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Calendar



Dance

Dance Unlimited To May 17th

Dance Unlimited is a unique chance for young people with disability in Townsville to experience the difference dance can make and shape the future of dance therapy programs across Queensland.

Dancenorth's talented Susan Van den Ham will lead classes through a range of engaging activities that can help your child: Develop their gross motor skills and balance, improve their motor planning and coordination, Increase their group and social skills, learn some funky moves that'll be sure to impress. Movement professionals will assess each participant at the beginning and end of the program, allowing them to see their progress.

For information: 1800 941 187 <mailto:info@cpl.org.au> <http://www.cpl.org.au/dance>

Cost: free

Latin Vibrations

2/70 Ingham Road, West End Townsville <http://www.latinvibrations.com.au>

0422 198 369 <mailto:iwannadance@latinvibrations.com.au>

March 31st 8pm

Dancing Through the Decades Show

This will be a night of dance and song transporting you through time. 18+ event

Venue: Tony Ireland Stadium, Riverway Townsville

Tickets: <http://www.latinvibrations.com.au>

Exhibitions

Art at Jezzine

Hut 25 Jezzine, Mitchell St, North Ward 4725 0250 <mailto:tasarts@bigpond.com>

<http://www.townsvilleartsocietyinc.org.au> Open daily 10am – 4pm

New

March 18th – April 14th

Top End Tour – Lyn Mott

This exhibition highlights the magic of the Kimberleys, Northern Territory and also includes locations of Queensland.

To be opened by Elise Edler 18th March at 2pm.

Continuing

To March 16th

Beyond the Green Door

This is an exhibition by 'Art Unleashed' - a social group of artists who gather together every Wednesday night to develop their art skills.

CityLibraries Thuringowa Central

86 Thuringowa Drive, Thuringowa Central

4773 8811 <mailto:library@townsville.qld.gov.au>

<https://www.townsville.qld.gov.au/facilities-and-recreation/libraries>

April 3rd – 9th

Queensland Picture Books: A Travelling Exhibition from the State Library of Queensland

Once upon a time, not very far away,

In a place called The Corner children came to play.

The pages of books were coming alive,

Unleashing a world where wild things thrive.

So don't delay - come gather around,

In the pages of picture books is where we'll be found.

Cost: free

Gallery 48

2/48 The Strand Townsville 4724 4898 <http://www.gallery48thestrland.com>

Open: 11am – 6pm Wednesdays and Saturdays

Continuing

To April 29th

From the Collection

This exhibition showcases artists' works selected over three decades. These works were purchased because they show an artist's creative work and include painting and digital creative visual art works.

For information: <mailto:gallery48thestrland@gmail.com>

Lounge Art by Lyn

On display are acrylic and mixed media artworks of local scenes by *Lyn Smith*. Open by appointment weekdays or Sunday's 11am – 2pm at: Indala Interior Design, 4/2 Blackwood St Townsville

For information: Lyn Smith 0407 161 592 <https://www.facebook.com/Lyn-Smith-Artist-1519041804976709/>

Museum of Tropical Queensland

70 – 102 Flinders St, Townsville 4726 0600 <http://www.mtq.qm.qld.gov.au>

Open daily 9.30am – 5pm

Discounted prices for Townsville locals – proof of residency required.

Permanent exhibitions showcase aspects of the natural and cultural heritage of North Queensland.

Continuing

To April 30th

A Place to Call Home? Migrant Hostel Memories

Snakes in the laundry, dreary meals of mutton and a British reluctance to shower are just some of the memories shared in the Museum of Tropical Queensland's latest exhibition, *A Place to Call*

Home? Migrant hostel memories, a national touring exhibition developed and presented by the National Archives of Australia.

The exhibition also shares memories from the local Stuart migrant camp and highlights the emotion and culture shock that resulted from crossing the world in hope of a new life after World War II.

To May 28th

The Time of Their Lives

The new display now on at the Museum of Tropical Queensland titled *The Time of their Lives* focuses on life in Charters Towers from 1890- 1950. The display introduces us to schooling, playtime, musical entertainment and sport from that time and what it was like growing up in a regional, outback community.

The display was developed by the Zara Clark Museum, the Dalrymple Archives Group and the Queensland Museum (MTQ).

Normal admission applies. Entry is free for MyMuseum members.

To July 9th 2017

Dinosaur Discovery: Lost Creatures of the Cretaceous

Do you dare roam with dinosaurs? Do you know your *Australovenator* from your *Amargasaurus*, your *Spinosaurus* from your *Styracosaurus*?

Dinosaur Discovery: Lost Creatures of the Cretaceous gives you a chance to experience life on earth 145 million years ago.

Featuring a herd of animated, life-size dinosaur models, including the fearsome *T. rex*, and Queensland's very own *Muttaburrasaurus*, *Dinosaur Discovery: Lost Creatures of the Cretaceous* will transport you back millions of years to when dinosaurs ruled the earth.

Get up close with these titans of the Cretaceous and see first-hand how they moved, roared, gnashed and bellowed.

Each dinosaur has been made to scientific specifications to capture the real look, feel, sound and movement of these magnificent creatures, giving you a close up look at some of the most extraordinary creatures to have ever walked the earth.

Entry to this exhibition is included with general admission tickets.

Cost: Townsville locals; prices: \$7.50 / \$5.50 / \$4.40; family (2a + 2c) \$19

Perc Tucker Regional Gallery

Cnr Flinders & Denham Streets, CBD

4727 9011 <mailto:ptrg@townsville.qld.gov.au>

<https://www.townsville.qld.gov.au/facilities-and-recreation/theatres-and-galleries/perc-tucker-regional-gallery>

Open 10am – 5pm Monday – Friday; 10am – 2pm Saturday – Sunday

Tour the Galleries

Visit the Galleries with your community group or social club!

Perc Tucker Regional Gallery and Pinnacles Gallery offer free guided tours of current exhibitions to community groups and social clubs. This is a great way to spend the day with friends, learn about art and history and enjoy a nice morning or afternoon tea in the intimate Gallery environment. Visits can be catered to your groups needs and may include hands-on demonstrations, talks or workshops.

Monthly organised visits are strongly encouraged; however one-off tours are also welcome.

Afternoon tea may require a small donation for food.

For more information or to book a visit, contact Gallery Services 4727 9011.

Friends of the Galleries

For information: 4727 9011

<https://www.townsville.qld.gov.au/facilities-and-recreation/theatres-and-galleries/perc-tucker-regional-gallery/friends-of-the-galleries>

Friends enjoy many benefits through their association such as:

- Friends of the Gallery membership card and welcome pack
- preferential booking to the Galleries' annual program of workshops, lectures and social events
- exclusive members-only events
- complimentary copies of Gallery publications
- discounted exhibition admission fees (where applicable)
- exclusive email updates
- 10% discount at the Gallery Shop
- 10% discount on artwork purchases from Perc Tucker Regional Gallery and Pinnacles Gallery

- reciprocal member benefits with other participating regional, state and national cultural institutions upon showing your Friends of the Galleries membership card
- even more discounts and special privileges with selected partner organisations and retailers upon showing your Friends of the Galleries membership card

New

March 24th – April 23rd

Tranquility or Illusion

A moment of magic, often given by great photographers, offers insight to the voice of the sea, the intricacy of nature, and the complexity of living creatures. This exhibition shares these fleeting moments of our world. The ocean, symbolising a great journey, is the central image of this exhibition, which is now under threat of climate change.

March 24th – May 28th

Resolution: New Indigenous Photomedia

This exhibition brings together works from some of Australia's leading and emerging Indigenous artists made over the last five years. Featuring still photographs made using modern and historical processes, video and multimedia installation, the exhibition provides an experience of contemporary photomedia and indigeneity that is physical, embodied and thought-provoking.

Continuing

To March 19th

Indo Pop: Indonesian Art from APT7

Indo Pop: Indonesian Art from APT7 presents a group of artists who were a central feature of QAGOMA's flagship 2012 exhibition, *The 7th Asia Pacific Triennial of Contemporary Art*. These works join the state's pioneering collection of contemporary Indonesian art, and builds on the strong relationship we maintain with one of our closest neighbours.

To March 23rd

Humble Beginnings (Showing in the Vault Shop)

Aicey Zaro is a well-known Ayr artist of the Birri Gubba and Meriam Mer peoples whose unique and distinctive quality can be found in each work he makes. Whether creating acrylic paintings or hand painted silks and ceramics; each piece reflects Aicey's knowledge and love of North Queensland's flora and fauna.

To March 26th

Dark Allure: wearable art and objets d'art

this collaborative exhibition showcases local artists Sabine Carter and Jeanette Hutchinson's eclectic assortment of hand crafted objects and wearable art, designed with predominately recycled materials.

To April 16th

Awesome Achievers: Stories from Australians of the Year

An inspiring array of talent, passion and achievement – with many examples of triumph over adversity – is celebrated in this exhibition. *Awesome Achievers: Stories from Australians of the Year* has been developed specifically as a National Portrait Gallery touring exhibition to regional Australia, with major portraits drawn from the NPG collection and supplemented with works from private and institutional sources.

This exhibition is supported by the National Collecting Institutions Touring and Outreach Program, an Australian Government program aiming to improve access to the national collections for all Australians.

Pinnacles Gallery

Riverway Arts Centre, Thuringowa Central

4773 8871 Fax 4723 0282 <mailto:pinnacles@townsville.qld.gov.au>

<https://www.townsville.qld.gov.au/facilities-and-recreation/theatres-and-galleries/pinnacles-gallery>

Open: 10am – 5pm Tuesday – Sunday

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To April 30th

Remember Me: The Lost Diggers of Vignacourt

During the First World War, the small French town of Vignacourt was always behind the allied front lines. It was used as a staging point, casualty clearing station and recreation area for the troops moving to and from the battlefields on the Somme. For them, it became a home away from home. In February 2011, over 3,000 glass-plate photographic negatives were discovered in the attic of a farmhouse in Vignacourt. They are informal photographs, taken by French couple Louis and Antoinette Thuillier, of allied soldiers, many of them Australian, during their time in Vignacourt.
An Australian War Memorial Travelling Exhibition

RAAF Townsville Aviation Heritage Centre 47521712

RAAF Base, Ingham Road Townsville

Open Tuesday and Thursday 9.00am to noon, Sunday 10 am to 3pm

Major Exhibition: **No.1 Wireless Unit**, a showcase of the military life of the Japanese (Kana Code) communications code breakers in Townsville and the significant incidents which led to the defeat of Japan.

Sylvia Ditchburn Fine Art Gallery

Shop 7 Metro Quays 86 Ogden Street, Townsville 4724 3953 0419 790 245

<mailto:sylviaditchburnart@icloud.com> <http://www.sylviaditchburnfineartgallery.com>

<http://www.sylviaditchburn.com> Open: 10am – 4pm Tuesday to Friday; 10am – 1pm Sunday

Continuing

To April 6th

Current Exhibition: Work from the Stock Room by Sylvia and local artists

Profile Window Show: Reflections - framed photographs by Marilyn Griffin

Archival prints on canvas of Townsville's early architecture and landscape, plus unframed originals; merchandise, reproductions, objects d'art and more.

New

April 7th – 30th

All creatures Great and Small

Themed group show with a focus on Ozzie native wild life also creatures you love e.g. cats, dogs, feathered fowl or beasts No humans. Works can consist of quirky and fun miniature from 10 x 10 to no larger than 100 x 100cm.

Entry forms are available at the Gallery in Ogden St, can be downloaded from

www.sylviaditchburnfineartgallery.com or by contacting sylviaditchburnart@icloud.com

The completed entries are to be received by Sunday 26 March 2007.

For information: <http://www.sylviaditchburnfineartgallery.com>

Opening: April 7th 6pm

The Drill Hall Studio

27 Mitchell St North Ward 4721 2634 Open 7 days

0418 750 854 <mailto:sue@thedrillhallstudio.com.au> <http://www.thedrillhallstudio.com.au>

Open weekdays 9am – 5pm, weekends 9am – 4pm (Closed Easter weekend)

New

March 20th – April 25th

Raw – Kath Cornwall

RAW is an exploration into the effects that war has on soldiers. In this poignant and powerful portrait exhibition, Kathy has captured the emotion and vulnerability, as well as the strength and dignity of military personnel over multiple wars, experiences and injuries.

