



## **Notice of Event Postponement**

It is with deepest apologies and heavy hearts that the Asian Community of Australia announces the postponement of the 2022 Mid-Autumn Moon Festival at Queensbridge Square in Southbank on September 10th and 11th.

Over the past six months, the committee has worked tirelessly on the event, ensuring that we would deliver a high calibre, safe and enjoyable festival for all participants.

The committee's vision has always been to create memorable events which not only encourage greater awareness and understanding of different Asian cultures, but also give back to our local communities.

Being a non-for-profit organisation, it has always been challenging to operate such large-scale events and with the escalating costs in this post-Covid environment, it has meant an even heavier reliance on funding from Government grants/subsidies and monetary sponsorships. However, throughout this campaign, we have found it extremely difficult to secure enough funding to execute the festival to the level the Committee had originally envisioned.

The committee had been working extremely hard right up to the very end with a number of great people, groups and businesses to get ahead of these challenges and find collaborative solutions. However, after exhausting all our options we had to make the difficult, but necessary decision to postpone this year's event.

We will be issuing full refunds to all stall holders and sponsors following this notification (you will be receiving an email in the next few days).

Although the outcome for Mid-Autumn Moon Festival was not what we had hoped for, the overwhelming public support and interest for the event have given the committee even greater drive and determination to ensure we deliver a great spectacle and exciting event for the community at our upcoming Lunar New Year Festival in January 2023.

Again, we deeply apologise for any inconvenience and unfulfilled expectations this postponement may have caused. We hope to see you at our January Lunar New Year Festival and hope for a great collaboration with you all.

Sincerely,

**Luan Walker | President**

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