

## MEDIA RELEASE

### Spiritual Health Association and Palliative Care Victoria to host screening event for *Live the life you please* social impact campaign

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[Spiritual Health Association](#) and [Palliative Care Victoria](#) are proud to announce a special screening event for the Melbourne premiere of the documentary feature film *Live the life you please*.

Deputy Secretary for Commissioning System Improvement (CSI) in Department of Health Victoria, Louise McKinlay will launch the event to be held on 23rd May 2023, at the Palace Kino in Melbourne's CBD from 5.30pm.

The film follows the experiences of Australians of all ages and different stages of disease, in a variety of geographical locations, cultural, socio-economic and personal circumstances. It is a powerful and moving portrayal of the importance of compassionate care for those nearing the end of life.

Cheryl Holmes, CEO of Spiritual Health Association states "We are thrilled to be silver sponsors of this social impact campaign. The stories in this film so beautifully show the importance of holistic care that ensures spiritual needs are met right to the very end of life. Spiritual care is an integral part of the palliative care experience, and we are eager to help foster a greater understanding of the role that spirituality can play in promoting comfort and wellbeing for those facing serious illness."

Violet Platt, CEO of Palliative Care Victoria states "We are excited to host this event with Spiritual Health Association and to showcase this important film. Palliative care is a crucial aspect of healthcare that often goes unrecognised. We hope that this film will help raise awareness about the value of palliative care, and that it encourages more people to seek this important support."

The MC for the evening will be Dr Stephen Duckett, Honorary Enterprise Professor in the School of Population and Global Health and in the Department of General Practice at the University of Melbourne.

A panel discussion will follow the screening, allowing attendees to ask questions to experts in palliative care and spiritual health.

The film is part of a broader [social impact campaign](#) and makes the social and economic case for increased support of essential services including palliative care, spiritual care, aged care, community care, allied health and the support of carers at home.

Tickets for the screening event will be available via the Palliative Care Victoria [website](#).

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