



34th Papua New Guinea Independence Celebration in Vienna, Austria

18-20 September 2009

This is the first Papua New Guinea Independence celebration to be held in Vienna, Austria. We invite all wantoks, friends and anyone in Austria & around Europe who is interested to join the event! Come along and have fun! Take part in the activities we offer.

Come dressed in Papua New Guinea or Pacific style (traditional or modern)! The tribal fashion show is open to anyone, especially your children! Carry your bilums instead of handbags – the most beautiful bilum will win a prize.

There is no fee for the event but we would appreciate a small donation to help run the workshops and tips for the Polynesian dancers who are coming from Germany! Lunch and dinner will be available in the restaurant (at your own cost) – unfortunately it will not be possible to make Mumu.

The event will be held on the weekend 18th – 20th of September at the Hostel Hütteldorf in Vienna, Austria, which also provides the accommodation (see <http://www.hostel.at/en/?id=igh>). Registration for accommodation, meals and participation is required.

Programme for Friday 18th September:

Take note: Presentation talks are cancelled

Instead, there will be an information table for groups and organizations who are interested to display their information on Saturday the 19th.

Friday afternoon arrival

6 pm - dinner in the restaurant (at own cost)

8 pm - Music in the Lounge with two junior DJ Amateurs

- relaxing meeting/chatting
- Billiard
- Traditional dance course and show

Programme for Saturday 19th September:

8 am Breakfast

9 am -1 pm - Vienna city Tour (costs for public transport: 5 Euro)

9 am -1 pm - Forest Adventure (Kid's programme)

Preparation for the workshop, information table, etc

12-1 pm - Lunch/Break (own cost – available also in the restaurant)

2 pm – Most of the activities start at 2 pm

2 pm - **Information Table:**

- WWP - World Day of Prayer
- Niugini – Freundeskreis
- Austrian South Pacific Society
- Animals & Insect of Papua New Guinea
- South Pacific Groups – Germany
- Opportunity to display information for other groups and organizations

2 pm - **Creative Workshops:**

- Coconut jewel making: (Kids & Adults) Filing, brushing, vanishing, painting coconut shell pieces for pendants! Or create your own jewellery!
- Try to wear a grass skirt and tie a laplap/sarong (pasim laplap) (Kids & Adult)
- Face painting: (Kids & Adults) your choice of PNG tribal faces, png animals, etc
- Forming Asaro mudman mask – (Kids & Adults) moulding & sculpturing using natural clay
- Carving mini PNG Masks & figures - (Kids & Adults) carving & chiselling using natural wood
- Button making – (Kids) draw your own pictures or use the PNG pictures we offer

2 pm – **Competition, games & sport:**

- Coconut scraping course and competition: (Adults) Scrape coconuts like a real Papua New Guinean
- Game: What's the time Mr Crocodile? (Kids)

- Sport: Rugby touch lesson (Kids & Adults)
- Bilum competition: Carry your bilums during the event if you want to take part in the bilum competition. Register your bilum and get tag from Esther & Dorothy for your bilum. The most beautiful bilum will win a prize!

4 pm - Mini Tribal fashion show (will take place if there is sufficient interest).

It is open to everyone, in particular children! Wear your traditional singsing costume, meri blouse & laplap, Bilum wear or PNG T-shirt & caps.

5 pm - Traditional Dance Show

7 pm - Dinner (at own cost – in Restaurant)

10 pm - PNG mini style Disco: with the two junior DJs

Programme for Sunday 20th September:

- Breakfast
- Farewell

Location:

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Accommodation: The prices range from € 17.50 per person in dormitories with 6 beds to € 22.50 in 4-bed-rooms; family rooms with ensuite bathrooms for up to 4 people are € 80.00. If you are not a member of the International Youth Hostel Organization (membership fee is € 20.00 per year for adults or families) you have to pay an extra fee of € 3.50 per night.

All rates include a Continental breakfast (see attached pricelist "Rates_JGH_2009.pdf").

Please note the special offers "Family time", "City weekend" and "Hot dorms" which include a free 72 hours Vienna card (= free public transport and reduced entrance fees, worth € 18.50, see <http://www.wienkarte.at/EN/?l=e>)

We advise you to make reservations as soon as possible due to limited space.

Individual reservations can be cancelled free of charge until 72 hours before arrival. Afterwards a fee of one night accommodation will apply.

You can do your booking online at <http://www.hostel.at/en/?id=jgh>. In this case a not-refundable 10% deposit will be charged to your credit card.

Please, let us know about your hostel reservation, and your intention to attend the event:

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Looking forward to an enjoyable event and lots of fun.
For more information: visit the site www.papua-arts.wiemers1.de (Event)

Bilum prize: a buka basket, PAC voucher of 50 Euro, Vienna wine & Papua New Guinea chocolate and coffee sponsored by Papua Arts & Crafts (www.papua-arts@wiemers1.de).

Coconut Scraping competition winner: a Papua New Guinean coconut scraper, Papua New Guinea caps sponsored by a PNG wantok Ruth Ipang

PNG Bilas fashion show: (not sure yet if a competition will take place)