



Media Release

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Family fun on Australia Day

Victorian families are expected to converge on Melbourne this Australia Day for a host of family-friendly activities.

Families can watch the traditional Australia Day flag raising ceremony at 10.30am before sharing in the excitement of the vibrant Australia Day Parade.

The parade, which will feature more than 2,000 people from community, sporting and special interest groups, will walk down Swanston Street to the Queen Victoria Gardens from 11am.

The gardens will be packed with Australia Day entertainment, including a free concert from legendary jazz trumpeter James Morrison, roving performers and food stalls.

More than 450 vintage, veteran and classic vehicles will be on display in the nearby Kings Domain Garden as part of the RACV Australia Day Picnic and Federation Vehicle Display.

The picnic will feature a range of free activities, including working dog displays, food stalls, soccer games and tai chi.

The Royal Australian Air Force's roulettes will put on a stunning display over the gardens at 2pm.

The National Gallery of Victoria will also be in the swing of Australia Day, offering children the chance to design their own flags as part of the *Melbourne Now* Children's Festival.

The festival will keep children entertained with artist talks, workshops and an interactive show.

For more events see summary attached or go to:

<http://www.australiaday.vic.gov.au>

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