

The Big Dig Archaeology Weekend Friday 25th – Sunday 27th May 2018



Part of National Archaeology Week 2018

Ever wondered what it's like to be an archaeologist?

Following the success previous Big Dig Archaeology Weekends (2011-2017) Sydney Harbour YHA, in collaboration with Place Management NSW, The Rocks Precinct, will again run this exciting hands-on program for National Archaeology Week 2018. The program is run as a residential weekend experience, giving you the chance to learn more about archaeology by immersing yourself in excavation and conservation work on The Big Dig site, including cleaning and sorting the many artefacts you will uncover.

The program costs between \$340 per person, in a 4 bed multi-share en-suite room, to \$630 in a private en-suite premier room. The cost includes:

- Two nights of accommodation at Sydney Harbour YHA, directly above The Big Dig site
- All meals breakfasts, morning teas, hot lunches, afternoon teas, dinners (Friday evening at the hostel, Saturday evening at The Australian Hotel)
- Friday 'Burgers Night' up on the hostel rooftop terrace, followed by a talk about archaeology and an archaeology inspired movie
- Two days of on-site excavation and conservation work, along with artefacts cleaning and sorting
- Tours of The Rocks Discovery Museum, Susannah Place Museum and an evening exploring the first weekend of 'Vivid', stopping for ice-creams along the way.

This weekend program is suitable for anyone 18 years and older and is a <u>general public interest course</u> designed to appeal to anyone who is curious about archaeology, particularly Australian Historical Archaeology.

Places are strictly limited and are offered through competition only. Applications to take part close on Monday 30th April 2018 and successful applicants will be sent an invitation to register by Friday 4th May 2018. Conditions apply.

For more information please visit <u>www.thebigdig.com.au</u> or email <u>thebigdig@yha.com.au</u>. For more information on National Archaeology Week please visit <u>www.archaeologyweek.com</u>

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Application Form

Thank you for your interest in this weekend **residential** program at **Sydney Harbour YHA**. Due to the strictly limited number of places available for this program we run a short application process for places. If your application is successful we will ask you to complete a registration and payment form. The program will cost between \$340 to \$630 per-person, depending on the type of accommodation selected. Please see the information above.

Applications are due by: Monday 30th April 2018.

Q1. Please tell to us why you would like to take part in this program and what interests you about archaeology. Please limit your response to 100 words!

The Big Dig Archaeology Education Centre Part of Sydney Harbour YHA

Your name

Your contact number/s and email

Phone:	Mobile:
Email:	
Other:	

Your residential postcode is: What is your age? (approximate is fine! - eg. 20s)

How die	d you fi	nd out	about	this	program?
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Please note that Archaeology fieldwork is physically demanding and this program will involve digging and carrying If your application is successful you will be asked to confirm that you are physically able to take part in an excavation.

Any information supplied to YHA will be kept in confidence and used only for the purposes of running this archaeology program and providing information to the organisers of National Archaeology Week 2018.

Please return this form by email to: <u>thebigdig@yha.com.au</u> or by fax to (02) 8272 0950.