreshment  7:00 Festival Dinner  With Guest speaker  Professor Bill Gammage | Cowra Japanese Gardens  Cowra Japanese Gardens  Cowra Ex-Services Hall |  |  |

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| **Symposium**  **DAY 1 (Mar 7, Fri)** | **Cowra Civic Centre** |  | |  |
| 8:30  Symposium Registration | Foyer of Cowra Civic Centre |  | |  |
| 9:00  9:05 – 9:15 | Welcome  Mr Lawrance Ryan, Chair of the Cowra Internment Symposium Steering Committee  Official opening  Mr Bill West, Mayor of Cowra |  | |  |
| 9:15 – 10::45  Session 1 | Special Session  Welcome to former internees | Paper 1: Keynote Address  Yuriko Nagata  “The legacy of internment – shattered lives and broken communities” | | Paper 2:  Klaus Neumann  “WW2 Civilian Internment and Historical Justice” |
| 10:45 -11:15 | MORNING TEA |  | |  |
| 11:15 –12:45  Session 2 | Paper 1:  Peter Girschik and Helga Griffin(nee Girschik)  “We were there: Five years behind barbed wire as children(1941-46)” | Paper 2  Ilma O’Brien  “The Great round-up of 1942” | | Paper 3  Marie-José Michel  “Internment of Japanese in Noumea and its legacy : My family” |
| 12:45 -1:45 | LUNCH  DVD in the auditorium |  | |  |
| 1:45 – 3:15  Session 3 | Paper 1:  Ismet Kurtovich  “The Japanese community in New Calédonie : between dream and reality” | Paper 2;  Chad Denton  “Transnational Negotiations: The Internment Experience of a Franco-Japanese Family, 1941-1946” | | Paper 3:  Rowena Ward  "New Caledonia to Japan via Australia: Repatriating Internees 1942-1946" |
| 3:15 – 3:45 | AFTERNOON TEA |  | |  |
| 3:45 - 4:45  Session 4  Internment as local community heritage | Panelists in conversation with Jenna Blyth:  Lurline Knee (Tatura Internment Camps)  David Houston (Hay Internment Camps)  Rosemary Gower (Loveday Internment camps) | |  |  |
| After the symposium | Wine and Cheese in the Foyer of the Civic Centre | |  |  |
| 5:45– 6:45 | GAMELAN MAN: A contemporary Indonesian Shadow Puppet Theatre Performance  Artist: Jumaadi  Vocalist: Ria Soemardjo  Musicians: Graham Apthorpe and Peter Reeves | |  |  |

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| **Day 2 (March 8, Sat)** | **Civic Centre** |  | | |  | |
| 9:00 – 10:45  Session 5 | Paper 1: Keynote Address 2  Jan Lingard  ‘Indonesian Political Prisoners in Cowra” | Panel with Artists  Mayu Kanamori  Jumaadi  Mutsumi Tsuda | | | Paper 2:  Joanne Shiosaki  Title: tba | |
| 10:45 ~11:15 | MORNING TEA | | |  | |  |
| 11:15 ~12:45  Session 6 | Paper 1: Christine Winter: “Unrepresented: Stateless civilians in Australian internment” | Paper 2: Hesse Silke  “Australian Prison Guards in the Early Years of WW2 Internment” | | | Paper 3: Lara Palombo  “Subversive Subjects? : The Internment of Civilian Women of Italian Origin” | |
| 12:45 ~ 1:45 | LUNCH  DVD in the auditorium | | |  | |  |
| 1:45 ~3: 15  Session 7 | Paper 1: Mia Spizzica  “The Impact of Internment on Italians in Australia during WW2” | Paper 2: Simon Alcorso  “The Jewish Italian Experience of Internment and the unusual case of Orlando Alcorso” | | | Paper 3  Catherine Dewhirst, Claire Kennedy and Sam Ragonesi  “Recapturing Salvatore Ragonesi: Archival Records, Family Memories and the Politics of Internment” | |
| 3:15 -3:45 | AFTERNOON TEA | | |  | |  |
| 3:45~4:45  Session 8 | Panel Discussion by Creative writers  Cory Taylor  Sophie Constable  Saho Nagai | |  | | |  |

**Festival Opening at 6:00 in Civic Centre**

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| **March 9 Sunday DAY 3** |  |
| **Reminder to transit bus users to Sydney** | \*Delegates who are leaving on Sunday on the transit bus to Sydney are reminded that they be checked out before leaving their hotel in the morning. They will be picked up by the bus from the Japanese War Cemetery at 12:15. Due to time constraints, there will be no time for sitting-down lunch. Orders for packed lunch will be organised in advance. Please see Yumi Martin at the registration desk in the foyer of the Civic Centre before 5:00 Friday. |
| 10:00 -12:00 | Ceremony 1  Unveiling Ceremony of the Japanese Interpretive Board  Ceremony 2  Commemorative Service at the Australian Section of the Cemetery  Ceremony 3  Buddhist commemorative service at the Japanese Civilians Internees Cemetery  Ceremony 4  Commemorative Service at the Indonesian Internees’ Cemetery  Ceremonial Performance  Weizen Ho, Alan Schacher, Shigeki Sano and Cowra community youths  at the Cemetery |
| 12:15 | The transit bus leaves from the Japanese War Cemetery. Packed lunch and drink on the bus. |