

**ART IS...
A FOOTPRINT**

**2-11 JUNE
HORSHAM**

2017

**MOVING
TOGETHER**

ART IS... A FOOTPRINT



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"happykid"
to show you
family events

ARTISTIC VISION

Art Is... Festival loves to explore and tell stories, your stories, and communicate our community's shared identity, crafted by the footprints we make as we live in the Wimmera.

This year Art Is... in motion, moving together. Motion opens up to energy, energy to chain reactions, chain reactions to chance, chance to precisely crafted chaos. Let's move together to explore the everyday objects in our lives. Motion opens up the opportunity to see familiar objects in a different way, to move our bodies differently, to explore chance, the absurd, and the untold.

Move forward, move together to find what can happen next.

2017 ARTISTIC DIRECTORATE

The Artistic Directorate is made up of:

- Paul Kooperman - Festival Director
- Marion Matthews - Artist, Arts Worker
- Robbie Millar - Festival Chairperson, Musician and Sound Artist
- Alison Eggleton - Curator, Horsham Regional Art Gallery
- Jillian Pearce - Cultural Development Officer, Horsham Rural City Council



MOVING TOGETHER

JUNE 2ND-11TH 2017, HORSHAM

MESSAGE FROM THE FESTIVAL DIRECTOR

Hello and welcome to our 2017 Art Is... a Footprint Festival program. Art Is... has a proud history of delivering an iconic, inclusive annual arts festival of outstanding quality in the heart of Horsham. This year, the program is diverse, engaging and, in the lead up to the Festival, has already attracted great interest. **For the first time, we are putting a name to what we've always been - a co-created festival, prioritising collaboration, partnerships and community involvement in every decision we make - always with art at the Festival's core; using art as the vehicle for community connection and strength.** I'd like to thank our awesome committee and team for their time, passion and support to co-create an experience that will leave participants, attendees and partners feeling like they were part of something special, something they had built and contributed to themselves, taking away a collective sense of achievement, pride, belonging, connection and fulfilment.

Paul Kooperman, Festival Director

MAYOR'S WELCOME

Welcome to the 2017 Art Is... Festival.

Now in it's 22nd year, this unique 10-day Festival continues to grow from strength to strength, engaging our rural and isolated communities with high quality art experiences and art making.

This year's theme "Art Is... a Footprint - Moving Together" focuses on motion, movement and the exploration of using familiar objects in different ways to explore everyday objects in our lives. It's about moving forward and moving together to find what can happen next. Once again, the Festival offers a broad, inclusive and exciting program for you to enjoy. It embraces and celebrates Horsham and the Wimmera region.

Come along and share in the Art Is... Festival experience, there is something for everyone!

Cr Pam Clarke
Mayor
Horsham Rural
City Council



MOVE ON

An Art Is... major community art project



An artistic collaboration between Jans Altheimer, Mandy Field, Sam Deal and local artist Dave Jones - Part kinetic sculpture, part storytelling, part human-activated contraption - MOVE ON is a community arts creative maker and performance project.

A series of workshops, led by an artistic team of professional artists, working with diverse community groups including CALD groups working through the Centre for Participation; Haven and Dimboola Primary Schools' Year 5-6 students, will culminate into one mechanical, moving, masterpiece.

An artwork made for interaction, celebrating cause and effect at its core, enticing and inviting the public to play. Sculptures will be created from an improbable assortment of objects, including industrial parts,

agriculture machinery and common household items like kettles or wardrobes. Gravity, collisions and chemistry will be utilised to create spectacular chain reactions and self-destructing 'performances' of physical interactions and precisely crafted chaos, worthy of a Rube Goldberg machine.

Stories will be captured using different creative forms including music, storytelling, puppetry, movement and circus.

Workshops will be delivered in Dimboola, Haven and Horsham in May. We still require adult participation if interested or if you have interesting items ie. machinery, pipes, or items that you think might work on this project please contact the Project Manager Sarah Natali on 0468387121.

Check out what is possible at <http://www.jensaltheimer.com/art-projects> and/or Ingenious Contraptions, ARTplay Melbourne

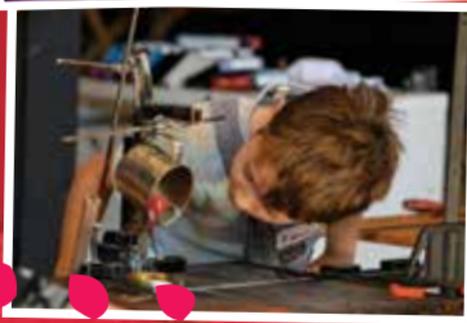
Venue: Horsham Town Hall Complex

Date: Saturday 10th June 2pm and 4pm,
Sunday 11th June 1pm and 3pm

Cost: FREE

Enquiries: 03 5381 0297
artis@wimmera.com.au

Image credit: Loose Ends, Sabine Heng



CRAFTING CIVIC PRIDE

A Craft Victoria Touring
Exhibition & A Horsham
Regional Art Gallery
Exhibition presented as part
of the Art Is... 2017 Festival

Inspired by the craftsmanship
and legacy integral to the Mayoral
chain this exhibition unpacks
traditional ways of making and
traditional ceremonies within
contemporary society.

Commissioned by Craft Victoria,
ten contemporary Melbourne artists
have responded to the City of
Melbourne Mayoral Chain, producing
artworks that explore notions of
grandeur and responsibility through
materials and processes. This
exploration includes installations
to challenge ideas surrounding
wearability while interactive works
question preciousness of material
and production.

The history of our own civic life
will be sampled as we present
Mayoral chains and photographic
documentation of the former and
current shires of the Horsham,
Northern Grampians, Hindmarsh,
West Wimmera and Yarriambiak. We
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proudly present the craftsmanship
of these ornamental objects and key
moments when they adorned the
shoulders of men and women in
civic ceremony.

