

2023

Program

17 March — 2 April

Shepparton Festival is where our creative community comes alive. It's our region's biggest party, where anything is possible and everyone is invited. See, hear, taste, explore, experience. Be inspired, entertained and enlivened.

With so much performance, art, culture and food in store, this year is a feast for the senses.

**SHEPP —
ART — ON
FESTIVAL**



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In memory of Tina Nelson



From many
pixels, is how
a masterpiece
is made.

We acknowledge the Traditional Owners, the Yorta Yorta Nation and the clans whose lands cover the area now called Greater Shepparton, the Kailtheban, Bangerang, and Nguaria-iilaiamwurrung. We acknowledge that First Peoples have never ceded sovereignty over their lands.

This always was, and always will be, their country.

We are conscious that colonial laws and practices led to displacement and disempowerment, and that they continue to do so with a profound and rippling effect. We pay respect to Elders past and present, and to emerging leaders. We value their vision and strength that enabled the continuity of culture and connectedness to country.

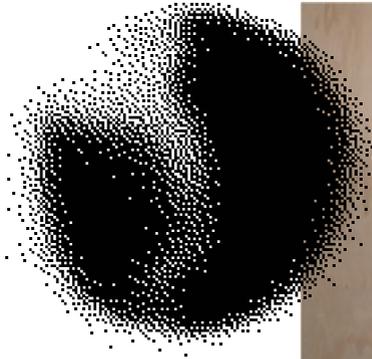
Meet the director

The 2023 festival celebrates the individual creative contributors of our city and region who “from many pixels” make the picture complete. We honour every contribution. Everyone’s art. Every one of us in this creative community.

The committee members and I spoke about a theme for 2023, and the conversation took a turn that you may not expect, “...how about not having one? Let’s see how people respond.” So, the decision was made, and we asked our artistic community to explore their own concepts – boundless, wild and free! No theme has become our theme for 2023 and we cannot thank our contributors enough for developing exciting programs that reflect their individual concepts and expressions.

Then, nature reminded us not to get too comfortable. The water came. We all had to respond in our own ways and many still are, but during the floods we found our strength once again. While I lead the festival, I invite our most important assets: our artists and their supporters, to be nurtured by our programs and lean on the festival community for support. We will always advocate for you to support the dynamic exchange of ideas that this festival provides.

The 2023 festival presents locals and visitors to Greater Shepparton with a feast for the senses, with something for everyone. It’s an opportunity for our local creatives to be inspired by each other, as well as by some from outside our region. Our town is truly on the national art map and we are better because creativity has been made an integral part of our local lifestyle. Shepparton Festival is very proud to have contributed to that for 27 years. We can’t wait to see you there.



Kristen Retallick
— Festival Director

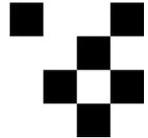


**Minister for Creative Industries
— Steve Dimopoulos**

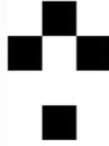
“Shepparton Festival celebrates the creativity and cultural diversity that makes this special part of Victoria such an enticing place. We’re proud to back the 2023 program, jam-packed with live music, dance, theatre, comedy, art exhibitions and other unique experiences for locals and visitors of all ages to enjoy.”



**Mayor of Greater Shepparton
— Cr. Shane Sali**

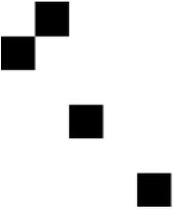


“Greater Shepparton City Council is excited to be sponsoring the Shepparton Festival once again in 2023. The festival is one of the major highlights in our region’s event calendar each year and is a significant drawcard for both residents and visitors to Greater Shepparton. We hope you all enjoy this year’s impressive calendar of events.”



**GOTAFE Chief Executive Officer
— Travis Heeneey**

“GOTAFE is passionate about investing in our local community and events such as the Shepparton Festival help bring people together and showcase the diversity and creativity of our community. We are once again proud to support the festival and look forward to the exciting lineup of activities, performances and artworks on display.”



**President of Ethnic Council of Shepparton
and District — Maria Brown-Shepherd**

“Welcome to the Festival! First Nations people have been practising art on this land for thousands of years. Successive waves of immigration from the early 20th century to now, build on this long history. All peoples share story-telling, dance, food and song. And we are better together. Ethnic Council of Shepparton and District is genuinely proud to join Shepparton Festival in a formal partnership in 2023. We’ll see you out there.”

Touch
See



Smell
Listen
Taste

Every effort has been made to ensure that our program details are correct at the time of printing. However, details are subject to change where necessary. In such instances, we will endeavour to give as much notice as possible to ticket holders.

For tickets and information head to our website sheppartonfestival.org.au and follow us on Facebook and Instagram.

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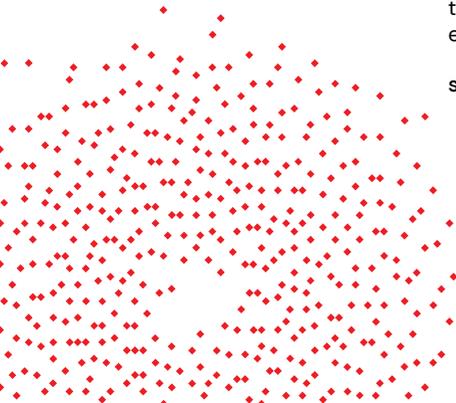
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Shepparton Festival makes every effort to ensure that our events are accessible to all members of the community. For accessibility information for each venue please visit our website:

sheppartonfestival.org.au/about/accessibility/





Festival Opening

Celebrate Shepparton Festival's return for 2023.

Festival Hub, 14 Edward St, Shepparton
Thursday 16th March 5:30pm

Launching its 27th year, Shepparton Festival invites you to our Festival Hub to prepare for 17 days of new experiences in artistic expression. Come share our excitement about the extraordinary programs you can take part in and experience during the festival, then wander down to The Vault for an exclusive first look at Transverse Orientation. Head back to the Shepparton Brewery to round out the evening with some food and drinks. The Festival Hub features artwork exhibited from the Call to Create program, as well as two other fantastic visual arts exhibitions detailed elsewhere in the guide.

We officially launch these shows and the festival tonight – see you there!

Free, register at
sheppartonfestival.org.au/event/



Photo by Josh Brnjack



Photo by Lingy Photography

Festival Closing

Festival Hub, 14 Edward St, Shepparton.
Sunday 2nd April, 4pm – 10pm

Shepparton Festival wraps up for another year and to celebrate, we have invited proud Yorta Yorta spoken word and hip hop artist, Bricky B to headline and program a night you won't forget. Starting late afternoon with a smoking ceremony and Welcome to Country, then cruising into the evening, you will feel the self-expression, storytelling, and strength from the stage, featuring incredible First Nations artists. This is your last chance to experience three wonderful visual arts exhibitions while you're at the show. Don't miss this significant celebration!

Adults \$20
Concession \$10
Children FREE

Tickets via
[sheppartonfestival.org.au/
event/](http://sheppartonfestival.org.au/event/)

Presentation is Everything

The antidote to every bland lecture, dull pitch and boring presentation you've ever had to endure.

Sweeney and Ethan Presents

Presentation is Everything is an hour of fast-paced stand-up comedy that is visually complemented through the medium of Microsoft PowerPoint.

This split-bill is written and performed by two of Melbourne's fastest-rising and extravagantly overdressed comedians, Sweeney Preston and Ethan Cavanagh.

