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## **University invites prospective students to step inside for Information Day**

The University of Tasmania will fling open its doors in Hobart this **Sunday (19 August)** from **10am to 3pm** to prospective students and their families who would like a closer look at what UTAS has to offer.

The main Sandy Bay campus, the Conservatorium of Music, the School of Art, and the student accommodation colleges will all be open for guided tours, short information lectures and educational displays.

The Information Day is designed to attract people who are interested in further education, whether they finished school years ago, want to return to do further their studies, further their career, or have a career change – the doors are open to everyone.

Lecturers, students and information officers will be on hand to talk with prospective students about what to expect if you enrol at UTAS, the subjects available and how university study works.

Some of the Information Day features include:

- The Rock Store: look at rocks from Antarctica that are 1.8 billion years old and rocks that glow in the dark in the Centre for Ore Deposits Research;
- Examine the laser that blasts rocks millions of years old or magnifies sapphires;
- Listen to a free concert in chamber music or big band at the Conservatorium;
- Walk around the new media lab with TV, radio and editing facilities;
- Talk to the staff about studying Tasmania's unique flora and fauna;
- Walk through the Art School visiting studios and talk to students about their works in sculpture, photography, fine furniture, printmaking, painting;
- See how a hydrogen engine works at the Engineering School.

A free shuttle bus service will depart every 15 minutes from the University Centre stopping at Christ College, John Fisher College, University Apartments, Jane Franklin Hall and continues on to the Conservatorium of Music and the School of Art.

The University Centre will be the central information point open from 10am-3pm.

\* Media who wish to pre-arrange photo opportunities before Information Day should contact the media office.

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