Illuminating this further, we have
invited two contemporary artists from
our region, Wotjobaluk/Jupagalk/
Jadawadjali Traditional Owner, Gail
Harradine and St Arnaud's Aaron
Carter to respond and create new
artwork, exploring ways of making,
materials and ceremony.

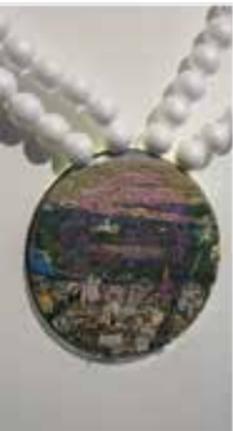
Craft as a discipline has a history
of enormous social and political
power, Crafting Civic Pride enables
Victorian makers to make comment
on the ways of making, progress
in technology and industry and
to discuss the social status of
adornment through jewellery.

Venue: Horsham Regional Art
Gallery, 80 Wilson Street

Exhibition Dates: 22 April - 11 June

Festival Dates: Fri 2 June 10am-5pm
Sat 3-Sat 10 June 10am-8pm
Sun 11 June 1pm -4.30pm

Enquiries: 03 5382 9575
horshamtownhall.com.au
hrag@hrcc.vic.gov.au



Crafting Civic Pride features artists:
 Alexi Freeman and Tessa Blazey, Anna Davern,
 Anna Varendorff, Claire McArdle, Kate Rohde,
 Marcos Guzman, Maree Clarke, Pennie Jagiello
 and Roseanne Bartley + Gail Harradine
 and Aaron Carter.

Image credit: Alexi Freeman & Tessa Blazey, Dark Collar of Vees 2015, acrylic, gold fill, jet, oxidised sterling silver & Light Collar of Vees 2015, acrylic, sterling silver, glass; Kate Rohde, Hair Chain 2015, acrylic hair, spray paint, glitter, acrylic gap filler; Anna Davern, Queenie, 2015, enamel tin, Styrofoam balls, LED's; Opening ceremony of the Horsham Regional Art Gallery, 1983.



HORSHAM
 REGIONAL ART GALLERY

A Craft Victoria
 Touring Exhibition



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ACO VIRTUAL

A Horsham Town Hall Program presented as part of the Art Is... 2017 Festival

Imagine standing on stage during a live performance by the Australian Chamber Orchestra. ACO VIRTUAL takes you there.

Fusing digital technologies with visual and sonic innovation, this ground-breaking interactive installation allows you to conduct and even play along with the ACO.

Don't miss this extraordinary new way to experience music.

See how fast the musician's fingers move; Hear the sounds

of each instrument whirl around you; Experience what the cellos sound like on their own, or the violas - or even just the double bass; Follow along with the projected musical score; Bring your own instrument and play along with the installation; Take the helm of the 'greatest chamber orchestra on earth' and stand in for Richard Tognetti himself.

Venue: Horsham Regional Art Gallery, 80 Wilson St. Horsham

Exhibition Dates: 2-25 June

Festival Dates: Fri 2 June 10am-5pm
Sat 3-Sat 10 June 10am-8pm
Sun 11 June 1pm-4.30pm

Bookings: 5382 9555 or www.horshamtownhall.com.au

UNINTERRUPTED LUNCH SESSIONS

From 12.30 - 1.00pm each day the installation's full 30-minute program runs uninterrupted. Free admission, no bookings required

MUSIC INTO THE NIGHT

The Gallery will be open into the night for the Art Is... period so you can come down after work and experience the magic of the ACO.

BOOK IN FOR A GROUP EXPERIENCE

Gather your friends, community group or work colleagues and book in for a night time group experience of ACO Virtual. Make a night of it with catering packages available through the Horsham Town Hall. Be introduced to the music, see who can play along, or will it be a dance off, a great way to share the experience. Bookings a must!



OFFICIAL OPENING

We are thrilled to announce the launch of the 2017 Art Is... a Footprint Festival.

Come join us for the grand opening as we celebrate the program, our partners, community, artists and the art that makes up this year's exciting Festival!

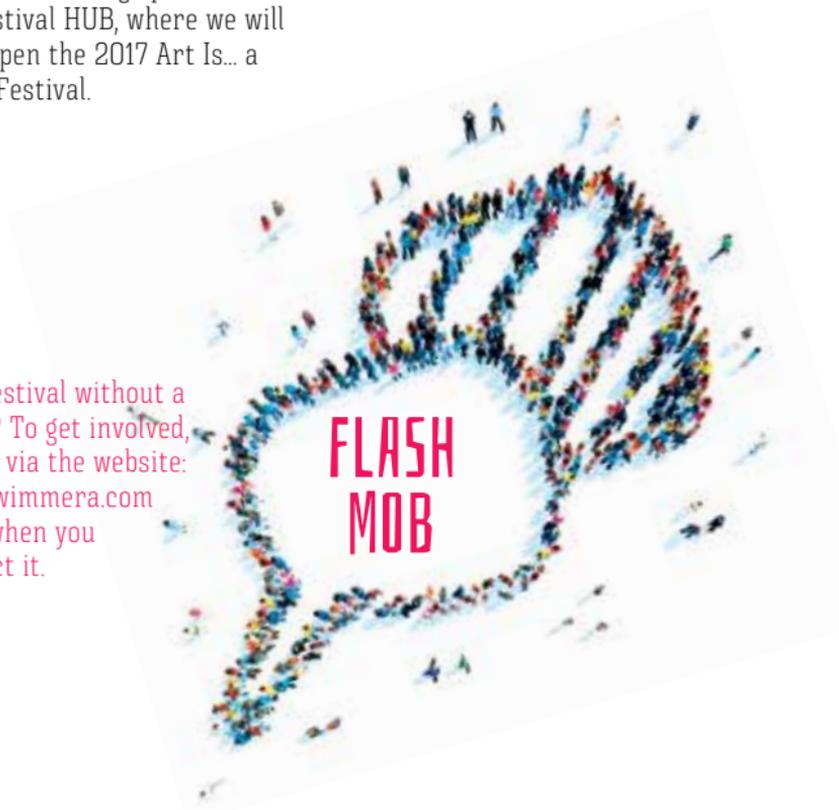
A co-created evening, enjoy some art, a few acts and announcements at the heart-warming space of the Art Is... Festival HUB, where we will officially open the 2017 Art Is... a Footprint Festival.