After sell-out seasons across Australia and New Zealand, Sweeney and Ethan return to the Shepparton Festival for one night only. Armed with outfits they can't afford and a .ppt file they can't attach to an email, this is a show where presentation truly is everything.

"A fast-paced, high-energy, knee-slapping good time. It can't be missed." Milk Bar Magazine

"Two fresh faces going places. A testament to both their talent and their diligence." Squirrel Comedy

"Impeccable comedic timing and effective multimedia usage bolsters this artfully crafted script." Beat Magazine

Adult \$25
Concession \$20

Downtown,
47 High St, Shepparton

Wednesday 29 March
8:30pm

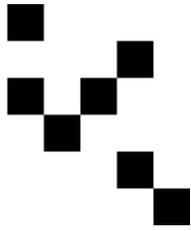
This event is restricted
to 18+

Tickets via
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Downtown

Photo by Nick Robertson



Photography – James Penlidis | Design – Listen to the Graphics

Show only \$50
Dinner + show \$75

Longleat Wines 105 Old
Weir Rd Murchison 3610

Saturday 1st April
6:30pm–10:00pm
Show time:
8.30pm – 9.30pm

This event is restricted
to 18+

Tickets via
[sheppartonfestival.org.
au/event/](http://sheppartonfestival.org.au/event/)

The Wine Bluffs

A cellar door masterclass with a comedic twist

Longleat Winery

Ever wondered what wine goes best with Fairy Bread?
Why hasn't the 'Champagne Spider' caught on?

These questions and many more will be inadequately answered by the self-styled sommeliers of comedy, Damian Callinan and Paul Calleja. The Wine Bluffs is an interactive, cellar door masterclass with a comedic twist.

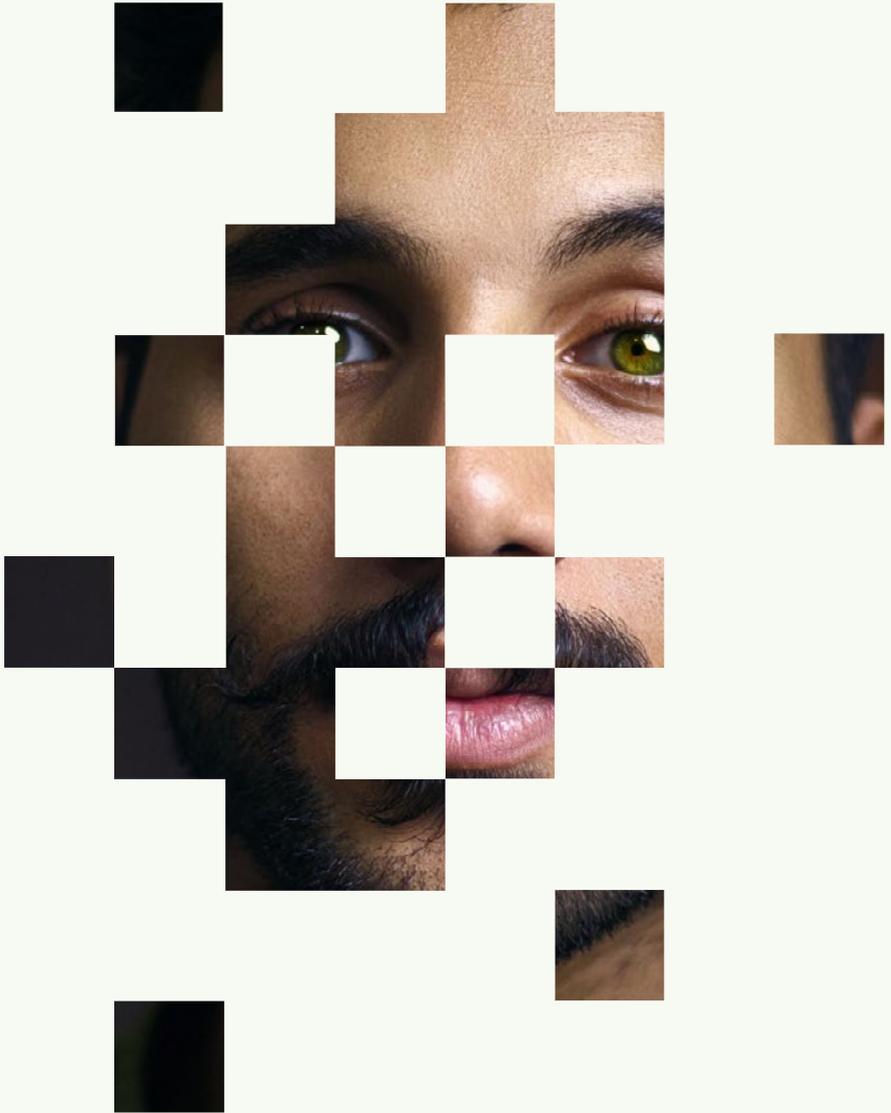
Come and enjoy an entertaining evening with a new take on wine-tasting.

Pre-show drinks available at bar prices.

Performance



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Like you, each and every
pixel tells a story.

Festival Hub

This year, we have created a central space for the festival, where you can pick up a guide and book tickets, check out three exhibitions including the Call to Create entries and hang out in a relaxed space to ponder your festival experience. We also invite you to take part in workshops and enjoy performances that are detailed throughout the guide. The Festival Hub is a space where we want you to feel welcome and part of the festival family!

Festival Hub is open 12pm – 5pm Tues – Sat and when events and workshops are on.

Festival Hub
14 Edward Street,
Shepparton



Multicultural Comedy Gala

A side-splitting celebration of cultural diversity

A-List Entertainment

The multicultural comedy gala is a side-splitting celebration of Australia's rich cultural diversity, by a world class selection of the most acclaimed and celebrated comedians in the nation. This star-studded line up will poke fun at everything that makes us different, but so much the same. So, do your soul a favour and treat it to a night of laughter you'll never forget!

Featuring:

Dilruk Jayasinha, Ivan Aristeguieta, Tahir, Jeff Green, Dora Smith, Ben Lomas and Ting Lim

Presented in conjunction with the 2023 Shepparton Festival, and with the support of the Victorian Multicultural Commission as part of 2023 Cultural Diversity Week.

VICTORIAN
multicultural
commission
strengthening our community



Adult \$59.90
Concession \$54.90
Riverlinks Member \$54.90
Group (8+) \$49.90 each
Student (full-time) \$54.90
Book via riverlinksvenues.com.au

Riverlinks Westside
Corner Echuca Road and
Homewood Dr, Mooroopna

Saturday 18th March
8:00pm – 9:30pm



Photo courtesy of A-List Entertainment



Photo by Mitch Barrett

It Takes Two

Set to entertain

Shepparton Theatre Arts Group

It Takes Two is set to entertain!

Staged as the taping of a 'live' variety show, and featuring duet hits from the 1960s to now, this is a show not to be missed. Come and join in the fun as you are taken on a trip down memory lane by some of Shepparton's most talented performers.

Headed by Karen Groves, David Shelley, Mel Matthews and Nicky Pummeroy, and joined by a fantastic cast and crew.

Full \$40

Book via riverlinksvenues.com.au

Riverlinks Westside
Corner Echuca Road and
Homewood Dr, Mooroopna

Saturday 25th March

2pm-5pm

7pm-10pm



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Creating A Connected Community Through Performing Arts



Photos by Pip Serpentina



Dawn Chorus / Dusk Chorus

A surreal bird walk

MKA + The Midnight Horrors

A surreal and ethereal tour of the birds of your town (living, dead, mythological, and extinct); at dawn and dusk.

