## VIDEO TRANSCRIPT FOR



## Acknowledgement of Country by The ORCA Project - 2.6 minutes

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We invite you to focus on your feet

and the ground beneath your feet.

We think of those whose feet have walked this land long before us,

as we acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land we now call Australia.

We invite you to look up to the sky and nature and to breathe deeply.

We think of those who breathed this air long before us

and acknowledge their cultural and spiritual connection

to land, air, sea and sky for over 60,000 years,

as the longest continually living culture.

We invite you to close your eyes and pause in this moment.

In this silence, we think of the blending of many different cultures.

We give thanks that we are able to share in this land together,

and express our sorrow for the cost of that sharing.

We invite you to look to those around you and consider the time words and stories you will share together.

We pay our respects to elders past who has shared language, culture and tradition

and are the original storytellers on these lands.

We pay our respects to elders present, stand up in ask that their voice is heard as they share stories, and culture, and life.

We pay our respects to young Aboriginal people who will continue to lead the way for all of us.

We pay our respects to each other and commit ourselves to the path of reconciliation, remembering that we all have a part to play in that journey.

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