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THURSDAY 14 DECEMBER 2017 — 5pm
FRATERNITY CLUB (Montecarlo Room), Wollongong
11 Bourke St, Fairy Meadow NSW 2519, NSW

You are kindly invited to an information evening on:
Tracing regional linguistic heritage in first & second generation Italian trilinguals in Australia



Dialects, Italian and English: languages in contact

The way we speak characterizes us as members of a specific community and reflects the environment in which we live and build our personal experiences. Our speech undergoes significant changes under the pressure of different social factors, and contact with multiple languages in immigrant communities.

More than 1.100.000 Australians today claim Italian ancestry. Almost seven decades after the beginning of mass migration of Italian families to Australia it is time to ask what cultural and linguistic elements of people's Italian Regional origins remain resilient and identifiable in the first, second (and third) generations.

The IRIAS project aims to study and document what remains, what has changed and what has been acquired in the languages and dialects used in Australian-Italian families, and how these contribute to their identity across generations.



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