



**The National Ethnic and Multicultural  
Broadcasters' Council**

2009 National Conference

# Ethnic Community Broadcasting in A Changing World

demographics • economy • technology

28-29 November 2009 • Rydges Hotel on Swanston • Melbourne

## Theme

The theme of the 2009 NEMBC Annual Conference is "Ethnic Community Broadcasting in A Changing World". Speakers and workshops will explore how ethnic community broadcasting can respond to changing demographics with new and emerging communities, an ageing population from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, the role of gender in community broadcasting, changes in the economy in the context of the first global recession in 20 years, climate change, rapidly developing technology and the roll-out of digital radio.

## Venue and dates

The conference will be held on Saturday 28 November 2009 at the Rydges Hotel on Swanston Street, very close to Melbourne University and a short walk from the CBD. This will make it easy for people to arrive by bus from the airport. The Rydges Hotel has accommodation, plenary and workshop rooms available all under the one roof.

The following pages include all relevant conference information available to date, including details of venue and cost, conference registration forms, as well as information about the AGM.

The Gala Dinner will be held at another venue called the 'Grand Buffet Hall' which is situated in the grounds of Melbourne University. It is a very short walk from the conference venue.

The NEMBC Annual General Meeting will be held on the morning of Sunday the 29th of November. Please make sure your membership fees are paid so that you can vote on issues at the AGM. This is an election year and there will most likely be proposed amendments to the Constitution.

We suggest you make your conference plans quite soon, as the conference date is drawing closer. We invite members and non-members alike to attend. The conference will start with a reception on Friday evening and then registration at 9 am on Saturday. A Friday night arrival may be advisable for some travelling from coast to coast.

Use the forms in this edition to register your attendance or download the NEMBC registration form. For more information about the conference go to the NEMBC website: [www.nembc.org.au](http://www.nembc.org.au), or contact us on 03 9486 9549 or via email to [admin@nembc.org.au](mailto:admin@nembc.org.au).

## NEMBC Awards

This year the NEMBC will be presenting a number of prestigious awards for excellence in ethnic community broadcasting:

1. The Tony Manicaros Awards (two awards)
2. The Radioactive Youth Program of the Year Award
3. The Radioactive Youth Broadcaster of the Year Award
4. The Ethnic and Multicultural Women's Program of the Year Award

The winners will be announced at the NEMBC Annual Conference Gala Dinner at the University of Melbourne. Applications are now open. For more information, posters and application forms please contact the office.

## Travel subsidies for official station delegates

Travel Subsidies will be at least 50% of the cost of an economy fare.

Subsidies are available for a maximum of three people per station, provided that at least one is female or one is under the age of 30 or one is from a New & Emerging Community. Subsidies are only available to official station delegates who have been authorised by the governing body of the station or ethnic umbrella group. Subsidies will only be paid after the conference on presentation of receipts.

## Accommodation and venue details

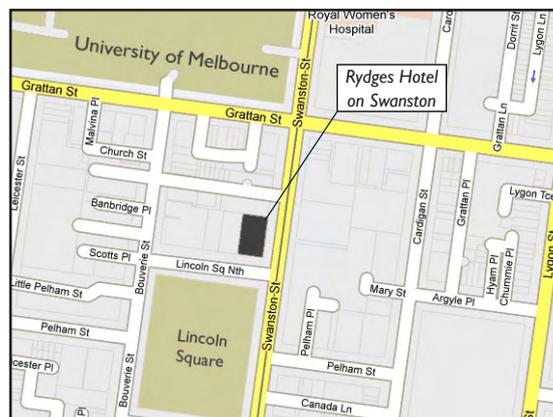
Those attending the Conference need to make their own accommodation bookings and transport arrangements. We recommend people stay at the Rydges Hotel as it is all under the same roof and, if people stay together, twin shares are \$75 per person. For bookings please contact:

Rydges Hotel on Swanston  
701 Swanston Street, Carlton VIC 3053  
Tel: Jake Coleiro: (03) 9347 7811  
Email: [jake\\_coleiro@rydges.com](mailto:jake_coleiro@rydges.com)

A room is \$150 per room and twin share will make it \$75 per person. Breakfast is \$19 extra. Remember: You must let the Rydges Hotel know that you are coming for the conference and quote the code "NEMBC" when booking to get this rate.

For more information please visit [www.rydges.com/onswanston](http://www.rydges.com/onswanston)

If you would prefer to stay elsewhere or are looking for cheaper single room accommodation please visit our website [www.nembc.org.au](http://www.nembc.org.au) for more information.



## The NEMBC AGM

This is an election year for the following positions: Executive, Youth and Women's Committees, and the Ethnic Grants Advisory Committee (EGAC). The NEMBC Constitution and procedures require that, for the purpose of attendance, voting and nominating for office rights, members must be:

- (a) Financial for 2009, not later than the 20th of November 2009, one week before the AGM.
- (b) Represent a program broadcasting regularly, in a language other than English, or a multicultural program that is under the control of an ethnic broadcaster.
- (c) Members are entitled to one vote for every five financial members, or part thereof: to be eligible for voting rights a station must have at least three financial members of the NEMBC.
- (d) Only those members who have been nominated by their stations or umbrella organisations as voting members are eligible to nominate for Executive and Committee positions and to vote.
- (e) The station or umbrella organisation can give all of its votes to one or more delegates, provided the number of votes does not exceed your station's or umbrella organisation's entitlement (five members = one vote).

