

**Next date: Saturday, 20 September 2025 | 09:00 AM to 03:00 PM**



Held on the traditional lands of the Awabakal People, the Living Smart Festival is one of Australia's largest community sustainability events, with a mission to encourage people to learn about and embrace everyday sustainability practices. Lake Macquarie's largest free community event, Living Smart Festival, now in its 14th year is set to take place on Saturday 20 September at Speers Point Park. This flagship event for our region attracts more than 10,000 attendees, pending weather conditions.

The relaxed festival vibe encourages visitors to engage with local artists, taste local produce from a variety of food trucks, and interact with many of the activities provided for the event from the local community.

The 2025 event, which runs from 9am-3pm Saturday 20 September, is headlined by Dr Karl Kruszelnicki. Renowned for spreading the good word of science for more than 30 years, and the author of 48 books, Dr Karl is passionate about climate change and will

be sharing his wisdom at this year's Living Smart Festival. In addition, the day will host free workshops, demonstrations, market stalls and presentations.



### Stallholder Applications

Applications for stallholders are now closed.  
(<https://www.lakemac.com.au/events-directory/council-events/living-festivals/stallholder-applications>)



### Native plant giveaway

With spring in full swing, Living Smart Festival is the perfect opportunity for Lake Mac residents to pick up three free plants at our perennially popular native plant giveaway.  
(<https://www.lakemac.com.au/events-directory/council-events/living-smart-festival/living-smart-festival-highlights/native-plant-giveaway>)



### Program

Find the Living Smart Festival program listed in more detail.  
(<https://www.lakemac.com.au/events-directory/council-events/living-smart-festival/program>)



### Charged up – electrification panel

Why is the future electric? Join a powerhouse panel of individuals that are experts in household and vehicle electrification, as they discuss why

electrification is good for individuals, households, communities and even the planet.

(<https://www.lakemac.com.au/events-directory/council-events/living-smart-festival/living-smart-festival-highlights/charged-up-electrification-panel>)



### Free shuttle buses to the festival

Discover the range of sustainable, accessible transport options to help you get to the festival.

(<https://www.lakemac.com.au/events-directory/council-events/living-smart-festival/free-shuttle-buses-to-the-festival>)



### Sustainability, accessibility, inclusivity

Learn how we are working to make the delivery of the Living Smart Festival as sustainable, accessible and inclusive as possible.

(<https://www.lakemac.com.au/events-directory/council-events/living-smart-festival/sustainability-accessibility-inclusivity>)



## **Dr Karl Kruszelnicki headlines festival**

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## **Explore the Multi Arts Pavilion mima at the festival**

The Brigalow Belt project, led by Tricia Flanagan, explores the ecologies of the Brigalow Belt bioregion - an essential vegetation corridor along Australia's east coast critical for food production.

(<https://www.lakemac.com.au/events-directory/council-events/living-smart-festival/living-smart-festival-highlights/explore-the-multi-arts-pavilion-mima-at-the-festival>)

This year's event sponsors:



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# When

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# Location

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Speers Point Park, Park Road, Speers Point 2284 [View in Google Maps](#)

## Event Snapshot

### Cost

Free

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