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IMPROVCAMP is an intensive, residential programme for high school students. It encompasses Improvisation, lifelong friendships and the outdoors all in one package! IMPROVCAMP AUSTRALIA is unlike any other camp out there—it's an exciting experience for students who are interested in improvisational theatre.

ImprovCamp has run in Canada for nine years to rave reviews and sold out programmes. Australian's got a taste in 2009 – 70 teenagers, 6 days, 9 trainers, 1 megaphone, 1 DJ, lots of dance parties, great food, workshops, classes, electives, performances equaled 100% success! – so it's back!

By popular demand IMPROVCAMP AUSTRALIA has been extended from five and a half days to seven! Young improvisers will receive comprehensive instruction in improvisational theatre by CIG professionals from all over Canada. The CIG crew will be assisted by AIPA and Point Wolstoncroft staff and it will be amazing!

Participants will be organized into ensembles (based on age and experience) and participate in multiple daily workshops, gaining skills and learning about their craft. There are performances or activities each night, and a heap of outdoor, team building activities to choose from. They said that 2009 was the 'best camp ever', just wait until you see what is planned for 2010!

## WHAT ARE THE ADVANTAGES OF GOING TO IMPROVCAMP AUSTRALIA?

There are simply far too many to list here, but we will have a go!

The feedback from 2009 was 100% positive. And the vibe was electric. Be part of a youth phenomenon.

Learn the art of Improvisation from some of the world's best tutors and performers.

Meet and work with like-minded people from all over Australia, across Canada and perhaps other countries too!

Learn life skills, group and team skills, how to lead and when to follow.

Discover new ways to warm up and performance techniques that will take you to the next level.

Make friends that you will have forever whilst having the best week of your life!

ImprovCamp is an inspiring and life changing experience for any teenager who wants to act or simply discover more about themselves. Students who are serious about taking Improv to a professional level need to strongly consider regular training both in Australia and overseas. IMPROVCAMP AUSTRALIA, brings the best overseas trainers to you!

#### WHAT IS THE AGE RANGE FOR IMPROVCAMP?

ImprovCamp is open to male & female Improv students aged 12 - 17 years of age. All applicants must be currently enrolled in a registered high school or home-schooling programme.

#### WHAT IS THE STAFF:STUDENT RATIO FOR THE CAMP FOR THIS AGE GROUP?

The supervision ratio is 1:10

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Phone: (02) 9966 0353 / +61 2 9966 0353 (int'l)

#### LEADERSHIP PROGRAMME – FOR YOUNG ADULTS

In 2010, we will introduce the CIG Leadership Programme. The leadership program is designed for young people who are ready to take the next step, both as improvisers and youth leaders. The members of the leadership program take workshops to grow their improvisation skill set, but also take seminars designed to enhance their abilities as leaders and mentors of youth. This program is both challenging and rewarding, and vital for those improvisers who are interested in assisting in the growth of the next generation. Acceptance is by application only and students interested in applying should contact us BEFORE enrolling online. Applicants must be in the final year of high school or have completed high school within the last two years. Applicants should be 17 – 20 years of age.

#### WHAT IS THE STAFF:STUDENT RATIO FOR THE LEADERSHIP PROGRAMME?

The supervision ratio is 1:12

#### WHAT ARE THE SLEEPING ARRANGEMENTS?

Students enrolled in both IMPROVCAMP and the leadership programme are housed in en-suited cabins, segregated into male and female rooms. Each cabin has a break out area and rec room.

#### DO STUDENTS HAVE TO STAY OVERNIGHT?

We cannot stress how important it is that you do, however, if there is a reason that you need to return home each night, please note that on your enrolment form under “anything else we should know” section or speak to one of the the admin team on 02 9966 0353. There is no discount for not staying at the grounds and we cannot guarantee an exact finish time each night, but an estimated time is possible.

