



N E W S L E T T E R

12 April 2022

Private screening of Freedom Street for U3A Ipswich



A screening of the documentary, 'Freedom Street', an independently made international award-winning documentary will screen on Tuesday, May 10 in Shalom House at our Booval campus. The screening time is 10am. The producer, Alfred Pek, will be there to give a short talk on the documentary and to answer questions.

Freedom Street is the story of Joniad, Ashfaq and Azizah, refugees stuck in Indonesia for years as a result of Australia's border policy. The documentary highlights the cost of Australia's policies on refugees and on the Australian taxpayer and asks for meaningful and humane solutions to a worsening issue.

Refugees in Indonesia have no rights – they cannot attend school or work and have little chance of resettlement thanks to Australia's policies.

Entrance is \$15 a person and payment is by bank transfer directly into U3A's Bendigo Bank account - BSB: 633 000; Account No: 158945501. The producers have offered for this to also be a fund raiser for U3A Ipswich so you get to view a powerful documentary, support a movie producer with a social conscience and help the finances of your own U3A.

To register please deposit the required funds directly into our account and ensure you add for reference the word 'Film' and your surname and initials.

For more on the documentary go to: freedomstreetfilm.com.

Management Committee update



Following our Annual General Meeting on March 19 the Management Committee now consists of: Ian Muil, president; Robyn Hargreaves, secretary; Sue Mundt, treasurer; Amanda Schloss, tutor co-ordinator and new committee members Nigel Coupland, Lisa Campbell, Mark Fort and Dean Olafsen. Unfortunately, Laurie Zaat reluctantly resigned for health reasons.

Committee members who did not re-nominate were Karen Doolan and Lorraine Owens. We thank them both for their considerable contributions to U3A Ipswich.

A full induction process was undertaken before the start of our committee meeting and brief profiles of our new committee members will shortly be uploaded onto our website and included in the next newsletter. Meanwhile, we are encouraged that our new committee members are enthusiastic and addressing the issue of allocated portfolios such as vice president, event officer, venues officer and publicity and promotions officer.

One of the issues discussed at the Management Committee meeting was the policy mandating double vaccination for members to be able to attend classes. This issue is alive and policy directions from the State Government are being updated. The Management Committee will soon therefore be making a decision on updating our policy.

Induction day

A reminder that all tutors and volunteers are encouraged to attend our Induction Day on April 21 at 12.30 for 1pm at the Glebe Road Uniting Church hall. It is very important that tutors and volunteers attend as the induction day will include a fire and safety presentation by the Glebe Road Uniting Church official fire warden.

Fund Raising Sub-Committee



Fund raising is important for us to be able to keep our budget under control. We thus propose establishing a Fund Raising Sub-Committee. If you think you could contribute with ideas, strategies, tactics, experience then please step up and email us at contact@u3aipswich.org.au

Management Committee

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