

HEALTH & WELLBEING



GARDEN CHAT: HOW DOES YOUR GARDEN GROW?



Monday 15 July & Monday 12 August, 10:30am-11:30am Bannockburn Library

Learn about our Seed Library and see new additions to our collection on all things gardening!

MAKE & CREATE

CRICUT CRAFT WORKSHOP

Friday 12 July, 10:30am-12:00noon Waurn Ponds Library

Get creative with our Cricut maker! This month's project is a 3D tealight in honour of NAIDOC week.





CELEBRATE NAIDOC WEEK AT THE LIBRARY

7-14 July, Various locations

Amplify voices longsilenced, aid in truthtelling and celebrate First Nations culture with Geelong Regional Libraries' various events, activities and displays on offer this NAIDOC Week.



AUTHOR TALKS

LORRAINE STOKES - BELLARINE WOMEN AND THE 1891 SURFFRAGE PETITION



Wednesday 24 July, 10:30am-11:15am Boronggook Drysdale Library

In 1891, women from various backgrounds signed a petition to improve women's rights. Hear author Lorraine speak about these women's lives and how she researched and wrote her recent book.

MOVIES, MUSIC & PERFORMANCE

HEART OF COUNTRY

Wednesday 10 July 4:00pm-5:00pm | Torquay Library

Come along to this free screening of *Heart of Country* – an Australian Conservation Foundation documentary and truth telling journey exploring First Nations connection to Country, culture and climate.



VINYL CLUB

Wednesday 31 July & Wednesday 28 August 4:00pm-5:00pm | Colac Library

If you love all things music, have a vinyl record collection or are just curious, join us! No bookings needed.







DEMYSTIFYING TAXES



Wednesday 17 July, 6:00pm-7:00pm Geelong Library & Heritage Centre

Learn how to improve your basic financial literacy and equip yourself with the knowledge and confidence to navigate your way through filing a tax return.

BELLARINE DISABILITY FAIR

Wednesday 31 July, 10:00am-2:00pm Leopold Library

Drop in and find out about available disability services in the area. Twelve organisations are on hand to discuss their work and how they can help you.



REDUCING YOUR HOUSEHOLD WASTE - HINTS & TRICKS

Wednesday 14 August, 5:00pm-6:00pm Geelong Library & Heritage Centre

Learn how to better manage your waste at home! Discover ideas for reuse, what you can recycle, and how.





CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

1-12 July, Various locations

Everything old is new again these school holidays! Enjoy activities with puppets, Pokémon, games and space to recycling racers or upcycling art, clothes and recipes, there are sessions for ages pre-school to youth. Check out Story Dogs sessions as well!



NATIONAL WOOL MUSUEM POP UP

Wednesday 2 July, 10:30am-12:00noon Belmont Library

Wednesday 10 July, 10:30am-12:00noon Waurn Ponds Library



Come along to this interactive story time, 'Old and New' crafts plus lots of opportunities to handle objects from the Museum's collection exploring old time toys, books and costumes. Ages 3+

BOOK WEEK

17-23 August

Join us for this year's Children's Book Week where we celebrate "Reading is Magic!".



REGISTER FOR AN EVENT

Bookings for events are free unless otherwise indicated.

YOU CAN BOOK:

Online – find and register for an event on the library website: www.grlc.vic.gov.au/whats-on

In person – staff at your local library can book on your behalf.

By phone - [03] 4201 0600

Cover: Bestselling novelist, Graeme Simsion is at Geelong Library & Heritage Centre this July for two free sessions – a writers' seminar and an author talk, with partner & co-author Anne Buist.

WHERE YOU SEE THIS SYMBOL



Bookings are essential



Event is online



Book sales & author book signings at events



Paid tickets. Full details on our website



Refreshments

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For library details, opening hours & further information, visit:

www.grlc.vic.gov.au











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EXHIBITIONS

GATHERING PLACE: WESTERN GULLY

On display from Tuesday 9 July Geelong Heritage Centre

Explore the early history of Djilang through early drawings, photographs and maps: a tale woven along Western Gully, winding its way from Geelong West to Corio Bay.



JULY

Thursday 4 July, 6:00pm-7:00pm Geelong Library & Heritage Centre







MICHAEL BRISSENDEN - SMOKE

Former ABC journalist and foreign correspondent Michael Brissenden is in-conversation with fellow crime writer Jock Serong to discuss his latest novel, Smoke.