#### WHO ARE THE CANADIAN IMPROV GAMES?



For the past 30 years Canadian Improv Games has created exciting, life-changing programming through the use of improvisation. CIG uses Improv as a learning tool to foster skills like Positivity, Leadership, Commitment and Teamwork, which are put to the test through a unique improvisational theatre tournament run in conjunction with the National Arts Centre and secondary schools across Canada. The National Tournament has been a huge success for many years and 2009 saw the first Australian teams play in a demonstration match with Canadian students.

IMPROVCAMP was created in 2003 as an opportunity to further promote the lifelong skills and artistic expression that the Canadian Improv Games is known for. Not surprisingly, it has done so—and then some! That’s why IMPROVCAMP AUSTRALIA was born - to give Australian students the opportunity to share in this experience.

The Canadian Improv Games is a ‘loving’ competition between teams of high school students trained to perform spontaneous, improvised scenes within the framework of the CIG's own 5 event competitive format.

Last year over two thousand students in hundreds of high schools across Canada played in the Improv Games. Over 26000 people enjoyed the excitement in 2009 as it unfolded in 165 different events!

CIG has a reputation for uncovering and training some of the world’s best improvisers. Their alumni have been seen on comedy and Improv shows (both live & televised) and include some BIG names. For more information about CIG, please go to [www.improv.ca](http://www.improv.ca)

#### WHO ARE THE AUSTRALIAN IMPROV GAMES?



The Australian Improv Games (AIG) is a new schools Improv tournament . It is an exact replication of Canadian Improv Games for Australian Highschools.

#### WHO OR WHAT IS THE AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE FOR PERFORMING ARTS (AIPA)?

The Australian Institute for Performing Arts is a company that provides training, management, performance opportunities and touring to talented, dedicated and curious individuals in all performing arts disciplines. See: [www.aipa.com.au](http://www.aipa.com.au)



AIPA is registered to trade as:

- \* AIPA Productions
- \* AIPA Talent Development Programme
- \* AIPA Travel & Facilitation
- \* Australian & US Talent Development Program
- \* Australian Improv Games (AIG)
- \* Australian Screen Tests (AST)
- \* IMPROVCAMP AUSTRALIA
- \* KICK Performance Group (KPG) - a full service performing arts school for 3 – 25 year olds.
- \* Performing Arts Tours Pty Ltd

As the camp involves a residential component, Performing Arts Tours (a division of AIPA) will be managing all the logistics for this year's Improvcamp in Australia. AIPA has been taking groups of students on tour domestically since 1997 and internationally since 2002. AIPA has also hosted hundreds of interstate and international students at workshops with great success. There are several pages of testimonials that you would be more than welcome to look at and check. A selection appears on our website: <http://www.performingartstours.com.au>

AIPA is located at 40 Merrenburn Ave, Naremburn. Ph :02 9966 5013 (Admin) 02 9966 4473 (Tours)  
The ABN (AIPA Pty Ltd) is 55 093 235 057. The touring ABN (Performing Arts Tours Pty Ltd) is 92 122 280 111.

If you have any questions, you are more than welcome to call our office or make an appointment to come in and meet the team.