Opening: March 20th 6.30pm

TYTO Regional Art Gallery

73 – 75 McIlwraith St, TYTO Wetlands Precinct, Ingham

4776 4725 <mailto:gallery@hinchinbrook.qld.gov.au>

<http://www.tyto.com.au/gallery>

Open 10am – 4pm daily

Continuing

To April 2nd

Dual Exhibition –

'Senses & Soul of Place' – Dr Barbara Cheshire

'On the Wild Side' – wildlife artist Daryl Dickson

This dual exhibition showcases the works of visual artist and educator Dr Barbara Cheshire from Townsville and Wildlife Artist Daryl Dickson from Cardwell. 'Sense and Soul of Place' is described by Dr Cheshire: To apply an ecological approach, we should look at a place as an interdependent system, as a network of relationships, and we should recognize that we are not just there as observers, but as part of that system; this doesn't mean at the centre of the system but as a part of the whole, in a web of interdependence with it. By looking at this work, I would like to think the viewer might experience the influence that the combination of an ecological, sensory and spiritual interdependence with place has had on the creation of these art pieces.

'On the Wild Side' is a collection of Daryl Dickson's watercolour, pencil, gouache and acrylic fine art works depicting the beauty and uniqueness of the precious Australian flora and fauna. Daryl is an avid conservationist and shares her work with the community 'in the hope that we will care for it and conserve it for generations to come'.

New

April 7th – 30th

The Matchbox Show

It's back! This miniature ceramic exhibition first adorned the TYTO Regional Art Gallery in 2013 and was so popular it has returned for a second showing.

The Matchbox Show is a collection of miniature artworks housed in matchboxes. Matchbox art is created by people who have a passion for ceramic art, from professionals to novices, providing access and portability to this ancient art form. Over the last three years, The Matchbox Show has grown from a small collection of 130 to over 800 works. Artwork has been created during workshops and held at exhibitions and events throughout Australia. Today, matchbox art is arriving from around the world, and we aim to grow the collection to share this unique installation with as many people as we can. Some of Australia's - and the world's - most talented ceramic artists have contributed alongside people who just enjoy creating something unique to add to the collection. This is a fun, quirky, vibrant dual exhibition that is not to be missed.

Umbrella Studio of Contemporary Arts – Gallery and Studio

482 Flinders St, Townsville Open: 9am - 5pm (Monday – Friday), 9am – 1pm (Sunday)

4772 7109 <http://umbrella.org.au/>

New

March 10th – April 16th

Life after NYC

Life drawing (drawing the human form in its various postures) has been practiced by humans from prehistory to the present largely driven by the ideologies or purposes of the times. Since the 16th century it has been an integral, even principal discipline of art practice. As such, completion of a life drawing marathon at the New York Studio School is a mandatory component of its Master's Program since its inception in 1988. Marathons are held a number of times during the year, and involve ten consecutive twelve hour days of intensive drawing of the model/s. Rob Douma and Donna Foley each completed a marathon in 2016. Whilst the realities of each were a positive experience, they came away with quite different perspectives perhaps shaped by their personal life experiences

possibly predisposed by gender. Their exhibition *Life After NYC* explores themes in common from their unique perspectives augmented by supplementary expressions of difference.

Opening: March 10th 6pm

March 10th – April 16th

Commitment

Paul Mumme's latest exhibition brings together a new series of video performance works and photographic works, manipulating and subverting the performative, symbolic and utilitarian aspects of hands in order to gesture at issues of the human condition.

Opening: March 10th 6pm

March 10th – April 16th

Suburban Savagery

An exhibition by Al Green

Suburban savagery, one photographer's statement on the scourge of family violence.

Opening: March 10th 6pm

Festivals & Special Events

International Women's Day Celebrations

March 11th – 12th

Saturday, 11th March - come along for some entertainment, food, workshops and demonstrations.

Saturday 4 – 10pm: music, entertainment, food, a celebration of women. Performances by The Vertigals Ariel Silks, Band of Dawn, Nomadica, Drumbumba, and Woodenbong fire tribe plus more.

Sunday, 12th March 10 am – 2pm: Women's Health and Wellbeing day, Workshops, Yoga, KaHuna massage, drumming, hoola hoops, food, stalls, busking,

Venue: Old Courthouse and the Perfumed Garden, Cnr Stokes and Sturt Streets Townsville

For information: 0466 711 985 <mailto:jacqueline.bisson@gmail.com> <http://intwd.online>

Cost: free

Sunday Sundown at the Village

March 26th – November 26th 3 – 5pm

(Every month on the last Sunday of the month)

This is an afternoon of activities, chilled sounds and relaxation in the picturesque riverside park.

Activities include:

- Yoga sessions
- Drum circles
- Art and craft
- Circus training

Venue: Wes Barrett Park, Riveredge Boulevard Oonoonba 1300 650 689

For information: 1300 650 689 <mailto:rachel.cook@dilgp.qld.gov.au>

World Science Festival Brisbane Townsville Regional Tour

March 26th – 27th

In March 2017, the World Science Festival Brisbane will once again bring together the world's best thought leaders to produce a stunning program of live and digital content that connects Asia-Pacific audiences of all ages with the concepts, challenges, discoveries and advancements that are shaping our world. The Festival's regional program in 2017 will again provide Queensland communities the opportunity to get involved locally in the World Science Festival Brisbane. Programs designed to engage community members in stimulating and inspiring experiences, will be unique to each location, and will offer a selection of STEM-related activities such as discussions with leading scientists, workshops, hands-on activities or visual displays. The World Science Festival Brisbane regional program is presented by the Queensland Museum and the Queensland Government, in partnership with Tourism and Events Queensland with proud support from their community partner QGC

Venue: Museum of Tropical Queensland, 70 – 102 Flinders Street Townsville

For information: 4726 0600

Youthfest 2017

April 1st 3pm

Youthfest returns in 2017 bringing together some of your favourite events from National Youth Week including Rainbow Fair Day, Operation X and the Launch Event. So join us at Murray Sporting Complex on Saturday 1 April for a Skate Comp, Drag Shows, Battle of the Bands, Art Exhibition, Workshops and more. Venue: Murray Sporting Complex, Murray Lyons Crescent Annandale
For information: 0408 635 998 <mailto:youthfest@theyouthnetworking.org.au>
<http://www.theyouthnetworking.org.au/>

10 Days in the Towers

April 21st – 30th

The 10 Days in The Towers Festival brings the historic North Queensland town of Charters Towers to life in a very unique way.

Staged during April each year, 10 Days in The Towers is a celebration of many things. To the fore is the sound of country music which can be heard daily in the town's many hotel bars and on the streets of the central business district as the popular buskers entertain shoppers and passers-by. But the 10 Days in The Towers is not only a country music festival - it is so much more than that. Locals and visitors also enjoy line dancing, bush poetry, talent quests, street procession, busking competition, ghost tales and historic tours during the period of the festival which also includes the Dust N Gold Rodeo and the Country Music Festival. For information: 4761 5515

Charters Towers Country Music Festival

April 28th – 30th

A weekend of Country Music at its finest - 2017 will mark the festival's 40th year, the Charters Towers Country Music Festival appeals to all ages - young and old. The festival offers both an amateur Talent Quest that has seen the likes of Samantha McClymont, Brendan Walmsley, Anthony Taylor and Judah Kelly compete and win prizes; and professional live shows in the evenings of the three day event.

Venue: Mary Street Charters Towers

For information: 0418 717 669

Melbourne International Comedy Festival Roadshow – Townsville

April 29th – 30th

With an all-killer, no-filler cast of Australian stars, talented newcomers and international performers they've got all your comedy bases covered. Featuring everything from stand-up to sketch, slapstick to song, each individual line-up presents the best of the Festival in one hilarious show. Every year their cast of intrepid entertainers boards the bus and set their sights on over 80 destinations across this great Southern land. No road is left untraveled and no sides are left un-split, from Darwin to Devonport and everywhere in between!

For information: <http://www.ticketshop.com.au> 4727 9797

North Queensland Festival of One Act Plays

May 5th – 7th

Celebrating 25 years! The annual North Queensland Festival of One Act Plays provides amateur actors and directors an opportunity to produce a quality theatre for the enjoyment of live audiences, and to receive feedback from industry professionals through the adjudication process. You'll enjoy everything from comedy and drama, experimental to the absolutely absurd. Multiple ticket types are available so that you can create your own experience!

For information: <http://www.ticketshop.com.au> 4727 9797

Spirit and Soul Festival

May 7th

A day to explore and experience a wide range of holistic and natural therapies:

Treat yourself to a massage, reflexology or reiki treatment.

Seek guidance from the spirit side with clairvoyant, tarot and angel readings.

Browse market stalls offering a variety of products including essential oils, crystals, new age products, jewellery and clothing.

Venue: 37 Thorntons Gap Road Hervey Range

For information: 4778 0199

Banff Mountain Film Festival 2017

May 12th 7 – 9.50pm

Presented by Adventure Reels:

The Banff Mountain Film Festival World Tour presents over 2.5 hours of the most enthralling mountain adventure films that will have you planning your next adventure before the credits roll.

Featuring a selection of short films from the week-long Banff Mountain Film Festival in the Canadian Rockies, the Australian tour includes captivating short films shot in some of the most wild and remote corners of the world.

Audiences will experience incredible highs and agonising lows through the lenses of some of the most accomplished climbers, paddlers, skiers, snowboarders, mountaineers, mountain bikers, explorers and adventure filmmakers alive today.

For information: <http://banffaustralia.com.au/>

Heritage Day

May 21st 10am – 2pm

Heritage Day returns to West End Park in 2017!

Take a ride on a vintage Chevy bus, enjoy the live entertainment and experience guided tours through the historic cemetery. There will also be loads of historic information displays and plenty to keep the kids entertained including:

- Free amusements
- Free face painting
- Free fairy-floss

Food and Drink will be available for sale - ensure you bring cash as no ATM facilities will be available.

* This is a family friendly, smoke and alcohol free event.

Venue: West End Park, 63 Ingham Road West End

For information: 1300 878 001

Townsville Fashion Festival

May 25th – 28th

Designers from across Queensland take part and embrace the North Queensland culture through runway, fashion, food and entertainment. The extremely creative team of designers, hair and makeup artists will produce work of a caliber that would not be out of place on a national fashion runway event. Fine food, drinks and entertainment are the support acts to a night of glamour on the runway.

Wearable art designs from the regions schools will also be showcased on the runway exploring the talented youth of the region.

Showcasing style, creativity and passion, the Townsville Fashion Festival engages all facets of the creative industries including retail, design, manufacturing, hair and beauty, photography, venues, restaurants and media. The aim is to profile, celebrate, encourage and support the established and emerging local fashion industry. The Townsville Fashion Festival is now the only fashion festival to be held in Queensland in 2017 and is expected to attract a state-wide audience.

For information: 0418 779 728

Savannah Festival of Stories – CityLibraries Townsville Literary Festival

May 25th – 28th

Be inspired by some of Australia's most iconic and award winning authors. Get creative with story writing, zine creation, ochre painting, bush tucker tasting, and 80's roller-skate disco, Q&A's and book a session with a literacy agent and pitch your own work.

For information: 1300 878 001

Townsville Eco Fiesta

June 4th

Eco Fiesta is a free event that assists the community in becoming more environmentally conscious. There will be a wide range of exhibitors, live entertainment and the JCU Education Hub to provide you with ideas, advice and inspiration!

Why not offset your carbon footprint by making a gold coin donation when you enter Eco Fiesta? All donations are distributed and presented to environmentally-focused non-profit organisations at the following year's event.

For information: 1300 878 001

Cairns Indigenous Art Fair

July 14th – 16th

CIAF is committed to strengthening and celebrating culture, creating professional development opportunities for artists, and cultural exchange between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders and visitors.

CIAF is focused on offering an ethical art market place, attracting national and international collectors and curators, commissioning new work and providing pathways for emerging visual and performance artists.