Begin or end your day with your guides, The Midnight Horrors, as they lead you on an uncanny, ahistoric, psycho-geographic birdwalking tour through the Australian Botanic Gardens, Shepparton. Birds of Ill Omen. Birds long past. There's no guarantee you'll see any birds at all. At least not any real birds. Or that your future won't be foretold by a crow.

Binoculars not provided or required.

Please note: There will be low-impact walking.

Please wear appropriate footwear for your own comfort.

Adults \$25

Concession/Children \$15

Tickets via
sheppartonfestival.org.au/event/

Australian Botanic
 Gardens Shepparton,
 Botanic Gardens
 Avenue, Kialla

Friday 31st March
 7pm – 8pm

Saturday 1st April
 6:30am – 7:30am
 & 7pm – 8pm

Sunday 2nd April
 6:30am – 7:30am

Please arrive 15 minutes
 prior to show time





Photo by Jeff Busby

Access Memory

This new dance installation is an impressive kaleidoscope of sculpture, light, sound and the moving body

Tegan Nash Ollett

Premiering at Gasworks Art Park (Melbourne), this is your chance to take a sneak peek into the development of a new dance installation by regional choreographer and performer Tegan Nash Ollett.

Through the manipulation of sculptural forms, Access Memory explores the navigation of precariousness in search of stability, reflecting on personal histories and evoking universal experiences.

Impressive light states appear and shift as the sculpture and the body find balance; while the work features a live collaboration with sound artist Isadoré, whose haunting vocals and instrumentation are guided by the often unpredictable interplay between body and form.

Adult \$30
Concession: \$25
Blak Tix: \$10

Bakehouse Blackbox Theatre
17 Wheeler St. Shepparton

Thursday 30th
March 7:00pm – 8:00pm

Friday 31st March
7:00pm–8:00pm

Tickets via sheppartonfestival.org.au/event/



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ARTS GROUP INC.

Creating A Connected Community Through Performing Arts

Close to Home Project

VCA Dance in collaboration with Alleyne Dance

Victorian College of the Arts Dance, University of Melbourne

Victorian College of the Arts Dance Students in their third year of study collaborate with Sadé Alleyne from Alleyne Dance (London UK) and Shepparton Festival to create a unique site-specific event outside the Shepparton Art Museum as part of the festival. Working with the hybrid dance technique and choreographic style of Alleyne Dance and dramaturg Fiona Graham (UK/NZ), this event explores themes of migration and memory.

The performance will be accompanied by workshops with local young people and school students and be accessible to a wide audience.

