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## USU Museum of Anthropology: Aborigines of Australia



(Aboriginal lands in Australia. Photo from Museum of Anthropology website)

Organizers for the *Saturdays at the Museum* series at Utah State University say they are excited to present a glimpse into the lifestyle of the Aboriginal people of Australia.

Activities are presented Saturday, Feb. 9, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at USU's Museum of Anthropology. Throughout the day displays on Aboriginal art, the "dream time" and Aboriginal traditions are available for patrons

to explore.

Visitors are also invited to a presentation by museum guest lecturer Brian Coddling at 1 p.m. Coddling, a professor from the University of Utah, will speak about his work with the Martu group in Australia.

"By studying the songs, stories and traditions of living Aborigines in Australia, anthropologists are able to see what life may have been like for their ancient ancestors," said Kaile Akina, a museum assistant. "We want to share some of these discoveries and help visitors appreciate this unique culture and way of life."

In addition to the *Saturdays at the Museum* activity series with its 10 a.m.-4 p.m. hours, community members and USU students alike can visit the museum during its standard operating hours, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Funding for Saturday events is provided by a grant from the United States Institute of Museum and Library Services. More information about the IMLS is available [online](#).

The USU Museum of Anthropology can be found on the USU campus in the

south turret of the historic Old Main building, Room 252. Admission is free. For Saturday activities, free parking is available in the adjacent lot, south of the building.

For more information about museum events, call museum staff at (435) 797-7545 or visit the [museum website](#).

The Museum of Anthropology is part of the Anthropology Program at USU in the College of Humanities and Social Sciences.

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