

## Victor Dominello MP

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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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\*Attached: List of grant recipients and projects

## GRANTS ENCOURAGE MULTICULTURAL GROUPS AND YOUNG PEOPLE TO EMBRACE THE ANZAC SPIRIT

Minister for Citizenship and Communities Victor Dominello today announced \$60,000 in funding for 11 local projects which support multicultural communities and young people to commemorate the Anzac spirit and its influence on our history.

The NSW Government's Anzac Community Grants program encourages culturally diverse communities and young people to deepen their knowledge about the legacy of Australia's involvement in the First World War.

"I am pleased to announce that local organisations, councils and schools will receive up to \$10,000 for projects which preserve the Anzac legacy and encourage multicultural communities and students to learn more about this profound chapter of our history.

"This program was established in 2012 to empower migrant communities and younger Australians to share in and contribute to the Anzac story, which is fundamental to our national identity.

"Projects include a remembrance garden created by design and technology students in Liverpool; a video project led by the local library and students entitled "*More than Just a Name, World War One*" in Canada Bay; and a new youth community webpage for students using the Kokoda Track Memorial Walkway in Concord.

"NSW contributed 164,000 First World War enlistments, representing nearly 40 per cent of those who served, and with the Centenary of Anzac starting on 4 August these grants will serve to strengthen grassroots engagement throughout the commemorations.

"We live in one of the most multicultural societies in the world and within our migrant communities there is a rich array of family stories from the First World War across nations, defence forces and battlefields.

"For example, it is not widely reported that approximately 1000 Indian soldiers died at Gallipoli or that a high proportion of Jewish Australians enlisted during the First and Second World War.

"Through the Anzac Community Grants program, the NSW Government is broadening opportunities for people to discover and connect with Anzac traditions and keep the legacy alive," Mr Dominello said.

More information on the Anzac Community Grants program is available at: <u>http://veterans.nsw.gov.au/education/anzac-community-grants-program/</u>

## **ANZAC COMMUNITY GRANTS – JULY 2014**

Organisation	Project	Funds	Electorate
City of Canada Bay	"More than Just a Name, World War One Multimedia Video Project 2014-15"	Anzac Community Youth Grant \$5,000	Drummoyne
Holroyd City Council	Collect stories and artefacts and engage local communities with Anzac	Anzac Multicultural Community Grant \$5000	Granville
Hurstville City Council/Hurstville City Library, Museum & Gallery	Workshops focusing on sessions with local primary /secondary school students	Anzac Community Youth Grant \$5,000	Oatley
James Busby High School	Commemorative Anzac Day and Remembrance Garden	Anzac Multicultural Community Grant \$10,000	Liverpool
Kangaroo Valley Anzac Committee	Commemoration Service, march and Family day , ANZAC Day 2015	Anzac Community Youth Grant \$2000	Kiama
Kokoda Track Memorial Walkway	New web based Education and Community Resource (ECR)	Anzac Community Youth Grant \$5,000	Drummoyne
Monkey Baa Theatre Company	Play and education (Primary School Children yrs 5&6 and High School yrs 7& 8) program exploring themes around 'The Unknown Soldier'	Anzac Community Youth Grant \$10,000	Sydney
North Ryde Public School P&C Association	Stage 3 students "Anzac Local History Project"	Anzac Community Youth Grant \$2,950	Ryde
Papua New Guinea Australian Association	Symposium at NSW Parliament House marking the anniversary of the centenary of the Australian conflict at Bitapaka, East New Guinea Province PNG on 11 September 1914	Anzac Community Multicultural Grant \$5,000	Symposium hosted by The Hon Charlie Lynn MLC
Para Meadows School	Building a memorial for Anzac Day and Remembrance Day	Anzac Community Youth Grant \$5,000	Wollongong
Sydney University Graduate Choir	Composition and performance of <i>An</i> <i>Australian War Requiem</i>	Anzac Multicultural Community Grant \$5000	Marrickville