



# A pivotal moment: the nation's only truth telling commission nears its end

## Lunch with Professor Eleanor Bourke AM

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Ahead of the release of the Yoorrook Justice Commission's landmark final report, hear Chair **Eleanor Bourke AM** speak about the Commission's work and the path ahead.

**Moderated by ABC News Breakfast's Bridget Brennan.**

**Professor Bourke AM** is a proud Wamba Wamba and Wergaia Elder and Chair of the Yoorrook Justice Commission.

Her Melbourne Press Club address will mark a pivotal moment in Victoria's history, as the nation's first and only truth-telling commission nears its end. It will look back on the challenges and achievements, forward to what's needed to create a better future for all Victorians, while also delivering personal insights into this historic process.

Professor Bourke will canvas the Commission's work as the first formal truth-telling process in the country and provide exclusive insight into what to expect from Yoorrook's final recommendations. She will also consider what weight to apply to the many apologies made by Government to Victorian First Peoples.

Professor Bourke will share some of the truths that moved her, while paying tribute to the many leaders and Elders who have contributed to Yoorrook's work, many of whom have sadly passed away along the journey.

Professor Bourke will argue that in order to move forward, we must learn the truth of the past and understand how this history connects with the present.

Don't miss this address by one of the state's most respected Elders at a time of historic significance.

### **About the moderator**

**Bridget Brennan** is newsreader and co-host of News Breakfast. She was previously the ABC's Indigenous Affairs Editor, Europe Correspondent in London and the National Indigenous Affairs Correspondent.

She's covered Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities for more than a decade and is a Dja Dja Wurrung and Yorta Yorta woman.



### **Date & Time**

Tuesday 13 May 2025  
1pm for 1:15pm start  
– 2:30pm

### **RSVP**

Bookings and dietary requirements required by Wednesday 7 May 2025

### **Location**

Woodward Conference Centre  
University of Melbourne  
Law Building  
10th floor, 185 Pelham Street  
Carlton VIC 3053

### **Cost**

\$85 members  
\$95 non-members  
\$70 students

Prices include lunch and GST. Refreshments will be available for purchase

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