For information: <http://ciaf.com.au>

Australian Concert & Vocal Competition

July 21st – 25th

The internationally recognized ACVC is held annually in Townsville over five days during July. It attracts outstanding musicians from around the world who perform works from concerto and opera repertoire with professional accompanists.

For information: <http://www.acvc.com.au>

North Queensland Pop Up Festival

July 28th – August 5th

Experience Townsville's tropics transformed into a bustling hub of creativity at the North Queensland Pop Up Festival. They've worked with landlords and businesses in the main city street to offer space to artists and other creatives to take them over for nine days.

Visit an exhibition or take part in a workshop while you're there to get the most from your experience. Drop in to see and artist work in an open studio, or hear them speak about their work in an artist talk. The Pop Up festival features local, national and international artists - something for everyone.

Venue: Umbrella Studio, 482 Flinders Street Townsville

For information: 4772 7109

Australian Festival of Chamber Music

July 28th – August 5th

The Australian Festival of Chamber Music presents the finest musicians from around the world in a wonderfully unique and innovative nine day program of 30 concerts set in the tropical warmth of Townsville, North Queensland.

The Festival has been delighting audiences for 26 years and has earned a reputation for the quality of its programming and performances along with its friendly, intimate and relaxed atmosphere. There is truly nothing else like it in the world - the unique combination of music, warmth and tropical location create a special atmosphere that entices audiences and artists back year after year.

For information: 4771 4144

Strand Ephemera 2017: The North's Sculpture Festival

July 28th – August 6th

Beginning in 2001, 'Strand Ephemera' has developed to be a locally loved, nationally significant outdoor sculpture festival. The event has grown from within the community, with the support of collaborating partners, and in 2015 attracted over 138,000 visitors.

'Strand Ephemera' is a free event and presents a spectrum of work from the popular to the conceptually demanding, and attracts national and international works, while also providing opportunities for regional artists.

2017 will be the biggest and best 'Strand Ephemera' in the history of the event, featuring an exhibition of site-specific works chosen from a nation-wide call for artists; a curated selection of contemporary works by leading Australian and international artists; and a range of musical and theatre performances.

Visitors can engage with 'Strand Ephemera' in a range of ways that go beyond viewing the range of artworks on display, including a range of art workshops, guided tours, and taking part in the photographic competitions.

For information: 4727 9011

Townsville Cultural Fest

August 1st – 31st

The Townsville Cultural Festival is a not-for-profit community festival organised by the Townsville Intercultural Centre. The festival showcases the diversity of Australian music, food, arts and culture, bringing tens of thousands of people together each year in celebration of life itself. From Wednesday 17 to Sunday 21 August over 150 performing groups will offering everything from folk, blues, hip-hop and punk, to Indigenous Australian music and dance, drum circles, fire shows, cabaret, poetry, theatre and traditional dance groups from around the world.

This year the JCU sponsored Centre of Learning will host workshops, lectures, discussion panels, theatre shows and the Townsville heat of the National Poetry Slam competition. The Wonky Queenslander will host DJ sets, solo sets as well as workshops and yoga classes. Over 100 food and market stalls from around the world, will offer arts and crafts, cuisines, fashion and produce, and around the grounds you will find art features, interactive games, roving performers, show rides, yarning circle, henna tattoo stalls and gypsy fortune tellers. Join us in this celebration of Unity in Diversity. Tickets will be on sale June 15.

Venue: 1 James Cook Drive Douglas

For information: 4772 4800

Australian Italian Festival

August 5th – 6th

The Australian Italian Festival is an authentic Italian cultural event held on the first weekend of August in Ingham, North Queensland. The Festival is staged at the award-winning TYTO Precinct, off the Bruce Highway, 500 metres from Ingham's Central Business District.

For the space of the two day Carnival, the area is transformed into a huge piazza with nonstop world-class entertainment on two stages. Guests gain access to homemade, mouth-watering Italian food and wine, cooking demonstrations, displays, competitions, free amusement rides, market stalls and much more. The atmosphere, the food and the excitement all come together to give you the experience of walking into a festival in Italy.

Venue: 73/75 McIlwraith Street Ingham

For information: 4776 5288

Great Barrier Reef Film Festival

September 8th – 10th

It's going to be a fun-filled weekend of film at the Great Barrier Reef Film Festival.

Film Trivia Night, Feature Films, Film Industry Forums and Workshops, Kids Film Workshops and more!

Discount passes available! Travelling from Townsville? They have a Friday Night Pass, Saturday Pass and a Weekend Pass that are all at discounted prices, and include a return ferry trip.

Venue: 7 Marine Parade Magnetic Island

For information: 4778 5646 / 0413 809 765

Ingham Maraka Festival

October 7th – 28th

Ingham Maraka Festival will feature steam train rides, cocktail night, Try-Athlon, rock and roll dinner dance, afternoon tea, pet parade, float procession, finishing with entertainment and fireworks in Rotary Park.

For information: 4776 2066

Towers Rush

October 29th

This year you'll participate in an Amazing Race style treasure hunt in Charters Towers where you will race to checkpoints and complete challenges to gain points. Be the team with the most points at the end of the race to take out the title at Towers Rush 2017.

Be part of the event which has captivated the community and led competitors to abseil heritage buildings, constructing food masterpieces, paddling the river, completing puzzles and challenges and more.

For information: 4761 5515

Stable on the Strand

December 18th – 22nd

Townsville's Christmas Festival, Stable on the Strand, celebrates its 16th birthday in 2017 at Townsville's premier event location, Strand Park.

Stable on the Strand is one of Australia's most spectacular Christmas events, delighting crowds of 40,000 people over five nights as Christmas is shared with story, song and festivity.

Stable on the Strand 2017 will feature the Town of Bethlehem: the story of the birth of Jesus told interactively using live actors as wise men, shepherds, Roman soldiers, King Herod, and of course Mary, Joseph and baby Jesus; camels, chickens, goats, sheep, and a donkey for children to pat; huge carousel in the Stable Village; fabulous youth program; great children's activities; amazing entertainment on the Main Stage with local and guest artists; hospitality areas: enjoy the ambience of Stable on the Strand while enjoying free tea, coffee and Christmas Cake. Entry is free.

Venue: The Strand Townsville

For information: 4774 4542 / 0411 756 273

Other Australian Festivals

<http://australia.gov.au/about-australia/australian-story/festivals-in-australia>

Markets

Alligator Creek Lions Markets

March 18th 8am – midday

Markets will be held on the third Saturday of the month (March - November) from 8am to 12noon at the Caltex Roadhouse on the Bruce Highway, 1 Allendale Drive Alligator Creek. Free Parking.

For market enquiries or stall bookings contact Danielle on 0438 947 536.

Balgol Beach Markets

First Saturday of the month 8am – 1pm
Fisherman's Landing, Beachside Balgal Beach Rollingstone
For information: <https://www.facebook.com/balgalbeachmarket/>

Bluewater Community Centre Twilight Markets

Second Saturday of each month 4pm – 8pm
Bluewater Community Hall, Forestry Road Bluewater
For information: <mailto:bluewtr@bigpond.net.au> 4788 6193

Carlyle Gardens Arts & Crafts Market

First Saturday of the month 9am – 12noon
Carlyle Gardens Retirement Village, 60 Beck Drive North, Condon
For information: <https://www.facebook.com/CGcraftmarket/?fref=ts>

Castle Hill PCYC Sunday Markets

Every Sunday 7am – 11am
Castle Hill PCYC, Cnr Hugh & Harold Streets Garbutt

Cotters Market

Every Sunday 8.30am – 1pm
Flinders Street (between Stanley Street and Denham Street) Townsville
For information: <http://www.townsvillerotarymarkets.com.au>

Horseshoe Bay Markets

Second and last Sunday of the month 9am – 2pm
Horseshoe Bay foreshore, Magnetic Island
For information: <https://www.facebook.com/Magnetic-Island-Markets-224990557646899/?fref=ts>

Label Traders Market

Third Sunday of the month 8am – 12pm
Vintage, recycled and designer market
Mundingburra State School, 77 Ross River Road, Mundingburra
For information: <https://www.facebook.com/labeltraderstownsville>

Magnetic Island RSL Night Markets

Weekly Friday 5.30 – 8pm
Magnetic Island RSL Hall, Arcadia

North Shore Markets

Weekly Saturday 7am – 12.30pm
Main Street, North Shore Town Square
For information: <http://www.northshoremakret.net.au>
<https://www.facebook.com/NorthShoreMarkets/>

Renegade Handmade Market

March 12th, April 9th 8am – 1pm
Second Sunday of the month 8am – 1pm
Marian School, 140 Corcoran St Currajong
For information: <https://www.facebook.com/morethanamarket/?fref=ts>

Riverway Moonlight Markets

Third Friday of the month (May to December) 5 – 9pm
Indulge in the moonlight/fairy lights themed Riverway Moonlight Markets every third Friday of the Month between May and December where Riverway comes to live from 5pm.
Kick off your weekend with dinner at the outdoor eatery and enjoy culinary delights from around the globe while listening to world class musicians.
Enjoy the live music, food stalls, arts, craft, jewellery, home wares, exotic items, designer fashions, home baking, fresh produce and much more.
Venue: Riverway Complex, 20 Village Boulevard Thuringowa Central
For information: <http://www.townsvillerotarymarkets.com.au>

Strand Night Markets

First Friday of the month 5 – 9.30pm
Strand Park, the Strand North Ward
For information: <http://www.townsvillerotarymarkets.com.au>

Upper Ross Community Markets

First Saturday of the month 3 – 6pm
Apex Park, Riverway Drive Rasmussen
For information: <https://www.facebook.com/upperrosscommunitymarkets>

Willows Rotary Markets

Weekly Sundays 7.30am – 11.30am
Willows Shopping Centre, Thuringowa
For information: <http://www.townsvillerotarymarkets.com.au>

Film

Artgaze Screenings 2017

The Old Courthouse Theatre, 81-99 Sturt Street Townsville
<http://www.artgazemagazine.com>
Doors/Bar open 6.30pm includes interval. Cash Bar Only. 3 month film club membership available on door \$15

March 17th

RackGaki 7.30pm

This is a short doco of footage of graffiti being created. Set to a soundtrack by some of Japan's leading Trip-Hop artists, the viewer is fully immersed in the subculture that is Japanese graffiti. Presented by local Artist Shane Keen - 20 minutes

Following at 9.00pm is the feature film **The City of Lost Children** (French: La cité des enfants perdus) is a 1995 French-German-Spanish science fantasy drama film directed by Marc Caro and Jean-Pierre Jeunet and starring Ron Perlman. A scientist in a surrealist society kidnaps children to steal their dreams, hoping that they slow his aging process.

The film's costumes are notably by Jean Paul Gaultier, who is also known for directing Amélie. The film is widely regarded as a steampunk film as the typical stylistic features of arcane machinery are pervasive throughout. The music score was composed by Angelo Badalamenti.

Presented by local theatre Director Todd Barty - Rated M |112 minutes.

Riverway Movie Night

Riverway, 20 Village Boulevard Thuringowa 1300 878 001

March 17th 7.15pm

The Jungle Book

From the director of Iron Man, based on Rudyard Kipling's timeless stories, The Jungle Book tells the epic story of Mowgli the Man Cub, a boy raised by wolves in the jungle. Follow his escape from Shere Khan the tiger and his adventures with the other forest animals, all while enjoying a dip in Riverway Lagoons.

Venue: Riverway Lagoon, 20 Village Boulevard Condon

Cost: free

Mountainfilm on Tour - Townsville

March 14th 7 – 10pm

Telluride Mountainfilm is a festival of films, people, stories and ideas that celebrates indomitable spirit, educates and inspires audiences and motivates individuals and communities to advance solutions for a liveable world. Mountainfilm travels year-round and worldwide with a selection of current and best-loved films from the annual festival in Telluride, and in 2017 the tour will run through Australia and New Zealand for the first time. Audiences will experience a series of high energy films that are based around a narrative that follows the journey of adventure.

Presented by Aspire Outdoor.

