

Regency Day Out – Talks, Picnic and Vintage Markets

Sunday 21 September 2025
Old Government House, Parramatta Park

Time: 11:00 am – 4:00 pm

Market Entry: Free

Regency Talks: Free (bookings recommended)

Guided Exhibition Tour (includes house access): \$15



Event Overview

- **Regency talks** by Dr Lorinda Cramer, Dr Heather Blasdale Clarke, and Old Government House's Assistant Curator, Anna Ridley.
 - A **special viewing** of delicate and rarely seen dresses made for Anna King (wife of Governor King) in 1805.
 - The **Fashionable Silhouettes exhibition**, featuring Regency-era fashion and material culture.
 - **Vintage clothing and artisan markets** from 11am–4pm.
 - **Live entertainment** including Scottish and maypole dancing, Regency-making workshops, and a lively **Best Dressed Competition** with fabulous prizes across three categories.
 - **Lawn games, live music**, and picnic spaces throughout the historic grounds.
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Program Highlights

Expert Talks (Free – bookings recommended)

- 11:30 am – *Regency Dress and the Anna King dresses* with Dr Lorinda Cramer & Anna Ridley
 - 12:30 pm – *Elegance in Motion: How Regency Fashion Transformed Dance Styles of the Era* with Dr Heather Blasdale Clarke
 - 1:30 pm – *Jane Austen and Regency Dance* with Dr Heather Blasdale Clarke
 - 2:30 pm – *Regency Dress and the Anna King dresses* with Dr Lorinda Cramer & Anna Ridley
- Talks limited to 60 attendees per session.*

Guided Tours of Fashionable Silhouettes (\$15 – includes house access)

- 10:00 am
- 11:30 am
- 1:00 pm (*SOLD OUT*)
- 2:30 pm

House Entry

- National Trust Members – Free
- Adult – \$15
- Concession – \$12
- Family – \$42
- Child under 5 – Free

Important Information

- **Location:** Old Government House, Parramatta Park (Pitt Street Entrance), Parramatta NSW 2150
- The **Fashionable Silhouettes exhibition** is located on the top floor (via stairs) and in selected rooms on the ground floor.
- General house entry can be prebooked or purchased on the day.
- Regency outfits are encouraged!