# 'Acknowledgement of Country'

'Acknowledgement of Country' by Jonathan Hill
Today we stand in footsteps millennia old.
May we acknowledge the traditional owners
whose cultures and customs have nurtured,
and continue to nurture, this land,
since men and women
awoke from the great dream.
We honour the presence of these ancestors
who reside in the imagination of this land
and whose irrepressible spirituality
flows through all creation.
Jonathan Hill is an Aboriginal poet living in New South Wales.

Source: <a href="https://itisup2us.com/2014/03/25/acknowledgement/">https://itisup2us.com/2014/03/25/acknowledgement/</a>

## POP! Making WLD sparkle!

Let's see WLD events popping up all over Australia

**WLD website**: check out what's already there (for inspiration) <a href="https://www.worldlabyrinthday.org/wld-2023/find-and-submit-events">https://www.worldlabyrinthday.org/wld-2023/find-and-submit-events</a>

Submit an event to <a href="https://www.worldlabyrinthday.org/wld-2023/find-and-submit-">https://www.worldlabyrinthday.org/wld-2023/find-and-submit-</a>

events/submit-a-public-event

## **World Labyrinth Day 2022**

Photo Montage

https://youtu.be/a5b\_xeHBxjl

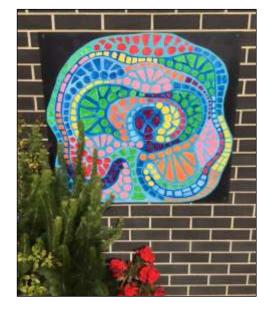
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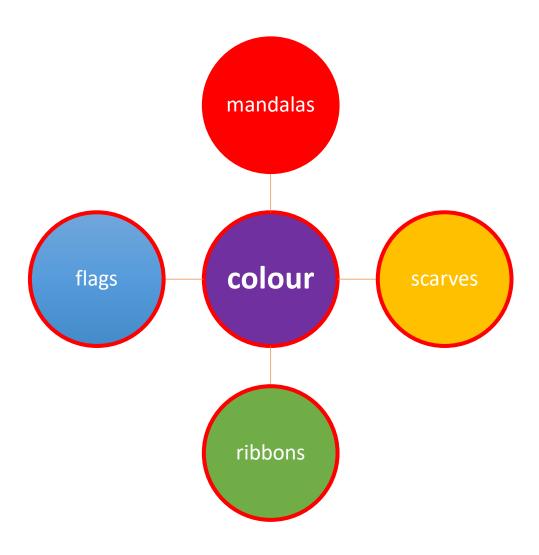
Indoors, outdoors, online/virtual, app,
Walking, finger labyrinth, wall labyrinth

#### **Promotion Resources**

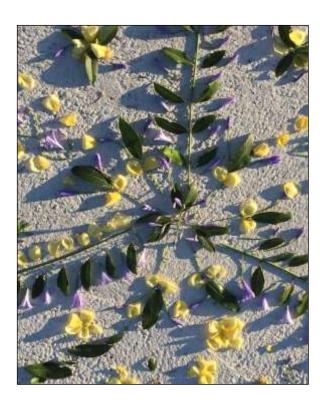
Use these for your event!

https://www.worldlabyrinthday.org/resources/pr-materials













## **Mandalas**

Flowers and foliage, paper shapes, blocks/lego, pens and pencils Create within labyrinth or as a preceding or post activity

## **Flags**

Bring, or make before the event

Join together with string, rope or hold individually

Attach to stakes or poles

### **Scarves**

Everybody bring one

Go op-shopping

Create a labyrinth with scarves, or hold them when walking or dancing

## **Ribbons**

As above for scarves



#### **Poems**

Maya Angelou – A Brave and Startling Truth

Each brings a peace poem to share

#### Quotes

Place around or on or in the centre of the labyrinth for pause and reflection

Write quotes into a hand drawn labyrinth

## Single words

Do a word dump within the group: words that rise up when the word "peace" is spoken. Write them on a chart or board or with chalk on a paved area.

Reflect on them.

