



**Australian Government**

**Australian National Botanic Gardens**

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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### ***Snakes Alive!* at the Australian National Botanic Gardens**

ACT Commissioner for Sustainability and the Environment, Dr Maxine Cooper, will open the *Snakes Alive!* exhibition at the Australian National Botanic Gardens on Monday 18 January at 12.15 pm.

*Snakes Alive!* runs from Monday 18 January to Sunday 24 January 2010.

Around 100 reptiles, representing over 30 different species, will be on display at *Snakes Alive!* – one of the most diverse reptile shows in Australia. It includes pythons, venomous land snakes, lizards, frogs, turtles, a crocodile and geckoes.

This year's display features the locally endangered corroboree frog, a death adder and a variety of Australian pythons. (People will actually be able to handle some of the pythons, always a favourite with the kids.)

*Snakes Alive!* is jointly presented by the Australian National Botanic Gardens and the ACT Herpetological Association. *Snakes Alive!* has been one of the Garden's most popular annual summer events since it started in 2002.

#### ***Snakes Alive!* opening**

**What:** *Snakes Alive!* opening by Maxine Cooper, ACT Commissioner for Sustainability and the Environment

**When:** Monday 18 January, 12.15 pm

**Where:** Crosbie Morrison Building, Australian National Botanic Gardens

#### ***Snakes Alive!* exhibition**

**When:** Monday 18 January to Sunday 24 January 2010

**Time:** 10 am – 4 pm weekdays

10 am – 6 pm Saturday and Sunday

**Where:** Crosbie Morrison Building, Australian National Botanic Gardens

**Cost:** Adults \$5, concessions \$4, children \$2

Full details of all activities at the Australian National Botanic Gardens are available at [www.anbg.gov.au/gardens](http://www.anbg.gov.au/gardens)

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