

**ACCESSIBILITY KEY: Women's Rights at Work (WRAW) Conference 2025****9:00AM to 5:00PM Friday, 5 September 2025**

Registration will be open from 8:30AM

**Victorian Trades Hall Council**

54 Victoria St

Carlton VIC 3053

**Acknowledgement of Country**

Victorian Trades Hall Council acknowledges the Traditional Owners of the lands on which it stands, the Wurundjeri people of the mighty Kulin nation. We pay respect to their elders past and present. We extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. This land was stolen and never ceded. This always was and always will be Aboriginal land.

**Getting here**

Victorian Trades Hall Council is located on the corner of Lygon St and Victoria St in Carlton. You will need to enter Trades Hall through the Lygon St entrance for WRAW Conference. The Lygon St entrance is suitable for drop offs. There are eight steps at the Lygon St entrance, but the entrance has a wheelchair lift which staff will be on hand to assist with operating.

Trades Hall is a 600m walk from Melbourne Central Station, and a 650m walk from Parliament Station.

The Melbourne Central tram stop on Swanston St is wheelchair accessible. The Queen Victoria Market tram stop is also wheelchair accessible and is 650m away via Victoria St. Victoria St inclines upwards towards Trades Hall.

The 200 and 207 bus lines stop directly outside Trades Hall. The stop is accessible for wheelchair users.

There is limited street parking around Lygon St and Victoria St. **We strongly encourage attendees take public transport to the Conference.**

**Solidarity Hall / Meeting Rooms**

The majority of the conference will take place inside Solidarity Hall, and meeting rooms within Trades Hall. Solidarity Hall is on Level 1 and accessible via stairs and a lift. The doors to Solidarity Hall are wide enough to fit a wheelchair and can accommodate those using wheelchairs and other mobility aids. Solidarity Hall can be cool, so we recommend bringing layers to dress warmly.

Babies and children are welcome. There are designated breastfeeding and changing spaces at Trades Hall.

There will be a designated quiet room for the conference.

The conference will not be Auslan interpreted.

More information about Trades Hall's accessibility is available on our website:

[https://www.weareunion.org.au/venue\\_access](https://www.weareunion.org.au/venue_access)

### **Content Warning**

The conference will include discussions on topics such as gendered violence, sexual harassment, family and domestic violence, and other issues that can be confronting for some participants. Trades Hall has mental health first aiders on site. Additional support may be accessed via the below:

**1800RESPECT** (National Domestic, Family and Sexual Violence Counselling, Information and Support Service): **1800 737 732**

Centre Against Sexual Assault (**CASA**): **1800 806 292**

**13YARN** (Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Crisis Supporters): **13 92 76**

### **Catering**

Morning tea, lunch, and afternoon tea will be provided. All dietaries will be accommodated, please advise us if you have specific dietary requirements. Limited alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks will be served at the event. Tea and coffee will be provided.

There is an onsite coffee shop **Hope Kiosk** that will be open from 8:30AM to 2:00PM.

Water will be available throughout the conference. We recommend bringing a water/drink bottle.

### **COVID-19 Precautions**

It is not a requirement that attendees wear masks or show proof of vaccination status. We ask all attendees to ensure they are vaccinated against COVID-19. Attendees are welcome to wear masks. Hand sanitiser will be available for use.

Trades Hall follows best practice regarding cleaning and infection control. Given the prevalence of COVID-19 in the community, we cannot guarantee that there will not be an exposure.

We ask that you do not attend if you have respiratory symptoms on the day of the event.

## **Toilets**

There are toilets accessible on all levels. All toilets are gender neutral.

There is one wheelchair accessible toilet down the corridor from Solidarity Hall, and one wheelchair accessible toilet on the ground level next to the lift. These toilets are equipped with handrails and the entrances are 89cm wide. The cubicles do not have automatic doors and will need to be opened via a handle.

## **Recordings and photographs**

This is a public event and there will be people taking photographs and video at the event. If you do not wish to be photographed, please let a member of our staff know on the day.

## **VTHC Solidarity Statement**

We are Union.

We stand united as part of a great movement of workers. Our diversity is our strength. Our solidarity is our power.

We respect and take care of each other.

Prejudice and discrimination – including misogyny, racism, homophobia and all other hatreds have no place in our movement. We rise together. Today and every day we commit ourselves to achieving justice, fairness, equality and dignity for all workers.

Solidarity forever.

## **Diversity Statement**

Our diversity is our strength. We include and welcome all women and non-binary folks who share our experience of being harmed by the patriarchy, regardless of age, size, colour, race, sexuality, identity, religion and culture.

## **Contact**

If you have any other accessibility needs or questions about the conference, please contact us at [women@vthc.org.au](mailto:women@vthc.org.au)