For information: <mailto:team@aspireoutdoor.com> <http://www.mountainfilmtour-aunz.com/>

Cost: \$33.80 / \$27.80 / family (2ad + 2ch) \$111.20

Venue: Townsville Civic Theatre, 41 Boundary Street South Townsville

Townsville Cinema Group

<mailto:info@cinemagroup.org.au> <http://www.cinemagroup.org.au>

For information: 4779 2815 Bruce Gibson-Wilde; 0417 762 363 Bill White
Screenings at Warrina Cineplex 164 Dalrymple Rd Currajong from 7.15pm
Cost: \$13 non-members per screening; \$90 members annual subscription

March 23rd 7.15pm

The Second Mother

A hard working live-in housekeeper cares for all her wealthy employers' needs. When her estranged daughter arrives, the unspoken but intrinsic class barriers within the home are thrown into disarray.
2015 Brazil 112min M

Julieta

Julieta and her daughter both suffer in silence over the loss of Julieta's husband. Grief doesn't bring them closer, it drives them apart. When daughter abandons mother without explanation, Julieta looks for her in every possible way.
2016 Spain 99min M

April 6th 7.15pm

Rosalie Blum

Vincent knows his life by heart – but life sometimes surprises.
When he meets Rosalie Blum, everything will change as he discovers a cast of fantastic characters.
2015 France 95min M

Elle

Heading up a video game company Michele brings the same ruthless attitude to love as to business. Attacked by an unknown assailant, she resolutely tracks the man down. They are drawn into a thrilling game – one that may spiral out of control.
2016 France, Germany, Belgium 130min MA15+

Townsville Classic Films

<mailto:townsvilleclassicfilms@live.com> <http://www.townsvilleclassicfilms.com.au>
<https://www.facebook.com/Townsville.Classic.Films/?fref=ts>

School of Arts Theatre, Cnr Walker & Stanley Sts, Townsville
See website for membership details.

March 26th 7pm (at Café Nova)

Mystery Musical (1950's)

A mystery musical - a Broadway hit which was adapted for the screen in the 1950's
Musical/ Drama/ Comedy Rated: G 101 Mins

Music

4th Sunday Folk Music

4789 1897 or 0427 351 273 Dave & Sue 4 Kawana Court, Kelso.

The group meets on the fourth Sunday of each month (except December) at 2pm and has an emphasis on but not restricted to Australian produced folk music, song and poetry.

Australian Festival of Chamber Music

4771 4144 Level 1 Breakwater Terminal, Sir Leslie Thies Dr, Townsville

<mailto:info@afcm.com.au> <http://www.afcm.com.au>
<https://www.facebook.com/australianfestivalofchambermusic>

March 29th 7pm

An Evening with Piers Lane

For one night only, AFCM Artistic Director and internationally acclaimed pianist Piers Lane will perform a one-hour solo recital in Townsville. Piers is in great demand around the world as a soloist and collaborative artist and for this very special concert he will play a beautiful program of Chopin by Candlelight in the atmospheric St James' Cathedral.

Venue: St James Cathedral, 36 Cleveland Terrace Townsville

For information: 4727 9797 TicketShop <mailto:ticketshop@townsville.qld.gov.au>

Cost: \$45 / \$42.50 /\$40

Barrier Reef Orchestra Concert

March 12th 5pm

Bohemian Classics

The Barrier Reef Orchestra's first concert for 2017 is *Bohemian Classics*.

The conductor is Mark Shiell from Victoria. Mark has been a guest conductor in previous years and this year he will be conducting three main concerts.

This concert will include music by Dvorak, Brahms, Bartok and Enescu.

Venue: Townsville Civic Theatre, 41 Boundary Street Townsville

Tickets are available from Ticketshop 47279797 or online.

Cost: \$38 / \$34, NQE members \$32, student \$15.

Full Moon Drum Circle

March 11th 6 – 7.30pm

The Full Moon Drum Circle is a community gathering of people making in-the-moment music on drums and percussion instruments. The event happens on the Saturday night closest to the night of the full moon. All instruments are provided and no experience is required.

All welcome to join in the magic of the Full Moon Drum Circle. The full Moon Drum Circle is sponsored by the Townsville City Council

Venue: The Strand Amphitheatre

For information: Alex 0414 803 666; <http://www.therhythmconnection.com>

Cost: Free

Rufus

February 25th 4pm

After impressing audiences at some of the world's biggest festivals and lapping the globe 2x over, RÜFÜS are coming home for summer and their most expansive Australian tour yet. The band are marking the one year anniversary of their gold accredited #1 album, BLOOM, by taking their world class live show to all the places they missed the first time around. These will be their last Australian shows before the band take time off to write new music. Do not miss out...

This is an 18+ event.

Venue: Shamrock Hotel, 31 Palmer Street South Townsville

For information: 4771 4531 <http://tickets.oztix.com.au/?Event=67785>

Cost: \$61.20

Saturday Concerts at St James

St James Cathedral holds concerts on the first Saturday of every month between March and November.

Venue: St James Cathedral, Denham St Townsville Qld 4810

For information: St James Cathedral 4771 2247

Cost: Donations welcome

The Living End 'Staring Down the Highway' Tour – Townsville

March 24th 7.30pm

Originally from Melbourne, the band has achieved major success in both the US and UK with various accolades and six albums under their belt. These regional shows will see the band play a series of mediums-sized venues and clubs, allowing fans the chance to see them play some of their most intimate shows in years. They will be supported by Australia's premier Psychedelic Reggae Ska Doom Metal Punk Rock band From Hell and triple j faves The Bennies, who will bring a whole-new brand of punk rock energy and exuberance to the stage. 18+ event

Venue: The Dalrymple Hotel, 310 Bayswater Road Garbutt

For information: 4779 6344 <https://www.dalrymplehotel.com.au>

<http://www.moshtix.com.au/v2/event/the-living-end/91165>

Cost: \$49

The North Queensland Irish Association (NQIA)

<http://www.nqia.com.au/> <https://www.facebook.com/nqldirishassoc/>

Irish tunes sessions on the second Saturday of each month at Molly Malones Irish Bar and Restaurant, Flinders Street East from 5pm. Irish sing-along song session from 6pm. Anyone interested in jamming

should take a fiddle, tin whistle, flute, guitar, mandolin, ukulele, bouzouki, bodhran, bones, spoons or anything that can produce a lively dance tune.

Townsville Folk & Acoustic Club

Bellevue Hotel, Allen Street, South Townsville <mailto:secretary@tsvfolkclub.org> <http://www.tsvfolkclub.org>

Folk club meets at the Bellevue Hotel every 2nd Thursday night in the beer gardens.

Townsville Jazz Club

<mailto:townsvillejazz@icloud.com> <http://www.jazztownsville.com>

Regular sessions at the PCYC 113 Wellington St, Aitkenvale on the 2nd & 4th Sundays each month from 6 to 9pm. (doors open at 5.30pm)

Cover charge for club nights: members \$10; non-members \$15

March 12th

Vicki Salisbury and her Friends

Vicki Salisbury and Friends will perform many of your favourite standards in an intimate evening of great music. Showcasing a five piece combo of talented musicians for your dancing and listening pleasure including: swing, blues and lively Latin rhythms. The group features: David Salisbury on Sax and Flute, Simon Self on Guitar, Larry Thompson on Key Boards and Justin Cataldo on drums, Vicki Salisbury on vocals.

Townsville Music and Performance Arts Space (TMPAS)

TMPAS is a group which promotes inclusion, participation & Cultural Diversity and provides a venue and opportunities for performance artists to showcase their talents in a public forum.

Artists are encouraged from all forms of performance arts including dance, music, poetry, stand-up comedy, short skits and plays, juggling, acrobatics and the like.

TMPAS holds Open Mic Nights at the Basement Bar, 409 Flinders Street Townsville every second Friday of the month.

Performers register 6.30pm for 7pm start (approximately 15 minutes' performance times for each act).

For information: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/tmpas/>

Townsville Ukes

West End Hotel Beer Garden, 89 Ingham Rd, West End

0408 188 540 Wally Murdoch <mailto:wallym7@optusnet.com.au> <http://townsvilleukuleleclub.org.au>

Meets Tuesdays weekly – beginner's session 6.45 – 7.30pm; open session 7.30pm – close.

TTCMA Country Music Fun Day

1pm (every second Sunday of the month)

Relax and enjoy an afternoon of country music held by the Townsville & Thuringowa Country Music Association.

Walk up / open mic opportunities for junior, juvenile and adult artists, sing/play along.

Sausage sizzle and drinks on sale. BYO chair.

Presented by: TTCMA - Townsville & Thuringowa Country Music Association

Venue: St Joseph's Catholic School (undercover area), 65-67 Ross River Road, Mundingburra

Cost: \$3 Entry Fee, children under 16 free

For information: <http://www.ttcma.webs.com/> Club President: Darryl Pitt 0417 199 744

<mailto:weus3@bigpond.net.au>

Radio

Radio Triple T 103.9FM Community Radio

For information: 4721 5333 <http://www.triplet.com.au>

Weekly Program: <http://www.triplet.com.au/programs.html>

International Sunday features a diverse collection of music, news, weather and current events in English as well as the native language of the presenters on Sundays from 12noon – 7pm.

Details at: http://www.triplet.com.au/programs_internationalsunday.html

Theatre

Burdekin Theatre

161 Queen Street Ayr

4783 9880 <http://www.burdekintheatre.com.au>

https://www.facebook.com/BurdekinTheatre?_rdr=p

March 24th 11am

Morning Melodies – Great Composers of London’s Westend

One of the world’s most successful musical theatres Composers Lord Andrew Lloyd Webber is celebrated in this Narrative Concert tribute to his music, his musical influences and his amazing story. Starring Australian and London Westend Musical Theatre Star Philip Gould along with Award winning singer/actress Michelle Fitzmaurice, Philip Wheeldon production highlights many hits from the Lloyd Webber catalogue. Hits featured from musicals such as “Evita”, “Cats”, “Phantom of the Opera”, “Jesus Christ Superstar”, Joseph and His Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat” and more. Don’t miss what will be a feast for all musical theatre lovers.

Cost: \$15 - \$25

March 29th 8pm

Shirley Valentine – by Willy Russell

This play is about escape and takes the form of a monologue by a 42 year old Liverpool mother and housewife, Mrs Joe Bradshaw, before and after a transforming holiday to Greece. Inside Mrs Joe Bradshaw is the former Shirley Valentine longing to emerge. Her self-esteem battered by school, marriage and life in general, she finds herself talking to the wall while her husband is out working. She feels that her life is terribly mundane as she compares scenes in her current life with what she used to be like and feels she has stagnated. When her best friend wins an all-expenses-paid vacation to Greece for two, Shirley grasps the opportunity to head for the sun and leave her current drudgery behind, to re-find herself, follow her dreams and get a new lease on life. The note in the kitchen reads “Gone to Greece, back in two weeks”!

Cost: \$25 - \$35

April 1st – 2nd

Burdekin Fast Track Talent Showcase

The Fast Track Talent Showcase is Australia’s largest talent showcase, run and judged by industry professional talent scouts and management company Yoyo Music. Open to all ages and all talent genres, the Fast Track heats will run from midday on Saturday 1 April, where the top performers will be chosen to perform as part of a Finals Showcase on Sunday 2nd April at 6.30pm.

The Fast Track Final Showcase will include top performers from the heats, competing for huge cash and prizes. X Factor winner, *Isaiah Firebrace* will be guest judge for the Final Showcase and will perform live.

Registrations to perform are now open. Email your details to burdekin@fasttracktalent.com.au or phone 1300FAST01 for more info.

Cost: \$30

April 6th 10am, 1pm

Emily Loves to Bounce

A whimsical world where amazing ideas are expressed in extraordinary ways! Inspired by three of the most loved books of Stephen Michael King, Emily Loves to Bounce creates a whimsical world full of balls and boxes where amazing ideas are expressed in extraordinary ways. Follow carefree Henry and practical Amy as they turn the world upside down and right way round, and learn that working together in spite of their differences brings out the best in everyone.

