

# Dragon Tails 2022

## Rural and Regional Histories

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7th Australasian conference on Chinese diaspora history & heritage  
Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery, Launceston, Tasmania 10-14 November 2022

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### Draft Program - Timetable at a glance

#### Thursday 10 November

- 10.00 - 12.00** Behind the scenes tour of Chinese collections, Queen Victoria Art Gallery  
**OR**  
Walking tour of Chinese heritage in Launceston
- 1.30 - 3.30** Behind the scenes tour of Chinese collections, Queen Victoria Art Gallery  
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#### Friday 11 November

- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration
- 9.00 - 9.15** Conference Opening
- 9.15 - 10.15** Keynote Presentation - Helene Chung
- 10.15 - 10.45 Morning tea
- 10.45 - 12.15** Panel 1 - Tasmanian Chinese community history
- 12.15 - 1.15 Lunch
- 1.15 - 3.00** Panel 2 - Inclusion and achievement
- 3.00 - 3.30 Afternoon tea
- 3.30 - 5.00** Panel 3 - Tracing family
- 5.15 - 6.45** Behind the scenes tour of Chinese collections, Queen Victoria Museum

#### Saturday 12 November

- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration
- 9.00 - 10.00** Keynote Presentation - Janis Wilton & Joe Eisenberg
- 10.00 - 10.30** Our Chinese Past Inc - 'The Chinese Temples of New England NW' website launch
- 10.30 - 11.00 Morning tea
- 11.00 - 12.30** Panel 4 - Chinese language sources
- 12.30 - 1.30 Lunch
- 1.30 - 3.00** Panel 5 - Constructing history from sources
- 3.00 - 3.30 Afternoon tea
- 3.30 - 5.00** Panel 6 - Chinese Communist Party entanglements with Chinese Australian history
- 5.15 - 6.45** Behind the scenes tour of Chinese collections, Queen Victoria Museum
- 7.00** Conference Dinner: Canton Restaurant

*Sunday 13 November*

8.30 - 9.00	Registration
<b>9.00 - 10.30</b>	<b>Panel 7 - Representations</b>
10.30 - 11.00	Morning tea
<b>11.00 - 12.30</b>	<b>Panel 8 - Heritage explorations</b>
12.30 - 1.30	Lunch
<b>1.30 - 3.15</b>	<b>Panel 9 - First People's relations &amp; settlement</b>
3.15 - 3.45	Afternoon tea
<b>3.45 - 5.15</b>	<b>Panel 10 - Fundraising &amp; Merchants</b>
<b>5.15 - 5.45</b>	<b>Concluding Remarks</b>

*Monday 14 November*

8.00 - 8.30	Registration for bus tour
<b>8.30 - 4.30</b>	<b>Bus tour of Chinese tin mining and community heritage in NE Tasmania</b>

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**Helene Chung** - *Two unique Tasmanian Chinese:*

- *My father, Charles: fruit merchant, restaurateur and artist-in-retirement, 1920 – 2018*
- *My mother, Dorothy: scarlet woman to fervent Catholic, 1925 – 2020*

10.15 - 10.45 Morning tea

**10.45 - 12.15** Panel 1 - **Tasmanian Chinese community history**

**Brian Chung, Daniel Chan, Peter Chung** (Chinese Community Association of Tasmania) - *The Chinese Community Association of Tasmania: 50 years of service to the Tasmanian Chinese community*

**Brian Chung** (Chinese Community Association of Tasmania) - *George Chung Hon & family: The successful story of a Chinese family in Tasmania*

**Jan Everett** (Chinese Community Association of Tasmania) *Ma and Chin Tock tin mining families of Tasmania*

12.15 - 1.15 Lunch

**1.15 - 3.00** Panel 2 - **Inclusion and achievement**

**Jon Addison** (Queen Victoria Museum & Art Gallery) - *The Chinese community in Launceston: inclusion and difference*

**Megan Neilson** - *1891 Chinese Carnival in Launceston - Chin Kit, James Ah Catt and Tom Sing*

**Noreen Kirkman** - *Alice May Ying Lum: a twentieth-Century Queensland businesswoman and White Australia*

**Christine Grimwade** - *From barrow boy to bishop*

3.00 - 3.30 Afternoon tea

**3.30 - 5.00** Panel 3 - **Tracing family**

**Glenn Mar** - *Telling family history*

**Jenny Wright** - *Connections in the mid-nineteenth century Chinese community*

**Terry Young, Alan To** (Chinese Australian Family Historians of Victoria) - *Futile: Where is Dong Low, Victoria?*

**5.15 - 6.45** Behind the scenes tour of Chinese archaeological collection, and Chin Kaw family and business collection, at Queen Victoria Museum, Inveresk