PANEL DISCUSSION

Wednesday 10 July, 6:00pm-7:00pm Geelong Library & Heritage Centre



FIRST NATIONS CREATIVES' PANEL DISCUSSION

Celebrate First Nations creativity in the region with a spotlight on artists transforming the local scene, and paving the way for future Indigenous creatives. Featuring Mick Ryan, Aunty Fay Muir, and Kelly Koumalatsos. Panel chair Sue Lawson. Includes Q&A.



Thursday 18 July, 1:00pm-2:00pm Corio Library





LORRAINE SMITH - JOURNEY OF A LOST MANUSCRIPT

The true story of a sixteenth century manuscript found inside a copy of Alice in Wonderland in a Warrnambool second hand bookshop. Join author Lorraine Smith as she chats about her findings into this old world discovery.



WRITERS' SEMINAR

Tuesday 23 July, 3:00pm-5:00pm Geelong Library & Heritage Centre

GRAEME SIMSION - THE NOVEL PROJECT





In this seminar, Graeme shares the end-to-end process of writing, from premise to proofreading, from his book The Novel Project - A Step by Step Guide to your Novel, Memoir or Biography.



AUTHOR TALK

Tuesday 23 July, 5:30pm-6:30pm Geelong Library & Heritage Centre





Join us for a very special event with acclaimed authors Graeme Simsion and Anne Buist. The Glass House is a medical drama with a psychiatric twist, illuminated by Anne's 35 years experience as a psychiatrist and Graeme's deft handling of weighty topics such as mental health.



Thursday 25 July, 6:00pm-7:00pm **Geelong West Library**





MICHELLE SEE-THO - JADE AND EMERALD

Hear from the author of this fierce and deeply felt novel about the joys and pains of growing up, of accepting who you are and where you come from.



Saturday 27 July, 10:30am-12:00noon Mechanics Institute Hall, Apollo Bay

ANNA KATE BLAIR & RIJN COLLINS - WARM WINTER

Emerging authors Anna Kate Blair and Rijn Collins discuss themes of art, personal crisis, identity, passion, obsession and feeling like an outsider. In partnership with Apollo Bay WORDfest.

Sunday 28 July, 1:00pm-2:00pm Apollo Bay Library

WORDS SESSION: CRISIS & HOPE

BOOK CLUB EVENT WITH RIJN COLLINS

Rijn Collins hosts special discussion of her debut novel, Fed to Red Birds. If you aren't a member of a book club, don't worry! The session is free and open to all. In partnership with Apollo Bay WORDfest.



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AUTHOR & SPECIAL EVENTS



Wednesday 31 July, 6:00pm-8:00pm Boronggook Drysdale Library







Experienced business owners, mentors and founders of SME Advisory, Bill Winter and Mark Edmonds present practical advice on setting up a business to achieve the goals and growth you're looking for.

Tickets \$30/ \$20 for library members / \$10 concession holders.

Join crime novelist Hayley Scrivenor, as she discusses her brand-

CRIME WRITING WORKSHOP WITH VICTORIA SPICER

Join author Victoria Spicer and discover aspects of crime writing.

new book - a tale that forces us to confront the stories we tell

Wednesday 31 July, 6:30pm-7:30pm Leopold Library

HAYLEY SCRIVENOR - GIRL FALLING







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WRITERS' WORKSHOP

ourselves about the people we love.

Saturday 3 August, 10:00am-4:00pm Boronggook Drysdale Library

In partnership with Midwinter Words Writers' Weekend.









SPECIAL EVENT

Tickets \$30 (for full weekend).

Thursday 8 August, 5:30pm-7:30pm Geelong Library & Heritage Centre





The Empowering Women 50/50 x 2025 Network invites you to this special panel session supporting the Victorian Government's gender parity target at this year's council elections. With Libby Coker and Gayle Tierney.

In partnership with Women In Local Democracy



23-25 AUGUST 2024 ON SALE FROM 8 JULY!

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:



Opinion Piece Writing – Getting Paid for Writing What You Know



CHRISTINE KEIGHERY. RICK WILKINSON, & STUART ROSSON, WITH PANEL CHAIR LINDY CAMERON **Panel Discussion**

Crime Fiction Explored





Relationships through Storytelling







& PATRICIA CALLAN, WITH PANEL **CHAIR JOEL CARNEGIE** Beyond the Coffee Table Book - Exploring . Publishing in Art, Design & Nature



Early bird festival passes available! For the full program of 15 events being held across the region, visit www.grlc.vic.gov.au/localword

