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# WHAT'S ON



JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2025  
EVENT HIGHLIGHTS



# COMPUTERS & TECH HELP



## DIGITAL STORYTELLING

**Wednesday 15 January, 2:00pm-3:00pm  
Belmont Library**

book  
now

Make an amazing movie using your own holiday or family photos with the iMovie app on your iPad.

## SAVING FAMILY STORIES

**Friday 31 January & Friday 14 & 28  
February, 10:30am-11:30am  
Leopold Library**

book  
now

Take your photos, VHS tapes, slides and film negatives out of storage and learn how you can bring them to digital life, ready to share with family and friends.



## FROM CAD TO CODE

**Wednesdays in February,  
4:00pm-5:00pm  
Geelong Library & Heritage Centre**

book  
now

Join us for an exciting series of workshops where you'll dive into the world of CAD modelling, 3D printing, and coding to create your very own digital pet!



## DIGITAL CYBER SAFETY

**Thursday 27 February,  
2:00pm-3:00pm | Ocean Grove Library**

Give yourself peace of mind by learning how to protect yourself online.

book  
now





# HEALTH & WELLBEING

## KICKSTART YOUR FITNESS WITH VR

book now

Thursday 9, 16, 23, 30 January, 4:00pm-5:00pm  
Geelong Library & Heritage Centre

Looking to jumpstart your fitness journey after the holiday season? Join us for an exciting new way to get moving with VR headsets!

## SUPPORTING NEURODIVERSITY WITH CHATGPT

book now

Tuesday 14 & 28 January & Tuesday 11 & 25 February, 4:00pm-5:00pm  
Geelong Library & Heritage Centre

Explore how ChatGPT, a conversational AI, can support neuro-divergent individuals in managing mental health.



## COLOUR YOUR STRESS AWAY

book now

Tuesday 14 January & Tuesday 4 February | 11:00am-12:00 noon  
Corio Library

De-stress your day with some mindful colouring, watercolour art or drawing while enjoying a chat.



# MAKE & CREATE

book now

## COLLAGE WORKSHOP

Wednesday 5 February, 5:30pm-7:30pm  
Corio Library

Play with layers, colours and textures to create a collage from recycled materials. All skill levels welcome.



# JOB & LIFESKILLS

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## SHE-ECONOMICS: MASTERING THE ART OF BASIC BUDGETING

book now

Thursday 20 February, 6:30pm-8:00pm  
Biyal-a Armstrong Creek Library

Learn about basic budgeting at this free and practical, beginner's workshop. Run by Geelong Women's Shed.

# MOVIES, MUSIC & PERFORMANCE

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## THE DRYSDALE FILM CIRCLE

Last Wed of the month, 5:30pm-7:30pm  
Boronggook Drysdale Library

Love movies, good discussion and discovering new things while connecting with others? Come along to enjoy a free film at the library.



## PIANO LOVE SONG DEDICATIONS

Friday 14 February, 10:00am-6:00pm  
Biyal-a Armstrong Creek Library

Experienced pianists can book a session to play romantic tunes on our public piano. Everyone is welcome to drop in, listen, and enjoy on Library Lovers' Day.



Explore more events:  
[www.grlc.vic.gov.au/whats-on](http://www.grlc.vic.gov.au/whats-on)

# CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES

## SUMMER SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Throughout January | All Libraries

Celebrate our “Make a Splash” theme these school holidays with an exciting range of events to keep children of all ages and interests entertained. Sessions range from literacy, STEM, social connections and creative exploration. Book today!



## NGV KIDS ON TOUR

Throughout January | Multiple libraries

NATIONAL GALLERY OF VICTORIA

Ignite your imagination and creativity!  
Join us for a range of art-making activities developed by artists and the NGV. Ages 3+.

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## SWIM SAFE STORY TIME

Throughout January | Multiple libraries

Make a splash with a special Story Time, with lifeguards from City of Greater Geelong Swim Sport and Leisure Centres. Includes free swim passes for attendees! For ages 3+.



## READY SET PREP

Throughout January | Multiple libraries

We're inviting all 2025 prep students and their families to the library, dressed in their uniform, for a fun practice run session about what to expect on the first day at school. Meet others starting school in your area.



# 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](http://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: Customers enjoying a BabyTime session at the wonderful Biyal-a Armstrong Creek Library.

## NOT A LIBRARY MEMBER?

Scan the QR code below and join for free today!



### 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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[www.grlc.vic.gov.au](http://www.grlc.vic.gov.au)



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## FEBRUARY

**17** Monday 17 February, 6:30pm-7:30pm  
Wearn Ponds Library

book now



### THE STATE OF THE WORLD IN GRAPHICS WITH ESTHER GONSTALLA

Come along on a visual journey of knowledge through infographics and leave with a deeper understanding of current state of the climate and ways to protect people and the planet. Part of 'National Sustainability Month'.

## WRITERS' WORKSHOP

**22** Saturday 22 February, 10:30am-2:30pm  
Geelong Library & Heritage Centre



### PICTURE BOOK WRITING 101 WITH HEATHER GALLAGHER



#### A Local Word Writers Festival Event

Learn the art of picture book writing! Back by popular demand, Heather shares tips on the elements including beginnings, endings, structure, word-choice and tone. *Tickets \$30/ \$20/\$10.*

**25** Tuesday 25 February, 6:00pm-7:00pm  
Belmont Library



### MARK SMITH - *THREE BOYS GONE*



#### A Local Word Writers Festival Event

Join Mark as he chats about his latest book that presents the ultimate moral dilemma in a breathtaking psychological thriller. In-conversation with Charlotte Guest.

## WORKSHOPS & LECTURES

**25** Tuesday 25 February, 6:00pm-7:00pm  
Geelong Library & Heritage Centre



### HELPING TEENS NAVIGATE THEIR FUTURE CAREER & WORK LIFE WITH DANIELLE FLACK



Join Danielle, a school teacher and career development practitioner for a Q&A. Gain insights and strategies for exploring career options and developing essential career skills.

# AUTHOR & SPECIAL EVENTS



**26** Wednesday 26 February, 6:00pm-7:00pm  
Geelong Library & Heritage Centre



### GIDEON HAIGH - *MY BROTHER JAZ*



#### A Local Word Writers Festival Event

At this author in-conversation session, Gideon discusses his latest release - a profoundly moving memoir on grief and resilience, written after the loss of his brother Jasper.

**27** Thursday 27 February, 6:00pm-7:00pm  
Leopold Library



### GEOFF PARKES - *WHEN THE DEEP, DARK BUSH SWALLOWS YOU WHOLE*



Hear from crime novelist Geoff, discussing his debut novel - a story set in the 1980s in a small rural town in New Zealand where there's a missing woman... and a town full of suspects.

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Share the love for your library Friday 14 February.

LIBRARY LOVERS' Day

MORE INFO



# BIG SUMMER READ

1 December - 31 January

Join. Borrow. Read. Win.

REGISTER HERE