Free, register at sheppartonfestival.org.au/event/

Shepparton Art Museum
Amphitheatre,
530 Wyndham St,
Shepparton

Saturday 1st April
4pm - 5pm

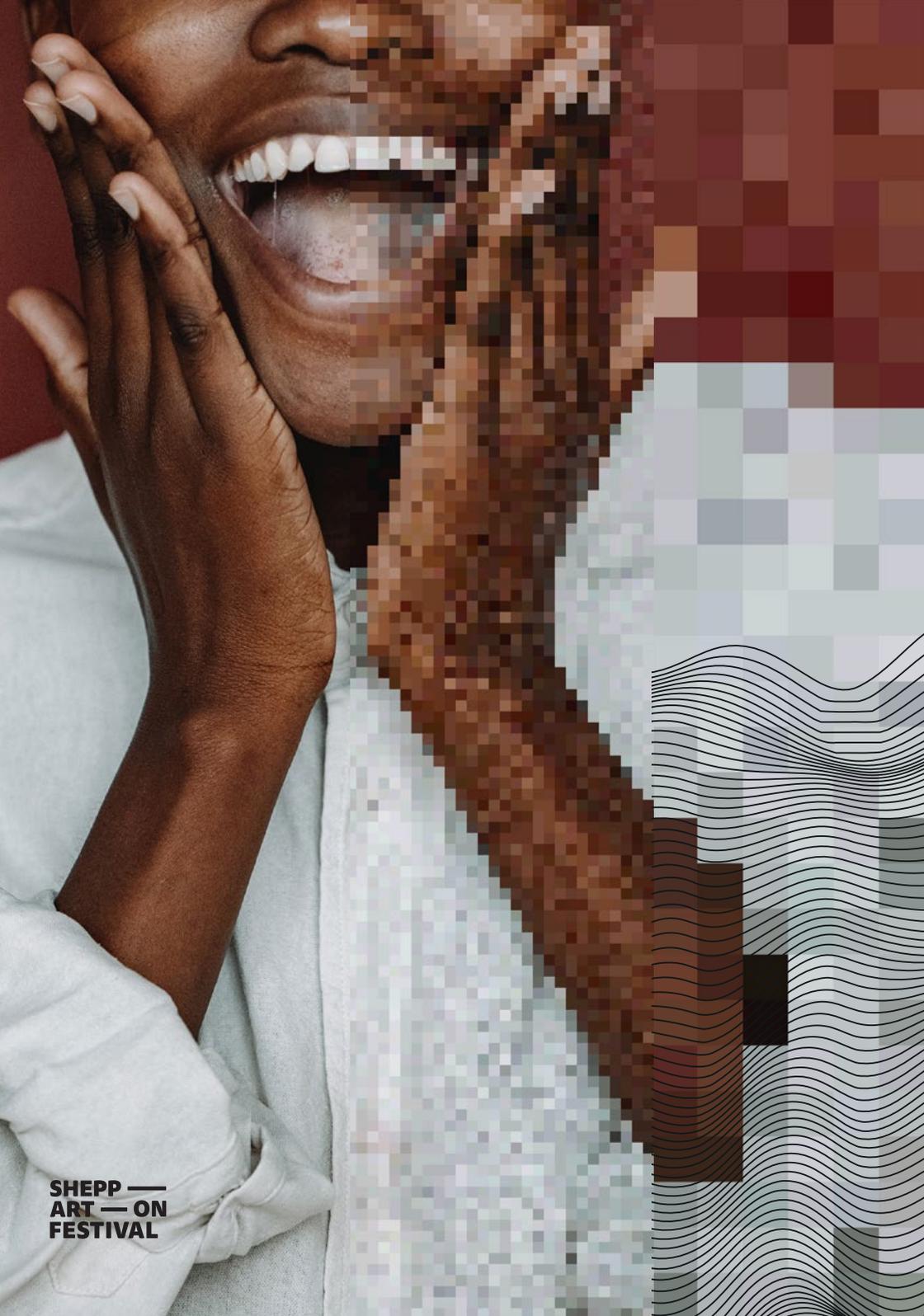


VCA Dance Company 2022 in Theatrum Botanicum. Photograph by Gregory Lorenzutti



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Shepparton Art Museum

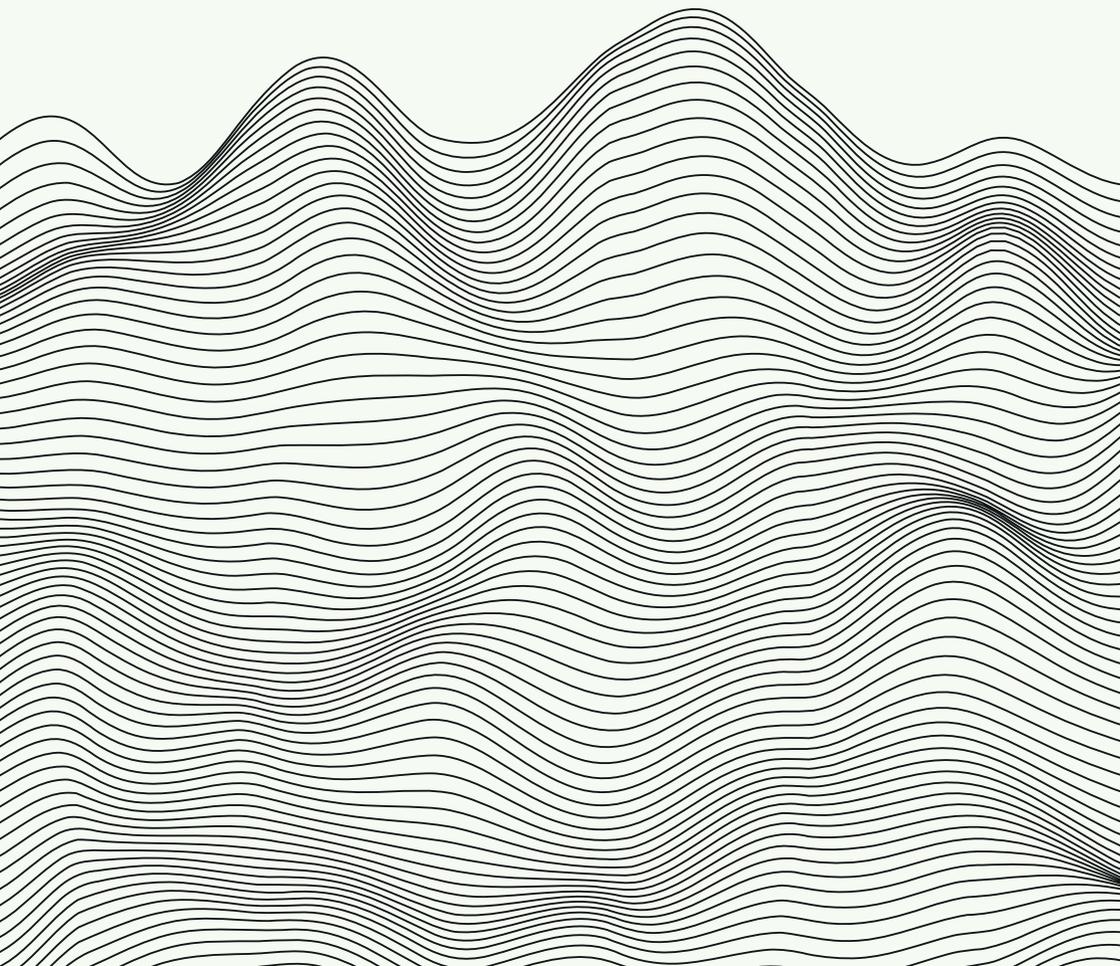
ALLEYNE DANCE



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Every masterpiece
starts with a single pixel.



¡Ópera Española! (A Spanish Opera)

Join us in Dookie to experience Spain!

Mamás Bravas

Enjoy two captivating ensembles and an immersive and vibrant Fiesta of ravishing music, dance, food and wine. Let us transport you to the 'Andalusian Mountains' of Tallis Wine where you will enjoy two captivating ensembles and an immersive and vibrant Fiesta of ravishing music, dance, food and 'vino' under the direction of local Creative Producer and International Opera Singer, Allegra Giagu. The first offering, ¡Venga! presented by Mamás Bravas, unearths rediscovered repertoire, lost in the fires that consumed an entire period of Spanish Music History. The second, Eterno Flamenco, explores a universe of music and dance; intimate, elegant, without artifice, presenting acclaimed dancers, Chantelle Cano and Johnny Tedesco (Arte Kanela) and renowned guitarist, Gerard Mapstone. A night to remember!"

Pricing \$65 - \$150, food and drinks available for pre-order and purchase.

Tallis Wine,
195 Major Plains Rd,
Dookie

Friday 24th March
6pm - 10:30pm

Tickets via
[sheppartonfestival.org.au](http://sheppartonfestival.org.au/event/)
/event/

Photo by Lyz Adams



RYE STUDIO

TALLIS *Wine*



Photo by Mitch Barrett

Free

Mooroopna Education & Activity Centre (MEAC) 23 Alexandra St, Mooroopna

Friday 17th March
- Friday 5th May
Monday to Friday
9am - 3pm

Exhibition Opening
Sunday 19th March 2:00pm



Road to Pride

Sharing our LGBTIQ+ histories

Road to Pride is GV Pride's showcase of stories, artefacts, podcasts and memorabilia highlighting some of the sacrifices, challenges and achievements which recognise the value and importance of LGBTIQ+ histories across the Greater Goulburn Valley.

Reflecting resilience

Our Community Art Exhibition

Greater Shepparton Lighthouse Project is proud to share the artistic talents of our community. The Lighthouse team have collaborated with local artists to support students and families to create artworks and music. This exhibition reflects the strength and resilience of our community as we reflect and recover from 2022's flood event.



Photo courtesy of
Greater Shepparton Lighthouse

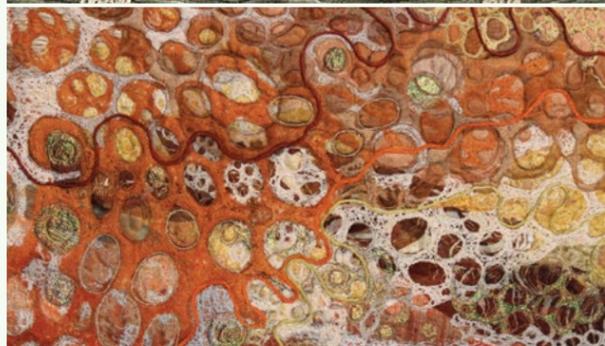
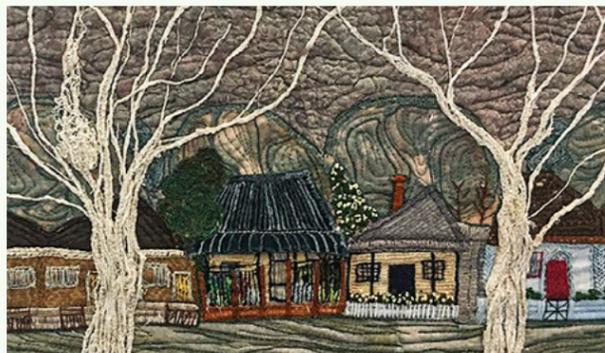
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Festival Hub
14 Edward St. Shepparton

Thursday 16th March
- Sunday 2nd April

Officially opens as part of
the Festival Launch, Thursday
16th March, 5:30pm

Exhibition



Artwork by Barb Gray (Top) Artwork by Ella Egan

Not Forgotten

A textile art exhibition to remember

An exhibition of textile artwork created by Shepparton Textile Artists (STA) members that reflects all things past and present: places visited, sights seen, inspirations, experiences and memories, all depicted in a myriad of impressive textile art techniques including embroidery, felting, eco fabric dying, print making, machine stitching and much more. This exhibition reveals something about each artist and their journey to where they are today. Visitors will feel this connection and leave with their own thoughts of that which will not be forgotten.

