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### **LATEST NEWS**



### OPENLIBRARY Collingwood joins Open Library

Following the success of Open Library at Richmond, Bargoonga Nganjin, North Fitzroy and Carlton, we're proud to announce that Collingwood is joining the Open Library family. Upgrade your membership at Collingwood Library by attending a simple induction program for library access between 8am and 10pm, to borrow, print, study and more.

Open Library membership is only available to members aged 16+ and is subject to additional terms and conditions.

For more information, see our website, speak to staff in branch, or call 1300 695 427.



### **WRITING & LITERATURE**



## M I C H A E L R O B O T H A M STORM CHILD

### **MICHAEL ROBOTHAM**

### Storm Child

Join us for the launch of Storm Child. Michael Robotham's latest thriller. Some memories are buried for a reason... explore the compulsively readable new thriller with the number one bestselling and award-winning master of crime.

Tuesday 9 July • 6.30pm to 8pm Richmond Library

### **ALICE ROBINSON**

### If You Go Book Launch

Join us to celebrate the launch of Alice Robinson's new work. If You Go. a moving and unforgettable novel about hope, grief and family, Robinson will be in conversation with Tegan Bennett Daylight; exploring the novel's themes of what we inherit and what we pass down.

Sunday 14 July • 2pm to 4pm Bargoonga Nganjin

### **KRISTINE PHILIPP**

### **Girl Friday**

in the workforce, highlighting issues

Wednesday 31 July • 6.30pm to 8pm Richmond Library



### **JOAN HEALEY**

### The Cubbies

Discover Australia's inaugural adventure haven where children roamed freely, building dreams amidst '70s Whitlam optimism in Fitzrov, Joan Healey recounts battles with authority, from police to the church, in this ode to unbridled play. A testament to childhood and adventures.

Sunday 4 August • 2pm to 4pm The Reading Room, Fitzrov Town Hall





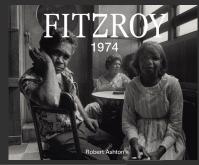


### **ROBERT ASHTON**

### Fitzroy 1974 Book Launch

Published in 1974, Into the Hollow Mountains was a landmark book featuring black-and-white images taken by young photographer Robert Ashton around Fitzroy, alongside original writing from local authors including Helen Garner. Now in 2024. Fitzroy 1974 presents an authentic record of life and work in one of Australia's most diverse, inner-city suburbs during a time of unprecedented change. Presented in partnership with Yarra City Arts and Culture.

Thursday 8 August • 6pm to 8pm The Reading Room, Fitzroy Town Hall







# the audacity to be free

### **HANA ASSAFIRI**

### Hana: The Audacity to be Free

Hana Assafiri, beloved local social activist and radical entrepreneur, shares her inspiring journey in her new memoir. From Lebanon to Australia, she details her escape from an abusive arranged marriage and her work in women's services. In 1998, she founded North Fitzroy's iconic Moroccan Soup Bar, a symbol of empowerment through communal cooking. *Photo: Daniel Gallagher.* 

Wednesday 21 August • 6.30pm-8pm Bargoonga Nganjin

## Garryowen Unmasked The Life of Edmund Finn Elizabeth Rushen

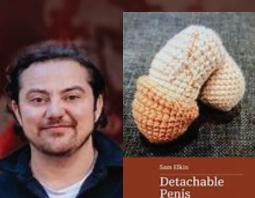
### **LIZ RUSHEN**

### Garryowen Unmasked: The Life of Edmund Finn

Elizabeth Rushen discusses her book on Garryowen (Edmund Finn) who was a prolific chronicler of life in Melbourne and its surrounding suburbs. A Fitzroy resident, his book *The Chronicles of Early Melbourne* offered a glimpse of daily life from 1835 to 1852.

Monday 2 September • 6.30pm to 8pm Fitzroy Library





### **SAM ELKIN**

### Detachable Penis – A Very Trans Legal Evening

Join powerful writer, lawyer and radio host Sam Elkin for an evening of passionate and prickly discussion about his debut novel *Detachable Penis: A Queer Legal Saga*, which explores the state of Australia's trans legal landscape as it stands, and where it's going.

Thursday 5 September • 6.30pm to 8pm Bargoonga Nganjin

### **WRITING & LITERATURE**

### **BOOK CLUBS É MORE**





### For the Love of It: Creative Writing

Do you want to write creatively but don't know where to start? Join us to learn how to keep notes, set and complete easy writing exercises and analyse books like a writer. Bring something to write with and write on

Tuesday 2 July 6pm to 7.30pm Richmond Library



### Community Writing Group

Join us for a community-led creative writing group. Bring 1500 words in hardcopy for workshopping with a group of like-minded people. Discuss creative techniques, workshop your pieces and join a welcoming community of writers.

