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Green Necklace Cruise on the 'James Craig'

Thursday 9 September, 2021

The Sydney Branch conference committee invites you to join us on the Green Necklace Harbour cruise to celebrate Sydney and its harbour, as part of events leading up to our 2021 conference.

The cruise raises awareness of the harbour's landscape heritage and is centred on the findings of a 2018 study commissioned by AILA (NSW). The vision of this study is to conserve the 'green necklace' of Sydney Harbour – a series of parks, government institutions and Crown land, fragments of open space and remnant bushland around the Harbour foreshore and catchment. It aims to recognise these, not as separate places, but as one cultural landscape. The tour will showcase the harbour's natural, Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal landscape values and the aspirations of contemporary communities.

This will be a 2 ½ hour cruise, on the tall ship "*James Craig*", as part of the events on the optional Thursday before the conference. We will be travelling within the harbour under motor, rather than sail, and cruise the western harbour, taking in headlands and islands such as Berrys Bay, Balls Head, Cockatoo Island, Yurulbin, Ballast Point Park, Me mel (Goat Island) and Barangaroo Reserve.

Speakers Christine Hay, Colleen Morris, James Quoyle and a Sydney Harbour Fleet tour guide will accompany and inform the cruise.

We will be **boarding at 10am at the Maritime Museum, Darling Harbour** and departing at 10:30am. Catering will include a light lunch. Closer to the day, a map and details of luggage facilities will be provided, for those arriving directly from the airport or elsewhere.

The 'James Craig' is a part of a collection of vessels, operated exclusively by the Sydney Heritage Fleet. The fleet has a complementary role to the Museum in Darling Harbour, focused on preservation, restoration and operation of heritage vessels. The 1874 'James Craig,' is the Fleet's oldest vessel. It has been fully restored and regularly puts to sea under full sail. Information on the vessel can be found at: 'James Craig'.

We welcome you to join us for what will be an exhilarating experience of the harbour. Bookings at \$95 per head will be open on 1 April. As a minimum number of bookings is required for the event, additional places will be available for friends and family to join in on the day and can be booked on:

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(Details subject to change)