

Join the Northern Territory Aboriginal Tourism Committee

Expression of Interest information

Background

The purpose of the ATC is to guide implementation of the Aboriginal Tourism Strategy the development of a sustainable NT Aboriginal tourism sector, enabling individuals to create or take up meaningful employment and business opportunities and; at the same time, maintain and share their Aboriginal cultural heritage.

The ATC will undertake to ensure that the work of the ATC is well known and understood through all levels of government and the broader industry.

ATC Chair and members bios can be found at www.tourismnt.com.au.

Key principles

The ATC will operate under the following principles:

- Acknowledgement and respect for the principles of the Larrakia Declaration 2012.
- Work to ensure culturally appropriate Aboriginal tourism experiences are developed through the sharing and celebrating of Aboriginal cultures.
- Guide, support, promote and evaluate the Aboriginal tourism sector in alignment with the Aboriginal Tourism Strategy and in a manner endorsed by Aboriginal Territorians and respectful to Aboriginal cultural identity.
- Recognise the key role both Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal owned and operated businesses contribute to the on-going development of the Aboriginal tourism sector.

Responsibilities

The ATC will:

- Oversee delivery of the Aboriginal Tourism Strategy through the evaluation and regular reporting to the Tourism NT Board of outcomes and issues affecting the Aboriginal Tourism Strategy.
- Represent the NT Aboriginal tourism sector to the Tourism NT Board and the Minister responsible for the tourism and hospitality portfolio (the Minister) when requested.
- Provide regular update reports to the Minister via the Tourism NT Board on delivery of the Aboriginal Tourism Strategy.
- Provide advice on Aboriginal tourism policy and program effectiveness, to help ensure that Aboriginal tourism programs benefit Aboriginal Territorians.
- Deliver sound policy and strategic advice on delivery of Aboriginal Tourism Strategy to the Minister and the Tourism NT Board.

- Provide strategic advice to the Minister and Tourism NT Board on issues including, but not limited to:
 - identifying new Aboriginal tourism product and opportunities identified through market led research
 - identifying Aboriginal tourism enterprise development opportunities including ways to build business capacity and to increase the employment of Aboriginal Territorians within the tourism industry
 - identifying tourism industry opportunities on Aboriginal land and communities which is supported by custodians
 - providing advice on strategic marketing initiatives involving Aboriginal tourism.
- Inform and communicate with government agencies and Regional Tourism Organisations the ATC's role and the Aboriginal Tourism Strategy.

Meetings

- The ATC will formally meet at least four times annually. Meetings may be held in regional and remote locations as required.
- The quorum for ATC meetings will be a majority of the members.
- The deliberation of the ATC will be confidential.

Reporting

- The ATC will submit reports on the ATC's activities and outcomes for all Tourism NT Board meetings, including updates on strategic initiatives in the Aboriginal Tourism Strategy.
- The ATC will provide an annual report to the Tourism NT Board which will ultimately be provided to the Minister, on progress of the Aboriginal Tourism Strategy.

Member entitlements

- Remuneration for members 'external' to government at an annual rate of \$7,240, which will be paid fortnightly.
- Remuneration structure allows for eight days of meetings and 10 days of project work associated with the strategic work plan implementation across each financial year cycle.
- Superannuation is automatically calculated through the PIPS system and sent to members' nominated superannuation fund.
- Travelling allowance for each overnight stay at a place away from the member's usual place of residence, in order to attend a meeting of the ATC, or to attend 'business' on behalf of the ATC.
- The definition of business means any business of the ATC conducted by a member with the ATC's prior approval. Such approval can be in the form of a reference in the minutes of a meeting, or in writing via email. Approvals must be retained for auditing purposes.
- Reimbursement of travel expenses reasonably incurred to attend a meeting of the ATC, or to conduct the business of the ATC, and as approved by the Chair.

ATC expression of interest

- To apply written expression of interest outlining your interest, experiences and skills to be lodged via email Aboriginal.TourismNT@nt.gov.au.
- Expression of Interest closes 12am, 15 March 2024.
- ATC member appointment period is 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2026.
- ATC expression of interest selection considerations includes:
 - is an Aboriginal Territorian
 - resident of the NT based
 - known and respected NT community member
- have a genuine commitment to developing a sustainable Aboriginal tourism industry, and who hold knowledge of, or expertise in, the tourism industry.
 - NT Aboriginal tourism development
 - tourism industry knowledge and expertise and/or understanding of or experience in matters crucial to the sustainable development of the Aboriginal tourism sector
 - committed to the ATC purpose and responsibilities including representing the ATC
 - ability to provide strategic advice relating to the future of the Aboriginal tourism sector
 - demonstrated experience working effectively at a committee or board level
 - commercial business acumen (e.g. legal/business/advertising/marketing)
 - ability to travel for ATC commitments.

Further information

- On NT Government statutory and non-statutory boards can be found <https://cmc.nt.gov.au/supporting-government/boards-and-committees>.
- On the ATC expression of interest contact the ATC Secretariat on 8999 7424 or email Aboriginal.TourismNT@nt.gov.au.