Could create stepping stones with the words inviting everyone into the path of the labyrinth

(AV) World, Nations, Cities, Neighbours, Home, Heart (Lao Tzu)

## Headlines

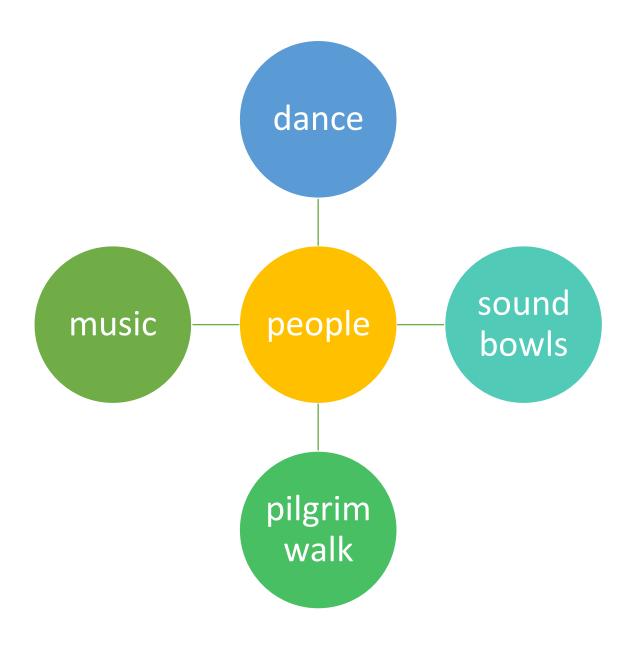
Where peace is badly needed

Collect these before the big day

Make a collage to bring visual awareness to the reason we walk

#### **Heart Brain Coherence**

Prior to walking, learn and practice this technique <a href="https://youtu.be/yYHZUKK6t1s">https://youtu.be/yYHZUKK6t1s</a>











#### **Dance**

All circle dances work, lots online

Circles are symbols of UNITY

Create a circle dance for peace, a sense of oneness while moving rhythmically. It could be a small group project: creating the dance steps, sequences, and teaching it to others. Find inspiration in this video <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IN51Hpla2ek">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IN51Hpla2ek</a> Select some music and go for it!

#### Elm dance

https://www.google.com/search?q=elm+dance+video&rlz=1C1CHBF\_enAU1019AU1019 &oq=elm+dance+video&aqs=chrome..69i57.5966j0j7&sourceid=chrome&ie=UTF-8#fpstate=ive&vld=cid:99f59c94,vid:Y4LSE1bJ5A8

#### Music

Invite musicians

Find a drummer

"Benedictus" from <u>The Armed Man: A Mass for Peace</u> written by the Welsh composer, Sir Karl Jenkins

## **Sound Bowls**

Invite sound bowl player

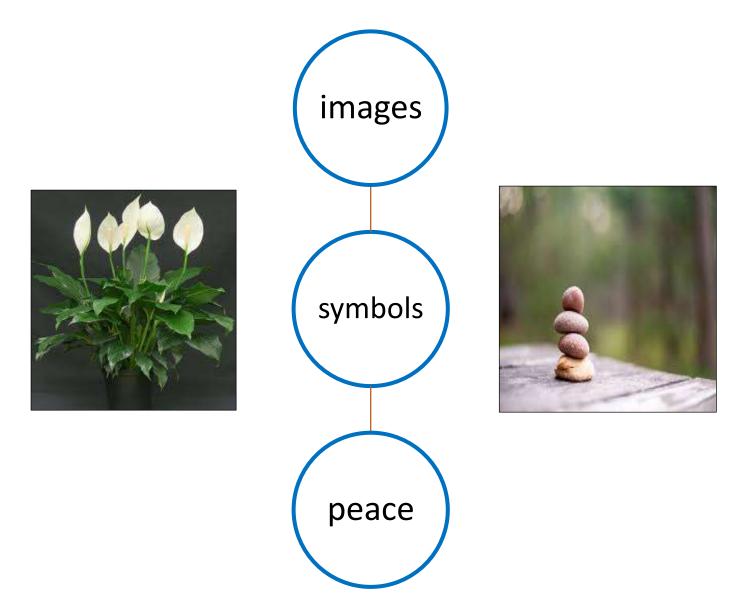
### **Pilgrim Walk**

Start with right foot

Step 1, 2, 3

Rock back on left foot

Repeat



To create a contemplative mood consider the use of soft lighting, <u>plants</u> that are associated with peace (there are 8), and any other <u>symbols</u> (24 at this link) representing peace.

The light, plant or symbolic elements could be incorporated into symbolic acts, eg carried into and placed strategically along the labyrinth path or in the centre.

Alternatively, before the walk symbols and objects could be placed in the centre of the labyrinth so that on reaching the centre each walker selects one and carries it back out as a commitment to peace.

Olive branches could be used at the threshold