

Warrdong Aboriginal Cultural Experience

Warrdong is the Nyoongar* name for Crow. The ***Warrdong Aboriginal Cultural Experience*** is a Nyoongar Dance group that have traveled and performed throughout Australia and internationally. ***Warrdong*** are based at Kaarta Garup (Kings Park), Perth, Western Australia, at the Aboriginal Art Gallery overlooking the Derbarl Yerrigan (Swan River).



The Group members have been dancing nearly all their lives and have been taught by elders in the family. Different dances have morals and values that teach children about respect for yourself, for the culture and the land.

Group members are passing this on to their children through dance, music and story telling.

*Nyoongar – the language groups of people located throughout the south west of Western Australia.

Warrdong Cultural Workshops

At Kings Park, ***Warrdong*** hold educational talks and tours for the public and school groups. Cultural Workshops include:

Nyoongar Survival Skills – the basic skills which enabled Nyoongar people to survive before European Settlement.

Nyoongar Artefacts – ***Warrdong*** teach how traditional Aboriginal artefacts were and still are made by Nyoongar people.

Bush Food & Medicine – People walk past food and medicine everyday and don't realise it. ***Warrdong*** shows how, when and where to find food and medicine used by Nyoongar people.

Nyoongar Dance – Dance workshops are fun and teach children the reasons these traditional dances were such an important part of Aboriginal culture.

History – This workshop teaches children the basic Nyoongar language and history of the local area, also the effects of European settlement on things and on the Aboriginal peoples lives.

Warrdong Performances

Warrdong travel to perform at many different festivals, functions and schools, promoting Nyoongar culture to the wider community. ***Warrdong*** are preserving the native Nyoongar culture in Perth for the benefit and enjoyment of future generations.