Welcome reception

Giving the opportunity to reconnect with close friends and colleagues in celebration and anticipation of the event to come, the welcome reception kicks off at 18:30 on Wednesday and runs until 20:30. The reception event is included in the registration fee regardless of the category you fall in.

For those still looking to party after the official event has ended, the nearby South Wharf Promenade offers many opportunities, including wonderful waterside dining options—likely boasting the most beautiful waterside views in Melbourne.

A ride along the Yarra River will add to the holiday feeling. Melbourne Water Taxis offer a pick-up and drop-off service for passengers at the Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre landing point. The water taxis operate day and night all week. More information can be found at www.melbournewatertaxis.com.au.

Accompanying persons programme

Not to be forgotten at ADC 2017 are the partners of dental professionals attending the congress. This year’s programme for accompanying persons has undergone some changes to make the event even more memorable. Instead of the traditional lunch, held on the Friday in the past, a Thursday meet-and-greet event will give accompanying persons the opportunity to become acquainted with one another in a relaxed and convivial setting.

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One thing that remains unchanged is the Accompanying Persons’ Lounge, where visitors will be able to help themselves to a range of hot and cold beverages while catching up with friends and colleagues from Australia and around the world.

Congress Late Night

What could be better than wrapping up a stimulating three days of learning from the best dental minds with Congress Late Night on Saturday? Under the theme “Dia de los Muertos” (Day of the Dead), attendees will witness calacas and calaveras—skeletons and skulls—adorning every vantage point, and brightly decorated altars covered in candles, fruit and toys, all of which are part of rituals to welcome the dead back into the land of the living.

Providing musical entertainment will be Los Románticos, a 22-piece Mariachi band whose music embodies the essence of Mexico and who play a vibrant mix of traditional folk and modern pop. Attendees can while away the evening strolling through the festively decorated space filled with Mexican dancers and food and drink stands serving tequila and churros. Visitors can even have their faces painted in the vividly coloured sugar skull tradition that is the literal face of this iconic Mexican festival.

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In addition to the vast number of educational and scientific opportunities on offer at the 37th Australian Dental Congress, ADC 2017, there is a rich programme of social events, commencing with a welcome reception on opening night and ending with Congress Late Night on the final evening.

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Launched at the welcome reception on opening night, the social programme is designed to entertain and engage participants of the congress. It features a variety of activities, including cultural events, entertainment, and networking opportunities.

One of the highlights of the social programme is the Dia de los Muertos celebration. This traditional Mexican festival, celebrated on 1 November, is a time to remember and honor the deceased. Attendees will have the opportunity to learn about the customs and traditions of this festival.

The Dia de los Muertos celebration includes musical entertainment from Los Románticos, a 22-piece Mariachi band. Their vibrant and catchy music will provide a fitting backdrop for the festival’s activities.

The event will also feature the calacas and calaveras, which are skeletons and skulls that are decorated and displayed during the festival. These decorations are an integral part of the Dia de los Muertos tradition and are meant to honor the deceased.

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The event will be held at the convention centre, where visitors can enjoy food and drink stands serving tequila and churros. Visitors can even have their faces painted in the sugar skull tradition while enjoying the festivities.

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