



E - NEWS : Australian Federal Election 2013

The Australian Federal Election will be held in Australia on Saturday, 7 September 2013.

Australians listed on the current electoral roll are eligible to vote whilst overseas. Please note that enrolment and voting from outside Australia is NOT compulsory. To check whether you are enrolled to vote, please visit the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) website at www.aec.gov.au or telephone the AEC on +61 2 6273 8606.

Postal Voting

Postal vote applications should be made online at www.aec.gov.au. The AEC will post ballot papers to your nominated, overseas address. Postal voters will be asked to return their postal votes directly to the Divisional Returning Office in Australia. Postal vote applications will close at 6pm (Australian Eastern Standard Time) on 5th September 2013.

Pre-poll Voting (in person)

Pre-poll voting services will be offered by the Australian Embassy located at Centar Kaptol, 3rd Floor, Nova Ves 11, Zagreb. The Embassy will be open for pre-poll voting from **Monday 26 August 2013 to Friday 6 September 2013** at the following times:

Monday to Friday 09.30 - 12.30

Please note that Pre-poll voting services will NOT be available at the Australian Embassy in Zagreb **on election day, Saturday 7 September 2013.**

For further information about the 2013 Australian Federal Election, please visit www.aec.gov.au or email info@aec.gov.au

Changes to the Australian visa regime for Croatian citizens from 1 July 2013

Following Croatia's accession to the EU, Croatian citizens may now apply online on the Department of Immigration and Citizenship website for the **eVisitor (subclass 651) visa**.

The ***eVisitor (subclass 651) visa*** allows the visa holder to enter Australia for tourism purposes or for short-term business purposes, such as attending a conference or exploring business opportunities. There is no charge for this visa.

Applicants for the ***eVisitor (subclass 651) visa*** must hold a current/valid passport. The visa allows a maximum stay of three months, and enables multiple entry over a 12 month period.

Further information about this visa is available on the www.immi.gov.au website: at <http://www.immi.gov.au/visas/visitor/651/>

Yilpinji: Love, Magic & Ceremony exhibition in Zadar

Yilpinji: Love, Magic & Ceremony, Aboriginal Art Exhibition is being held at the National Museum Zadar from 12-30 August 2013.

The Exhibition is organised by the Australian Embassy Zagreb at the initiative of the Avantura Festival Film Forum Zadar.



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