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Casting an Indigenous hook - workshop to discuss cultural fishery in Tasmania

The quest to put Indigenous wild-catch on food tourism tables will this week draw on the support and knowledge of 40 participants from the Aboriginal community, government, industry and researchers at a workshop at Eaglehawk Neck.

To be opened by the Governor of Tasmania, Professor Kate Warner, the Indigenous Fisheries Workshop on the 21st of February (starting 8.45am) at the Lufra Hotel will discuss the barriers and opportunities to establish a cultural fishery market in Tasmania.

Organiser Dr Emma Lee, an Indigenous researcher at the Centre for Marine Socioecology and IMAS, said the workshop is an important first step to understand what cultural fisheries mean to Aboriginal Tasmanians and how caring for sea country can contribute to resilient and diverse regional development, especially food tourism.

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u rrent Tasmanian Government has invested in resetting the relationship with Aboriginal Tasmanians over land management and are keen to see those ga)
Lee said.

Dr Lee said that participants will hear from governments in regards to policies and funding programs that may be appropriate for Aboriginal Tasmanians and others to investigate working partnerships.

Other information sources will look at current Indigenous fisheries research and local education curriculum upgrades that start to value contributions that Aboriginal Tasmanians have made, and continue to make, to marine stewardship.

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