Leaving enough time to enjoy a great dinner in Horsham CBD, before attending our opening show: A Coal Miner's Daughter at the Town Hall or partying like an artist @ Art After Dark at the Horsham Regional Art Gallery.

Venue: Meet at the Art Is... Festival HUB (check website for details)

Date: Friday 2 June 5:30-6:30pm

What's a festival without a Flashmob? To get involved, contact us via the website: www.artiswimmera.com Expect it when you least expect it.



ART AFTER DARK

Move through the depths of the art gallery and beyond for an immersive art experience.

This year we invite Craft Victoria artists to share their artistic talents in body adornment; witness a local contemporary dancer perform in the heritage space of the town hall; and warm up on this wintery night with a cocktail made by an artist, assembled from the actions and reactions of a mechanical moving masterpiece; venture to the first floor gallery to immerse yourself in the Australian Chamber Orchestra (ACO) Virtual installation where local musicians will interact, conduct, isolate and play along with the virtual performance of one of the world's greatest chamber orchestras.

So grab your friends, get dressed and let us led you into the art after dark...



Image Credit: 1997-3 Angela Lynkushka, Stephen Page, Bangarra Dance Theatre 1993, Silver gelatin print, HRAG collection 1998.

Venue: Horsham Regional Art Gallery, 80 Wilson Street, Horsham

Date: Friday 2 June 8-10.30pm

Cost: \$20. A pay bar will be operating

Tickets: 5382 9555
horshamtownhall.com.au



HORSHAM
REGIONAL ART GALLERY

A Horsham Regional
Art Gallery Exhibition

FABULOUS BEASTS

Enter the darkened space of the gallery... to look for these Fabulous Beasts.

A team of creatives led by Natimuk based artist Mary French, created Fabulous Beasts in 2016. Working with animators Desiree Cross and Hannah French, and film-maker Tracey Rigney, and engaging the Primary school students of Horsham, Dimboola and Edenhope in the process, Mary has produced a series of shy and elusive images to appear and disappear in the darkness. The project explores the artists concerns about our natural environment, what we are losing, and what we have lost.

Originally made and presented as a night projection for the Art Is... Layers

of Time Festival 2016, Fabulous Beasts has been re-visioned for an intimate gallery experience.

We celebrated the practice of Mary French and her ongoing dedication to artistic collaboration between community members and artists alike. Fabulous Beasts exemplifies the significant contribution she has made to the art of this region.

Venue: Horsham Regional Art Gallery
80 Wilson Street Horsham

Exhibition Dates: 22 April-11 June

Festival Hours: Fri 2 June 10am-5pm
Sat 3-Sat 10 June 10am-8pm
Sun 11 June 1pm -4.30pm

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Image Credit: Fabulous Beasts video still,
courtesy of the artists.

CON KROKER: CLOSE UP

We live in a world of remarkable beauty, often so subtle and delicate that it is imperceptible to the human eye. To bring these details to light, Con Kroker framed this view through a camera lens. Holding the image in a photographic negative, became short hand for how he experienced, saw and recorded nature close up.

Born in Horsham in 1910, Conrad Otto Kroker had a lifelong love of photography. Living almost all of his life on the land, the wildlife and the landscape of the Western District became his natural subjects.

As a founding member of the Horsham Camera Club, Kroker's technical skill with a camera took him to the top of his field. This exhibition brings together a curated selection of slides and photographs from this extensive slide collection.

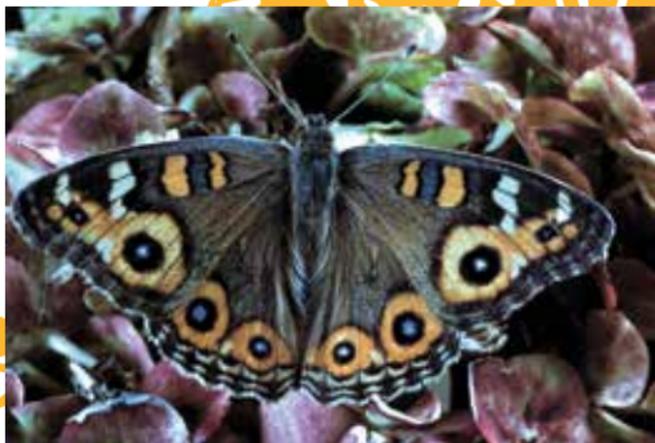


Image credit : Con Kroker, Category : R Butterflies, Insects . R34.
Australian Admiral & Meadow Angus, KROKER slide collection.

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VISUAL ART

GALLERIES ON THE SIDE

OFFICIAL OPENING

Meet at the Art Is... Festival HUB (Horsham Town Hall) Friday 2 June, 5:30-6:30pm.

WALKING TOUR

10:00am Sat 3 June, concluding with open invitation for brunch. Come with us to explore Galleries on the Side (GOS) competition entries and nominate for the people's choice award. Entries are open to all mediums and artworks and must respond to the artist's rationale. To enter your artwork please contact the Art Is... Office prior to competition deadline of 26th May. GOS winners announced at the GOS artists' Dinner, Thursday June 8th, 7PM. Contact Art Is... Office for more information.

