



INTERFAITH & INTERCULTURAL CALENDAR 2022

CELEBRATING WELLBEING

Melton City Council's Interfaith and Intercultural Calendar 2022 focuses on significant cultural and religious dates throughout the year. The Calendar is a guide for the community to better understand, acknowledge, and respect our friends', neighbours', employees' and co-workers' holidays and festive occasions.

This year's Calendar highlights the vision and themes from our new Council and Wellbeing Plan 2021-2025 which is a key document that sets out the strategic and planning direction for Council, and our community over the next four years.

The Calendar also features photos and quotes of local community leaders who contributed immensely in 2021 towards making the City of Melton a better place.











Our new vision:
A vibrant, safe
and liveable City
accessible to all.

JANUARY 2022

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S	M	T	W	T	F	S
30	31					1 New Years Day (Public Holiday)
2	3 New Year's Day Additional Day (Public Holiday)	4	5	6 Epiphany	7 Nativity (Orthodox)	8
9 Birthday of Guru Gobind Singh Ji	10 Bodhi Day	11	12	13 Maghi (14-17)	14 Pongal (14-17)	15
						
16	17	18 Mahayana New Year ** (18-20)	19	20	21	22
						
23	24	25	26 Australia Day (Public Holiday)	27	28	29
						










Theme One: A safe
City that is socially and
culturally connected

FEBRUARY 2022

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S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1 Chinese New Year 	2	3	4	5
6	7 World Interfaith Harmony Week (1-7) 	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15 Nirvana Day ** 	16 Magha Puja Day / Sangha Day ** 	17	18	19
20	21 International Mother Language Day 	22	23	24	25	26
27	28					





Theme Two:
A vibrant and
healthy natural and
built environment

MARCH 2022

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S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1 MahaShivaratri ** Lailat al Miraj *	2 Lent begins on Ash Wednesday	3	4	5
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6	7 Great Lent [Orthodox] (15-23 April)	8	9	10	11	12
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13	14 Labour Day (Public Holiday) International Women's Day	15	16	17 Purim*	18 Holi* Holla Mohalla (18-20)	19 Lailat al Bara'ah*
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20	21 Naw Ruz* Harmony Day	22	23	24	25	26
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27	28	29	30	31		






Theme Three: A fast growing, innovative and well-planned City

APRIL 2022

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S	M	T	W	T	F	S
					1	2
3 Ramadan(**) (3 April-2 May) 	4	5	6	7	8	9
10 Rama Navami** Holy Week (10 -16) 	11	12	13	14 Baisakhi Mahvir Jayanti 	15 Good/Holy Friday (Public Holiday) 	16 Theravada New Year (16-18) Pesach*(16-23) 
17 Easter Sunday 	18 Easter Monday (Public Holiday) 	19	20	21 Ridvan* (April 21-May 2) 	22	23
24 Easter/Pascha [Orthodox] 	25 Anzac Day (Public Holiday) 	26	27	28 Yom HaShoah 	29 Lailat al Qadr* 	30








Theme Four:
A City that promotes
greater education and
employment

MAY 2022

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S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3 Eid ul Fitr* (3-5) 	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16 Vesak/Buddha Day** 	17 IDAHOBIT 	18	19	20	21
22	23	24 Declaration of the Bab* 	25	26 National Sorry Day  	27 National Reconciliation Week (May 27- June 3)  	28
29 Ascension of Baha'ullah* 	30	31				





Theme Five:
A community that
is actively engaged
in the City

JUNE 2022

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S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5 Pentecost Shavuot* (5-6) 	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13 Queen's Birthday (Public Holiday)	14	15	16 Martyrdom of Guru Arjun Dev Ji 	17	18
19 Refugee Week (19-25) 	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		









Theme Six:
A high performing
organisation that
demonstrates civic
leadership and
organisational
excellence

JULY 2022

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S	M	T	W	T	F	S
31					1	2
3 NAIDOC Week (3-9)	4	5	6	7	8	9
						
10 Eid ul Adha* (10-12) Martyrdom of the Bab*	11	12	13 Asalha Puja/Dharma Day**	14	15	16
						
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30 Hijra*
						












Building inclusive societies requires both institutional responses and behavioural change to ensure that every person is recognised and feels they belong.

AUGUST 2022

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S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7 Tisha B'av*	8	9	10	11 Raksha Bandhan**	12	13 Ullambana**
						
14	15 Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	16	17	18	19 Krishna Janmashtami	20
						
21	22	23	24	25 Paryushana** (August 25-September 1)	26	27
						
28	29	30	31 Ganesh Chaturthi**			
						





Ethnic, linguistic, religious and other forms of diversity are threads to the fabric of social cohesion.

SEPTEMBER 2022

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S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1 Samvatsari** Daslakshana** 	2	3
4	5	6 Rosh Hashanah * (7-8) 	7	8	9	10 Kshamavani** 
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 International Peace Day 	22	23	24
25	26 Rosh Hashanah* (26-27) Navaratri **(Sept 26-Oct 5) 	27	28	29	30	







Local governments
have an important
role in building
plural and
socially cohesive
communities.

