



ALMA Update

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August 2010

UPCOMING EVENTS

活动预告

Celebratory dinner to mark the 10th anniversary of the Beijing-Canberra Sister City Relationship

Chinese Banquet (10 course dinner) and performance

Date: Friday 10th September 2010

Time: 6pm for 6:30pm

Where: Italo-Australian Club
78 Franklin St, Forrest

Cost: \$45 for adults and \$20 for children under 12

This is a great opportunity for the ACT Chinese community and friends to get together to rejuvenate and continue to promote the friendship between the two cities.

Would you like to join the ALMA table?

To book, please contact Mandy on canberraalma@gmail.com or 0408 089 235

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#### ALMA cultural event in October or November

ALMA is working with the Silk Road Gallery in Kingston to provide an exciting opportunity to learn more about Chinese traditional flutes and furniture, sample Chinese tea and hear a classical flute performance.

More details available soon

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The following activities are being organised by the ACT branch of the Australia-China Friendship Society

Charm of Silk and Bamboo: A fundraising concert

Come and hear the ANU Chinese Classical Music Ensemble perform a concert of Chinese music and help raise funds for the purchase of additional Chinese musical instruments for the ANU School of Music.

When: 2.30-3.30pm Saturday 21 August

Where: Southern Cross Club Woden.

Cost: \$20

To book email acfsevent@gmail.com or phone Siew-Gim on 0410 902800.



The Chinese of Murrumburrah and surrounding districts - 1860s to 1960s

When: Thursday 23 September 7pm

Where: Southern Cross Club, Woden.

Robyn Atherton, a professional genealogist who has been Research Officer for the Harden Murrumburrah Historical Society for the last four years will discuss her research on the Chinese in the area during and after the gold rushes.

Want to find out more? Come along to the talk.

Bookings and more information at acfsevent@gmail.com

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## LEARNING CHINESE IN CANBERRA

### Weekend classes for preschoolers

There are now additional options for children aged 3 or 4 to learn Mandarin on Saturday or Sunday mornings in Canberra.

#### FCCCI School

The FCCCI school has been running a bilingual class for this age group on Saturday mornings since 2009 (see ALMA News August 2009 for a report).

This class is designed for families who do not speak Mandarin.

For more information: visit [www.fccci.org.au/en/cs.php](http://www.fccci.org.au/en/cs.php) or contact the principal at [lyn.ning@anu.edu.au](mailto:lyn.ning@anu.edu.au) or 0422 982 404 (mobile).

#### The Australian School of Contemporary Chinese (ASCC)

ASCC has recently announced that it will begin a program for 3–4 year olds in October 2010.

Classes will initially be held in Woden on Saturdays, and Belconnen on Sundays, will run from 10am–12 noon and use Montessori methodology.

For more details contact (02) 6176 0528, 6255 7710 or 0403 151 826 (m) or email [ascc@trilong.com.au](mailto:ascc@trilong.com.au) or see the website at: [www.standardchineseschool.act.edu.au](http://www.standardchineseschool.act.edu.au)

## REPORTS OF ALMA ACTIVITIES

### News from the Chinese Australian Early Childhood Centre in Mawson

The new extension is finally complete! So the centre now has, for the first time, a formal reception area, separate Director's office and more spacious staff room.

### Update on Canberra Panda Childcare Centre at University of Canberra (UC)

The Canberra Panda planning group is continuing to explore possibilities for funding, sponsorship and support to establish a new bilingual (Mandarin/English) 70 place childcare centre on the Bruce campus of the University of Canberra (UC).

ALMA is currently in discussions with the Rooftop Foundation Inc about the possibility of incorporating the childcare centre into a residential project for student accommodation at UC.

The Rooftop Foundation is dedicated to increasing the availability of safe affordable housing in the ACT – for more details see <http://rooftopfoundation.org.au/>

For details about the aims of the Canberra Panda project at UC and actions taken to date, visit [http://alma.anu.edu.au/childcare\\_northside.htm](http://alma.anu.edu.au/childcare_northside.htm) or contact [canberrapanda@gmail.com](mailto:canberrapanda@gmail.com)



### Mandarin Community Tutoring Project

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We have a number of keen volunteer tutors interesting in helping Canberrans practice and improve their Mandarin language skills.

For more information about the project and how to register, please visit the ALMA website at <http://alma.anu.edu.au>



### For more information about ALMA and its activities

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