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YARRA LIBRARIES

WHAT'S ON

OCTOBER-DECEMBER 2021

OUR NEW LIBRARY STRATEGY
IPAD LENDING PROGRAM
AUTHOR TALKS
DIGITAL EVENTS
Plus SENSITIVE SANTA!



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RICHMOND LIBRARY

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Richmond 3121

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All Yarra Libraries events are free to attend but most require registration.



TO REGISTER visit:

www.yarralibraries.vic.gov.au or call 1300 695 427

LATEST NEWS

**We're ready for
the next chapter.
Help us write it.**

Help shape the future of Yarra Libraries

We are planning for the next four years at Yarra Libraries, and we need your help. We need you to tell us what you love about our libraries, and what you think needs to happen next in order for us to meet the future needs of our community.

There's more to our libraries than books. Did you know that we also provide access to downloadable audiobooks, movie streaming, laser cutters and sewing machines? It doesn't matter your age, interests or language. Whether you're looking to find your next read, trace your family heritage, learn a new language, play with Lego or start a business; your local library can make it happen!

With an extensive outreach program, our library staff can deliver library materials to your home and have stepped up to provide emergency food and material relief during the COVID-19 pandemic. Where else could we show up and what should we deliver next?

Help us plan for the future of our libraries by sharing your ideas about programs and services we should offer over the next four years.

Share your ideas

Online at yoursayyarra.com.au/nextchapter or by dropping by one of our five libraries. Throughout October and November, also keep an eye out for our pop-up libraries in a park near you -- subject to COVID restrictions.

OLD VINTAGE MELBOURNE

Book Launch

Join us for the launch of Old Vintage Melbourne, an enchanting collection of annotated historical images and photographs revealing the change and development Melbourne has experienced over the years. Meet the author Chris Macheras and hear about the motivation behind their popular Instagram account, @oldvintagemelbourne.

Fitzroy Town Hall
Date to be confirmed!



The Short Story Club

Want to join a book club but don't always have the time? This is the club for you! Each month we choose one short story or piece of narrative non-fiction we love to share and discuss.

October: *Why My Hair is Long* by Paige Clark

November: *Men Explain Things to Me*

by Rebecca Solnit

December: *The Last Question* by Isaac Asimov

Wednesdays 6 Oct, 3 Nov & 1 Dec

2 Sessions per date:

1pm-2pm OR 6.30pm-7.30pm

Online via Zoom



The Write-In *EDITING EDITION*

Join us for our monthly creative writing workshop to learn skills and techniques to improve your writing. Come along to workshop your writing and become the writer you've always wanted to be. Workshops will be lead by Nicole Smith, the Richmond-based author of *Sideshow*. Ages 17+

Thursdays 28 October & 25 November
6pm-8pm • Book Online



Art Text *BOOK GROUP*

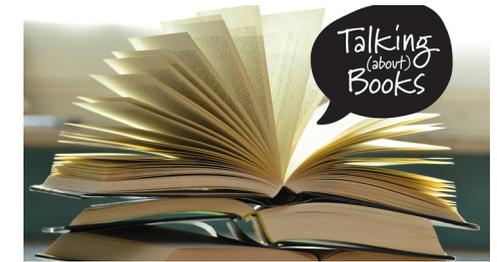
Art Text is a book group focused on current art culture and the ideas that drive it.

We read topical titles and essays curated by artists themselves, to give context to current and local art practices.

This spring we read selections by Dr. Kiron Robinson (November session) and continue Decolonising the Archive with Azza Zein and the Women's Art Register (December session). Register for book list and titles.

Presented by Yarra Arts and Yarra Libraries.

Thursdays 18 November & 16 December
6pm-7.30pm • Online via Zoom



Talking (about) Books

Love talking about books? So do we! Join us once a month to discuss what we've read, what we're reading and what we'd like to read. Think of a few books you've loved that fit the discussion theme and come prepared to share with your fellow reading enthusiasts. Check out each month's themes via Eventbrite. Unfamiliar with the theme? Come along anyway to find out about new-to-you books and authors.