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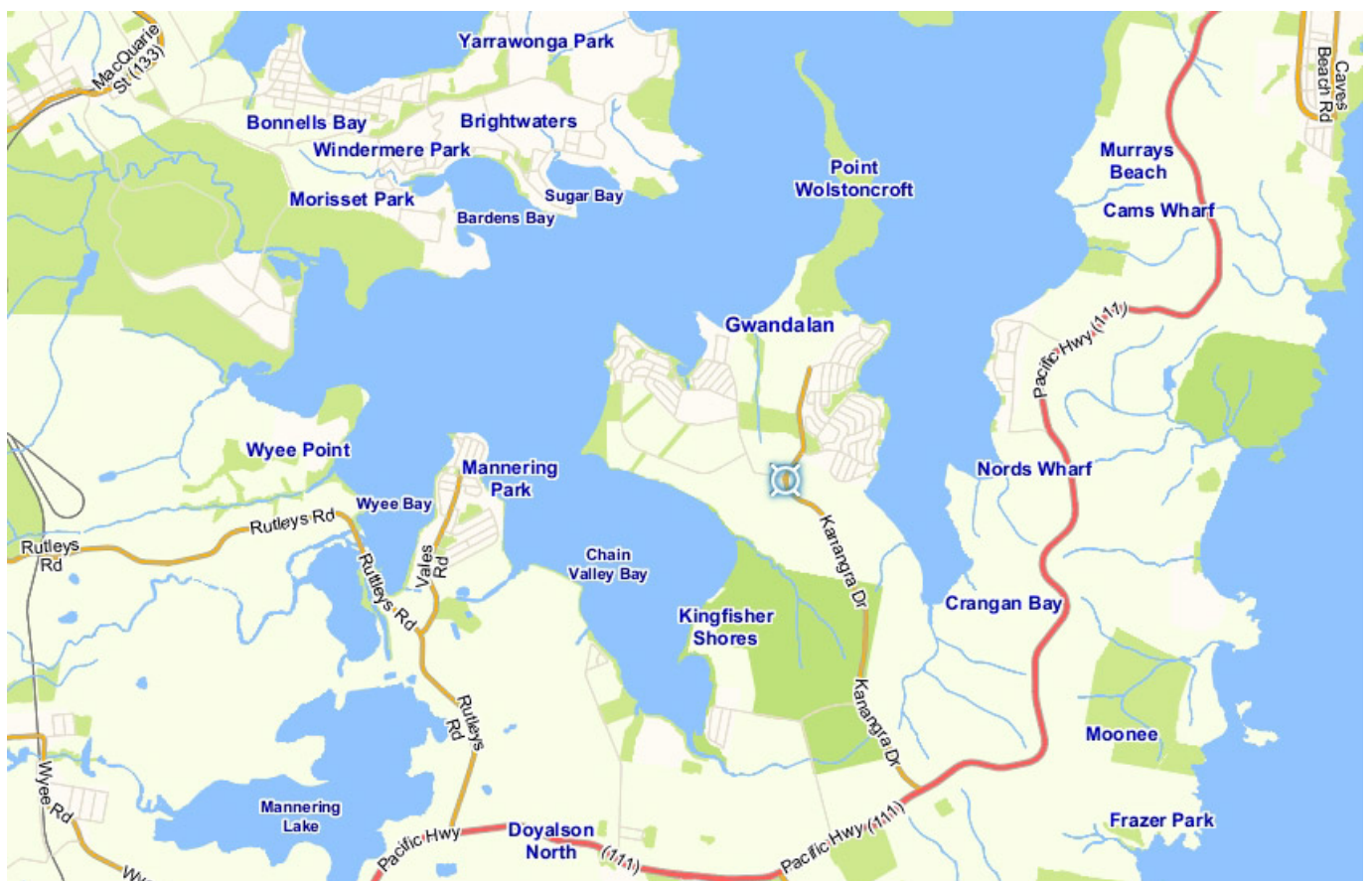
WHERE IS IMPROVCAMP AUSTRALIA HELD?

IMPROVCAMP will be held at Point Wolstoncroft Sport & Recreational Centre. Kanangra Drive, Gwandalan NSW 2259

(BEST CAMP EVER STREET)



Official [website](#) and [location details](#)



## WHEN IS IMPROVCAMP & HOW DO I GET THERE?

The camp commences at 8.30am on Monday 12th July and concludes at 5pm on Sunday 18th July at Point Wolstoncroft.

Once you have enrolled, you will be sent a confirmation form with drop off and pick-up information.

You have three options.

- 1) You can be dropped off at the campsite between 7.45am – 8.15am on 12th July (recommended)
- 2) You can be dropped at the campsite between 5pm – 6pm on 11th July. An extra charge of \$78.00 applies. This includes dinner, accommodation and supervision.
- 3) You can be met at Sydney International or Domestic airport by one of our staff on 11th July between 6am – 10am. You will be supervised, fed and then transferred on the coach to camp on 11th July (an extra fee of \$108.00 applies).