OPEN STUDIOS

The Art Is... Festival presents GOS: an interactive journey opening up our CBD in a new light of moving exhibition spaces. Interact with artists, see and learn about their art-making processes, partake in their performances and have the opportunity to purchase their works as local businesses come alive to host mini exhibitions extending outward from the Festival HUB/home of GOS at the Horsham Town Hall. See website or contact the Art Is... Office for further details.

STREET ART LAUNCH

Join us for a celebration of Horsham Rural City Council's new Public Art piece. A collaboration between local students, HRCC, the Victoria Police, Nexus, Melbourne based street artist and the Art Is... Festival.

Venue: TBC: see website for details or info

Date: Wednesday 7 June 4pm

RSVP: by Friday 2 June to 0468387121

KINKNI TEXT

Exhibition of paper, print, stitch & textiles. A crafted impression from a fusion of materials.

Venue: Redrock Books & Gallery
65 Firebrace St. Horsham

Official Opening: Saturday
3 June 6pm.

Hours: Mon - Fri 9am - 5pm
Sat 10am - 2pm
Sun 4th June 11am - 2pm

Enquiries: 5381 0866



THE POINT

Humans are encouraged from an early age to understand the point, the purpose of something or reason behind it: why we do things and what things mean, because without reason or purpose or knowing, what's the point? But we also do lots of things without fully understanding the consequences. We waste our food, buy things we don't need and then throw them away for no one to make any use of, what's the point?

The Point is a sculpture to be made during the Festival from your trash.

Artist Nichola Clarke has a passion for upcycling waste and people's rubbish and turning it into art. Before and during the 2017 Art Is... a Footprint Festival, you can drop your top three pieces of hard rubbish off to a central location and Nichola will make something truly awesome with what you provide, revealed and exhibited publicly at the end of the Festival. And it may or may not have a point! See Festival website for more details.

FILM NIGHT

How about a Cinema Experience at the new Horsham Town Hall...



Horsham Film Society in partnership with Arapiles Motion Picture Society invite you to enjoy, on the big screen, the award winning film, **The Way**. Come and walk in the footsteps of Martin Sheen and Emilio Estevez on the famous Camino de Santiago walk. Enjoy this powerful and inspirational film about family, friends and the challenges we face while navigating this ever-changing and complicated world. Plus short films.

Venue: Horsham Town Hall Theatre

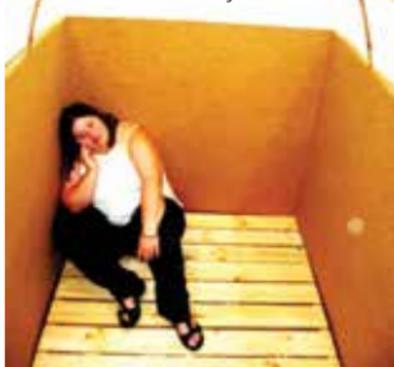
Date: Saturday 3 June
7:00 for 7:30 start

Tickets: \$12

Bookings: 5382 9555
horshamtownhall.com.au

Art Matters: THE ISLAND

Where everyday objects are reinvented by participating artists of the Art Matters project. Ordinary pallets are transformed into fantastical islands and intimate performance spaces. Wheelie bins become camera obscuras and telescopes through which we view and document each world. Experiment with the pop up Camera Obscura moments throughout the festival. Led by Artists Anthony Pelchen, Amy Anselmi, David Bowe and Guest Artist Rhian Hinkley.



Venue: Jubilee Hall,
19 Roberts Ave Horsham

Opening: Monday 5 June, 6pm

Date: Open daily 12-2pm
Tue 6 June - Fri 9 June

This project is supported by the Victorian Government through Creative Victoria.

Exhibition: THE GOAT GALLERY

The theme is motion, moving together, as metaphor, as interaction, as legend, as memory, as a virtual reality, in keeping with the theme of the Art Is... Festival. Move forward, move together to find what can happen next.

Sue Pavlovich considers visual metaphor for interior journeys and invites the audience to actively interact with the drawn image by touch and sight. Anthony Pelchen reflects on sightless movement. Gail Harradine (Wotjobaluk-Jadawadjali) reflects on ancestral story. Tallula Harradine-Hodge and Yasmin Harradine invite the audience to consider virtual reality, as reality.



Venue: The Goat Gallery,
87A Main Street, Natimuk

Dates: 2 June-11 June
Hours Sat-Sun 1-4pm
Opening Saturday 3 June 4pm
Floortalk and closing drinks Sunday
11 June 3pm

Enquiries: 0417 307824 or email:
thegoatgallerynatimuk@gmail.com

ROTARY ART FAIR

The Rotary Club of Horsham East is convening an Art Fair at the Horsham Town Hall to profile and sell works of local and regional artists, with proceeds being donated to Rachael's Wish, Wimmera Cancer Centre. Opening Night celebrations include canapés, refreshments and entertainment.

Venue: Horsham Town Hall

Date: Opening Night:
Friday 9 June, 7pm-11pm
Show dates:
Saturday 10 June, 10am-4pm
Sunday 11 June, 10am - 6pm

Cost: \$30 opening night
\$5 weekend entry

Enquiries: Chris O'Conner on
0417 382 347

Tickets: 5382 9555
horshamtownhall.com.au

ARTRAGEOUS

Explosions and other quieter things:
paintings by the participants of the
Artrageous sessions

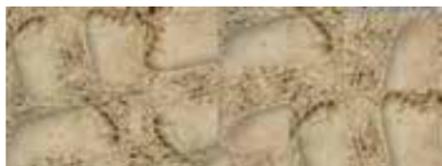
For over a decade young people with vivid imaginations and enviable creative abilities have gathered fortnightly to make things. This collaborative exhibition, funded by Community Options and facilitated by artist Anthony Pelchen, have seen some extraordinary art work emerge. This exhibition brings together recent paintings...from the quiet to the explosive.

