

GEELONG
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WHAT'S ON



MAY/JUNE 2024
EVENT HIGHLIGHTS





HEALTH & WELLBEING

CONNECT WITH OTHERS AT CHATTY CAFÉ

book now

Every Friday in May and June, 11:00am-12noon

Colac Library

Feeling a bit isolated? Come share a story, listen, or just relax in the library with others while having a coffee or tea.

MAKE & CREATE

SEWING REPAIR CAFE

Tuesday 7, 14 & 21 May

10:00am-1:00pm

Geelong Library & Heritage Centre

Don't have a sewing machine? Use one of our machines: finish a project or create something new.



ZINE WORKSHOPS WITH G ZINES

Thursday 23 May & 20 June

2:00pm-5:00pm

Geelong Library & Heritage Centre

The library is the new home for zines in Geelong! Come to our regular workshops to learn how to create a zine.



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HERITAGE

SAVING FAMILY STORIES

book now

Friday 10, 24 May, 10:30am-11:30am, Tuesday 14, 28 May, 2:00pm-3:00pm | Leopold Library

Learn how to convert your photos, VHS tapes, slides and film negatives to digital files to share with family and friends!



WORKSHOPS & LECTURES

SPOKEN WORD

book
now

Wednesday 8 May & 5 June, 5:30pm-7:00pm
Geelong Library & Heritage Centre

A workshop full of poetic inspirations, fun writing exercises and enjoying the musings of your fellow writers!

MOVIES, MUSIC & PERFORMANCE

VINYL CLUB

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now

Wednesday 29 May & 26 June
4:00pm-5:00pm | Colac Library

If you love all things music, have a vinyl collection or are just curious, join us!



EXHIBITIONS AT THE DOME

ARTGUSTO: MY JAPANESE INFATUATION

Wednesday 1 May – Thursday 16 May

GRIEF WEEK

Friday 17 May – Friday 31 May

CORIO BAY CAMERA CLUB

Saturday 1 June – Saturday 28 June

REGIONAL RUNWAYS TUMADUNI – LAUNCH EVENT

Thursday 6 June, 5:45pm-8:00pm





JOB & LIFESKILLS

EMPLOYMENT ADVICE WITH THE GORDON SKILLS AND JOBS CENTRE

Wednesdays in May and June, 11:00am-1:00pm

Corio Library

Get free career and employment advice from a qualified careers advisor. Receive help with resumes, cover letters, interview skills and more.

GARDEN CHAT: HOW DOES YOUR GARDEN GROW?

Monday 13 May & 17 June

10:30am-11:30am

Bannockburn Library

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



MATCHWORKS DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

Tuesday 14 May & Tuesday 11 June

9:30am-11:30am

Waurm Ponds Library

MatchWorks is a free disability service provider to help job seekers take the next step in their working life.



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

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES

YOUTH HANGOUT SESSIONS

**Boronggook Drysdale Library &
Geelong Library & Heritage Centre**

Join us every other week for an array of activities designed just for teenagers. From the latest in tech to hands-on crafting, there's something for everyone.



DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

**Wednesdays May & June,
4:00pm-5:00pm, Newcomb Library**

Ever wanted to play Dungeons and Dragons? Join us for a term long campaign and we'll introduce you to DND. Create characters, learn skills, actions and have fun! Ages 10+.



HOME-SCHOOL EVENTS

Various dates & locations

Do you home-school your child? We run programs dedicated to home-schoolers across multiple library locations. See what's happening near you via our website.



NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORYTIME

Wednesday 22 May, 12noon

Various locations

Join us at your local library as millions of people read *Bowerbird Blues* at the same time for this year's national event. Check the website for details.



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: Julie Goodwin, Australia's first MasterChef, discusses her memoir *Your Time Starts Now* on Tuesday 7 May at Geelong Library & Heritage Centre. Photo credit: Elizabeth Allnutt

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Event is online



Book sales & author book signings at events



Paid tickets. Full details on our website



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MAY

SPECIAL EVENT

01 Wednesday 1 May, 4:00pm-6:00pm
Geelong Library & Heritage Centre

GEELONG CANDLELIGHT VIGIL FORUM

Join us for an important panel discussion about family violence in our community. *Presented in partnership with Meli and The Sexual Assault & Family Violence Centre.*

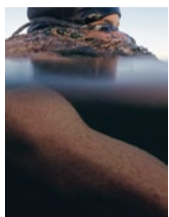
Panelist, family violence survivor and activist, Simone O'Brien.



02 Thursday 2 May, 10:30am-11:30am
Queenscliff Library

FIONA BASILE – IMMERSE

This stunning photographic book celebrates the beauty and joy of a special open-water swimming community.