Thursdays 11 July, 8 August & 12 September 6pm to 8pm Bargoonga Nganjin



### **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 to share and discuss with other club members. See the online event listing for links to each month's story.

Wednesdays 3 July, 7 August & 4 September 6.30pm to 7.30pm Online via Zoom



### Bring Your Own Book Club

Like to chat about what you've been reading? Drop in to these friendly sessions where we'll share what we've been reading - or just come along and listen. No matter the genre or the format, we love it all!

Wednesdays 17 July, 14 August & 11 September 10.30am to 11.30am Carlton Library

### COMMUNITY, ARTS & CULTURE



### Nature Walk Along the Birrarung

Join author and storyteller Maya Ward for a guided nature walk along the Birrarung (Yarra River). Starting at Collingwood Library. we'll walk around 4km, hearing stories from Mava's life and her book. The Comfort of Water: A River Pilgrimage. Discover the art of river contemplation and learn to engage more deeply with nature.

Saturday 14 September • 10.30am to 12.30pm Collingwood Library



### **Richmond Urban Agriculture Walk**

Curious about growing food in our busy, urban environment? Join us for a guided tour of Richmond's thriving agricultural spaces. Discover local community gardens. neighbourhood houses and learn creative ways of growing food communally to save money and connect with nature. Presented in partnership with Yarra Sustainability.

Monday 16 September • 3pm to 4.30pm Richmond Library



### **Start your Podcast**

Have a great podcast idea? Learn how to turn your concept into engaging content. With strategies for developing episodes and creating compelling narratives, unlock your podcast's potential.

Monday 15 July 6pm to 8pm **Richmond Library** 



**Podcasting Workshops with Julz Hay** 

### **Record your Podcast**

Unsure of the technical side of podcasting? Learn to set up microphones, create clear audio, and master editing techniques. This beginner's workshop will help vour podcast sound professional.

Monday 29 July 6pm to 8pm Richmond Library



### Your Podcast Audience

Learn about uploading to hosting platforms and leveraging social media for promotion. This workshop explores how to reach a wider audience and connect with listeners globally.

Monday 12 August 6pm to 8pm **Richmond Library** 



### **Off Your Back Winter Coat Drive**

The Off Your Back Winter Coat Drive is back for 2024! Give that old coat of yours a second life and help someone stay warm this winter.

The Winter Coat Drive runs from 1 June - 31 August and donations can be made at any of our five library branches.



### Open Table **Community Lunches**

Join us every Saturday for a free, nutritious vegan lunch made by Open Table volunteers. Halal options will also be available. Enjoy a meal with the community and help save tonnes of food from landfill!

Saturdays • 1pm to 2pm Bargoonga Nganjin



### **Fitzroy Community** Market

This market cultivates a welcoming community atmosphere through shared resources and information. We'll be providing free preloved books and magazines in several languages and a play/reading area for kids.

Fridays 5 July & 6 September 3.30pm to 5.30pm **Atherton Gardens** 



### **Power of Attorney** and Estate Planning

Ensuring your wishes are carried out requires good planning! Learn how to make or change a power of attorney and explore estate planning in this introductory workshop with experts from Services Australia.

Wednesday 14 August 4pm to 5pm **Carlton Library** 



### **Mortgage Basics and Creating Savings**

Discover mortgage essentials and saving strategies for your first home in this introductory program with Services Australia. Learn how to simplify complex financial jargon and much more.

Wednesday 21 August 4pm to 5pm Bargoonga Nganjin

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### Bilingual Art Talk: The Origin of Ukiyo-e Art and Impressionism

Raymond Gu, author of newly published Ukiyo-e art book, Vincent, will explore how Ukiyo-e and Impressionism inspired each other. Presented in Mandarin and English. 中英雙語藝術講座:浮世繪與印象派的淵源

藝術專著"走進梵高"作者、西方藝術史學者顧睿先生講述浮世繪藝術及其與印象派的互鑒與交融。

Saturday 3 August 1.30pm to 3.30pm Richmond Library





### **Fitzroy Sewing Club**

Come along to our sewing club to make friends and work on your sewing projects or mending! Use one of our sewing machines, try your hand at the embroidery machine, or work on your hand sewing. Meet other locals who like to sew and share tips and tricks.

Mondays 8 & 22 July, 5 & 19 August & 2, 16 & 30 September 10am to 1pm Fitzroy Library



### Upcycled Jewellery Workshop

Make colourful jewellery and get inspired by recycled materials! Join Emma Grace, a sustainability-focused jeweller, for this hands-on workshop. Leave with your own work of wearable art and tonnes of fresh ideas.