Wednesdays 27 October & 24 November
12pm-1pm • Online via Zoom



BRAIN HEALTH MATTERS

As part of the Victorian Seniors Festival 2021, the City of Yarra is delivering a range of events in October, including the Brain Health Matters series in our libraries. For the full program of Yarra events, visit the Seniors Festival 2021 page on the City of Yarra website.

yarracity.vic.gov.au/events



Understanding Dementia

This session provides an introduction to Dementia including an overview of different types of dementia, diagnosis, planning ahead and how to support someone living with dementia.

Thurs 7 October
2pm-4pm
Online via Zoom



Stroke Foundation Session

Join us for this session where you'll learn about stroke recognition, treatment and prevention. Delivered by the Stroke Foundation.

Thursday 21 October
2pm-4pm
Online via Zoom



Making the most of your memory

Join Mary from Yarra City Psychology as she discusses the effect age has on memory and gives you some tips and tricks to get the most of your memory.

Thursday 28 October
2pm-3pm
Online via Zoom



In One Act 2021 Final Performance

Playwriting development program *In One Act* is delivered in partnership with Melbourne Writers' Theatre. In 2021 it will once again be facilitated by writer and dramaturge Christine Croydin. Join us for a Playreading Performance, directed by MWT director Mazz Ryan, featuring professional actors performing readings of the new plays written in this year's program.

Tuesday 19 October • 6.30pm-9pm
Online via Zoom



Rotary on Church Market

Richmond's newest arts and crafts market showcases wares from local artists every month. Including a pre-loved fiction book sale, Devonshire tea, new clothing at sale prices and a community spirit, come along and grab a bargain. Presented in partnership with Rotary Club of Richmond. For more info visit www.rotaryonchurch.com.au.

Saturday 20 November • 10am-1pm
Christmas Market: Saturday 4 December
10am-1pm • Richmond Library & Theatrette



Digital Coaching in Chinese

Improve your basic computer and smart phone skills!

電腦和手機簡易輔導
來圖書館學習基本的電腦和手機使用技巧。

Mon 11 Oct • 2pm-3pm
Online via Zoom

10月11日星期一
下午 2pm – 3pm • 线上 Zoom



Interview Skills

Join us for a crash course in job interview skills where you'll learn what to do before, during and after a first-round interview. You'll also have the chance to workshop interview questions. No previous interview experience required.

Wednesday 20 October
1pm-3pm
Online via Zoom



Resume Rescue

Book a free one-on-one, 45-minute session with library staff, who can help you write and edit your best possible resume. Sessions can also focus on cover letters, key selection criteria and interview preparation. Book a session by calling **1300 695 427** or filling out an online request form via our website.

45 minute session
By appointment





The Science of Composting

In this workshop, discover that there is much more to composting than just ratios of brown and green materials. Learn about the beneficial microbes that drive the composting process as well as alternative methods, composting with worms and liquid amendments or teas.

Wednesday 3 November • 1.30pm-3pm
Online via Zoom 

The Philosopher's Stone 3 Session Course

In partnership with Melbourne School of Philosophy, we are once again delighted to offer a series of online philosophy talks for the community. Join us to delve into the meaning and mystery of the elusive Philosopher's Stone! Philosophy beginners and Harry Potter fans all welcome.

Mondays 15, 22 & 29 November
2pm-3.30pm • Online via Zoom 

Community Collage Club

Monthly community collage workshop - the classes will explore analogue cut and paste techniques. Working via creative themes - looking at colour, composition, trompe l'oeil, surrealism, photomontage and colour. All materials supplied. These art sessions are inclusive and open to all abilities.

