



Expression of Interest (EOI) – Mob Markets Stallholder Invitation

**Indigenous Nationals 2026 – Thursday 2 July | University of Newcastle
(Callaghan Campus)**

Expression of Interest: Mob Markets Stallholders

The University of Newcastle invites Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander community members, artists, makers, small businesses, and organisations to submit an Expression of Interest (EOI) to host a stall at our **Mob Markets**, held as part of **Indigenous Nationals 2026** activations on **Thursday 2 July 2026** at the University's Callaghan Campus.

About Indigenous Nationals

Indigenous Nationals is an annual week-long multisport and cultural event that brings together Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander University students from across Australia. Established by The Wollotuka Institute 30 years ago, the event celebrates culture, community, and spirit through competition, connection, and leadership.

In 2026, The Wollotuka Institute is proud to welcome this event back home. As we host the 30th Anniversary of Indigenous Nationals, we will warmly welcome more than **500 student-athletes from across the country, with staff, visitors, community members, and supporters** on Awabakal and Worimi Country.

About the Mob Markets & Thursday Activations

The Mob Markets will form part of our **Touch Football Day** on Thursday 2nd July 2026 at the University of Newcastle's Callaghan campus. In addition to the Touch Football competition, we hope to offer opportunities for cultural, wellbeing, and student activations for a vibrant and engaging day on campus for student athletes, staff, and our valued community.

The Mob Markets will provide a dedicated space to showcase:

- Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander businesses

- Cultural products, artwork, and handmade goods
- Bushfoods and locally made items
- Community organisations, services, and initiatives that support Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Activations for Mob Markets will be advertised as all stalls open 10am – 2pm, with bump-in / out either side, however athlete games will start around 8am and so earlier foot traffic and activation may occur. We will ask that all stalls are set-up ahead of the communicated opening time, and to ensure bump-in in the event precinct.

We are excited to welcome student athletes, university staff, community and spectators during the day.

Stallholder Requirements

To meet operational and campus safety requirements, please note:

- **Stalls will NOT have access to electricity**
- Stallholders must be able to operate in a **standalone, self-sufficient** manner
- You will need to provide your own display equipment (tables, marquees, signage, etc.)
- Limited space will be allocated based on suitability and availability
- There will be no vehicle access available directly to the stall site (COLAs at The Forum) and so transport of all stall items will need to be portable by stallholders.

Who Can Apply

We welcome EOIs from:

- Local Indigenous artists, makers, and craftspeople
- Indigenous owned- small businesses
- Indigenous community organisations and social enterprises
- Cultural educators and practitioners
- Bushfood, jewellery, clothing, accessories, and creative product sellers

How to Submit an EOI

Please complete the following EOI registration: [Expression of Interest - Indigenous Nationals 2026 Mob Markets Stallholder](#)

Included in the form we are asking the following information.

1. Your name / organisation
2. A short description of your stall and what you intend to sell or showcase
3. Any equipment you will bring (e.g., marquee size, tables)
4. Any accessibility or logistical needs
5. Links to social media or examples of your work (optional)

EOIs close: Sunday 24th May

Further information: Following the close of the EOI period, we will reach out to advise whether your spot is confirmed and to share relevant information for bump-in and bump-out, including site plans, parking, etc.

Questions?

If you have any questions about the event or stall requirements, please email:

Indigenousnationals@newcastle.edu.au

We look forward to showcasing the strength, culture, creativity, and entrepreneurial spirit of our Indigenous communities at Indigenous Nationals 2026.