



2024 BSP National Convention

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This newsletter will provide you with some more details about the convention registration and what is included; hotel costs; a summary of the convention agenda; and the arts and craft shop.

Registrations have started to come in and hotel bookings are being made.

We look forward to welcoming many of our BSP sisters from South Australia, Western Australia and Victoria and any sisters from overseas for an 'entertaining' weekend.

Convention Agenda:

Friday 11 October (Pre-convention, optional at own expense)

3.00 – 5.00pm Registration

Evening Pre-dinner drinks & Dinner

Saturday 12 October

8.30 – 9.30am Registration

Craft Shop

9.30am – 4.00pm Opening ceremony

Speakers, morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea

5.30pm Pre-dinner drinks

6.30pm – 10.30pm Gala dinner

Sunday 13 October

9.30am – 2.00pm Speakers; morning tea

Closing ceremony and lunch

Registration:

While we hope that all attendees would stay for the 2 days of the convention, we understand that some may choose to attend for only a day or perhaps just the gala dinner. We are therefore offering a range of registration options.

Note: All delegates will receive a convention bag with useful goodies and a convention pin!

1. FULL REGISTRATION: Cost: \$280.00

Those with full registration will attend the 2 days of the convention from the opening ceremony on Saturday morning to after lunch on Sunday. On Saturday there will be morning tea, a 2-course lunch and afternoon tea provided. We have planned a wonderful Gala Dinner for Saturday evening with a 3-course meal, drinks and amazing entertainment. Sunday morning there will be morning tea with lunch provided following the closing ceremony.

2. SATURDAY DAYTIME: Cost: \$110.00

Those choosing to attend for only the Saturday daytime program will still enjoy a day of fellowship, entertaining speakers and food. The day session will run from 9.30am to 4.00pm.

3. GALA DINNER: Cost: \$100.00

'Frock up' for an enjoyable evening including a 3-course dinner with drinks and fabulous entertainment to dance the night away or tap along. (Note: You may like to combine a daytime and gala dinner registration if you do not wish to stay the night.)

Accommodation:

Batman's Hill on Collins is in Melbourne's CBD, diagonally opposite Southern Cross Railway Station and bus terminal for Melbourne airport.

Contact details: Batman's Hill on Collins
623 Collins Street, Melbourne
Phone: (03) 9614 6344
<https://batmanshill.com.au/>

You are required to make your own hotel booking. The convention **booking code is BETASIGMA.**

Room rate: \$209.00 per room per night for Premier Rooms

Breakfast: \$24.00 per person.
Fully cooked breakfast in the Garden Bistro.
This rate applies at the time of booking accommodation.

Parking: Available next door to the hotel in Collins Street.
\$25.00 per car per day (day use) and \$35.00 per day (overnight)
It is suggested you book parking when you book your accommodation.

Convention Art & Craft Shop

An Art & Craft Shop will be open during the 2024 Melbourne Convention.

- The Shop will be open on both Saturday and Sunday before the opening sessions and during all session breaks during the day.
- All Beta Sisters, including interstate sisters, who are interested in selling their artistic creations are most welcome to apply for display space. This space will incur a \$10 fee. Note, no commission will be charged on sales.
- An Application Form will need to be completed by all prospective Exhibitors and sent to the Art & Craft Organiser (MaryJean.Hansen@yahoo.com.au) along with images of your product by Friday 13 September 2024.
- The Craft Application Form is available now on the Website: betasigmaphivic.weebly.com . No items will be allowed to be dropped off during the Convention or sold in the Art & Craft Shop without the appropriate paperwork and approvals.
- The \$10 fee must be paid via EFT to the Convention Treasurer. Further details will be provided on the Application Form. All sales proceeds will be sent via EFT to the Exhibitors following the Convention.
- Exhibitors will need to set up their displays early Saturday morning before the Convention begins. Pack up will be following the Closing Ritual.
- Exhibitors will not need to man their tables. We will have a committee facilitating sales for you.

Further Information

Please find along with this newsletter:

- Convention Registration Form
- Application to Exhibit in the Art & Craft Shop

You can also download these forms from the BSP Victoria website: betasigmaphivic.weebly.com .

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