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Free

Front Windows
at Shepparton Visitor Centre,
530 Wyndham St, Shepparton

Friday 17th March
- Sunday 2nd April 24hrs.

Opening Event
- Sunday 26th March, 2pm



Artwork by Tammy-Lee Atkinson

Yarka's Creation

Search for Tammy-Lee's animals
and learn some Yorta Yorta Language!

Yorta Yorta artist Tammy-Lee Atkinson's series of artworks Yarka's Creation is on display at businesses around Greater Shepparton. She has been working alongside Elders and young people to create a series of animal artworks that incorporate language and explore her connection to Yorta Yorta Country and her community.

Follow the art map on the Festival website and go on a treasure-hunt to find all the hidden gems in this roaming art exhibition

Free

Friday 17th March
- Sunday 2nd April

30



Image Supplied by Bangerang Cultural Centre



Walk with and share our stories

Bangerang Cultural Centre

Come and experience Aboriginal Culture at the first Aboriginal Keeping place museum in Australia. Enjoy a taste of local Aboriginal cuisine of Kangaroo, Damper and a glass of wine from a local winery.

Converge on the Goulburn

Greater Shepparton City Council

Come celebrate for yourself, diversity and culture through music, food and art.

At Converge on the Goulburn we invite you to be part of our story of how the established and the emerging come together to create a kaleidoscope of experiences.

Where you can move to music, indulge in authentic cuisines and step into a vibrant marketplace. Stage programming proudly managed by Point of Difference Studio.

Free

Lake Victoria
Victoria Park Lake
Shepparton

Friday 17th March
6pm-9pm

Saturday 18th March
4pm-10pm

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Culture

Free, register at
sheppartonfestival.org.au/event/

Bangerang Cultural Centre,
1 Evergreen Way, Shepparton

Wednesday 22nd March
6pm-8pm



Photo courtesy
Greater Shepparton City Council



Short film-making

An extraordinary stretch

G.R.A.I.N. Store, Nathalia

Digital story telling using industry standard filming and editing equipment by a random group of Nathalia-ites driven by their stories.

Free, register at
sheppartonfestival.org.au/event/

Wednesday 29th March
2pm-4pm



Billabong Gardens Nursery
295 Numurkah Rd,
Shepparton.

Artwork by Phillip Zmood



Iconic - Design at Holden

Two short films and panel discussion
featuring leading Holden designers

Award winning Shepparton born designer Ian Wong presents two short films on legendary Holden design directors Phillip Zmood (HR, HK GTS Monaro, Torana, GTRX, HQ, and VN Commodore) and Michael Simcoe (VN and VT Commodore, CS8 Monaro and VE). Event includes panel discussion with Ian Wong and Phillip Zmood.

Film

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Photo by John Donegan

\$50

MOVE Museum
7723 Goulburn Valley Highway
Kialla

Thursday 30th March
5:30pm-7:30pm

Tickets at
sheppartonfestival.org.au/event/

MUSEUM of
VEHICLE EVOLUTION



Music



Tickets to all shows via sheppartonfestival.org.au/event/

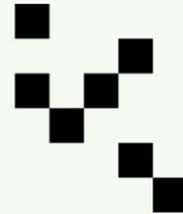


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Entry \$15

Festival Hub,
14 Edward St.
Shepparton

Saturday 1st April
8:00pm



Broken Creek in Concert

Chamber folk fiddle and banjo music with special guests from the pop-up choir workshop.

Broken Creek (Erin and Lachlan Heycox) will take you on a journey through small-town Australia, Ireland, Scotland and the Appalachian mountains of America with intricate arrangements of banjo, mandolin, guitar, violin and voice.

This performance will include special guest singers from the Pop-up Choir workshop.

Adult \$25
Concession \$20
Children Free

Kialla Central Hall
135 Central Kialla Rd, Kialla

Sunday 19th March
6:30pm-8:30pm



Photo by Liz Arcus



Singing in the Pub

Fairley Foundation presents The Australian Welsh Male Choir in concert

Image supplied by Welsh Male Choir



The Australian Welsh Male Choir (AWMC) is a choir of approximately 60 members singing in the spirit of the great male choirs of Wales. Songs are sung in four-part harmony in the traditional format. The choir wants to inspire and connect people of all backgrounds with the magnificence and emotional power of choral music.

Adult \$30
Concession \$20
Children Free

Junction Hotel Toolamba
24 Wren St, Toolamba

Saturday 18th
March 7pm

The AWMC will also appear
2pm at SAM Level 4
Sunday 19 March



Photo by Mardy Bridges

Firetail

A night of world jazz fusion

Firetail

Firetail's music spans from 70's jazz-fusion, South Indian Carnatic music and their very own brand of jazz-tronica. Formed in 2018 as a collaborative recording project, Firetail has developed an ambient approach to song-writing that blends soul-infused rhythms with evocative melodies and driving percussion.

From the band's earliest days playing warehouse parties and monthly dive bar residencies, the group has continued to push musical boundaries by collaborating with a wide variety of guest vocalists, spoken word artists, dancers and instrumentalists. The result is colliding compositions that never stay in the box for long.

Free, register at sheppartonfestival.org.au/event/

Wild Life Brewing Co.
4/6 Williams Rd,
Shepparton

Friday 17th March,
7pm - 10pm



Things of Stone & Wood Acoustic

Special guest: Simon Marks

A must for Oz music lovers

Things Of Stone & Wood multi-instrumentalist Justin Brady and lead singer Greg Arnold are bringing the folk-rock energy of TOSAW to a selection of intimate venues across 2023. This is a chance to hear these wonderful songs right up close and remember how good they are. Support by special guest Simon Marks.



General Admission \$32
Dinner & Show \$62
Book via thingsofstoneandwood.com

Shepparton Brewery
15 Edward Street, Shepparton

Friday 24th March
6pm - 10:30pm



Photos courtesy of Things of Stone & Wood and Simon Marks



Free

Kaiela Arts,
530 Wyndham St,
Shepparton

Exhibition Opening
Tuesday 21st March
6pm-8pm

Exhibition Dates
Tuesday 21st March –
Tuesday 23rd May

Gallery Hours
Mon, Wed, Thur, Fri
10am – 4pm

Saturday
10am – 3pm

(Closed Tues & Sun)

Scar tree, on the Barmah
side, near windmill, down
from Mum and Dad's, 2019,
Belinda Briggs

Yenbenal Woka

Where People & Country become one

Kaiela Arts

"Yenbenal Woka...a timeless dimension, a place where People and Country become one...this is our Spirit, our Nanyak, our Creation, this is who we are." Lyn Thorpe and Tori Day

Paying homage to Yorta Yorta ancestors, Kaiela Arts' Autumn exhibition features a collection of new works by Brett Wilson; a showing of recent experimental practice by Tom Day; ceramics created with resident artist Kirsten Perry; a Freshwater Fashion retrospective; and a showcase of our latest Posca art studio practice led by Tammy-Lee Atkinson."





Artwork by Raff Sutherland

Earth

An exploration of the microcosm of soils and our connections to them

Dookie Arts | Curatorial Collaboration by Janie Christophersen, Elizabeth Evans, Andrew Sands and Helen Kelly

The Dookie Hall will be alive with artistic representations of microscopic life in the soil. You can look at original art on the walls, read about the wonders of soil, watch videos from past Dookie Arts events and get involved with making an abstract soil sculpture.