Suitable for 4 – 8 year olds

Cost: \$14.50 - \$16

Carlton Theatre, Carlyle Gardens Lifestyle Resort

Carlyle Gardens Lifestyle Resort, 60 North Beck Drive Condon 4755 6900

March 28th

Shirley Valentine

Carlyle Gardens Townsville and HIT Productions proudly presents Shirley Valentine by the award winning Willy Russell and starring Mandi Lodge (Menopause the Musical and Always...Patsy Cline)

is a wonderfully entertaining monologue by a 42-year-old Liverpool mother whose self-esteem has been battered by school, marriage and life in general. When her best friend wins a Greek vacation for two, Shirley grasps the chance to head for the sun, to re-find herself, follow her dreams and to get a new lease on life.

With much humour, warmth, sympathy, human insight and a great deal of empathy for his female protagonist, Willy Russell brilliantly shows Shirley breaking out of the mould in which she was cast by society.

Cost: \$25

Riverway Arts Centre

20 Village Boulevard Thuringowa

4727 9797 TicketShop <mailto:ticketshop@townsville.qld.gov.au>

March 14th – 15th 6.30 – 8.30pm

Fluorophone

Fluorophone creates a kaleidoscopic sound world in which the central instruments radiate, flicker, glow and burn. Analogue and digital fluorescent lights, the naked flame, strobe lights and custom-built LED discs are combined with percussion to create a program in which the music and lighting design are one and the same.

Fluorophone moves between noise, theatrical music and virtuosic instrumentalism, in a synesthetic display of light and sound. Featuring specially commissioned works by a prominent team of leading composers.

Please Note: Contains strobe lighting, naked flame and loud noise.

Cost: \$45 / \$40 / \$25

April 8th 6 – 9pm

Arpan...An Offering

"ARPAN... an Offering", an annual Indian event showcasing Indian culture will be held on 8th April 2017 at the Riverway Arts Centre, Thuringowa. As in the past, this year too we will be presenting an array of Indian classical dance and music performances. Join us in an evening filled with mouth-watering traditional Indian cuisine (inclusive in the ticket) followed by cultural performances.

Cost: \$30 / \$25, family (2ad + 2ch) \$75

Stage Door Theatre Restaurant

5 – 7 Hayles Avenue, Arcadia, Magnetic Island

<http://www.stagedoortheatre.com.au>

https://www.facebook.com/StageDoorTheatreRestaurant/?ref=page_internal

4727 9797 TicketShop <mailto:ticketshop@townsville.qld.gov.au>

March 18th – June 24th

Friday performances 8pm; Saturday performances 7pm (no performances Sunday – Thursday)

Time Warp

Stage Door Theatre Restaurant has been wowing audiences since 2005 with live singing, comedy and tongue in cheek impersonations. Dazzling costumes and orchestral backing tracks add to the theatrical experience that has won them "Best Attraction on Magnetic Island".

Professional singer and entertainer Bernadette Smith, alongside the renowned "Boy from Oz" Kevin Wright play to packed houses Friday and Saturday nights all year around, in original shows written exclusively for them by Geoffrey Knight.

It's a dark and stormy night when pure and innocent Sandy crashes her car and seeks refuge in the castle of the sinister Dr. Frickencrazy, a mad scientist intent on finding the perfect woman to test out his latest machine: the Orgasmatron. It's just a jump to the left for a night of music and laughs in this all-new show.

Cost: \$89 / \$79, group 10+ \$84

Townsville Civic Theatre

41 Boundary St Townsville 4727 9797 TicketShop <http://www.ticketshop.com.au>

<mailto:civic.theatre@townsville.qld.gov.au>

March 12th 5pm

Barrier Reef Orchestra Concert - Bohemian Classics

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Cost: \$38 / \$34, NQE members \$32, student \$15.

March 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 29th, 30th, 31st 7.30pm

March 25th 2pm, 7.30pm; **April 1st** 2pm, 7.30pm

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat

The biblical story of Joseph and his coat of many colours comes alive in this musical retelling. Joseph, the favourite son of Jacob, is blessed with vivid dreams that foretell the future. Sold into slavery by his jealous brothers, Joseph endures a series of adventures which challenge him to his core. A truly timeless Old Testament tale, *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* is set to a multitude of musical genres, spanning from country-western and calypso, to bubble-gum pop and rock and roll. Joseph is a musical adventure for the whole family.

Presented by: *North Queensland Opera & Music Theatre*

For information: <http://nqomt.com.au/> <https://www.facebook.com/nqomt>

Cost: \$45 / \$40 / \$30, family (2ad + 2ch) \$120, group 10+ \$40

April 7th – 8th 6.30pm

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Emily Loves to Bounce weaves together the stories of *Henry and Amy*, *Emily Loves to Bounce* and *Patricia*, adapted from the books by Stephen Michael King.

Recommended for ages 4 – 8

Cost: \$15

Townsville Little Theatre

4724 3112 <mailto:theatre.lover@townsvillemusictheatre.org.au> <http://www.townsvillemusictheatre.org.au>
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/townsvillemusictheatre/>

Bookings: 4727 9797 <mailto:ticketshop@townsville.qld.gov.au>

March 10th 7.30pm; **11th** 2pm, 7.30pm

Jingo

Sir Terry Pratchett's Jingo – Adapted for the stage by Stephen Briggs

Directed by Pamela Garrick and Eric Blyth

Somewhere in the Circle Sea between Ankh-Morpork and Al-Khali, the Lost Kingdom of Leshp has emerged after hundreds of years beneath the waves. And so, with no ships, no army and no money, Ankh-Morpork goes to war against the Klatchian army claiming the rock as their own.

Undaunted by the prospect of being tortured to death by vastly superior numbers of enemy troops, a small band of intrepid men and a very thick troll set out under the command of Sir Samuel Vimes of the City Watch. If they can survive long enough, maybe they can arrest an entire army for breach of the peace – discworld goes to war.

Venue: PIMPAC (Pimlico High School Performing Arts Centre)

Tickets also available at the door and <http://www.trybooking.com.au>

Cost: Adults \$25 / \$20; TLT members/Tertiary Students \$15

World Theatre Charters Towers

4761 5430 82-90 Mosman Street Charters Towers <mailto:worldtheatre@charterstowers.qld.gov.au>
<http://www.charterstowers.qld.gov.au/world-theatre> <http://worldtheatre.blogspot.com.au/>

March 25th 2pm

Great Composers of London's West End

With Michelle Fitzmaurice and Philip Gould

Featuring songs from musicals such as *Evita*, *Cats*, *My Fair Lady*, *Oliver*, *Phantom of the Opera* and *Les Miserables*

Cost: \$15 / \$12

March 31st

Shirley Valentine Live – Charters Towers

Shirley Valentine by the award winning Willy Russell and starring Mandi Lodge (Menopause the Musical and Always...Patsy Cline) is a wonderfully entertaining monologue by a 42-year-old Liverpool mother whose self-esteem has been battered by school, marriage and life in general. When her best friend wins a Greek vacation for two, Shirley grasps the chance to head for the sun, to re-find herself, follow her dreams and to get a new lease on life. With much humour, warmth, sympathy, human insight and a great deal of empathy for his female protagonist, Willy Russell brilliantly shows Shirley breaking out of the mould in which she was cast by society. "This play is a modern classic and its theme of achieving your full potential remains universal and very relevant today." Director, Denny Lawrence
Cost: \$29.50 / \$25

April 9th 2.30pm
City of Women, Wine and Well-Tempered Song
by Axel Bosselmann
Free Foyer Recital

Workshops/Training/Conferences

ABC Open

For information: 4772 3025 <http://www.abc.net.au/open>

Alliance Française de Townsville Inc

French classes

For information: 0410 454 420 <http://www.aftownsville.org.au>
<https://www.facebook.com/AllianceFrancaiseDeTownsville/>

Art Lessons with Lynn Scott-Cumming

Painting and Drawing Classes held most Saturdays 2 – 5pm

Please text if you are intending to come as these classes are not held weekly.

For information: Lynn 0429 115 591, Fiona 0409 096 720

Cost: \$20

Dr Barbara Cheshire's Art Classes

Expert Art Tuition designed for Six Week Sets

From: **May 3rd – June 7th**

Time: Wednesday afternoon: 1 – 4pm or Wednesday evening: 6 – 9pm

Cost: \$300

Students purchase own materials and brushes (minimum materials of 1 small canvas & limited range of test media supplied)

Other Classes for 2017: July 19th – August 23rd, October 11th – November 15th

For Registration: 0412 632 261 <mailto:bcheshir@bigpond.net.au>

Children's Art Classes with Donna and Johanna Beningfield

Painting and Drawings classes for children aged 8 and older on each Saturday from 9 -10.30am, 10.30am – 12; 12 - 1.30pm (school terms).

Venue: Hut 26 at Jezzine Barracks.

All material provided. \$18 per class

For information: Contact Donna on 4778 4473 or Johanna on 0435 429 541

Citylibraries Activities

Aitkenvale Branch: Cnr Petunia St & Ross River Rd – 4727 8310

Flinders St Branch: Northtown – 4727 9666

Thuringowa Central: Cnr Thuringowa & Hinchinbrook Drives – 4773 8811. Please note Citylibraries

Thuringowa offers a free photocopying service for not-for-profit organisations.

Facebook is a great way to keep up-to-date with newly released books, programs, video links, and events
<http://www.facebook.com/pages/CityLibraries-Townsville/254424854642071>

What's On Townsville has news about upcoming events, activities and resources, including workshops and activities, author talks, lectures, displays, children and young people's activities, information about library services, learning partner events, book reviews, reader and learner resources. Pick up a hard copy at your library or the Community Information Centre or view at: <https://www.townsville.qld.gov.au/facilities-and-recreation/libraries/using-your-library>

March 16th 9am – 5pm

Donor's Day

Browse through some of the interesting items donated to the library during Townsville's 150th year. Chat with the Local History staff about how Townsville's Local History collection is collected and preserved.

Venue: CityLibraries, cnr Thuringowa & Hinchinbrook Drives

April 7th 10 – 11am

Awesome Active Adventure Show: Captain Active

Follow Captain Active as he comes to Planet Earth to find and defeat his arch nemesis, Lazy Cray Cray. Get involved with songs, games, healthy messages, energy and fun.

Venue: CityLibraries, 4 Petunia Street Aitkenvale

Classes with Fiona Banner

Art Circle is a morning of painting drawing music mosaics and pottery for everyone.

Every Friday 9am – 12noon

Venue: The Hub Creative Space, 16 Casey Street Aitkenvale.

For information: contact Fiona on 0409 096 720 <mailto:flipastretch@bigpond.com> or Ann 0428 278 357

Mosaics and Pottery Class

Thursdays 9am – 12noon

Come and learn new techniques to create clay masterpieces.

Venue: The Hub Creative Space, 16 Casey Street Aitkenvale

For information: contact Fiona on 0409 096 720 <mailto:flipastretch@bigpond.com>

Coral Sea Calligraphers

There will be an afternoon mini workshop on the first Saturday of the month, with the group meeting afterwards. The workshop starts at 12.45pm until 3.30pm with the monthly meeting and afternoon tea from 3.30 until approximately 4.30pm.

Coral Sea Calligraphers will be presenting an informal Italic mini workshop for the March and April workshops and other related workshops during the year.

For information: Rae Smith 0432 143 985 raesmith26@gmail.com

Dancenorth Open Classes

Dancenorth dancers cross train by taking a variety of classes every day to ensure they are performance fit. To enable the general public to benefit from the dancers' expert tuition Dancenorth has created these classes. There is a range of open classes for all abilities that are guaranteed to improve health, stress levels, posture, flexibility and confidence.

Classes include contemporary dance, ballet, pilates (beginners and intermediate), yoga (beginners and intermediate), belly dancing and social dance/ballroom/Latin.

Cost: \$10 per class; \$80 for a 10 class pass; \$250 for annual unlimited classes

For information: 4772 2549 <mailto:karin@dancenorth.com.au> <http://dancenorth.com.au/?cat=38>

Dante Alighieri Society Italian Language Classes

9/203 Kings Road Pimlico

For information: text the word Dante to 0439 349 568 or <mailto:dantetownsville@inet.net.au>

<http://www.dantetownsville.com/>

Language

The Dante Alighieri Society offers Adult Italian Language Courses from beginners to advanced level. The courses are designed to focus on effective communication and understanding in everyday life situations and enabling the students to communicate and express themselves quickly and effectively. The courses are interactive and communicative with an extensive use of audio and visual material. The tutors are native speakers and of Italian background and classes are enriched by their genuine knowledge of Italian traditions and social life.

