



MEMBERSHIP BROCHURE

Dear AAC Associate;

In 2002 the Australian Arabic Council (AAC) celebrated its 10th anniversary. Our achievements over the past 10 years have been significant, and we look forward to continuing our success well into the future.

The AAC continues to run proactive projects; research the effects and develop, implement and advocate for wide ranging solutions to racism; and consistently promote human rights and community relations. The AAC also maintains our advocacy and communication with media, government, community organisations, business and the public, constantly raising the profile of issues of concern to all Australians.

With recent global and local events the resources of all community organisations have been stretched. We have found that our role and actions are now expected of us by all our associates.

As such, the Council is endeavouring to find new ways of maintaining our work. Clearly, sustainable and non political funding is at the core of ensuring the AAC remains ever vigilant and professional. As a non-profit organisation, such funding enables us to coordinate our activities, continue our advocacy, respond to queries, disseminate information and monitor events in Australia of concern to Arabic communities.

This work is undertaken by volunteers, who initiate, coordinate, implement and evaluate the massive amount of work we undertake. To do this we need your help. There are several ways in which you can assist, the most important of which is becoming a financial member.

As a financial member (as outlined in the attached flyer), you will receive the following:

1. **Mail outs** including:
 - o *Arabalia*, our tri-annual newsletter;
 - o The AAC Annual Report, detailing our work, aims and evaluations;
 - o The AAC Annual calendar;
 - o AAC brochures
2. **Invites** to AAC functions, examples of which include documentary launches, Arabic festivals, Young Achievers Award ceremony, Annual Media Award, public consultations and our 2002/3 Media Conference
3. **Notifications** of AAC events;
4. **Action alerts** : You can request to join the AAC's "action alert " email list that is constantly updated with relevant media articles, releases and actions;
5. **Recognition**: The AAC recognises the importance of your contribution. Members who pay their membership fee will be listed in each year's Annual Report.
6. **Monthly Updates**: You will receive monthly updates via email on the activities of the Council.

Of course, your membership also helps to keep the AAC combating racism, eliminating ignorance and contributing to the promotion of human rights, and community relations.

We look forward to working with you in 2003.

Warm regards,

Roland Jabbour, Esq., J.P.
Chairman, Australian Arabic Council



Contributing to Community relations

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To do this, we need your help. There are several ways you can assist us to continue our work:

1. Become a financial member of the AAC;
2. Make a donation of money or resources to the Council;
3. Volunteer your time
4. Sponsor our projects or publications

As a non-profit organisation, your help enables us continue our initiatives. As a financial member you will receive regular mail outs, invites, notifications and information as well as recognition of your support.

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Changes to the Commonwealth Privacy Act (21/12/01) require the AAC to handle personal information contained in our membership records, such as names and addresses, in accordance with new National Privacy Principles. The AAC collects information that is necessary to administer your membership. We have always respected the confidentiality of members' details and review our policy regularly to ensure our standards continue to meet the new principles.

How will you support the AAC?

Those who wish to donate resources, volunteer their time or sponsor AAC projects will be sent further information.

I/we would like to become a financial member of the AAC

I/we wish to make a donation of money or resources to the Council;

I/we would like to volunteer time on AAC projects

I/we would be interested in sponsoring AAC projects or publications

Annual membership fees:

\$25.00 (incl. GST) Individual membership
\$55.00 (incl. GST) Non profit organisations
\$110.00 (incl GST) Corporate /government

I would also like to make a donation of \$_____

Name: _____

Position: _____

Organisation: _____

Post: _____

Tel: (bh) _____ **(ah)** _____

Fax: _____ **Mob:** _____

Email: _____ **Web:** _____

Please add my email to the AAC's "action alert" list

Total enclosed: \$ _____

Please make cheque or money order payable to the Australian Arabic Council and send to:

AAC

PO Box 52, Moreland VIC 3058.