Flight of colour

Birdlife in kaleidoscopic living colour

Olivia Evans-Smith

'Flight of colour' is the debut exhibition from local artist Olivia Evans-Smith. The exhibition presents a series of pieces showcasing the richly varied and constantly changing colours found among birdlife. As a child, Evans-Smith recalls being fascinated by nature's small examples of colour. Surrounded by landscapes largely composed of green, brown and blue, she would seek out the tiniest, often fleeting glimpses of kaleidoscopic palettes. The collection of acrylic-on-canvas pieces present a deliberate variety of colour; animals ordinarily moving swiftly through life are stilled, with layers and intricate brush strokes creating vibrancy.

Free

Dookie Memorial Hall,
38 Mary Street Dookie

Friday 24th March
- Sunday 26th March

10am - 4pm Daily

dookieARTS



Photo by Serana Hunt-Hughes

Stellar Coffee
278 Wyndham St, Shepparton

Friday 17th March
- Saturday 1st April

Monday to Friday 6am - 3pm
Saturdays 7am - 2pm
Sundays Closed

STELLAR
COFFEE



Photo by Mitch Barrett

Foliage and Rocks

An installation of textile banners and collage workshop

Rachel Doller

'foliage and rocks' is an installation of hand-made textile banners inspired by Doller's need to immerse herself in nature and prioritise sustainability in her practise. She hopes to engage and motivate others to think about the materials we use and how we create.

A collage workshop will run in conjunction with the installation where participants will be encouraged to explore a range of second-hand materials to create in the space where the banners will be installed – all whilst enjoying a refreshment and locally sourced grazing platters.

Exhibition

Free

Wild Life Brewing Co.
4/6 Williams Rd, Shepparton
wildlifebrewing.co

Saturday 18th March
– Saturday 1st April

Saturdays 2:30pm–10pm
Thursdays 4:30pm–8:30pm
Fridays 3:30pm–10pm

Exhibition Opening:
Saturday 18th March
2:30pm–3:30pm

Workshop

Saturday 25th March
12:00pm – 1:30pm

\$55 per person
Must be 18+

Tickets via
sheppartonfestival.org.au/event/





Photo by Mitch Barrett

Free

Festival Hub
14 Edward St. Shepparton

Officially opens as part of the
Festival Launch, Thursday 16th
March, 5:30pm

Thursday 16th March
- Sunday 2nd April



Collective Community Heart

Presenting a communities heart
in the form of art.

Presented in collaboration by two local Shepparton artists Dery Theodorus and Nathan Carkeek. Collective Community Heart captures a representation of the heart of Shepparton's diverse, multicultural, entrepreneurial and creative community. Culminating in a vibrant, insightful and inspiring visual work of art.



Image supplied by the Shepparton News

Free

Stubbs Wallace car park,
160 Welsford St. Shepparton

March 2023
- March 2024
Viewable 24hrs a day

Festival Wall

Shepparton's youth canvas

Shepparton Festival

The festival wall is a celebration of Shepparton's young artists work. This year, the wall is presented in collaboration with local accounting firm Stubbs Wallace and Shepparton Art Museum (SAM). The artwork featured, will be a chosen artwork from SAM's GV Fresh Program.

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Shepparton Art Museum

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Yenbenal Woka Ceramics Workshop

Ceramics in the Studio Space

Kaiela Arts

Learn with artist Jack Anselmi, how to mix multicoloured marbled porcelain using natural pigments, and to create a small vessel, a cup, bowl or dish, using moulds or hand building.

This is a unique opportunity for broader community to experience and learn some traditional and contemporary creative practices and techniques used by Kaiela Arts artists.

For people aged 12 years and above. Any children participating must be accompanied and supervised by an adult.



Artwork by Kirsten Perry
Photo by Rachel Doller



Photo by Rachel Doller

Yenbenal Woka Weaving

Circle Workshop

Weaving Circle in the Gallery Space

Kaiela Arts

Yarn and weave with artists Suzanne Atkinson and Ally Knight and learn how to create a small basket using natural and dyed raffia.

This is a unique opportunity for broader community to experience and learn some traditional and contemporary creative practices and techniques used by Kaiela Arts artists.

Free, register for workshops at sheppartonfestival.org.au/event/

Kaiela Arts

Ceramics – Studio Space
Weaving – Gallery Space
Kaiela Arts 530 Wyndham St,
Shepparton

Thursday 23rd March
6pm – 8pm





Free, register at
sheppartonfestival.org.au/event/

Kaiela Arts
 530 Wyndham St,
 Shepparton

Saturday 18th March
 10am-12pm

Paint by Nature

Let nature and your imagination lead the way

Join RiverConnect and Kaiela Arts in a painting workshop led by an Indigenous artist, and awaken the senses and reconnect with nature. Without paintbrushes, forage for materials to paint your masterpiece and let your imagination lead the way.



Zine Making Workshop

Making zines to share what you love, know and make.

Meg Doller

Are you a poet or writer? Photographer or illustrator? Do you make comics or collages? Maybe you are particularly passionate about plants or an enthusiastic egg expert or skilled at saddle stitch. Zine making is a creative, DIY way to self-publish and share what you love, know and make.



Photo by Meg Doller

Adults \$15
 Children \$10

Tickets via
sheppartonfestival.org.au/event/

Festival Hub
 14 Edward St, Shepparton

Sunday 26 March,
 2 – 3pm Kids workshop
 4 – 5pm Adults workshop





Protect yourself from diseases caused by mosquito bites

Heavy summer rain and warm weather bring many mosquitoes or "moozies". These mosquitoes can bite and make you sick.

Japanese encephalitis is a nasty sickness you can get from moozie bites. You can protect yourself and your family by following these easy steps.

The best protection against moozies and the dangerous diseases they can carry is to avoid bites.