Venue: Christine Smith Gallery
Federation University - Horsham

Date: Opening celebration:
Wednesday 7 June 5.30-7pm.
Friday 26 May to 10 June weekdays
only, 9-5pm

Cost: Free

FOOTPRINTS OF FAMILY



Footprints of Family is an interactive exhibition co-created with the community during the 2017 Art Is... a Footprint Festival. A box and rake will be available at various events during the Festival where families and friends are invited to put their footprint in the sand. Photographs will be taken and collated for an online exhibition. Your feet will not be identified. 'Family' might be sons, daughters, mums and dads, but also friends, peers, pals and community, so define it as you wish and jump in feet first to put your footprints in the frame for a Festival first.

PHOTO: collaborative painting by Artrageous

PHOTO MUSTER

“The Amazing (picture taking) Race”



As a part of the 2017 Art Is... Festival, we again present a Photographic Competition with a difference.

Open to anyone with a Digital Camera and a sense of adventure, the Amazing Picture Taking Race will have photographers travelling to various locations around Horsham, taking pictures.

Photographers will meet at 10am and will be sent off in different directions to capture their 6 photos.

At each location a Clue Container will give the subject and next location. They have 2 hours to complete their mission.

The Event will finish at Harvey Norman, where the photos will be printed, before the judging at 2.30pm at the Horsham Town Hall.

Meeting Place: Jubilee Hall, 21 Roberts Avenue Horsham

Date: Saturday 3 June 10am-12noon **Cost:** \$10

Enquiries: Mark Radford 0427 840 324 or artis@wimmera.com.au



PHOTO: Chris Radford gets his eye in for the Amazing Picture Taking Race with the help of his dog, Jimmy.

CREATIVE WORKSHOPS

ART PLAY SUNDAY

Art Is... 2017 presents **Art Play Sunday**. The decks will be banging out tunes and show you the world in UV. Something for all ages, Kinder to late Primary School, playgroup area for toddlers; face painting, arts, crafts, circus skills and healthy snacks. For older kids: come and make African UV street soccer balls and learn new soccer skills. Then dance the afternoon away at the UV disco. All at the Horsham Town Hall and Horsham Regional Art Gallery, in partnership with Nexus.

Venue: Horsham Town Hall and Theatre

Date: Sunday 4 June 1-4pm

Cost: \$10 Child (15 & under) for the show & free all-day activities. \$5 Adult for the show.

Bookings: horshamtownhall.com.au

Enquiries: 03 5381 0297
artis@wimmera.com.au



To end the afternoon, sit and enjoy... A Mark Penzak and BlueBoat Theatre production of:

Journey to the Centre of the Earth

When young Axel accidentally discovers a tunnel that descends through a volcano into the heart of the Earth, his eccentric uncle Professor Lidenbrock immediately launches an expedition accompanied by Hans, a hugely powerful Icelandic giant and Gertrude, his intrepid duck.

Together they journey through claustrophobic caves and glittering caverns. They battle gigantic monsters and sail through oceans bubbling with storms and whirlpools. Can they reach the centre of the Earth? Can they return?



KIDS NATURE CONNECTION

Interactive nature-based theatre and storytelling

Wimmera CMA and Landcare connect kids to the joys of being outdoors, caring for the environment and learning about our charismatic local species. You are invited to become part of the story, join us on a nature-based quest and scavenger hunt, and come face to face with colourful characters of the natural world.

Venue:

Meet at Weir Park on the banks of the Wimmera River, Horsham

Date: Friday 9 June
10am

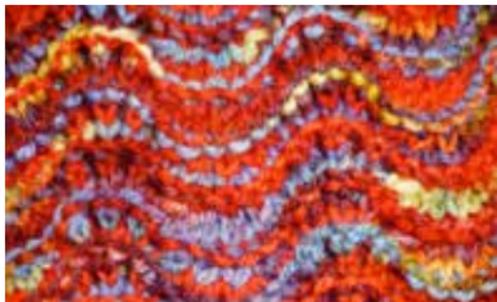
Cost: FREE

Bookings: 03 5382 0297
artis@wimmera.com.au

Please note this will be an all-weather activity. Participants should come dressed appropriately.

KNITWITZ

Join a regular group with an interest in textile arts. Bring along your own project or start a new one.



Venue: Redrock Books & Gallery,
65 Firebrace Street Horsham

Date: Monday 5 June 4-6pm

Enquiries: 03 5381 0866 or
info@fibreworks.net.au



Meet the Exhibition ACO VIRTUAL

Join us for morning tea as we explore the audio visual experience that is ACO Virtual. Be introduced to the music of Bach, Grieg, Smalley and Piazzolla, and be mesmerized by the skills of the ACO players. This experience will allow you to understand how to engage with this work while it is here in Horsham.

Venue: Horsham Regional Art Gallery

Date: Friday 2 June, 10am

Cost: FREE All Welcome

ACO Virtual CREATIVE PLAY



Parents are invited to bring their children 0 - 4 years to this interactive installation on Wednesday mornings for creative play. Imagine standing on stage during a live performance by the Australian Chamber Orchestra. ACO Virtual takes you there. Dance, listen, play, clap and create!

Venue: Horsham Regional Art Gallery

Date: Wednesday 7 June, 10 - 10:45am

Cost: FREE All Welcome

Bookings 5382 9575
hrag@hrcc.vic.gov.au

Walking at LAHARUM GROVE



The location: The olive grove was planted in 1943 in a traditional grid pattern. The established trees form avenues that provide spectacular sightline to the eastern wall of the Grampians and being situated on a gentle slope, towards wide and open spaces to the east.