Saturday 31 August 10.30am to 12.30pm Collingwood Library



### **Sew-Amazing**

Learn to sew with three simple, beginner friendly sewing patterns. Make a microwaveable cosy to hold your hot soup bowl, a reversible cross-body bag from Lotta Jansdotter Everyday Style, and a 'not quite Prada' bucket hat. With gender-inclusive projects and all materials provided, this is the perfect time to try your hand at the sewing machine. See the online listing for each month's design project.

Multiple dates and times See Eventbrite for details





### **Macramé Plant Hanger**

Dive into Creativebug, an online learning platform available with all Yarra Libraries memberships. Make your own Macramé Plant Hanger! Learn along with the Creativebug online course, guided by library staff. All materials supplied, then take your creation home.

Monday 23 September • 1pm to 4pm Bargoonga Nganjin



### **Upcycled Notebook**

Dive into Creativebug, an online learning platform available with all Yarra Libraries memberships. Learn to make a notebook using everyday materials. Learn along with the Creativebug online course, guided by library staff. All materials supplied, then take your creation home.

Tuesday 20 August • 6pm to 7.30pm Richmond Library



### Materials Tell Stories: Artist Workshop with Vivian Qiu

Join artist Vivian Qiu in this free workshop and hear the story behind her exhibition 'Material Tells Stories'.
Learn how to turn natural materials that celebrate your culture and story into wearable art, sculpture, or a functional object. Presented by Yarra City Arts and Culture.

Saturday 28 September 11am to 1pm Fitzroy Library



### **Collage Club**

A monthly community collage workshop, exploring digital and analogue cut and paste techniques. Working via creative themes, looking at composition, trompe l'oeil, surrealism, photomontage and colour.

Tuesdays 9 July, 13 August & 10 September 5.30pm to 7.30pm Richmond Library



### **Pop-in Collage**

A free, unfacilitated pop-in collage session for anyone interested in analogue cut and paste art. All materials supplied and all abilities welcome. Join us weekly at Richmond Library to try your hand at creative crafts.

Tuesdays • 1.30pm to 5pm Richmond Library

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### COMMUNITY, ARTS & CULTURE

### RECOLLECTION

### **National Family History Month**



### **Family History Resources**

Giới Thiệu sử dụng nguồn tài nguyên Lịch Sử Gia Đình

Một buổi trình bày về nguồn tài nguyên Lịch sử Gia đình trong Thư viện Thành phố Yarra để quý vị cùng tìm hiểu và sau đó sẽ tự mình vẽ vẽ được "Cây Gia Phả" cho gia đình. Buổi hội thảo do La Khải phụ trách thuyết trình. This event is delivered in Vietnamese.

Sunday 25 August • 2pm to 3.30pm Richmond Library



### A History of Chinese Immigration to Australia with Dr Mia Pan

A talk by Dr Qiuping Mia Pan: A History of Chinese Immigration to Australia. Please note this talk will be in Mandarin only. 講座: 近代華人移民史主講: 潘秋萍博士

Sunday 11 August • 2.30pm to 4.30pm Richmond Library



### Scan and Save your Memories

Want to digitise your photographs, slides, film, or VHS? Book an induction to learn how to use our Epson Perfection V850 Pro Scanner and other equipment – then come back at your leisure!

Multiple dates and times See Eventbrite for details



### Research the History of your House in Yarra

Are you interested in researching the history of your house? Get started in this introductory session with our expert local historian. Discover all the resources available online and at Yarra Libraries.

Tuesday 9 July 6.30pm to 7.30pm Carlton Library



### **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.

By appointment



FILM SCREENINGS AT YARRA LIBRARIES



### Capharnaüm: موحان رفك

A poor young boy flees his house after his parents marry off his underage sister. Later, he sues them for bringing him into the world. (Arabic and Amharic, with English subtitles. R. 2018).

Thursday 4 July 1pm to 3pm Collingwood Library



### The Orator: O Le Tulafale

Little person and taro farmer Saili has life upturned when he's denied his father's status and his family plantation is threatened.(Samoan with English subtitles, M, 2011).

Tuesday 30 July 1pm to 3pm Richmond Library



### **A Stitch in Time**

This Australian drama/ comedy follows the journey of Liebe, a former dressmaker who decides to reinvent herself after befriending a young Chinese fashion designer. (English, M, 2022)

Thursday 1 August 1pm to 3pm Collingwood Library



### The Lady in the Van

Based on a true story; elderly Miss Shepherd lives in a sorry-looking van. Initially indifferent, Alan Bennett forms an unlikely bond with her. (English, M, 2015). Screening as part of National Homelessness Week (5-11 August).