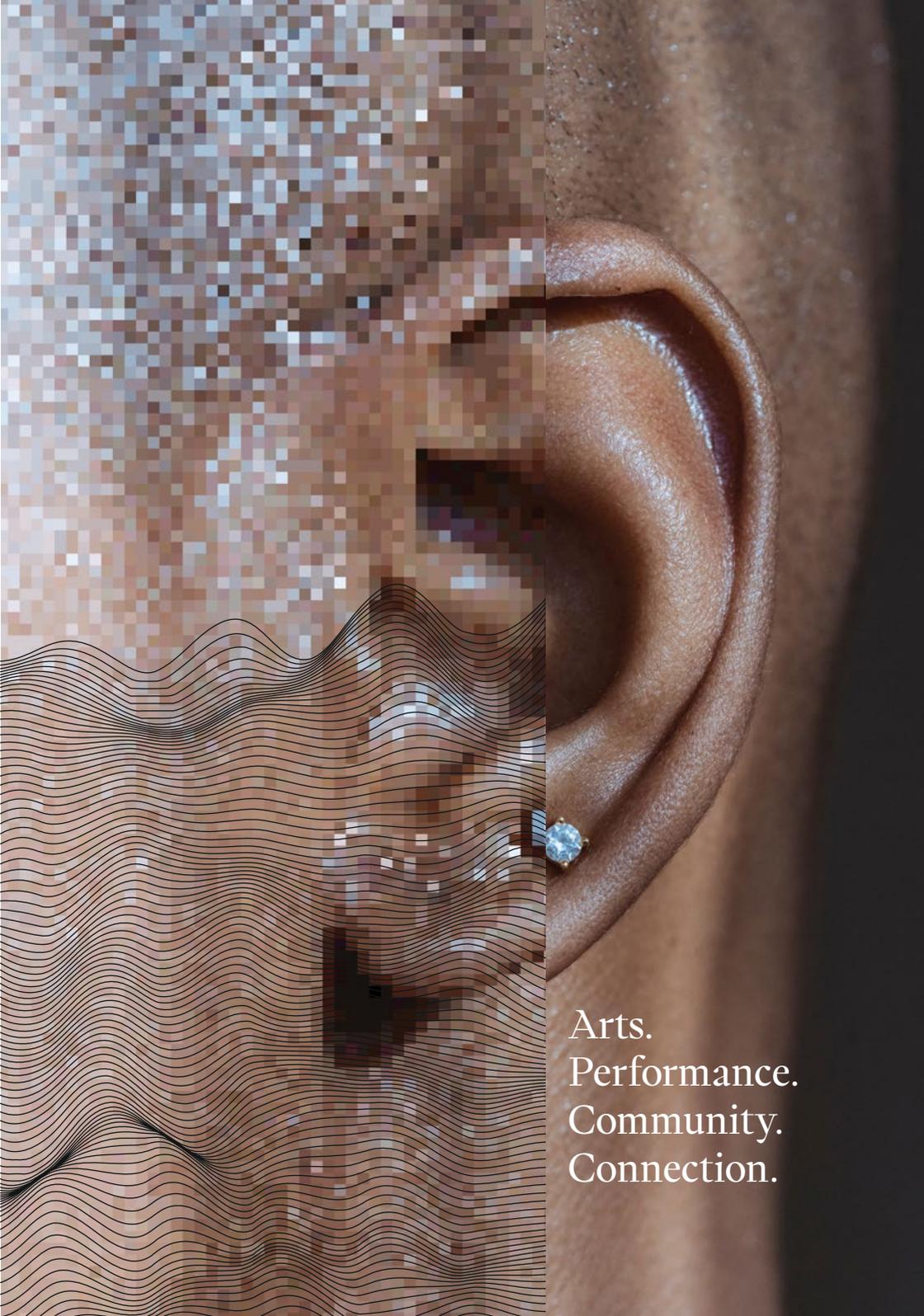
Five ways to stay safe:

1. Wear long sleeves, pants and shoes and socks when you are outside. This makes it harder for moozies to bite you.
2. Use mosquito spray on your uncovered skin. The spray must have DEET or picaridin. You can use sunscreen and moozie spray together. Put the sunscreen on first and spray second. Reapply often.
3. Use fly screens for your doors and windows. Fix holes to keep moozies out. If you don't have screens, close the doors and windows. Use a mosquito net if moozies are getting into your rooms.
4. Stop mosquitoes breeding. Moozies breed in still water. Empty water from old tyres, buckets and empty pots that might collect water that moozies can breed in.
5. GET VACCINATED! Vaccination is FREE if you live in Shepparton or other flood impacted areas! There's a vaccination for Japanese encephalitis. It will keep you safe.

CALL YOUR CHEMIST OR DOCTOR TO MAKE
A VACCINATION APPOINTMENT

For more information, contact:

- Your doctor
- Your council
- GV Public Health Unit 1800 313 070



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Photo by Liz Arcus

Tuned to the River

A walking performance like no other

Join musical duo Broken Creek and RiverConnect for a special walking performance to experience the Broken River environment like never before. Erin (violin/vocals) and Lachlan (banjo) will perform folk music and original compositions inspired by the local landscape at stops along the walk. Learn about the location, listen and be part of the environmental soundtrack.

Free, register at sheppartonfestival.org.au/event/

Starting on the Eastern side of the pedestrian bridge over the Broken River Kialla and concluding downstream at the new pedestrian bridge near the Australian Botanic Gardens Shepparton

Saturday 25th March
10am-12pm





Free, register at sheppartonfestival.org.au/event/

Meeting at the Confluence of the Goulburn and Broken Rivers (a 600m walk along shared path network from corner of Lincoln Drive and Hassett Street Shepparton)

Sunday 26th March
10am-12pm

Bush Poetry Along the River

Poetry inspired by nature

What do Banjo Patterson, Dorothea Mackellar, Henry Lawson and a score of talented writers and orators all over Australia have in common? A love of Bush Poetry! RiverConnect and the Kyabram Bush Verse Group invite you to learn the elements of two separate art forms: writing, and performing bush verse. Participants will discover great Australian writers and enjoy a performance from local poet Mick Coventry.



It's all about the bees

Help the bees! They help us!

Splinter Contemporary Artists

Bees are necessary to pollinate the food we eat and their food sources are threatened by floods, bushfires, chemical herbicides and climate change. Your garden can help the bees!

A free activity for adults and children alike! Create a bag of seeds for flowers which attract bees and butterflies. Take it home and plant in a pot or the garden. Decorate your seed bag and make a plot label. Instructions included.



Photo courtesy of Splinter Contemporary Artists

Free

Converge
Shepparton Lake

Friday 17th March,
6pm – 8pm
& Saturday 18th March
4pm – 7pm





Photo by Liz Arcus

The Broken Creek Pop-Up Choir

A pop-up choir workshop for those who love to sing

Broken Creek Band

Come and join an all-inclusive choir open to anyone who wants to sing and learn a variety of music inspired by the Australian landscape run by chamber folk duo Broken Creek with an opportunity to perform in their concert.



Artwork by Tim Hocking



Life Drawing

Drawing from life to develop your practice.

Join experienced visual arts educator Tim Hocking in a tutored life drawing session. This two-hour session with a live nude model is the ultimate way to improve your drawing skills and relax into your creative zone.

\$30 per person

Tickets via
[sheppartonfestival.org.au/
 event/](http://sheppartonfestival.org.au/event/)

All materials provided.
 Parent/Guardian supervision
 required for participants
 under 18 years of age.

Festival Hub
 14 Edward St, Shepparton

Tuesday 28th March
 6:30pm-8:30pm



Experience



Photo by ExAnimo

Transverse Orientation

Like a moth to the flame

ExAnimo

“That which we have impacted and forced to adapt from nature’s ways, therein is reflected the need for us to change.”

Transverse Orientation is an immersive projection-based installation that enables participants to experience their sentient presence as projected pools of light, allowing them to interactively explore concepts of cohabitation and human impact on a mythical bioluminescent world.

Referencing how lightbulbs adversely impact the biological navigation of moths, the conceptual translation of movement of the individual into responsive fields of light and gravity can dictate beautiful flows of colour but also, where imbalanced, disrupt harmony within the space and lead to extinction.

Adult 17+ \$15
Child (Under 16) \$10
Concession \$8

Tickets via sheppartonfestival.org.au/event/

The Vault
168R Maude St, Shepparton

16–17 March 7pm–10pm
19 March – 2 April 4pm–9pm

Cocktail Bar and nibbles
on Fridays and Saturdays



SAM at Sunset

An after-hours, full museum experience, with free kids activities, artist talks and bar

Shepparton Art Museum

Join us for SAM at Sunset in March to find activities for adults and kids alike, from hands-on, creative workshops to illuminating artist talks. This month, Polyglot Theatre will bring their popular children's workshop Feast to SAM, where little ones can let their creativity take over. The evening will also feature the official opening and award announcement for Fresh: GV Top Art and Design, our 2022 VCE arts exhibition.