SPECIAL EVENT

07 Tuesday 7 May, 6:00pm-7:00pm
Geelong Library & Heritage Centre

JULIE GOODWIN – YOUR TIME STARTS NOW

Food and fame, failure and freedom: the life story of Australia's first MasterChef. Hear from Julie as she talks about her soul-baring memoir. *Tickets \$20 OR \$10 for library members.*



10 Friday 10 May, 2:30pm-3:30pm
Queenscliff Library

DENISE MAIN AND IAN CHISHOLM – VOICES OF THE WHIPSTICK

A tender and deeply moving novel which explores what can befall those who lose what they love most.



11 Saturday 11 May, 2:00pm-3:00pm
Ocean Grove Library

CARLA PASCOE LEAHY – BECOMING A MOTHER

A truly special Mother's Day event with local historian, Dr Carla Pascoe Leahy, discussing Australian motherhood since the 1950s.

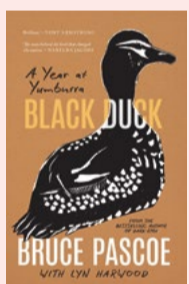


SPECIAL EVENT

13 Monday 13 May, 6:30pm-7:30pm
Geelong Library & Heritage Centre

BRUCE PASCOE & LYN HARWOOD – BLACK DUCK

A personal reflection on life, Country and the consequences of *Dark Emu* through six seasons on Bruce Pascoe's farm. *In partnership with The Book Bird.* *Tickets \$20 OR \$10 for library members.*



WRITERS' WORKSHOP

18 Saturday 18 May, 2:00pm-3:30pm
Boronggook Drysdale Library

EMMA GREVILLE – EFFECTIVE EDITING

Learn (or brush up on) the fundamentals of self-editing and how to cut and shape your story into a polished piece of writing.



23-26 Thursday 23 May to Sunday 26 May
Various locations

LIVE AND LOCAL 2024

Visit participating local libraries and hear from high profile authors, livestreamed free and direct from the Sydney Writers Festival. Join in Q&A via text!



WRITERS' WORKSHOP

25 Saturday 25 May, 10:30am-1:30pm
Geelong Library & Heritage Centre

GUY LANGFORD – WRITING FOR MUSICAL THEATRE

Explore building blocks of musicals, how they've been applied to genres and create your own in this introductory workshop. *Tickets: \$30/\$20 for library members/\$10 concession card holders.*



AUTHOR & SPECIAL EVENTS



27 Monday 27 May, 6:30pm-7:30pm
Wauron Ponds Library

ESTHER GONSTALLA – INFOGRAPHICS IN SCIENCE COMMUNICATION

Part of the Melbourne Design Week, join Esther as she talks about how infographics help us communicate scientific findings.



JUNE

SPECIAL EVENT

05 Wednesday 5 June, 5:30pm-7:30pm
Geelong Library & Heritage Centre

TALK IT UP: WATER MATTERS!

Join us for a thought-provoking panel discussion for World Environment Day. With Joëlle Gergis, Corrina Eccles, Cameron Steele, Zoe Roloff and Shaun Cumming. *Tickets \$20pp OR \$10 for library members. In partnership with Barwon Water.*



14 Friday 14 June, 3:00pm-4:00pm
Geelong Library & Heritage Centre

ARIANE BEESTON – BECAUSE I'M NOT MYSELF, YOU SEE

An important discussion about recognising and surviving post-natal depression.



SPECIAL EVENT

20 Saturday 20 June, 6:00pm-7:30pm
Geelong Library & Heritage Centre

PATRIARCHY, PRIVILEGE AND POWER – JUSTICE FOR REFUGEE WOMEN

Hear about current system for refugees in Australia and how our visa system affects women at this panel event. *In partnership with Geelong Womens Union Network.*



Panelist Rathi Barthlote, Refugee Women Action For Visa Equality



22 Saturday 22 June, 2:30pm-3:30pm
Boronggook Drysdale Library

MELINDA CLARKE – THE ACCIDENTAL MAP MAKER

Ever wondered how a map is made? Come along and meet Melinda, creator of City Maps Illustrated and the famous *Melbourne Map*.



26 Wednesday 26 June, 5:30pm-6:30pm
Colac Library

HANA ASSAFIRI – THE AUDACITY TO BE FREE

Hear from the founder of the iconic Moroccan Soup Bar as she talks about her new memoir, which details her childhood, forced arranged marriage, attempts to escape, and career in women's services.



WRITERS' WORKSHOP

29 Saturday 29 June, 10:30am-1:30pm
Geelong Library & Heritage Centre

ABIGAYLE CARMODY – WOMEN'S STORYTELLING CLUB

Learn about oral storytelling and be guided through the process of capturing a memory and how to best to tell that story. *Tickets: \$30/\$20 for library members/\$10 concession card holders.*