## WHEN & WHERE DOES IMPROVCAMP CONCLUDE?

IMPROVCAMP concludes at Point Wolstoncroft on 18th July. There will be two ensemble performances.

The younger ensembles will perform at 11am for family and friends. This performance will be followed by a BBQ lunch for everyone. The older ensembles will perform after lunch and we will wrap by 4.30pm.

We encourage families to come to both performances and join us for lunch. (Sausage sizzle).

Leaving camp you have options:

- 1) You can be collected by your parents at the conclusion of your performance at 1.30pm (younger Improvisers) 4.30pm (Older Improvisers and Leadership programme). (Recommended)
- 2) You can book a seat on the coach back to the airport hotel in Sydney and be collected at approximately 8.30pm. An extra charge of \$50.00 applies. This covers coach transfer, supervision and dinner.
- 3) You can book a seat on the coach back to the airport hotel from camp, have dinner, stay the night and be taken to the airport on Monday 19th July to catch your flight home. There is an extra charge of \$146.00 for this.

## WHAT ARE THE ARRANGEMENTS FOR STUDENTS FROM INTERSTATE & REGIONAL AREAS OF AUSTRALIA?

GETTING THERE: Students can be met at Sydney International or Domestic airport by one of our staff on 11th July between 6am – 10am. You will be supervised, fed and then transferred on the coach to camp on 11th July. (an extra fee of \$128.00 applies)

GETTING HOME: Students can book a seat on the coach back to the airport hotel from camp, have dinner, stay the night and be taken to the airport on Monday 19th July to catch their flight home. There is an extra charge of \$146.00 for this. Students will be dropped at the Domestic Terminals (T2 & T3) by 8.00am and the International Terminal (T1) by 8.30am.

#### WHAT ARE THE ARRANGEMENTS FOR STUDENTS TRAVELLING FROM OVERSEAS?

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#### WHO ARE THE STAFF SUPERVISING BEFORE & AFTER IMPROVCAMP?

The staff are made up of AIPA teachers and tour staff. All have been screened for child protection, all are first aid trained and have worked with us several times before.

#### IF CAMPERS HAVE A FOOD ALLERGY; CAN THE CATERERS LOOK AFTER THEIR NEEDS?

As long as they know about it they can cater for it. They are very used to catering for allergies and intolerances (nuts, wheat, and dairy) as well as special diets for vegans, vegetarians, religious observers etc.. Please ensure that you put this on the enrolment form in the space provided. Don't tell us on the first day of camp, it's too late then.

#### HOW MUCH DOES THE CAMP COST AND WHAT DOES IT INCLUDE?

The camp has been costed at an all-inclusive rate and covers:

Accommodation: Six nights in ensuited cabins.

Meals: Breakfast (7), lunch (7) & dinner (6)

Tuition: Seven days/six evenings with the best Improv tutors that Canada has to offer.

Activities: Including performances, talent night, dance parties and team building activities including a choice of canoeing, rock climbing, high ropes, tennis, archery, bushwalking, abseiling, volleyball and kayaking.

Camp t-shirt: Limited edition 2010 IMPROVCAMP Australia collectors item!

Souvenir photo CD: Photos taken over the week, candid and performance shots.

Souvenir footage DVD: Footage shot over the week of performances and activities.

Tickets: Two (2) per participant for Sunday performance and lunch.

**TOTAL: A\$1379 .00 ALL INCLUSIVE (excluding optional transfers as per above)**

#### IS THERE A DISCOUNT FOR MORE THAN ONE CHILD FROM THE SAME FAMILY?

Sadly, no. We have tried to keep costs to a minimum to make this project accessible to everyone, so have calculated per head.

#### CAN I CLAIM THE CHILDCARE REBATE ON THIS PROGRAMME?

Yes! AIPA is a registered childcare provider. The rebate is available to assist working parents. Please check you eligibility with Centrelink and ask AIPA for a childcare rebate receipt when you enrol. The rebate is available to students under the age of sixteen per Government regulations. Please check that you are eligible BEFORE you book with us.