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## 9.00 - 10.00 Keynote Presentation

Janis Wilton & Joe Eisenberg (University of New England) - *Updating Golden Threads*

## 10.00 - 10.30 Our Chinese Past Inc - Launch of 'The Chinese Temples of New England NW' website

Juanita Kwok, Paul Macgregor, Kira Brown, Ely Finch, Gill Oxley

10.30 - 11.00 Morning tea

## 11.00 - 12.30 Panel 4 - Honouring the heritage of language and sites

Kristy Love (Family History Agency) - *From Jackie George to jiapu: Finding name characters for Australian diaspora Chinese*

Ely Finch - *On the reasons for unreliable translation in the field of Chinese diaspora history*

Juanita Kwok - *The unfinished business of listing Chinese Australian heritage sites*

12.30 - 1.30 Lunch

## 1.30 - 3.00 Panel 5 - Constructing history from sources

Peter Hodder (Victoria University, Wellington) - *Constructing narratives of Chinese goldmining in New Zealand, and their sentiment analysis*

Angela Phippen (City of Ryde Libraries) - *Mapping the Chinese market gardens of the Ryde and Eastwood municipalities*

Kellie Clayton (Monash University) - *Late nineteenth-early twentieth century Chinese marine industries in northern Australia, in four regional spheres of context*

3.00 - 3.30 Afternoon tea

## 3.30 - 5.00 Panel 6 - Chinese Communist Party entanglements with Chinese Australian history

Darryl Low Choy (Griffith University) - *Whose history is it?*

John Fitzgerald (Swinburne University) - *China's century of humiliation and Chinese Australian history*

Karen Schamberger - *Gifts, friendship and expectations: The material culture of influence*

Paul Macgregor - *"Don't mention the history. I did, just a little, and I think I got away with it.": Memorialising 'the Chinese' in the diaspora, yet marginalizing their history*

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**Alison Wong** - *Exploring the Chinese walk from Robe*

**Vanessa Shia** (Museum of Chinese Australian History) - *HerStory: Multiple facets of Chinese Australian women (A virtual exhibition)*

**Siying Zhou** - *Calling the dead*

10.30 - 11.00 Morning tea

## 11.00 - 12.30 Panel 8 - Heritage explorations

**Leigh McKinnon** (Golden Dragon Museum) - *'Dragon cities' - Marysville, California and Bendigo, Victoria*

**Gordon Grimwade** - *A grave situation*

**Marilyn Dooley** - *Figures in a landscape: Sighting the significant Chinese presence in Central Queensland*

12.30 - 1.30 Lunch

## 1.30 - 3.15 Panel 9 - First Peoples relations & settlement

**Fred Cahir** (Federation University Australia) - *Aboriginal and Chinese peoples' association in colonial Victoria*

**Austin Tseng** (University of Melbourne) - *Frontierization of the "other": Coverage of First Nations peoples in Australian Chinese-Language newspapers of the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries.*

**Anne Thorogood** - *Barney Hong Coon: From goldminer to grazier*

**Hilda Maclean** (Professional Historians Association of Queensland) - *The bosun and the doctor: Chinese occupation diversification on the Darling Downs*

3.15 - 3.45 Afternoon tea

## 3.45 - 5.15 Panel 10 - Fundraising & Merchants

**Kong Hui Ong** (National Chengchi University) - *Fundraising activities of Australia's Chinese community in the early twentieth century*

**Sarah May** (Monash University) - *Mobilities of relief: Chinese Australian involvement in famine relief to China, 1878*

**Allan O'Neil** - *Midwives, merchants and miners: The Hang Gong's of Darwin and Creswick*

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