The language courses are offered in the first semester and second semester.

“Exploring Watercolour for Beginners” with Elise Edler

Tuesday evenings 5.30 – 8pm

Venue: Townsville Art Society’s Classroom, Hut 26, Jezzine Barracks, Mitchell Street, North Ward.

For information: contact Elise on 4775 2433 or 0409 267 334 or <mailto:foxwellp@bigpond.net.au>

Full Day Galaxy Far Away Lego® Workshop

April 3rd 9am – 4pm

Inspired by NASA and Star Wars™, our Space Adventures school holiday workshop is packed full of models that will make your imagination blast off! Children will learn about real-life space exploration and build models related to the NASA space program. In addition, the program includes LEGO® Star Wars™ themed models, group games, challenges that provide the spark for imagination and creativity.

All kids get to take home a BRICKS 4 KIDZ® Bat-Hero Super Zip Case at the end of the workshop.

Ages 5+

Venue: Riverside Gardens Community Centre, 55 Riverside Boulevard Douglas

For information: 0455 258 683 <mailto:townsville@bricks4kidz.com.au/townsville>

Cost: \$80

Full Day Lego® Workshops – Theme: Bat League

April 10th 9am – 4pm

Enter the dark city where a dangerous joker and other evil villains wreak havoc! Thankfully there is a bat hero who comes out each night to fight against these evil-doers.

The good guys will ride into action as children build motorised models of the bat hero’s speedy vehicle and bat girl’s sleek Cycle. But keep the bat light searching for the evil joker’s motorised low rider vehicle cruising through the city streets as well!

Send the bat hero swinging on his grappling hook technic model from one skyscraper to the next as he fights crime with his trusty super sidekick. Children will use their imaginations, building skills and crime fighting passion in this thrilling workshop of bat heroes and villains!

All kids get to take home a BRICKS 4 KIDZ® Bat-Hero Super Zip Case at the end of the workshop!

Ages 5 - 12 years [CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION](#)

Cost: \$80

Full Throttle Workshops

March 17th – 19th

Play Moves

Movement workshop for performance facilitated by Anna Yen

This weekend workshop is for performers, actors, performance devisors and directors.

The program includes:

- performance exercises to explore what it means “to be present” and in “complicity” with other performers
- movement sequences from the Feldenkrais Method designed to heighten the perception of one’s body and rediscover an organic sense of movement with more ease and less tension
- games to invite our playfulness and the pleasure to be on stage
- rhythm as a foundation for creative play
- writing exercises that begin from the physical

Venue: Apex Camp Rec Centre, Picnic Bay Magnetic Island

For information: 0476 590 004 <mailto:madonna@fullthrottletheatre.com>

<https://www.trybooking.com/OPDG>

Jive Time Dance

Monday nights: 6.30pm Start – Basic Step

7pm Basic Class

8 – 9.30pm Freestyle Dancing

Jive Time Dance invites you to learn Rock-n-Roll 4 Step Jive every Monday Night.

Venue: AMR Centre (formerly The German Club), Aitken Street Aitkenvale.

You don’t need a partner, join in the fun, meet new friends, great exercise, and dance to the fantastic sounds of great Rock-n-Roll music.

For information: Greg 0487 827 493 <mailto:jivetimedance@gmail.com>

La Luna Youth Arts

Riverway Arts Centre, 20 Village Boulevard, Thuringowa
4773 6377 <mailto:admin@lalunanq.com> <http://www.lalunanq.com>

For program information and timetable:

<http://www.lalunanq.com/Program/Timetable%20Term%201%202017v2.pdf>

Latin Vibrations

2/70 Ingham Road, West End Townsville <http://www.latinvibrations.com.au>
0422 198 369 <mailto:iwannadance@latinvibrations.com.au>

April 1st

Workshop Weekend with Glamorousas

Latin Vibrations is proud and excited to host Kate Ticehurst and Kirstie McMillan from Glamorousas/Subsance, for a weekend of Samba and Dancehall workshops.

Limited private lessons will also be available.

For information: <https://www.facebook.com/events/1665238890443439/>

Museum of Tropical Queensland

70 – 102 Flinders St, Townsville 4726 0600 <http://www.mtq.qm.qld.gov.au>

Open daily 9.30am – 5pm

Discounted prices for Townsville locals – proof of residency required.

Permanent exhibitions showcase aspects of the natural and cultural heritage of North Queensland.

Every Thursday 9.45am

Beau's Buddies

The Museum of Tropical Queensland's resident butterfly has returned for another term of exciting activities for our youngest visitors.

Designed for children under six years of age, *Beau's Buddies* is a program that encourages fun, discovery and creativity based around a museum object. Starting at 9.45am each Thursday, this led-activity starts with a new object being revealed and discussed. Children learn about the object, hear a related story and join in craft activities. Beau's Buddies is free with admission and there's no need to book.

Normal admission applies. Entry is free for MyMuseum members.

March 14th

Taxidermy Tuesday 10am – 1pm

On Tuesday 14 March the Museum is offering FREE ENTRY for Townsville and Burdekin locals as one of the monthly free days sponsored by Townsville City Council and Burdekin Shire Council.

This Tuesday, MTQ's taxidermy team will work on specimens in the preparation room beside the Great Gallery between 10am and 1pm. The taxidermists love to come out and talk to visitors about their work and answer any bird identification questions.

Entry is free for Townsville and Burdekin locals. Proof of residency required. Normal admission applies for non-locals. Entry is also free for MyMuseum members.

March 26th – 27th

World Science Festival Brisbane Townsville Regional Tour

In March 2017, the World Science Festival Brisbane will once again bring together the world's best thought leaders to produce a stunning program of live and digital content that connects Asia-Pacific audiences of all ages with the concepts, challenges, discoveries and advancements that are shaping our world. The Festival's regional program in 2017 will again provide Queensland communities the opportunity to get involved locally in the World Science Festival Brisbane. Programs designed to engage community members in stimulating and inspiring experiences, will be unique to each location, and will offer a selection of STEM-related activities such as discussions with leading scientists, workshops, hands-on activities or visual displays. The World Science Festival Brisbane regional program is presented by the Queensland Museum and the Queensland Government, in partnership with Tourism and Events Queensland with proud support from their community partner QGC

March 31st 5.30pm – 8pm

Night at the Museum

It's special night time adventure at the Museum of Tropical Queensland designed with our younger visitors in mind. Discover what happens at night when the Museum closes and see the dinosaurs before they go to bed.

Talk to a paleontologist about the fossils being studied at MTQ, catch appearances by T-bone our own teenage T. rex, make a fossil to take home, meet our taxidermists, have your face painted, meet some living prehistoric-looking animals and much more.

Tickets are limited and available for purchase via www.mtq.qm.qld.gov.au

North Queensland Pipe Band Workshop

April 1st – 2nd

The RSL Memorial Pipes and Drums Townsville will be conducting a 2 day musical workshop at the Townsville RSL Club Rooms.

This workshop is a Townsville community funded project, supported by the RSL Townsville, and The Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF).

The RADF program is a partnership between the Queensland Government and the Townsville City Council to support local arts and culture in regional Queensland.

The purpose of this workshop is to bring internationally graded 'Highland Piping and Drumming Tutors' to a Townsville venue, in order to provide individual and group musical training, in an inclusive workshop environment.

At the end of the workshop, participants will have been exposed to expert tutoring designed to enhance their individual and collective musical skills, which is intended to raise the standard of future Solo and Highland Band public performances in the Townsville region.

In addition, the Tutors will have had an opportunity to identify any talented and gifted musicians from the Townsville Region, who could benefit from attending more advanced workshops and Highland Music competitions conducted in both Australian and overseas venues.

Venue: Townsville RSL Club, 139 Charters Towers Road Hyde Park

For information: <https://www.facebook.com/RSLPipesDrumsTsv/>

<mailto:rsllpipebandtsv@gmail.com>

Nth Qld Potters Assoc Inc

15 Flower St, Railway Estate 4772 3458 <mailto:ngpotters@gmail.com>

<https://www.facebook.com/NorthQueenslandPottersAssocsince1972/?fref=ts>

Phone or email Nth Qld Potters Assoc Inc for **workshop information**.

Perc Tucker Regional Gallery Workshops

Perc Tucker Regional Gallery, Cnr Flinders and Denham Streets, City

For information and bookings: 4727 9011 <mailto:ptrg@townsville.qld.gov.au>

<https://www.townsville.qld.gov.au/facilities-and-recreation/theatres-and-galleries/perc-tucker-regional-gallery>

- *Free Family Fun Day*

10am – 12pm

At Family Fun Days children can come and partake in art making activities in the gallery. Drop in for 5 minutes or 2 hours. All materials are provided. Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times.

Family fun days are held on the third Sunday of every month.

Cost: free

Pinnacles Gallery

Riverway Arts Centre, 20 Village Blvd, Thuringowa Central Open: 10am – 5pm (Tuesday – Sunday)

4773 8871 <mailto:pinnacles@townsville.qld.gov.au>

<https://www.townsville.qld.gov.au/facilities-and-recreation/theatres-and-galleries/pinnacles-gallery>

- *Sundays at Riverway*

1 - 4pm every Sunday

Enjoy a relaxing afternoon at Pinnacles Gallery for free workshops every Sunday afternoon. Join artists in the Gallery for an ever-changing mix of workshops.

Free drop-in art workshops for all ages.

- *Art Box*

10am – 11am

First and Third Tuesday of the month

Come and explore Pinnacles Gallery, learn about art, meet new friends and have fun. This program is designed for under 5's, mums, dads and carers.

- **Monday Morning Art Group**

10am – 3pm

Social painting sessions held in the RAC Workshop Room at Riverway Arts Centre. This group of senior citizens is aligned with the University of the Third Age (U3A), and help each other create art in oils, acrylic, pastels and watercolours. The Monday Morning Art Group is free to join but you must be a member of U3A to participate (\$20 per year).

Saturday Drawing on the Deck

March 18th 1 – 5pm

Life drawing on the deck is back – on Saturdays beginning March 18th

One Long pose over two weeks so suitable for developed drawings, painting, sculpting.

Beginners to advanced - all welcome.

No tuition but plenty of discussion available if wanted.

Venue: 6 Musgrave Street West End Townsville (enter up drive to rear)

Cost: \$15 - BYO snacks and wine and drawing materials

For information: Gerald 0401 429 021 <mailto:canetoadhunter@hotmail.com>

The Drill Hall

27 Mitchell St North Ward 4721 2634

0418 750 854 <mailto:sue@thedrillhallstudio.com.au> <http://www.thedrillhallstudio.com.au>

Art classes: Details of the Drill Hall Studio's art classes are available online.

For information: <http://www.thedrillhallstudio.com.au>

Classes:

Monday 10am - 12noon; 2 – 4pm: Painting Techniques with Sylvia Hewitt \$30 pp

Monday evening: Dynamic Art Journals with Janet Banks \$30pp

Tuesday morning 10am – 12noon (intermediate): Water Colour with Gai Copeman \$30 pp

Tuesday evening 6 – 8pm – Exploring Mixed Media with Cath Meharry \$30pp

Wednesday evening 5.45 - 8pm: Painting Techniques with Sylvia Hewitt \$30 pp

Thursday morning 10am – 12noon: Exploring Mixed Media with Cath Meharry \$30 pp

Friday morning 10am – 12noon: Kick Start your Art with Sylvia Hewitt \$180pp (6 week course)

Sunday morning 10am – 12noon: Drawing with Byron Dimech \$25 pp

Sunday 1.30 – 3.30pm: Oils and more with Kathy Cornwall \$25pp

Art Attacks 4 Kids

These fun classes cover a wide range of art techniques – drawing, painting, sculpture, pottery, printing and more.

