

BLUE MOUNTAINS PLURIVERSITY 2019



AUGUST - DECEMBER PROGRAM

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AUGUST

Grow, Connect, Explore



YOUTH CAFE: MARGARET DAVIS ON THEATRE

6pm Wednesday 21 August @ 101 Wentworth St Blackheath

Join us for an exciting opportunity to meet writer, director and performing arts lecturer Margaret Davis. This is a free event, but please bring a plate of food for a shared dinner.



WORK EXPERIENCE @ THE BIG FIX

Between 11am and 5pm Monday to Wednesday

Would you like to be a citizen journalist; help develop programs for the Blue Mountains Pluriversity; or learn to run a Social Enterprise? You can explore all these opportunities at The Big Fix in Blackheath.

SEPTEMBER



YOUTH CAFE: ROWE MORROW ON PERMACULTURE

6pm Wednesday 4 September @ 101 Wentworth St Blackheath

Join Lis Bastian and Rowe Morrow, co-founders of the Blue Mountains Permaculture Institute, to find out about having a life in Permaculture and Rowe's work with refugees. Please bring a plate of food for a shared dinner.



FIRST AID COURSE IN HAZELBROOK

9am - 5pm Wednesday 11 September @ 38 Railway Parade

First Aid knowledge is a valuable skill that can help save lives in an emergency. We've teamed up with Pulse First Aid Training to offer a day of nationally recognised First Aid training to young people at a heavily subsidised fee of only \$22.

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HOW TO START A COMMUNITY FARM

12 noon Sunday 15 September @ Blackheath Community Farm

Blackheath Community Farmers will share the information you need to start a Community Farm. This one hour discussion will be followed by a communal lunch – bring some food to share.



YOUTH CAFE: WITH FILM MAKER RANI BROWN

6pm Wednesday 18 September @ 101 Wentworth St Blackheath

Join us for an evening with Rani Brown – artist, filmmaker and director of Frogmouth Films. Find out about the role of film in social change. Please bring a plate of food for a shared dinner.



2-DAY YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID COURSE

9am – 5.30pm 21 & 22 September @ 101 Wentworth St Blackheath

Learn to recognise the signs and symptoms of common mental health problems in young people and how to get help. Thank you to Family First Credit Union and Jane Armstrong for supporting us to make this course available free of charge for young people.



PLANTING AND PLANT ID @ THE COMMUNITY FARM

12 noon Sunday 29 September @ Blackheath Community Farm

Blackheath Community Farmers will help you identify plants and demonstrate how to plant them. This one hour session will be followed by a communal lunch – bring some food to share.

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OCTOBER

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YOUTH CAFE: JOSHUA ANDREN ON ARCHITECTURE

6pm Wednesday 2 October @ 101 Wentworth St Blackheath

Come and meet Josh Andren, architect and Associate Director of multi-award winning integratedDESIGNgroup which specialises in architecture for 'community making'. Bring food for a shared dinner.



REFLEXOLOGY & FOOD AS MEDICINE WORKSHOP

9am - 3pm Saturday 5 October @ Lemon Balm Clinic Katoomba

Western herbal medicine and reflexology practitioner Penny Henderson will give a hands-on workshop on reflexology and food as medicine, as part of a holistic approach to health and self-care.



YOUTH CAFE: WARD O'NEILL

6pm Wednesday 9 October @ 101 Wentworth St Blackheath

Come and meet internationally recognised political cartoonist and illustrator Ward O'Neill, who has worked for Australian newspapers and magazines for over forty years. Bring food for a shared dinner.



INTRODUCTION TO PERMACULTURE

10am to 3pm Sunday 13 October @ Blackheath Community Farm

Learn how to accelerate regeneration, and create biodiverse social and environmental systems through a study of the natural world. Please bring a plate of food for a shared communal lunch.



YOUTH CAFE: JASON PAULOS ON COMIC BOOKS

6pm Wednesday 16 October @ 101 Wentworth St Blackheath

Join us for an evening with Jason Paulos, comic book writer/artist and creator of underground comics Hairbutt The Hippo and EEEK! Bring food for a shared dinner.

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ARTIST FORUM: STORYTELLING IN ART & DESIGN

4pm Sunday 20 October - Venue TBC

Paul Mosig and Rachel Peachey (Racket Art & Design), Emma Magenta (Illustrator & Filmmaker), and Dr Carol Major (Writer) share their experiences of making a life through their art forms.



EMMA MAGENTA: STORYBOARDING WORKSHOP

9am - 5pm Friday 25 October @ 101 Wentworth St Blackheath

Emma is a prolific artist, author and director who has produced books and films. In this workshop she will guide you in the art of illustration and storyboarding for illustrated books and films.



HAYLEY OH: KOREAN COOKING

11am - 2pm Saturday 26 October @ 101 Wentworth St Blackheath

This is the perfect workshop for anyone who loves food. Easy and nutritious Korean cuisine and the first of three classes for those who'd like to earn a Korean cooking badge. No experience required.