Delegates must be appointed by the 'governing body' of the station or umbrella organisation and a Letter of Appointment (enclosed), signed by the relevant President, Secretary or Manager, stating the names and number of votes for each delegate. This letter must be delivered by 5 pm the 28th of November 2009 to the NEMBC Secretary either in person or via mail to PO Box 1144, Collingwood VIC 3066, fax to (03) 9486 9547, or email [admin@nembc.org.au](mailto:admin@nembc.org.au). For any assistance you may contact the NEMBC office on (03) 9486 9549.

Please look at the NEMBC website for a pro forma Letter of Appointment and the breakdown of the Committee positions. Committee nomination forms are available on our website. We hope that you will be able to participate in our conference and AGM.

**Please note:** for general access stations the member programs can come together and appoint their voting delegate(s). For further advice and assistance on this please contact the NEMBC secretariat.

## NEMBC constitutional amendments at the AGM

For some time now there has been a Constitutional Sub-Committee looking at improving the constitution and it will be presenting some proposed changes at this AGM. The proposed constitutional amendments are not dealing with major issues, such as voting rights, but are an attempt to improve the language and some of the meaning and structure of the constitution while maintaining the same definitions. In September 2009 the Committee will have distributed to the members the first draft for feedback. If you would like to have a say in the proposed amendments then please go to our website for the proposed changes and explanations. Please respond by the appropriate dates. The feedback from members will be crucial in putting forward the final document for approval.

The proposed changes will be sent out to all members 30 days before the AGM and there will be a workshop at the conference on the 28th of November with the NEMBC and Constitutional Subcommittee to explain the changes. Voting will then take part on the proposed amendments on Sunday morning the 28th of November. Voting will be done in sections. If you would like more information please go to our website or ring the Secretariat on 03 9486 9549.



# 2009 NEMBC Conference Program

## FRIDAY 27th NOVEMBER

6.30pm Conference Reception at the 3ZZZ radio station.

## SATURDAY 28th NOVEMBER

8.00 – 9.00am Registration Rydges on Swanston Hotel

9.00 Welcome to Country  
Official Opening Speeches

9.40 Plenary Session – “Ethnic Community Broadcasting in a Changing World”

9.40 to 10.20 Keynote Speaker Prof. Andrew Jakubowicz – Professor of Sociology and co-director of the Cosmopolitan Civil Societies Research Centre at the University of Technology Sydney

10.20 to 10.45 Morning Tea  
Plenary Panel Members

10.45 to 11.15 Kath Letch – Digital Radio Project Manager for the CBAA

11.15– 11.45 Sekai Nzenza Shand. Sekai was born in Zimbabwe, but was educated in England and Australia. She has a PhD in Philosophy from the University of Melbourne and worked as the Director of Policy and Communications at World Vision Australia.

11.45 - 12.15 Questions

12.15 – 1.00 Lunch

WORKSHOPS			
1.00	Engaging Communities - development, innovation and relevance	Women Broadcasters in Action	
3.00 - 3.15	Afternoon Tea		
3.15	Ethnic Grants	NEMBC Constitutional Proposed	New Emerging

5pm Close of workshops

7.30pm Conference Dinner Melbourne University ‘Grand Hall’

## SUNDAY 29th NOVEMBER

8.00 - 9.00 Registration for entering AGM (delegates will need to line up at the door and have their names checked and be given voting cards before entering the AGM)

9.00 AGM Opens — Acceptance of 2008 Minutes  
Annual Reports and Auditor’s report  
Appointment of Auditor 2009-2010  
NEMBC Committee Elections  
Constitutional amendments  
EGAC Report  
Notices of Motion

1.30pm Closing Time

1.30pm to 2.30 pm Lunch

Please note that the closing time of the AGM is planned for 1.30pm, followed by lunch. As the AGM is in Melbourne this year there will be enough time for delegates to depart and get to their flights and be home at a reasonable hour.

The NEMBC would like to thank the conference sponsors:

Host station:





# 2009 NEMBC National Conference Registration Form

Name:  Email address:

Home address:  Post code:

Home telephone:  Mobile phone:

Station:  Other organisation:

Program language:  Program name:

Day/Time/Duration of your program e.g. Mondays, weekly:

Please return this form to NEMBC Conference, PO Box 1144, COLLINGWOOD VIC 3066  
with your full registration payment by **Friday the 20th of November 2009**  
Early Bird registrations must be made by **Friday the 30th of October 2009**

REGISTRATION		Prices are inclusive of 10% GST	AMOUNT
<b>Early Bird Registration</b> <small>Payments made prior to 30/10/09</small> <input type="checkbox"/> Member: \$150	<input type="checkbox"/> Member (Concession) <small>(pensioner, student, health care card holder or unemployed)</small> \$125	<input type="checkbox"/> non-Member \$225	\$
<b>Late Registration</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Member: \$180	<input type="checkbox"/> Member (Concession) \$155	<input type="checkbox"/> non-Member \$255	\$
<b>Conference Dinner</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetarian <input type="checkbox"/> Halal <input type="checkbox"/> Kosher <input type="checkbox"/> Gluten free <small>NB: No alcohol included in this price</small>		\$40.00 per person	\$
		SUBTOTAL	\$
NEMBC Membership <input type="checkbox"/> New member <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal for 2009		\$25	\$
		<b>TOTAL (GST Inclusive)</b>	\$

Make cheques/money orders payable to National Ethnic & Multicultural Broadcasters' Council

Direct bank deposit can be made to Bendigo Bank: NEMBC / BSB: 633-000 / Account No.: 120737887 (please quote station call sign)

NEMBC ABN 82 932 609 229

PLEASE NOTE: Upon full payment this registration becomes your TAX INVOICE.  
Please make a copy and retain the copy for yourself for reporting purposes.

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