The activity: Participants collect a set of directional instructions, and reflective cues regarding listening, looking or smelling. They select a notebook or sketchbook, a rug or a stool and using the instructions find their way to their destination. Once there they implement the instruction for repose. The participant can continue exploring the grove or return for a further set of instruction cards.

The activity and rugs, stools, sketchbooks/notebooks and pencil/pens are provided without cost to the participant.

Venue: Laharum Grove, 1603 Winfields Rd, Laharum.
Meet at Deirdre's Restaurant forecourt.

Date: Saturday 3 June 11.am
Saturday 10 June 11 am

Cost: there is no cost for participating in the activity and it is suitable for all ages.

Notes: Allow 45min-1 hr for your meditative walk. Participants may wish to book lunch at Deirdre's Restaurant once they have completed the walk. Lunch is at the participants expense, and bookings are essential.

Lunch Bookings: 0429 136319

Walk Enquiries: 0417 307824

CREATIVE WORKSHOPS / PERFORMANCE ENCOUNTER

JOURNEY TO THE CENTRE OF THE EARTH



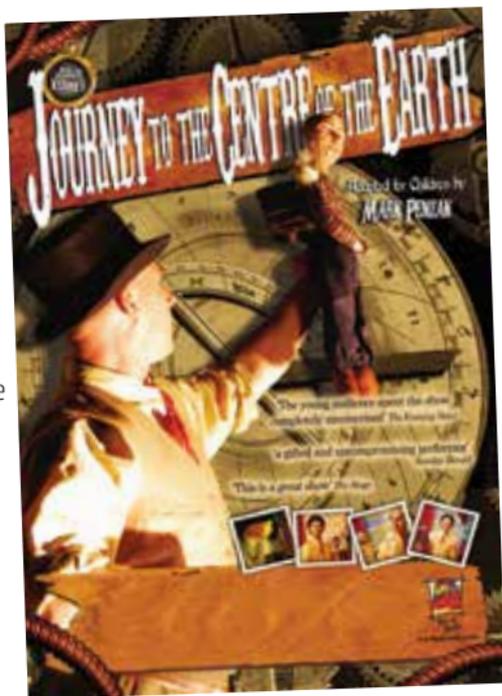
Encounter Performance Day

Students and teachers attend the featured performance, Journey to the Centre of the Earth. A Jules Verne's classic told through storytelling, mime, puppetry, miniature worlds inside suitcases, special umbrellas and an erupting volcano!

Venue: Horsham Town Hall Theatre

Date: Monday 5 June 10-11am

Cost: \$7 per student



Professional Development

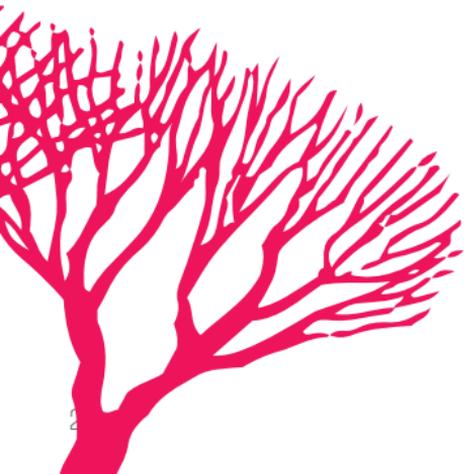
For teachers and artists involves a two day workshop with Castlemaine based performing arts company, 'Such as They Are'.

Venue: Natimuk Soldier's Memorial Hall

Date: Friday and Saturday 28 and 29 April 9am-4pm.

Cost: \$150

Bookings: 0428 871227 or email ueba@bigpond.com



COAL MINER'S DAUGHTER

Join multi award winner Amber Joy Poulton for a night of hits, comedy and anecdotes as she brings Coal Miner's Daughter - the mega-hits and stories of superstar Loretta Lynn, to the Horsham Town Hall Theatre.

Joined by musical theatre actress Lizzie Moore as Patsy Cline, acclaimed musician Denis Surmon as Conway Twitty and #1 Nashville disc jockey Sleepydog, and accompanied by The Holy Men, this production features hits such as Coal Miner's Daughter, Stand By Your Man, Walkin' and many, many more. Be sure to book your tickets early for this musical tribute.

Venue: Horsham Town Hall Theatre

Date: Friday 2 June 7:30pm

Cost: \$69.90 full, \$64.90 Concession and Children

Bookings: 5382 9555
horshamtownhall.com.au



Renonsense Man

'Classic nonsense... Stand-up comedy at its best' (Scotsman).

Brilliantly observed, ever-evolving stand-up from acclaimed star of Live at Apollo, Royal Variety, Channel and Sunday Night at the Palladium.

'Jimeoin recalls the familiar at a fantastically silly level, boiling his audience down to a tear-filled, gibbering mess' (Scotland on Sunday).