Tuesday 6 August 1pm to 3pm Richmond Library



### **Playground**

When Nora witnesses her brother Abel being bullied by other kids, she rushes to protect him. But Abel forces her to remain silent. Caught in a conflict of loyalty, Nora is torn between children's and adults' worlds. (French with English Subtitles, M. 2021).

Thursday 5 September 1pm to 2.15pm Collingwood Library



### Taking Father Home: Bei yazi de nanhai

A teenager from a remote village in China's Sichuan province travels to the city of Zigong to find and retrieve his father, who walked out on the family six years earlier. (Mandarin with English Subtitles, not rated, 2005).

Tuesday 24 September 1pm to 3pm Richmond Library

### **SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY**





### Digitise a Keepsake: Photograph your Family Heirlooms

In celebration of National Family History Month! Bring along an object measuring up to 30x30x30cm. Depart with high-quality photographs of your item that are ready to share or cherish in your personal archive.

Monday 19 August • 1pm to 3pm • Fitzroy Library

Friday 23 August • 1pm to 3pm • Carlton Library



### **Digital Help**

Keep getting stuck with a new phone, tablet or laptop? We can help build your confidence online, navigate different devices, and troubleshoot technical issues. Sessions available in Vietnamese and Mandarin.

Book your session at: https://bit.ly/YLDigitalHelp or call 1300 695 427



### **Declutter Your Photos**

Do you have too many photos clogging up your phone storage? Join Sarah from SmartLearn and discover the basics of photo management on your smartphone. Learn how to back-up, delete and save your most important photos.

Tuesday 17 September 10.30am to 11.30am Bargoonga Nganjin



### **Creative Photo Editing**

Have you wanted to edit a photo by changing the colour of the sky? Erase a stranger in the background? Or get that perfect balance of highlights & shadows? Discover the basics of Photopea! A free web-based photo editing software that has transferable skills into other, more intense software.

Thursday 19 September 10.30am to 11.30am Richmond Library



### **CloudLibrary to Kobo**

Discover Yarra Library's expansive e-book collection on CloudLibrary and learn how to transfer them to your Kobo device for your easy reading pleasure! Bring your own Kobo device and a to-read list! Feel free to browse CloudLibrary for inspiration before the session.

Tuesday 24 September 10.30am to 11.30am Fitzroy Library

### Prational science week



### **One-On-One VR Adventure**

Embark on a captivating "One-On-One VR Adventure" and dive into the limitless world of virtual reality! Discover the inner workings of VR, experience immersive gaming, and escape to alternate realities. With personalised guidance, this unique session guarantees an exciting, informative, and unforgettable journey into the future of entertainment.

Wednesday 14 August • 5pm to 8pm See Eventbrite to book your place



### The Science of Happier Dogs

Join canine welfare scientist Dr. Mia Cobb from The University of Melbourne as she explores the latest research in animal welfare science, revealing the secrets to ensuring dogs lead their happiest lives alongside humans. From innovative science and emerging technologies to practical applications, discover how we can improve the wellbeing of our 4-legged friends.

Thursday 15 August • 6.30pm to 7.30pm Bargoonga Nganjin



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### Children's Book week®

### **Book Week Magic Show**

Join us for a magical celebration of this year's theme 'Reading is Magic' and witness the award-winning magician, best-selling author, and keynote speaker Tricky Nick (aka Nicholas J. Johnson). This fun and interactive magic show is silly enough to have six-year-olds giggling, while amazing enough to baffle even the most cynical grade 6 student. Ages 3 +

Monday 19 August • 11am to 12pm • Richmond Library Thursday 22 August • 11am to 12pm • Carlton Library

### **Book Week Collage workshop**

Get ready for Book Week with an exciting bugthemed collage and illustration workshop with local author/illustrator Sarah Allen, creator of Busy Beaks, Jumping Joeys and the brand-new book Ingenious Insects.

Friday 16 August • 3.45pm to 4.45pm Bargoonga Nganjin





### **NAIDOC Family Day** at the Farm

Join Aboriginal Housing Victoria to celebrate this year's NAIDOC theme "Keep the Fire Burning! Blak, Loud & Proud." with traditional crafts. live music. dance. storytelling and an art show! Let's honour community Elders and embrace our rich culture together!

Wednesday 10 July 10.30am to 3pm **Collingwood Children's Farm** 



### **Fairytale Fun!**

Come along for this fabulous live interactive theatre show presented by Carp Productions. With a flick of her wand, the Fairy Godmother will take you on a trip to Fairyland! Meet a cheeky Gingerbread Man and help bring the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears to life.

