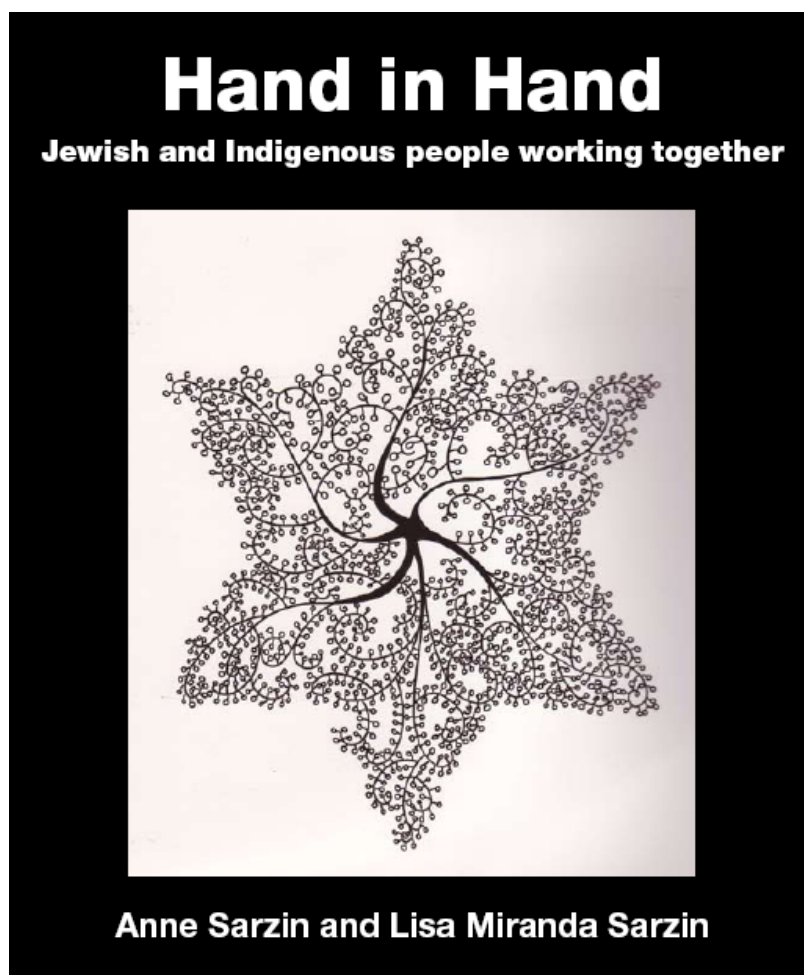


Hand in Hand : Jewish and indigenous people working together

Set out below are details relating to a new book, 'Hand in Hand' which tells the inspiring stories of Jewish and Indigenous Australians engaged in past and continuing joint endeavours to support Reconciliation in many different areas, including health, education, culture, and social justice.

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Gold's Book Shop, Bondi; Zabriskie Booksellers, Bondi; Lindfield Bookstore
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Synopsis of Book

An initiative of the NSW Jewish Board of Deputies and its Social Justice Committee, the book was researched and written by Dr Anne Sarzin and Lisa Miranda Sarzin and based on 80 interviews, including interviews with respected Jewish and Indigenous leaders as well as many people working at a grassroots level. The book includes a chapter on historical connections, with reference to a number of personalities and events that are significant in the area of human rights, such as William Cooper's denunciation of *Kristallnacht*, Chief Justice James Spigelman's participation in the Freedom Ride of 1965, and Ron Castan's work in the area of native title.

Jewish and Indigenous people in Australia have some important affinities and the book presents a view of reconciliation as a work in progress that benefits all Australians and seeks to inspire and encourage the further work that is still required.

The Governor of New South Wales, Professor Marie Bashir AC CVO, writes: 'Hand in Hand: Jewish and Indigenous people working together by Dr Anne Sarzin and Lisa Sarzin is an inspiring account of a journey of care and understanding being undertaken by two very significant Australian communities — the Australian Jewish community on the one hand, and on the other, Australia's Indigenous community — The First Australians...It is an inspiring contribution to Australia.'

Authors Notes

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