Thursdays 28 Oct, 25 Nov & 9 Dec
10.30am-12.30pm • Online via Zoom 

Pleasure of Drawing with Emilie

Learn a series of drawing exercises to get back in touch with the pleasure of drawing. From observation drawings to doodling and pattern, explore new ways to push your drawing skills or just get back into drawing freely like a 10 year old.

Thursday 11 November • 6pm-8pm
Online via Zoom 



Cultural Forum: Masculine Archetypes on Screen

On-screen we see superheroes like Spiderman, suave Don Juans, the handsome prince in the hit tv series the Bachelor, and the beer-bellied best friend in blockbuster comedies. Join us for a panel discussion to take a closer look at these masculine archetypes.

Wednesday 24 November
6.30pm-7.30pm
Online via Zoom 

Staycations

With overseas travel not possible, we can use the time and resources to explore our own backyard. There are lots of resources available to make the most of one or two day trips in and around Melbourne. Come learn and add your own gems of Victoria.

Friday 3 December
11am-12pm
Online via Zoom 

Vietnamese New Books & DVDs

Ngày Giới thiệu Sách Việt Ngữ Mới & DVD Mới tại Thư viện Fitzroy

Introducing new Vietnamese Books & DVDs. Ngày giới thiệu Sách mới & DVD mới ở Thư viện Fitzroy. Thứ Sáu ngày 19 tháng Mười Một 2021 (Từ 10 giờ sáng đến 3:30 giờ chiều)

Friday 17 December
10am-3.30pm
Fitzroy Library 

Adult Art Play

A casual craft club for adults, where we'll make beautiful messes, artistic creations, and have a chat in a fun, judgement-free zone! We'll be using some library creative tech and getting expressive from Creative Bug prompts. **November:** Woven pieces **December:** Plushie Extravaganza

Fridays 19 November & 10 December
11.45am-1pm
Online via Zoom 

The Art of Furoshiki Japanese Gift Wrapping

Wrapping gifts in attractive and beautiful way to enhance a gift in an environmentally responsible way. It is a Japanese practice called Furoshiki and in this session we will learn various techniques. Bring a gift to wrap.

Tuesday 7 December
2pm-3.30pm
Online via Zoom 

Japanese Boro Bag

Repurpose fabrics you have to make beautiful utilitarian objects based on items in the Victoria & Albert Museum collection. Make a Boro bag with sashiko stitching and do it in good company. Machine or hand-sew. For ages 17+. Post your projects on instagram #yarramakedo

Fridays 3 & 17 December
4pm-5.30pm
Online via Zoom 



History of Your House

Are you interested in researching the History of your house? Come along to this introductory session and learn the basics. Discover the range of resources available online and at Yarra Libraries.

Wednesday 10 Nov • 10am-11.30am
Online via Zoom



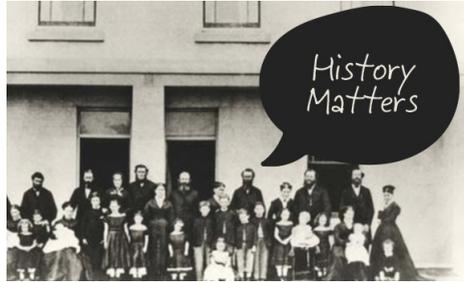
Wednesday 8 Dec • 6.30pm-8pm
Online via Zoom



MacRobertson the Chocolate Giant of Fitzroy Walking Tour

Join Isabel Simpson for a walking tour of the former site of the MacRobertson Chocolate Empire in Fitzroy. Walk in the footsteps of Mac, the creator of Freddo Frog and Cherry Ripe, as we discover his Great White City including Corporate Offices and chocolate factories. Learn about his extraordinary work ethic, passions, and major contributions to science and this country.

Saturday 13 November • 10am-12pm
Meet at Fitzroy Library at 9:45am



History Matters

Need help with your family or local history research? Book a free 30 minute session with a staff member by calling us on **1300 695 427** or filling out the online form via the website. When booking, please let us know what your research needs are.