Friday 30 August 11am to 12pm Bargoonga Nganjin



### Family Scrapbook for Kids

Collect your free Family Scrapbook for Kids from any of our five branches between Monday 5 and 9 August to celebrate National Family History Month. Kids will be able to work on this at home in their own time using the scrapbook prompts.

Monday 5 August to Friday 9 August **During opening hours** All branches

### **International Literacy Day - Weekend Storytimes**



### Stories & Crafts with Vikki Conleu

Scoot, skip and paddle around the world in an interactive Storytime! Vikki Conley will read her Speech Pathology Australia shortlisted book, On the Way to School. Afterwards, get crafty with Vikki to create a giant community mural for display in the library! Signed copies of Vikki's books will be available to purchase. Ages 3-8.

Sunday 8 September • 3pm to 4pm Bargoonga Nganiin

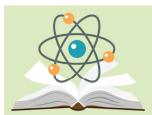


### **A Little Chinese Adventure**

Join us for a Storytime and arts session with Jenny and Jingiing from A Little Chinese Adventure. Come along to hear stories and sing songs in both English and Mandarin and stay for a variety of fun craft activities! Suitable for ages 4+

Sunday 8 September • 3pm to 4pm Richmond Library





### **Storytime Science**

Join us during our regular Storytime sessions for a special celebration this National Science Week. We'll have stories, songs and a special hands-on science activity. Check our early literacy program schedule for individual session times at each of our branches.

Monday 12 August until Friday 16 August All Branches except **Collingwood Library** 



### **Chemistry Chaos**

Colour changes, smoke, fizz and foam! Explore chemical reactions, physical changes and more in this workshop presented by Mad About Science. Ages 8+

Tuesday 20 August 4pm to 5pm Bargoonga Nganjin

Friday 23 August 3.45pm to 4.45pm **Fitzroy Library** 



### **Kitchen Chemistry**

A fun food workshop challenging you to think about everyday food in a new way. Experiment with a variety of food-related chemicals, then take home a bag of sherbet! Ages 5-8

Monday 19 August 4pm to 5pm Richmond Library

**Thursday 22 August** 3.45pm to 4.45pm **Carlton Library** 

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### AFTER-SCHOOL **PROGRAMS**

Labs run during term time. Bookings essential for Maker Lab. Bookings for Art Lab and Lego Lab not required.



Program robots, make music, shoot movies, draw animations, and learn about all things STEAM! Ages 8+ Bookings essential.

Mondays • 4pm-5pm Richmond Library

Tuesdays • 4pm-5pm Bargoonga Nganjin



Let's get creative with some fun arts and craft. All materials provided! Ages 5+

Wednesdays • 4pm-5pm Richmond Library

Thursdays • 3.45pm-4.45pm Carlton & Collingwood Library

Fridays • 3.45pm-4.45pm Fitzrov Library



Build a LEGO creation all by yourself! Each week. we'll take on new, exciting challenges. Ages 5+

Thursdays • 4pm-5pm Bargoonga Nganjin



### **Early Literacy Programs**

We support early literacy through regular preschool programs, including Storytime, Babytime and Rhymetime. sessions are super fun, casual, and run by our world-class children's librarians. Visit **yarralibraries.vic.gov.au** 

### **Storytime Around** the World

An exciting new early literacy program from Yarra Libraries designed to celebrate the rich tapestry of languages and cultures in our community. Each week, we'll transport young explorers to a different corner of the globe with bilingual stories, songs, and activities.

Storytime Around the World is a passport to adventure and learning. Foster a love for reading in your child. embrace diversity, and build bridges of understanding through the universal language of storytelling.

Every Tuesday • 16 July - 17 September 11am • Collingwood Library

### Make the most of your Yarra Libraries membership.

### With a Yarra Libraries membership, you can:



### **Borrow**

up to 60 items at a time



### Print. copy & scan

documents and photos using your own device or one of our



### **Browse**

our digital collection of audiobooks, eBooks, and streamable movies.



### Reserve

the items you want at a time and place that suits you.



### Use

our free PCs or Wi-Fi



### Access

one of the largest lending libraries in Australia, thanks to the Libraries Victoria network.

### Not yet a member?



### Join online:

If you're over 18, you can sign up for a digital or full membership now and access our digital collection. Sign up at: bit.ly/JoinYarraLib



### Join at the library:

Head to any Yarra Libraries branch with some ID and proof of address. If you're under 18, a parent or guardian may need to sign-up on your behalf.



To find out more, visit library.yarracity.vic.gov.au/ become-a-member or call 1300 695 427.