Tuesday 3.30 – 4.30pm: Art Attack 4 Boys with Sue Tilley

Wednesday 3.30 – 4.30pm: Art Attack 4 Girls with Sue Tilley

Wednesday 4.45 – 5.45pm: Art Attack 4 Teens with Sue Tilley

Saturday: 9.30 – 10.30am: Weekend Art Attack with Brenda Stone

March 18th & 25th (2 part workshop) 1 – 4pm

Glass Fusing with Sue Tilley

In this mini-course of two classes, you will learn how to cut and fuse sheet glass to form beautiful vibrant patterns, and then add texture and a relief pattern with your own handmade mould.

Class 1: Explore using opaque and transparent glass to form designs to make a panel which will be fired.

Class2: Design and create individual refractory moulds that the glass panels will be slumped over.

The Comedy Generation presents Comedy Open Mic

First Thursday of the month 8pm

Venue: Kirwan Tavern, 154 Thuringowa Drive, Thuringowa

For information: <mailto:info@thecomedygeneration.com> <http://www.thecomedygeneration.com/>

<https://www.facebook.com/thecomedygeneration>

Cost: free

The North Queensland Recorder Society

Workshops will be held on the third Sunday of every month.

Venue: St Joseph's School on the Strand, Fryer St North Ward

For information: contact: Lynn 0478 225 955; Ian 0411 602 737

<http://www.nqrs.org.au/> <mailto:info@nqrs.org.au>

Cost: \$5 per workshop – refreshments provided

March 19th

The afternoon tea break will be used to conduct the Annual General Meeting. Anyone who is interested in joining the committee please contact NQRS.

Residential Workshop in June – Magnetic Island

Early bird discount applies if paid by March 31st.

For information: <http://www.nqrs.org.au/pages/activities.htm>

http://www.nqrs.org.au/pages/annual_workshop.htm

Townsville Art Society Inc

Jezzine Barracks Precinct Townsville 4771 3484 <mailto:tasarts@bigpond.com>

<http://www.townsvilleartsociety.org.au>

For information about adult and children's Art Classes and Social Painting Groups please follow the link.

<http://www.townsvilleartsocietyinc.org.au/class-info/>

Townsville Writers and Publisher Centre Inc

At the Townsville Writers and Publishers Centre in Riverway Arts Centre writers groups meet regularly to workshop the craft of writing. They are supportive and friendly communities to belong to and there are opportunities for collaborative projects but no expectations to do so.

Venue: Riverway Arts Centre 20 Village Boulevard, Thuringowa Central, meet in the foyer a few minutes prior.

For information: <mailto:info@twpc.org> 0409 121 221 <http://twpc.org>

To receive newsletters please join up on the website or like twpc on Facebook to receive Event updates for all sessions: <https://www.facebook.com/twpc.inc/>

Romance and Commercial Fiction

The heart of any romantic with a pen in hand is more than welcome to this new exciting writers group to share works and advice. As the name suggests, this group is aimed for the romantically inclined creative writer who would like to engage with other passionate wordsmiths who enjoy the genre.

When: the fourth Wednesday of the month 7pm – 9pm (meet in the foyer a few minutes before 7pm)

Venue: TWPC Office, Riverway Arts Centre

Speculative Fiction Group

Dipping into all genres of fantasy and fiction, the Speculative Fiction Writers' Group offers support and publishing opportunities, often in the form of collaborative anthologies. The latest project headed by TWPC member Marley is focused on the diverse lore of the mythological vampire, utilising all perspectives of the participating writers to create a collection of fictional works detailing vampires throughout history. The group is not just limited to one project however so those who are eager to engage in our local literary community, produce works and further develop as a potential author are always welcome to come along.

When: Tuesday fortnightly 7pm – 9pm (meet in the foyer a few minutes before 7pm)

Venue: TWPC Office, Riverway Arts Centre

Verb Writers Group

The Verb Writers group is all about writers and poets who are interested in connecting with like-minded creatives, developing skills and receiving feedback on their personal works. Run by Ariella van Luyn, lecturer in creative writing at JCU, this popular group gives useful tips on publishing opportunities, how to effectively dedicate time for your creative work and get the most out of your literary passion. This group also regularly engages in collaborative writing projects, so if you have yet to explore what Verb has to offer and wish to join the tribe; you are encouraged to give it a try.

When: second Thursday of the month 6.30pm – 8.30pm (meet in foyer a few minutes before 6.30pm)

Venue: TWPC Office, Riverway Arts Centre

Emerge Writers Group

Emerge presents an opportunity for interested students and teenagers to get involved in the community and extend their passion for writing and find their own tribe among like-minded writers. If you are between the ages of 13 to 17 or know of someone who would like to participate, please feel welcome to join this great opportunity to learn new forms of creative writing as well as the tools needed for any young aspiring author.

Venue: online

For information: <mailto:emerge@twpc.org>

Umbrella Studio Contemporary Arts

482 Flinders St Townsville Open: 9am – 5pm Monday to Friday; 9am – 1pm Sunday

4772 7109 <mailto:admin@umbrella.org.au> <http://www.umbrella.org.au>

To April 1st

Groovin the Moo Community Art Workshops

1-4pm Saturday's: 11 March, 18 March, 1 April 2017

Come join Umbrella Studio and add your touch to a large artwork that will be displayed at this year's Groovin the Moo festival on 30 April 2017.

Working with arts facilitator Lynn Scott-Cumming, participants will create an individual section of a caterpillar that once assembled at the festival site, will form a colourful and powerful representation of our community in the tropics.

Each section will be created from paper mache over a chicken wire frame and painted with a variety of colours and designs that you choose.

As a participant, you could be in with a chance of receiving a FREE TICKET to our local Groovin the Moo. Participants can come for one session or as many as they like. You are required to attend a minimum of two full sessions to receive a free ticket to the festival.

Please note: children must be supervised by an adult.

March 11th 9am – 1pm

Content Marketing for Artists

Bloggin, Facebook, Instagram, eNewsletters etc for Artist Promotion (and Sales)

This is a four hour course run by Alex Christopher for artists with an established website who want to learn how to use social media to engage people with their art making.

We will go over content marketing principles, the basic programs you can use, and we will also create a 12 month plan for what you can post about. Not knowing what to say and share is a main reason artists give up on self-promotion.

We will explore what your work and artistic goals are and devise the key messages that you can send across a number of platforms.

This will lead on to how to set up these profiles and also what to post to them. We will look at options for promotion, sales and connection with others to build your audience.

Cost: \$75 Members Price

March 18th 10am – 3.30pm

March 25th 10am – 3.30pm

This workshop is across two Saturdays

Lamplighters Visual Art Development Course

- Dive Deeper into your Practice
- Build a Rich Body of Work
- Take part in insightful Group Critiques
- Focus on the foundations and Conceptual Development of your work

This is a course for all artists and creative types. Over two days across two weeks learn about the blueprint to building a rich body of work around a topic or theme of your choice. The Lamplighters course is about building the concept and ideas in your work using dynamic research principles.

The course is in a group environment and discussion is a main benefit.

In the course you will learn what steps to go through from the birth of a creative idea, through to the creation, testing, development and completion stages. You will learn how to deepen and enrich your creative processes.

What to Bring:

- Your own laptop with WiFi capabilities. We will be able to use the internet in the Umbrella Studio space.

Facilitator Bio:

Alex Christopher is an arts educator, writer, community curator and sometimes artist. She has a small business that keeps artists and business people on track with their making and promotions.

The facilitator will be able to offer individual support after you have completed the course. This is to be arranged directly with the facilitator. You are eligible to 50% off the individual support if you sign up to this course.

Cost: \$190 Members Price

March 25th – 26th 9am – 4pm

Wearable Art Townsville: The Shred-X Environment Wearable Art Workshop

Be part of a collaborative team to create a wearable art garment for the Wearable Art Townsville show.

Work collaboratively with other participants, under the guidance of esteemed wearable artist Claudia Williams, you will create a wearable art piece out of recycled materials. The final garment will be showcased on the runway at the Wearable Art Townsville (WAT) event on Friday 26th May as part of the Townsville Fashion Festival.

Participants will gain valuable knowledge of skills and techniques in creating wearable art, as well as material selections.

This workshop is ideal for experienced and budding artists wanting to learn new skills and be inspired to turn ideas into reality using everyday materials to create wearable art garments.

Suitable for ages 15 years – Adult

Cost: \$55

April 5th 1 – 4pm

Comic Art with Jonathan McBurnie

Participants learn to draw comic-style characters in this fun and creative workshop. Common comic art methods, design, and techniques for creating engaging heroes with expressive eyes, unique hair, and awesome costumes are explored. Materials are included. This workshop is suitable for teens 13 years old and above.

Cost: \$10

April 8th – 9th 9am – 4pm

Wearable Art Townsville: Avant Garde Wearable Art Workshop

Work collaboratively with other participants, under the guidance of esteemed wearable artist Claudia Williams, to create a wearable art piece that challenges the status quo. The final garment will be showcased on the runway at the WAT event on Friday 26th May.

Participants will gain valuable knowledge of skills and techniques in creating wearable art, as well as material selections.

This workshop is ideal for experienced and budding artists wanting to learn new skills and be inspired to turn ideas into reality using everyday materials to create wearable art garment.

Suitable for ages 15 Years – Adult

Cost: \$55

April 29th – 30th 9am – 4pm

Cultural Workshop

Cost: \$55

Write On, Townsville

Beginners welcome to a friendly salon for published and unpublished writers.

For information: 4775 4759 (leave a message); <mailto:vicky4seal@gmail.com>

State, National

Australian Film Television and Radio School Courses (AFTRS)

<http://www.aftrs.edu.au>

Australian Society of Authors

For information: <http://www.asauthors.org>

Date Claimers

<https://whatson.townsville.qld.gov.au/> for additional events

Please advise the Community Information Centre if you find errors in, or have additions or changes to these events.

News & Sundries

Arts for All Queenslanders Strategy

This digital interactive strategy can be found at <http://www.arts.qld.gov.au/blog>

Arts and Culture: a quick guide to key internet links

Compiled by the federal government, this guide provides quick links to many key arts and cultural organisations particularly federal bodies.

http://www.aph.gov.au/About_Parliament/Parliamentary_Departments/Parliamentary_Library/pubs/rp/rp1415/Quick_Guides/ArtsCulture

2017 Australian Concerto & Vocal Competition Launch

The 2017 Australian Concerto and Vocal Competition (ACVC) was launched by Townsville Mayor Cr Jenny Hill at a special event at Umbrella Studio Contemporary Arts, Townsville, on March 1st.

President of the ACVC, Mr Cris Dall'Osto welcomed and thanked those invited guests who were in attendance, giving particular thanks to the Townsville City Council for its continuing support to the Competition. Cr Colleen Doyle, Chair of the Community and Cultural Development Committee, Townsville City Council, was also present. Apologies were received from Cr Kurt Rehbein, an active member of the current ACVC committee. In welcoming all assembled guests, Chris made special mention of immediate past president Bob Haynes and committee member Rose Fava. He also thanked Umbrella Studio Contemporary Arts for the use of their venue.

The ACVC Artistic Director Katy Frewen-Lord presented an outline of the 2017 competition, emphasising the benefits to the musicians who would participate in this world-class event. She also announced the official accompanists and adjudicators for this year's event:

Accompanists: Rhodri Clarke, Melbourne; Maryleigh Hand, Sydney; Robert Manley, Brisbane

Adjudicators: Spiros Rantos, Brisbane, Instrumental; Peter Coleman-Wright, Sydney, Vocal.

During the evening, guests were delighted by excellent musical performances from *The Rianta Belford Wind Trio* and from cellist Michael Carroll who was placed third in the Young Performers Soloist Section of the 2016 ACVC Competition.

Contemporary artwork at the Umbrella Studio provided an impressive backdrop for the launch.

Important dates for your calendar:

Competition: July 21st – 25th

Entries close for participants: May 17th

Gala Vocal Concert: Sunday, July 23rd

Gala Instrumental Concert: Tuesday, July 25th

For more information on the Competition: <http://www.acvc.com.au>

Meeting of Cultural Ministers

National Arts and Health Framework can be found at <http://mcm.arts.gov.au/>

The Hive Collective

The developers of The Hive (Queens Hotel Redevelopment) have established The Hive Collective, an exciting initiative that will offer spaces in local heritage listed building Lilac Court, Wickham Street, Townsville for free.