30 minute session • By appointment



#Throwback

378 Brunswick St, 1978.

10 years before beloved vegetarian institution **Vegie Bar** opened, 378 Brunswick St housed an unassuming repair shop. When **Vegie Bar** opened in 1988, it was the first of its kind on the strip and is now one of Fitzroy's most popular spots.

Search for more historical images of #YarraLife in our online Local History collection. Start your search at yarralibraries.vic.gov.au.

Kids Book Fest

Turn your loungeroom into a hub of fun and frivolity with a day of epic entertainment. Curated by The Little Bookroom and author Adrian Beck, there will be three live and interactive sessions with breaks in between. More info to come! Presented by Yarra Libraries, The Ewing Trust and the Little Bookroom.

Saturday 16 October
From 10.30am
Online



Trans Day of Remembrance

Come together, even though we have been apart, to commemorate Trans Day of Remembrance (TDoR) in an affirming community space. Mama Alto, artiste and CEO of Transgender Victoria will facilitate this online event with time for reflection, self-care and performances. Presented in partnership with Transgender Victoria, Yarra Libraries and The Ewing Trust.

Each year, Transgender Day of Remembrance (TDoR) honours the memory of transgender people who lost their lives through anti-trans violence. TDoR began in the USA on 20 November in 1999 to pay respects to the memory of Rita Hester – a transgender woman of colour who was killed in Boston in 1998.

Saturday 20 November
6pm-7.30pm • Online via Zoom



Events sponsored by
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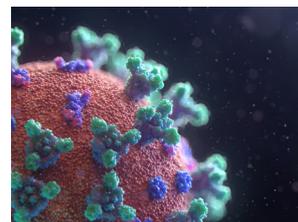
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iPad Lending Program

Want to learn how to use an iPad? Are you over the age of 55? Do you know of a family member or neighbour who would benefit from borrowing an iPad? Yarra Libraries, in partnership with Be Connected are offering customers the opportunity to borrow an iPad and portable modem for 8 weeks. As part of the program, an induction and user guide are provided, as well as ongoing support through the Library's digital coaching service.

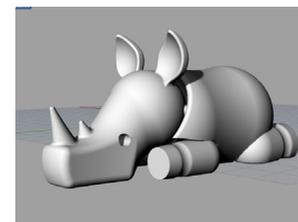
Register your interest via our website and a team member will be in contact with you soon.



Data Science in the era of COVID-19

Are you curious about data and statistics? How do computer programs translate vast amounts of data into information? Dr Nick Wong, a Senior Research Fellow at Monash University's Bioinformatics Platform, will share his journey in data science and how COVID-19 has changed the world, through data.

**Friday 8 October
2pm-3pm
Online via Zoom**



Rhino: Designing for 3D Printing with Eric

Learn how to design your first 3D shape using Rhino3d with Eric Jong! Participate in an interactive challenge that will show you the basics of Rhino. Please have a copy of Rhino installed on your device before the session: Download a free trial at <https://www.rhino3d.com/download/>

**Thursday 14 October
6pm-8pm**



Laser Cut a Geometric Bookmark

Learn to create beautiful geometric bookmarks. Your designs will be cut with our new laser cutter, ready to take home. We will be using free, easy to use software that can be accessed via your computer browser to create our designs. Ages 15+

**Friday 22 October
2pm-4pm
Online via Zoom**



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Be Connected

Every Australian online.



Getting to Know Your MacBook

Do you have a MacBook and want to get more about it? Come along to this beginners session to pick some tricks, tips, and feel more confident with your device.

**Friday 8 October
2pm-4pm
Online via Zoom**



Online safety and Cybersecurity

For get Online Week, learn how you can protect yourself online, presented by cybersecurity expert Jacqui Loustau, founder of the Australian Women in Security Network (AWSN).

**Tuesday 19 October
1pm-2pm
Online via Zoom**



Getting to Know Your Windows Laptop

Do you have a Windows laptop you want to learn more about? Join us for this beginners session to pick up some tricks and tips, and feel more confident with your device.