Photo by Jason Lau

Free

Shepparton Art Museum
530 Wyndham St, Shepparton

Thursday 30th March
4pm-8pm

sam
Shepparton Art Museum

polyglot
theatre is child's play



Photo courtesy of JL Productions

Free, register at sheppartonfestival.org.au/event/

Festival Hub
14 Edward St. Shepparton

Monday 27th March
6:00pm-8:00pm


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In Conversation

Creative City Networking Session

Shepparton Festival and Greater Shepparton City Council invite you to a hybrid in-person and online environment to network with artists, share the festival experience, celebrate successes and exchange learnings. We will hear from two key artists about their work in the festival and the process of becoming involved and taking a project from inception to delivery.



Photo by Mitch Barrett

OnBelonging

Immersive Spatial Sound Installation

Tim Burder

OnBelonging is a spatial sound installation of musical compositions created from field recordings of the Shepparton area's environmental resonances and sounds. Using environmental resonances and sounds to create music, OnBelonging will provide a connection with place while also leaving the audience the feeling their mere presence will, in some way, affect that environment.

Free, register at
[sheppartonfestival.org.au](http://sheppartonfestival.org.au/event/)
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Riverlinks Studios
 70 Welsford Street,
 Shepparton

6pm-8pm

Wednesday 29th March
 Thursday 30th March
 Saturday 1st April





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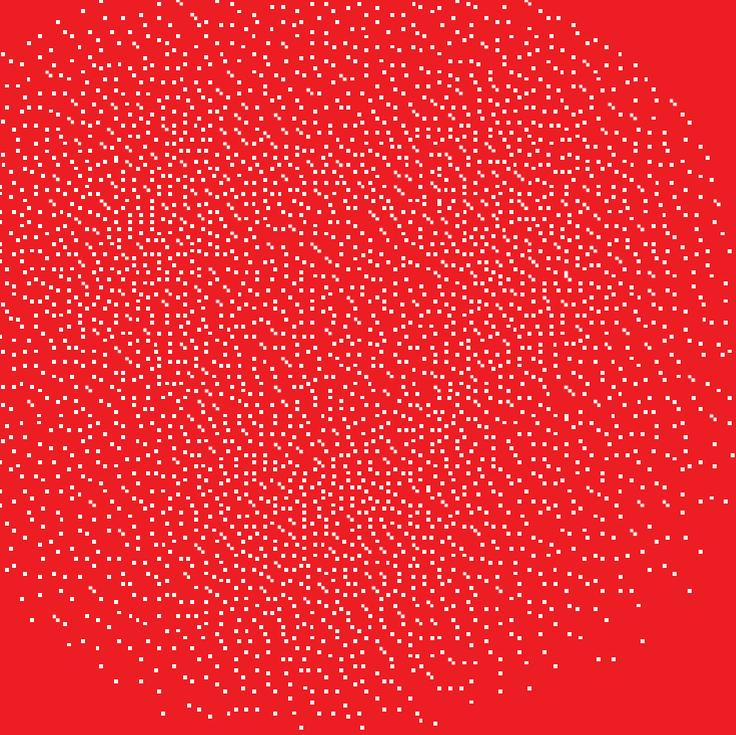


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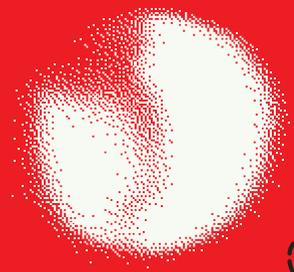


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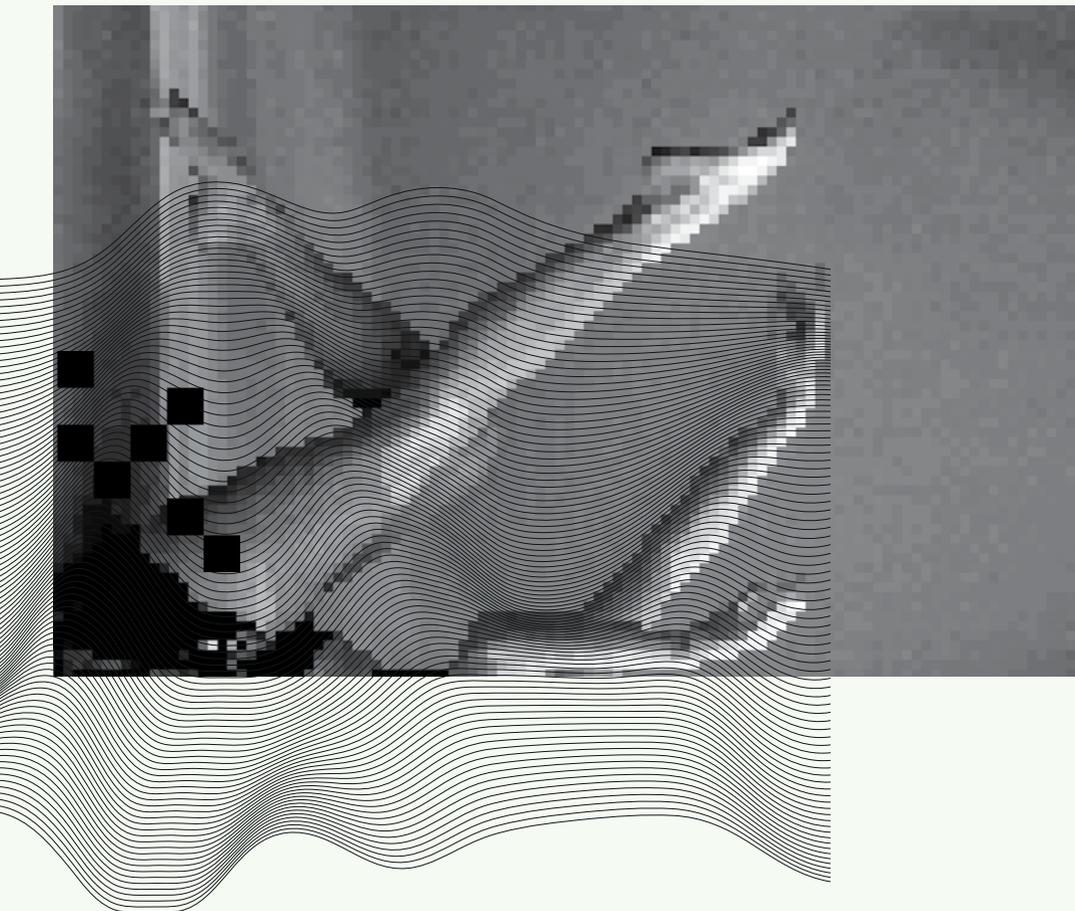
Zoom in to celebrate.

Zoom out to see the whole picture.



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This Festival, if we don't get COVID, we can't spread COVID.

So let's stay well.

- Stay up to date with your boosters. Call your Doctor, pharmacist or local council now to book your FREE vaccination.
- Talk to your doctor if you have a high risk of becoming unwell. You may be eligible for COVID medicines.
- Stay home if you feel unwell, and always test with a RAT.
- If you test positive, isolate at home until you are no longer infectious.
- Catch up outdoors or in places with open doors and windows. Shepparton Festival will provide well-ventilated spaces whenever possible.
- Wear a mask if it's crowded inside to protect you and others.
- RATs and masks are available at Festival Hub.



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