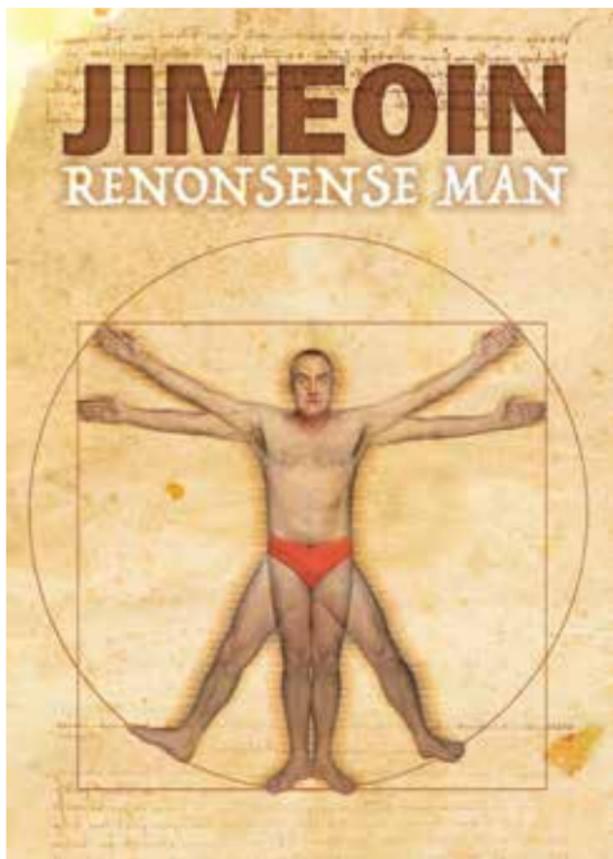
'Comedy of the highest order... Inspired ramblings' (Independent).

'Exemplary stand-up comedy' ***** (Herald).

'If laughter is the best medicine, Jimeoin is a course of steroids... Hilarious' (Evening News).

'Awesome' (List).

No gimmicks, just great craic!
'Consistently brilliant... It gets no better than this... Hilarious' (Time Out).



Venue: Horsham Town Hall Theatre

Date: Sunday 4 June 8pm

Cost: \$49.90 Full, \$44.90 Concession

Bookings: 5382 9555
horshamtownhall.com.au

ARCHIE ROACH

Performance Event Show: Music and Dance An evening with Archie Roach & Friends

Archie Roach is a man of few words. But when he speaks, or sings, those words lift you up, transport you and humble you. He is one that sees beyond race, religion, gender and ideology... to get straight to the heart of what it means to be a human. What he sees at the heart of humanity is love. And love, in all its glorious, unruly incarnations is the basis for his music.

Join us for an amazing night with legendary singer / songwriter Archie Roach in concert with local singer/ songwriter Alice Skye and the local Wotjobaluk dancers. This respected artist remains a powerful voice for Indigenous Australians and will captivate and mesmerise the audience with his performance for one night only.

Venue: Horsham Town Hall Theatre

Date: Saturday 10 June 8pm

Cost: \$35 Full, \$30 Concession, \$30 Groups 6+

Bookings: 5382 9555
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YANGA TRACK

The area known as Yanga Track stretches for several kilometres along the Wimmera River near Horsham. Yanga Track... Wanjab, Gadjin and Murnong is inspired by the story of the native plants which have been the medicine chest, hardware store and supermarket of local Aboriginal people.

This tour will highlight the fascinating stories of how Aboriginal communities used these plants in their everyday lives, and exciting opportunities for the future. Join Rae Talbot from Wimmera CMA and a local elder for a guided tour, with support from Barenji Gadjin Land Council.



Meeting Place: Meet at Weir Park picnic tables on the banks of the Wimmera River, Horsham

Date: Saturday 10 June 10am
Please ensure that you are wearing suitable clothing and footwear for an outdoor walking activity.

Enquiries: 03 5381 0297
artis@wimmera.com.au



MAYOR FOR A DAY



We asked young people aged 12-25 to submit a poem based on their vision for Horsham and the surrounding region for the chance at being Mayor for a Day. Our Mayor, Cr Pam Clarke, generously agreed to give the winning entrant, an experience of being in her shoes for the day, so we're

happy to announce that poems will be read and a decision made on **Thursday June 8th at 4pm at the Wimmera Regional Library** (28 McLachlan St, Horsham). A partnership between the Horsham Rural City Council, Art Is... Festival and Wimmera Regional Library Corporation, who will win the ultimate honour and be Mayor for a Day?

Art Matters NDIS FORUM

Visual Arts, Theatre, Dance, Film?
Want to include the arts in your plan for the National Disability Insurance Scheme? This session looks at some of the local options and how to include them in your plan.

Venue: Jubilee Hall
19 Roberts Ave, Horsham

Dates: Tuesday 6 June
Session 1: 2-4pm
Or Session 2: 5:30-7:30pm.
Register for 1 only.

Bookings: 03 5382 9509 or
arts@hrcc.vic.gov.au



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Grey Matters SISTERS IN STEP

For 1000s of years Indigenous women have made their mark on the Wimmera landscape. Europeans and other immigrants, for more than a century. Yet much of the history is written about men by men.

We want to balance the books and tell some stories of the 1000s of courageous, determined, smart and caring women who have lived and left a formidable footprint on the Wimmera.

We'll supply some speakers - and not the usual suspects - but want you to bring your stories of women - whether it be you, your friends or families from the distant past, for this open mic forum.

Venue: Wonwondah Hall

Date: Saturday 3 June 2-5pm

Cost: \$5.00 - includes afternoon tea

Bookings: 03 5381 0297
artis@wimmera.com.au

TASTE & SAVOUR

DINNER AT DEIRDRE'S



Located in Laharum Grove, an organic olive grove covering 300 acres, Deirdre's Restaurant is nestled beneath the dramatic Western escarpment of the Mount Difficult range in the Grampians National Park. The restaurant celebrates the seasonal diversity and quality of fresh produce from small independent growers.

As you warm up by the fire on a winter's night, allow Deirdre to walk you through a special multi-course dinner showcasing the best local produce available.

Venue: Laharum Olive Grove
1603 Winfields Road, Laharum

Date: Sunday 11 June 6:30pm
for 7pm.

Cost: \$65 Drinks from the bar. Places are limited and bookings essential. For more information contact Deirdre 0429 136 319 or deirdre@laharumgrove.com.au. Bus transport available \$25pp.

