

Key Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander regional events & NT dates of significance

2025

Darwin, Palmerston and Litchfield

21 June
Garrmalang Festival

5 August
Country to Couture

6 August
National Indigenous
Fashion Awards

7 to 10 August
Darwin Aboriginal
Art Fair

8 August
Telstra National
Aboriginal and Torres
Strait Islander Art
Awards (NATSIAA)

9 August
National Indigenous
Music Awards (NIMA)

Top End

23 to 25 May
Karrimanjbekkan An-me Kakadu – Taste of Kakadu

8 to 9 August
Mayali Mulil Festival

East Arnhem

21 June
Yarrapay Festival

1 to 4 August
Garma Festival

30 August
East Arnhem Live

Big Rivers

6 to 9 June
Barunga Festival

12 to 13 September
Malandarri Festival

22 to 24 August
Gurindji Freedom Day
Festival
50th Anniversary of the
Hand Back

Barkly

1 to 4 August
Desert Harmony Festival

Central Australia

15 to 19 February
Imparja Cup

4 to 13 April
Parrtjima a Festival in Light

20 to 23 June
Beanie Festival

3 to 20 July
Desert Festival Fringe

7 September
Bindi Magic - Bindi Mwerre
Anthurre Artists

11 September to 26 October
Desert Mob

14 September
Bush Band Bash

26 October
40th anniversary of the handback of the
title deeds of Uluru-Kata Tjuta National
Park to Anangu

NT significant dates

16 to 30 August 1928

14 August 1963

24 August 1966

16 December 1976

Coniston Massacre

Yirrkala Bark Petition

Wave Hill Walk Off

Aboriginal Land Rights

30 May 1980

26 October 1985

1 June 1988

Native Title – Tiwi Islands

Native Title - Uluru

Barunga Statement

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