OCTOBER 2022

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S	M	T	W	T	F	S
30	31					1
2	3	4	5 Dussehra Yom Kippur*	6	7	8
9 Kathina*	10 Sukkot* (10-16)	11	12	13	14	15
						
16	17 Shemini Atzeret*	18 Simchat Torah*	19	20 Conferment of Guruship to Guru Granth Sahib	21	22
						
23	24 Diwali** Mahavira Nirvana [Diwali] (or 25) Bandi Chhor Divas (Diwali)	25	26 Birth of the Bab*	27 Birth of Baha'ullah*	28	29
						





Diversity is
a fact. Equity is a
choice. Inclusion is an
action. Belonging is
an outcome.
- *Arthur Chan*

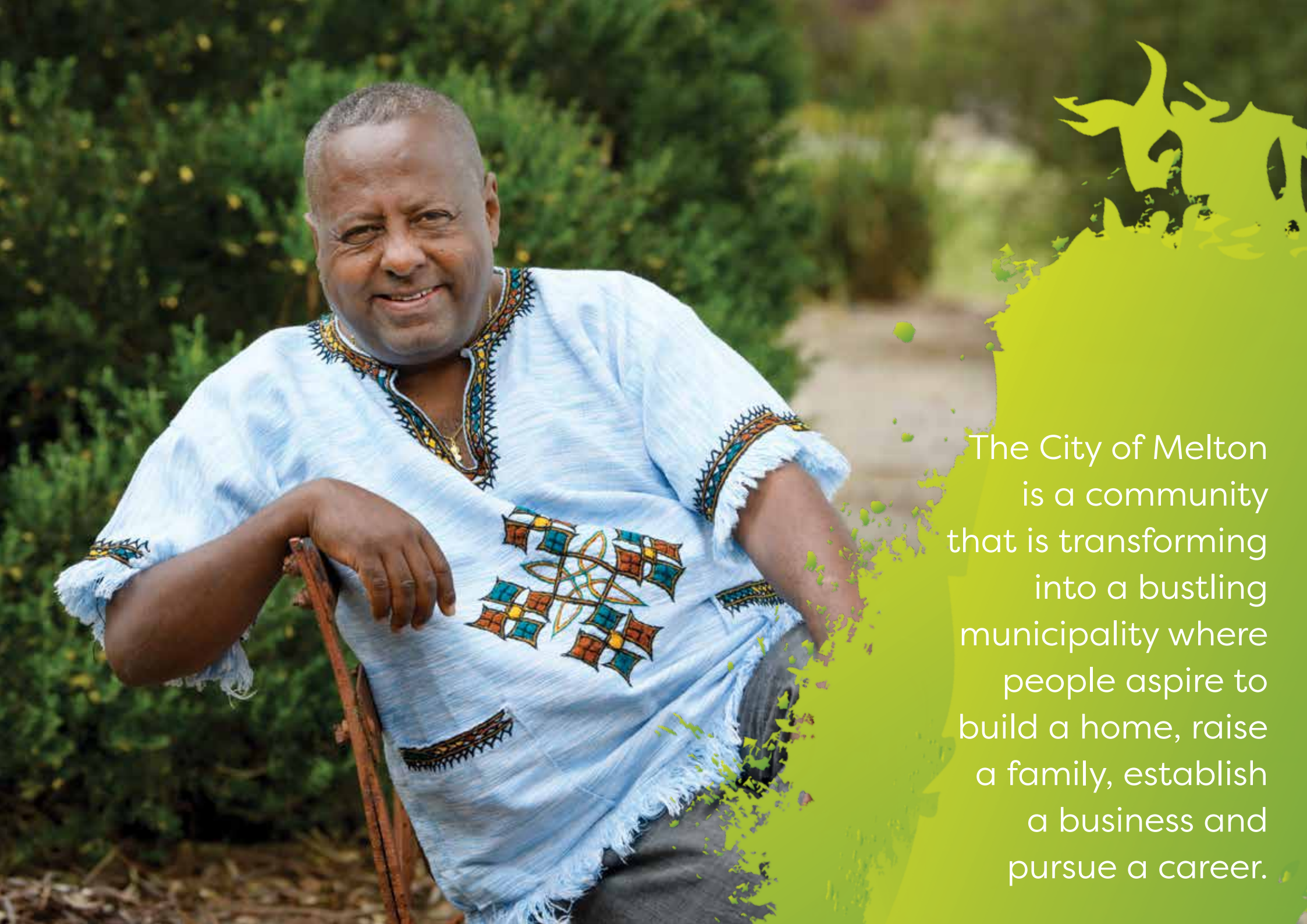
NOVEMBER 2022

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S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1 All Saints Day Melbourne Cup (Public Holiday)	2	3	4	5
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6	7	8 Birth of Guru Nanak Dev Sahib Ji	9	10	11 Remembrance Day	12
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13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24 Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji	25	26 Day of the Covenant
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27 Advent (November 27-December 24)	28 Ascension of Abdu'l-Baha	29	30			
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The City of Melton
is a community
that is transforming
into a bustling
municipality where
people aspire to
build a home, raise
a family, establish
a business and
pursue a career.

DECEMBER 2022

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S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10 Human Rights Day 
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19 Hanukkah* (19-26) 	20	21	22	23	24
25 Christmas Day 	26 Boxing Day	27 Christmas Day Additional Day (Public Holiday)	28	29	30	31





Melton City Council acknowledges Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples living and working in Melton. Council recognises the people of the Kulin Nations as the original custodians of the land now known as City of Melton. On behalf of the municipality, Council pays respect to their Elders, past, present, and future.

Please note: The names of certain events may have alternative spellings or be recognised on different dates by groups and individuals within communities. The calendar focuses on countries' national days, significant multicultural festivals in Australia, and events that are widely celebrated by Australia's major ethnic and religious communities. Please be advised the calendar is not exhaustive of all events that are celebrated around the world and should be considered a guide only. Calendar users should seek further advice regarding particular events.