Enquiries: 03 5381 0297
artis@wimmera.com.au

NATIMUK FARMERS MARKET PLUS



Showcasing regional produce and quality local arts and craft. Enjoy live music, a sausage sizzle, crepes, coffee and more. Purchase your organic vegetables and jam, and visit the Arapiles Historical Societies Trash & Treasure and boot sale. The Natimuk youth theater will enliven the market with some street theatre.

Venue: Main St, Natimuk

Date: Sunday 11 June,
10am - 1:30pm

Enquiries: Judith Bysouth
0429 328 600

Oasis Wimmera TASTE OF THE WORLD

Oasis Wimmera is a support group for migrants in the Wimmera. "Tastes of the World" is an event where we demonstrate a dish from International cuisine. It is a great way to exchange culture and socialise, while providing the platform for families who want to show their culinary skills and hence boost their morale. This provides a social gathering where families from diverse backgrounds can come together and share their cultures and experiences. What is better for this purpose than food?



Demonstration:

Pakora (fritters) making - by
Pragya Kant

Venue: Salvation Army Kitchen,
Cnr Kalkee Rd & Lynott St, Horsham

Date: Saturday 3 June 3-5pm

Cost: Gold Coin Donation

Enquiries: oasis.wimmera@gmail.com



OUR STORY

Art Is..., Australia's premiere co-created arts festival, is community owned and run. It provides opportunities for local artists, partners, organisations, groups and individuals to influence the planning, delivery, growth and governance of the Festival, heightening the experience for the local and broader community.

Our story stems from a choice, made early in the Festival's history, to involve the community at every level of festival planning and delivery. It's about process being equally important to the product delivered. It's about our values informing our vision.

So what are our values?

With high quality art at the Festival's heart, our values guide the way we make choices and decisions:

Community participation: we actively encourage and are committed to involving and including the community in the planning, delivery, growth and governance of the Festival and its purpose of using art as a vehicle for community connection and growth.

Collaboration and partnerships: we support, coordinate and lead efforts to partner and collaborate with the community in the planning and delivery of artistic content and Festival activities.

Community leadership: we invest in people to develop their skills, expertise and experience so they can work with the Festival to lead artistic initiatives, projects and programs and create opportunities which result in a stronger community and better outcomes for all involved.



Community outcomes: we are focused on achieving positive and equitable community outcomes by being inclusive, seeking diversity in participation and providing the community with opportunities to influence all aspects of the Festival.

The voice of the Festival is the voice of every person involved with it - those organising, facilitating, imagineering, making, mending, attending and participating. It is the voice of a loud and growing community, the 'community' currently defined as those living in and around the Wimmera, including neighbouring towns and regions, local groups, organisations, businesses and individuals who share our values and want to be involved with the Festival for collective community benefit. With something for everyone (because the program has been co-created for this purpose), we look forward to involving you in this community during our 2017 Art Is... a Footprint Festival. Come and say hi!



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TIMETABLE

Date	Time	Event
2-11 June	Various	Crafting Civic Pride
2-11 June	Various	Con Kroker: Close Up
2-11 June	Various	Fabulous Beasts
2-11 June	Various	ACO Virtual
2-11 June	Various	Art Matters: Camera Obscura Incursions
3-11 June	Various	KinKniText Exhibition
Fri 2 June	10am	ACO Virtual - Meet the Exhibition
	5:30-6:30pm	Official Festival Opening
	7:30pm	Coal Miners Daughter
	8-10.30pm	Art After Dark
Sat 3 June	10am-12noon	 Photo Muster
	10am	Galleries on the Side - Walking Tour
	11am	Walking at Laharum Grove
	2:30pm	 Judging of Photo Muster
	2-5pm	Grey Matters - Sisters in Step
	3-5pm	Oasis: Taste of the World
	4pm	Official Exhibition Opening
	6pm	KinKniText Official Opening
7.30pm	Film Night	
Sun 4 June	1-4pm	 Art Play Sunday/"Journey" Performance
	1-4pm	Exhibition
	8pm	Jimeoin
Mon 5 June	10-11am	 Encounter Performance Day
	4-6pm	Knitwix
	6pm	Opening: Art Matters-Islands Exhibition



Look for "happykid" to show you family events



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Goat Gallery, Main Street Natimuk	Visual Art	17
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Tue 6 June	12-2pm	Art Matters - The Island
	2-4pm	Art Matters - NDIS Forum
	5.30-7.30pm	Art Matters - NDIS Forum
Wed 7 June	10-10.45am	 ACO Virtual Creative Play
	12-2pm	Art Matters - The Island
	4pm	Street Art Launch
	5.30-7pm	Artrageous Opening Celebration
Thur 8 Jun	9am-5pm	Artrageous Exhibition
	12-2pm	Art Matters - The Island
	4pm	 Mayor for a Day
	7pm	G.O.S Artist Dinner
Fri 9 June	9am-5pm	Artrageous Exhibition
	10am	 Kids Nature Connection
	12-2pm	Art Matters - The Island
	7-11pm	Rotary Art Fair - Official Opening
Sat 10 June	10am	Yanga Track
	10am-4pm	Rotary Art Fair
	11am	Walking at Laharum Grove
	2pm & 4pm	 Move On
	1-4pm	Exhibition
	8pm	Archie Roach
Sun 11 June	10am-1.30pm	 Natimuk Farmers Market
	10am-6pm	Rotary Art Fair
	1pm & 3pm	 Move On
	3pm	Floortalk and exhibition closing drinks
	6.30pm	Dinner at Deirdre's

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2. Jubilee Hall
3. Salvation Army
4. Art Is... Festival office
5. Post Office
6. Horsham Regional Library
7. Redrock Books & Gallery
8. Horsham Regional Art Gallery

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