HOW TO COMPOST @ THE COMMUNITY FARM

12 noon Sunday 27 October @ Blackheath Community Farm

Blackheath Community Farmers will demonstrate a variety of strategies for composting and worm farming in their Compost Lab. Please bring some food to share for a communal lunch.



YOUTH CAFE: GREG LYONS

6pm Wednesday 30 October @ 101 Wentworth St Blackheath

Join us for an evening of conversation with muso turned builder, carpenter, teacher and mentor Greg Lyons. Please bring a plate of food for a shared dinner.

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YOUTH CAFE: DR FRED ORR ON PSYCHOLOGY

11am - 1pm Saturday 9 November @ 101 Wentworth St Blackheath

Dr Fred Orr is a psychologist, poet, swimming and cycling aficionado, lover of trees and teller of stories. Come and meet this magnetic personality and bring a plate of food for a shared lunch.



WATER MANAGEMENT @ THE COMMUNITY FARM

12 noon Sunday 10 November @ Blackheath Community Farm

Blackheath Community Farmers will discuss water management at a Community Farm as we prepare for summer. This one hour session will be followed by a communal lunch so bring some food to share.



YOUTH CAFE: JUSTIN MORRISSEY

6 pm Wednesday 13 November @ 101 Wentworth St Blackheath

Spend an evening with Justin Morrissey, founder of Toolo (tool library) and curator at Scenic World. He has a long history in the production of film, theatre and festivals. Please bring food for a shared dinner.



ARTIST FORUM: OPERA, DANCE & PROJECTION ART

6pm Friday 15 November - Venue TBC

Taryn Srhoj (Opera), Julian Renlong Wong (Dance) and Cindi Drennan (Illuminart) will speak about their lives as artists and answer questions about what it's like and what they've learnt along the way.



CARTOONING AND CREATIVE THINKING WKSHOP

10am - 4pm Sunday 17 November @ 101 Wentworth St Blackheath

Cartoonist and web designer Ian Dalkin will provide two days of hands-on workshopping to give you the confidence to begin thinking creatively to produce your own cartoons.

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RACHEL PEACHEY & PAUL MOSIG: ART & DESIGN WORKSHOP

10am - 4pm Monday 18 November @101 Wentworth St Blackheath

A workshop with artists and designers Rachel Peachey & Paul Mosig. The workshop will start by taking a focused walk through the Blackheath landscape collecting text and imagery, then return to the studio and use rapid development software to create an online narrative presented as a website.



SINGING WORKSHOP WITH TARYN SRHOJ

10am - 1pm Saturday 23 November @ 101 Wentworth St

Operatic Soprano Taryn Srhoj will be hosting a 3 hour singing workshop. She will talk about the complexities of a career in singing and teach the fundamentals of using breath support to connect to your true voice. One-on-one mentorships will be available culminating in a group performance.



PEST MANAGEMENT @ THE COMMUNITY FARM

12 noon Sunday 24 November @ Blackheath Community Farm

Blackheath Community Farmers will help you learn strategies for reducing damage to your crops. This one hour session will be followed by a communal lunch so bring some food to share.



PERMACULTURE & SOCIAL ENTERPRISE DESIGN PROGRAM - PDC+

From 25 Nov - 18 Dec (3 days a week) + 6 mths mentoring

This groundbreaking free program starts with a Permaculture & Social Enterprise Design Course (PDC) and is followed by six months of mentoring to help you develop a social enterprise.

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ILLUMINART PROJECTION MAPPING WORKSHOP

9am - 5pm Saturday 30 November @ 101 Wentworth St

An exciting Projection Mapping workshop with Illuminart who are best known for their architectural storytelling form of projection art, combining large scale mapped projection onto architecture with animated audiovisual narratives.



WRITING CONSULTATIONS WITH CAROL MAJOR

One hour consultations : Dates to be confirmed with Carol

Dr Carol Major is an author, teacher and creative communicator. She cares about finding the authenticity and integrity within any narrative. She has taught creative writing at the University of Technology and is an associate of Ink to Screen and Varuna (The National Writer's House) where she provides manuscript assessment and mentoring services.

DECEMBER



JULIAN RENLONG WONG: SOMATIC DANCE WORKSHOPS

Monday to Friday 9-13 December - Venue TBC

Somatic dance refers more specifically to techniques whose primary focus is the dancer's personal, physical experience, rather than the audience's visual one. A week of workshops with Julian Renlong Wong will culminate in a performance on Friday 13 Dec.



THE UNBEARABLE LIGHTNESS OF BEING

A CELEBRATORY NIGHT OF SONG, DANCE & LIGHT

Friday 13 December 2019

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THE AUGUST TO DECEMBER PROGRAM OF THE BLUE MOUNTAINS PLURIVERSITY HAS BEEN PROUDLY SPONSORED BY:

- Blue Mountains City of the Arts Trust
- Family First Credit Union
- Blue Mountains Food Co-op
- The Big Fix
- Blue Mountains Permaculture Institute

... and all the generous community members who've given of their time to share with young people at Blackheath Community Farm and at the Youth Cafes.

The Blue Mountains Pluriversity is not-for-profit organisation operating under the registered charity, The Big Fix.



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