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WHAT'S ON



MARCH/APRIL 2025
EVENT HIGHLIGHTS



HEALTH & WELLBEING



PRESERVING YOUR RECIPES

book
now

Tuesday 11 March, 11:00am-12noon, Corio Library

Wednesday 19 March, 2:30pm-3:30pm,

Boronggook Drysdale Library

Create your own family cookbook! Learn how to turn your favourite recipes into a professional-looking book to preserve and share. No experience needed—bring your recipes and use your device or ours. *Part of the Nature, Nurture and Nourished series.*

BACKYARD BEEKEEPING

book
now

Thursday 13 March, 2:30pm-3:30pm,
Bannockburn Library

Tuesday 25 March, 6:00pm-7:00pm,
Belmont Library

Thursday 3 April, 10:30am-11:30am,
Lara Library



Perfect for beginners or anyone curious about the world of bees! Join us to explore the basics of this fascinating hobby. *Part of the Nature, Nurture and Nourished series.*

BIRDLIFE ON THE BELLARINE

book
now

Wednesday 26 March, 5:30pm-6:30pm,
Ocean Grove Library

Discover the many benefits of birdlife to our local environment and well-being and the beauty and diversity of local birds. *Presented by Bellarine Peninsula Birdlife Group.*





HEALTH & WELLBEING

THREE KEYS TO EMOTIONAL REGULATION IN YOUR CHILD

book now

Saturday 29 March, 10:00am-11:00am, Lara Library

Does your child, tween, or teen struggle with big emotions? Join us to learn three practical strategies for building their emotional regulation.

HERITAGE

LOCAL & FAMILY HISTORY DROP IN

**Monday 3 March, 10:00am-2:30pm,
Torquay Library**

**Wednesday 2 April, 10:00am-2:30pm,
Bannockburn Library**

Drop in and chat with our friendly Geelong Heritage Centre team about all your family or local history questions. No bookings needed.



MAKE & CREATE

SEWING BASICS

Various dates & times

Biyal-a Armstrong Creek, Geelong & Corio Libraries

Book into one of our regular beginner-friendly sessions to learn how to use our sewing machines and inspire you with simple, clever projects.



book now

JOB & LIFESKILLS



EMPLOYMENT ADVICE WITH THE GORDON SKILLS & JOBS CENTRE

book now

Each Wednesday, 11:00am-1:00pm, Corio Library

Get free career and employment advice at the library. A qualified advisor from The Gordon is available weekly to help with resumes, cover letters, interview skills, and more each week.

MOVIES, MUSIC & PERFORMANCE

THE DRYSDALE FILM CIRCLE

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

If you're a fan of movies, like a good chat and discovering new things while connecting with others, come along each month on Wednesday night and enjoy a film from our catalogue.



CRAFTY CINEMA

Wed 26 Mar, 30 April, 11:00am-1:00pm, Bial-a Armstrong Creek Library

Come along to a craft session featuring a classic feel-good film. Bring your project whether it's stitching, crocheting, or journaling and enjoy an afternoon of creativity together!



Explore more events:
www.grlc.vic.gov.au/whats-on

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES

SPROUT TIME

Tuesday 11 March, 11:30am-12:30pm,
Torquay Library

Thursday 27 March, 10:30am-11:30pm,
Boronggook Drysdale Library

Come join us for a fun session for caregivers and kids [0-3 years] that focuses on reading and storytelling through songs and play. Discover new songs and ideas to help your child's language skills grow.



DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

Wednesday 12 March, 4:00pm-5:30pm,
Geelong Library & Heritage Centre

Join GenU Gamer for Dungeons and Dragons at the library. All skill levels welcome, including beginners. Ages 12-18. Come join the adventure!



APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Monday 7-14 April, Various locations

Enjoy our fun activities *Together* these holidays! Highlights include Pockets for the People (sewing, 8+), Designing Slogans (Canva, 12+), Brick It (LEGO, 8+), and an Enjoy Together food scavenger hunt (5+).



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: Kate Grenville, one of Australia's most celebrated authors will be in conversation with Jock Serong, about her latest novel, *Unsettled* at Geelong Library & Heritage Centre. Photo credit: Darren James.

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MARCH

WORKSHOPS & LECTURES

01-02 Saturday 1 March & Sunday 2 March,
10:00am-4:00pm, Bannockburn Library



GROWING MY CREATIVE PRACTICE - PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR ARTISTS

Develop your creative practice with this intensive two-day workshop for artists, musicians, writers, and digital creators. Gain practical skills in branding, finance, marketing, and business essentials, guided by industry experts. Explore strategies to grow your practice, build connections, and generate revenue.

Presented in partnership with Golden Plains Shire Council & Creative Geelong. Attendance is required for both days.



11 Tuesday 11 March, 6:00pm-7:45pm,
Belmont Library



DEEP LISTENING TO NATURE

Nourish your body and mind with acoustic ecologist Andrew Skeoch as he guides you through listening to nature during this immersive presentation. Nature, Nurture and Nourished series.