**Friday 19 November
2pm-4pm
Online via Zoom**



Intro to Coding with Python

Dr Sonika Tyagi will introduce beginners to coding with Python. Get started installing Python; learn about Python's libraries and syntax and where to find resources to guide your learning. Python is user friendly, easy to learn, and free to use.

**Saturday 20 November
2pm-4pm
Online via Zoom**



Modelling COVID-19: How and Why?

Join us for a behind-the-scenes look at how COVID-19 data is modelled and used to inform public policy with Dr Nick Scott, Head of Modelling and Biostatistics at the Burnet Institute in Melbourne. Ages 15+

**Friday 26 November
2pm-3pm
Online via Zoom**



Digital Coaching

Need help with iPads, saving documents or using social media? We can help you with minor technology issues and guide you to useful resources. Book a free session with a staff member by calling us on 1300 695 427 or filling out the online form via the website.

**By appointment
30min session
All branches**



Speechie Library Talk

To celebrate Speech Pathology Australia's Book of the Year, join speech pathologists Lottie Morison and Aoife Rogers as they take you through the key speech and language developmental milestones for children aged 0-5. Lottie and Aoife will walk you through the role speech pathologists play in developing children's speech, language and literacy.

Thursday 11 November
6.30pm-7.30pm • Online via Zoom 

Tuesday 23 November
10am-11am • Online via Zoom 



Sensitive Santa 2021

Children who are neuro-diverse and/or with developmental disabilities including (Autism, ADHD, Down Syndrome, intellectual disabilities, Cerebral Palsy etc.) can have their photo taken with Santa in a calm and sensory-friendly environment. Each sitting with Santa is carefully planned and tailored to your family's unique needs. Santa and his helpers have all been professionally trained to support this event. At the end of the session, take home a USB full of photos from the day for you to treasure forever, and it's all free.

Bookings will open in October, to register your interest email yarralibraries@yarracity.gov.au. All Yarra Libraries in person events are subject to the current COVID-19 health advice and restrictions.

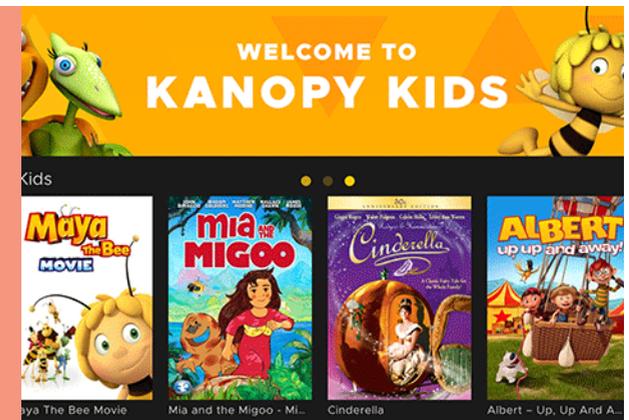
Saturday 11 & Sunday 12 December • 9:30am-5pm • Bargoonga Nganjin 

Online Resources

When our libraries are closed, you can access videos of our storytellers and librarians reading some of their favourite books and singing familiar songs, as well as online resources that can help your children maintain literacy and a love of reading and learning while at home.

Kanopy Kids

Enriching, educational videos with developmentally appropriate, age-based ratings.



Online Storytimes

Watch us read popular books and sing familiar songs, from the comfort of home!



Cooking the Books

Our children's librarians are here to teach you some simple and delicious recipes!



Kids Creative Club

Fun and simple activities you can do to explore your creativity at home.

Visit library.yarracity.vic.gov.au/whats-on/for-kids for online resources, activities, educational content, reading lists and more!



LOTE Online for Kids

LOTE Online for Kids is a database that allows kids to enjoy the magic of books in Languages Other Than English (LOTE) both in the library and at home. Kids can also watch each LOTE title translated and narrated in English to help with reading and literacy.