WORKSHOPS & LECTURES

12-26 Wednesday 12, 19, 26 March,
10:00am-11:30am, Newcomb,
Waurm Ponds & Leopold libraries



TALKING ABOUT DEATH

Join us for a series of panel conversations with local experts, exploring different aspects of death. Bring your curiosity and questions—everyone is welcome.

- The Admin of Death – Legal, financial, and practical steps to prepare for a future death.
- The First Week After a Death – What happens in the first week and early decisions to consider.
- Speaking to Children About Death – How to talk to children about death in everyday life and times of loss.

In partnership with Kings Funerals.



WRITERS' WORKSHOP

15 Saturday 15 March, 10:30am-12:30pm,
Geelong Library & Heritage Centre



REALITY HUNGER: WRITING COMPELLING TRUE STORIES WITH DR SIAN PRIOR

Join Dr. Sian Prior, author of *Shy and Childless*, for a workshop on crafting engaging non-fiction stories. Topics include identifying your reader, choosing your writing voice, character development and what to avoid. Tickets: \$30/\$20/\$10. Tea and coffee provided.



19 Wednesday 19 March, 6:00pm-8:30pm,
Geelong Library & Heritage Centre



CELEBRATE WORLD POETRY DAY

Be part of the celebration with a panel discussion led by Prof. David McCooey and featuring local poets Alex Creece, Annie Mullen-Walsh, Heather Cameron, and Cameron Lowe. Enjoy the announcement of the Local Word Poetry Prize winner with a \$2,000 first prize. Tickets: \$20/\$10.



22 Saturday 22 March, 10:00am-5:00pm,
Geelong Library & Heritage Centre



GEELONG FRAGRANCE FAIR: SCENTS FOR MIND & MOOD

Experience the world of scent with a curated marketplace, expert talks, and a workshop. Discover niche fragrances, explore scent's impact on memory and well-being, and hear from leading voices in fragrance journalism and cultural storytelling. Bookings are essential for the workshop, talks and panel sessions. \$20/\$10. Marketplace free to attend.

Proudly sponsored by dsm-firmenich and Givaudan.



25 Tuesday 25 March, 2:00pm-3:00pm,
Ocean Grove Library



DAVID RATHGEN - NO PLACE QUITE LIKE IT

Discover the legacy of Walter Withers, a key yet overlooked figure in Australian art, as David Rathgen explores his journey, influences, and impact on the Heidelberg School in his latest book.



AUTHOR & SPECIAL EVENTS



31 Monday 31 March, 10:00am-1:00pm,
Corio Library



HOUSING INFORMATION FAIR

Explore housing services that can expand your options. Meet local organisations offering support for youth, older adults, First Nations people, and those experiencing homelessness. Plus, attend expert presentations on aged housing and renter support.



APRIL

07-16 Various session times.
Newcomb, Bial-a Armstrong Creek,
& Corio libraries.



FOOD 4 FUTURE PROGRAM

The Food 4 Future program looks to bring young people together in a series of workshops, incorporating important life skills such as planning, budgeting, food shopping, preparation and a food handling certification to support employability. There will be food at the workshops and take home meals, a basic kitchen kit and a fresh vege box!

Scan the QR code for more info.



WORKSHOPS & LECTURES

16 Wednesday 16 April, 6:00pm-8:00pm,
Geelong Library & Heritage Centre



NO FEAR IN SHAKESPEARE: BREAKING DOWN BARRIERS TO THE BARD

Discover the power of Shakespeare in this acting seminar and workshop led by Overflow Theatre Company's Artistic Director, Molly England. Engage with actors, explore iconic texts, and experience the Bard's work in this interactive session.

In partnership with Overflow Theatre Company.



23 Wednesday 23 April, 6:00pm-7:00pm,
Geelong Library & Heritage Centre



KATE GRENVILLE - UNSETTLED

One of Australia's most celebrated writers, Kate Grenville explores ancestry, colonisation, and the land we share in a thought-provoking conversation with author Jock Serong, about her latest novel *Unsettled*. Tickets \$20/\$10.



28 Monday 28 April, 6:00pm-7:00pm,
Waurm Ponds Library



NATASHA LESTER - THE MADEMOISELLE ALLIANCE

Bestselling author Natasha Lester shares the gripping true story behind *The Mademoiselle Alliance*, her latest novel of love, sacrifice, and espionage in WWII France.



29 Tuesday 29 April, 6:00pm-7:00pm,
Geelong Library & Heritage Centre



DERVLA MCTIERNAN - THE UNQUIET GRAVE

Internationally bestselling author Dervla McTiernan returns with the latest novel in her acclaimed Cormac Reilly crime fiction series. Join Dervla in conversation with Margaret Hickey. Tickets \$20/\$10.

Credit Nathalie Marquez Courtney