For information: <http://thehivetownsville.com.au/>

<https://umbrella.org.au/2016/10/10/the-hive-collective-expression-of-interest/>

The North Queensland Historical Re-enactment Society Inc

The North Queensland Historical Re-enactment Society Inc has decided to look at its branding and has decided to make one major change.

The club will now be known and promoted as "*The Kennedy Regiment*". The original name and title will remain for business purposes but will use the Kennedy Regiment title for advertising.

For information: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/kennedyregiment/>

Townsville Community Music Centre

The AGM of Townsville Community Music Centre Inc. will be held at 5:30pm on Wednesday, 22nd March 2017 at Villa McAuley Social Centre, Acacia Street. (access from Fulham Road, Armit Street and Acacia Street). All members are welcome to attend the most important meeting of the year. This is your chance to have a say in the policy and running of the music centre. Anyone interested in volunteering at our events are also welcome. Volunteers can assist as ushers, by selling tickets, setting out chairs for concerts, and working with sound and lighting staff. Volunteers also get to see the events free of charge.

For information: 4724 2086 / 0402 255 182 <mailto:admin@townsvillemusic.org.au>
<http://www.townsvillemusic.org.au>

Opportunities/Expressions of Interest

Allegro Choir – Call for Singers

Be part of a vibrant and exciting team of singers.

For information: Kerry Rehn <mailto:allegrettochoirs@bigpond.com> <http://allegrettochoirs.shutterfly.com>

AFCM 2017 Membership is now available.

Become an *Australian Festival of Chamber Music* Member and win.

Membership is a valuable way to support the Australian Festival of Chamber Music, plus it provides you with wonderful benefits including discounted tickets and an exclusive member only booking period. If you join before the 12th of December you could win a Silver Pass to the 2017 Festival, valued at up to \$620, or one of three CD packs containing music from Piers Lane and other Festival artists. One year membership is just \$95; two year membership and student membership are also available.

For information: www.afcm.com.au/membership

Amadeus Singers Children's Choir – Call for singers

Amadeus Singers: rehearsals in 2017 will be held at St. Joseph's Catholic School Mundingburra. 3:45 - 4:30pm Years 1-3, 4:45 - 5:45pm Years 4-8

For information: <http://www.amadeus-singers.com.au/>

CityLibraries Murri Rainbow Book Club

Murri Rainbow Bookclub happens every second Saturday of the month from 10.30 to 11.30am at CityLibraries Aitkenvale. Join discussions on First Nation Peoples literature and other interesting books.

Cost: free – bookings required

For information: 4773 8817 Janeese Henaway, Library Officer

CityLibraries VIP Book Club (Vision Impaired)

Any member of the community who is visually impaired, and their partners if they're willing to participate, are eligible to join this club.

Each month Vision Australia mails out an audio book copy of the title to discuss, and the meeting provides an informal and social opportunity to discuss the book and share information.

Second Friday of each month from 10am – 11am at the Aitkenvale Library Meeting Room

Cost: free

For information: 4727 8316 Community Services Librarian

Friends of the Galleries

For information: 4727 9011

<https://www.townsville.qld.gov.au/facilities-and-recreation/theatres-and-galleries/perc-tucker-regional-gallery/friends-of-the-galleries>

Friends enjoy many benefits through their association such as:

- Friends of the Gallery membership card and welcome pack
- preferential booking to the Galleries' annual program of workshops, lectures and social events
- exclusive members-only events
- complimentary copies of Gallery publications
- discounted exhibition admission fees (where applicable)
- exclusive email updates
- 10% discount at the Gallery Shop
- 10% discount on artwork purchases from Perc Tucker Regional Gallery and Pinnacles Gallery
- reciprocal member benefits with other participating regional, state and national cultural institutions upon showing your Friends of the Galleries membership card
- even more discounts and special privileges with selected partner organisations and retailers upon showing your Friends of the Galleries membership card

Friends of St James Art Exhibition

The 'In the Heart of the City' Art and Craft Exhibition will be held at St James' Anglican Cathedral from 26 July to 6 August 2017. Proceeds from this exhibition will be donated to the conservation of the Cathedral. There is no entry fee for art works.

Entry forms, which are available from Mary Gallagher at the address below, are to be submitted by Monday 26 June 2017 to Mary Gallagher, 21 Hammond Street, Mysterton, QLD 4812, or by email to dga63608@bigpond.net.au

Entry forms will also be published in the Townsville Art Society Newsletter and distributed to local galleries and teachers.

Just Arts Townsville

A small group of artists have agreed to form a group that might be called *Just Arts*. It would consist of artists whose work is (at least partially) political, directed towards achieving more justice in the world. At this stage the focus is on visual arts. Proposed action plan:

1. Group: formation of a group who want to meet together (regularly) to share ideas and passions and give each other feedback and support - perhaps over tea/coffee, perhaps in each other's studios ...
2. Projects: the group initiates or responds to ideas for specific projects, perhaps exhibitions, publications, events, workshops, exchanges ...

For information: <mailto:jeanie.adams@bigpond.com> 0497 172757

Performing Arts Historical Society of Townsville (PAHST)

P1 Hut 24 Jezzine Barracks, North Ward

Historian/President, Gordon Hodgson, 4775 1565;

Secretary/Treasurer, Ellen Read, 0418 778 698

D'Esley Smith 4775 3825

<mailto:enquiries@pahst.com> <http://www.pahst.com>

Opening hours: Wednesdays and Sundays 10am to 2pm

The Museum houses a collection of local performing arts history and traditions. It comprises more than 1,000 items documenting more than 100 years of performance in Townsville across theatre, music and dance.

If you have programmes, posters, flyers, newspaper cuttings, photos etc, they could be a valuable part of local performing arts history. Donations are welcome. Items can be scanned if you don't want to part with them.

Promotional Opportunities

- <http://www.townsvilleholidays.info>
- <http://www.queenslandholidays.com.au>
- <http://www.australia.com>
- <http://atdw.com.au/> Australian Tourism Data Warehouse (ATDW)
- <http://www.art-in-tropical-australia.com/arts-events.html>
- <https://whatson.townsville.qld.gov.au/>

- <http://www.whatsonmagneticisland.com.au>

The Comedy Generation presents Comedy Open Mic

First Thursday of the month 8pm

Venue: Kirwan Tavern, 154 Thuringowa Drive, Thuringowa

For information: <mailto:info@thecomedygeneration.com> <http://www.thecomedygeneration.com/>

<https://www.facebook.com/thecomedygeneration>

Cost: free

The Hive Collective – Expression of Interest

The Hive Collective is an exciting initiative that will offer spaces in local heritage listed building Lilac Court, Wickham Street, Townsville for free.

Spaces will be made available exclusively to individuals or businesses that make use of the premises for *the purpose of manufacture of products or delivery of services that are uniquely Townsville.*

To register your details visit <http://thehivetownsville.com.au>

Thuringowa Art Society

The Thuringowa Art Society is looking for new members. They are a not for profit organisation that offers the chance to exhibit without paying a commission, low cost annual membership, an annual bus trip to places of interest, inspiration and encouragement in a small group environment.

For information: Ailsa Reid 4773 4567

Grants/Scholarships/Sponsorships

Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) Grants

If you have an arts project you are looking to get off the ground, please head to the council website on the following link to read the grant guidelines and submit your application.

<https://www.townsville.qld.gov.au/community-support/grants-and-funding/cultural-grants>

If you have any questions about your proposal or the grants processes please don't hesitate to contact the Community Grants Team via:

Phone: 1300 878 001

Email: communitygrants@townsville.qld.gov.au

Townsville City Council's Community Grants

- Community Grants Program
For information:
<https://www.townsville.qld.gov.au/community-support/grants-and-funding/community-grants>
- The Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) Program supports professional artists and artworkers to practice their art, for and with communities, resulting in mutual development of the professional artists/artworkers and communities in regional Queensland.
For information: <https://www.townsville.qld.gov.au/community-support/grants-and-funding/community-grants>

Gambling Community Benefit Fund (GCBF)

For information: <http://www.justice.qld.gov.au/corporate/sponsorships-and-grants/grants/community-benefit-funding-programs>

State, National

Aboriginal Benefits Foundation Grants

Open date (up to \$5000) <http://www.aboriginal.org.au/grants.htm>

Anzac Centenary Arts and Culture Fund – Public Grants Program

Grants of up to \$100,000 for national, state and territory cultural institutions and \$50,000 for artists, organisations and community groups are available for a wide range of arts and culture projects.

For information: <http://arts.gov.au/anzac>

Arts Queensland

Funding to support artists, arts and cultural workers and organisations is available through Arts Queensland and via many other sources including other government agencies, not-for-profit organisations, philanthropic foundations and online through crowd sourcing sites. This information will help you connect to possible funding sources including information on how to apply and how applications are assessed.

Arts Queensland Officers can provide assistance with funding enquiries. 07 3034 4016 / 1800 175 531

For information: <https://www.qld.gov.au/recreation/arts/funding/>

Australian Artists Grant

The Australian Artists' Grant has been initiated by NAVA to assist professional visual and media arts, craft and design practitioners to produce, present and promote their work throughout Australia and overseas.

Amount: \$500-\$1,000

For information: <https://visualarts.net.au/nava-grants/>

Australia Council for the Arts Grants

The Australia Council has revised the grants program in response to the 2015-16 budget measures.

The grants program supports a diverse range of artists, artistic practice, organisations and arts activity.

For information: <http://www.australiacouncil.gov.au/grants>

Australian Communities Foundation Funding

For information: <http://www.communityfoundation.org.au/>

Community Broadcasting Foundation Funding

<http://www.cbf.com.au/grantfinder.asp>

Creative Partnerships Australia

For information: <https://www.creativepartnershipsaustralia.org.au/>

Ian Potter Cultural Trust

For information: <http://www.ianpotterculturaltrust.org.au/>

Ian Potter Foundation

<http://www.ianpotter.org.au>

Performer's Trust Foundation Grants

Grants are provided to promote and encourage music and the performing arts

All applications for grants are reviewed by the trustees and must be for one or more of the following purposes:

- Performances at concerts at or for charitable institutions such as hospitals or homes for the aged;
- Scholarships for the promotion and encouragement of musical and theatrical education;
- The promotion and encouragement of the performing arts to the general public;
- The aid or assistance of any beneficiary who is unable to adequately maintain herself/himself by her/his own exertions and other income

What can you use the grant for?

A grant under the PPCA Performers' Trust Foundation can be used for costs associated with the above, including:

- Tuition fees;
- Travel costs (hire, airfares, petrol);
- Accommodation;
- Venue hire/ PA hire

A grant cannot be used to cover wages, salaries, commissions etc.

For information: <http://www.pcca.com.au/ppca-about-us/ppca-performers-trust-foundation/>

Smartygrants

For information: <http://www.smartygrants.com.au>

The Gordon Darling Foundation Grant

The Foundation provides funding for a range of visual arts projects Australia-wide.

For information: <http://www.gordondarlingfoundation.org.au/guidelines.php>

The Sidney Myer and Myer Foundation Funding
<http://www.myerfoundation.org.au>

Competitions & Awards

Artists Opportunities & Support

For information: <http://www.competitionsforartists.com/>

Australian Concerto and Vocal Competition

July 21st – 25th

Entries now open – closing May 17th

For information: <mailto:entries@acvc.com.au> <http://www.acvc.com.au>

Creating Australia

For information on advocacy, support and leadership for the community arts and cultural development (CACD) sector: <http://creatingaustralia.org.au/>

Writers' Opportunities

Fellowship of Australian Writers NSW Inc

For information: <http://www.fawns.org.au>

Australian Writing Opportunities

For information: <http://competitionsforwriters.com/>

Hunter Writers Centre

For information: <http://www.hunterwriterscentre.org/>

Queensland Writers Centre (QWC)

For information: <http://www.qwc.asn.au/>

Opportunities for Musicians

Music Council of Australia (MCA)

For information: <http://www.mca.org.au>

Defence Jobs Australia – Musicians

<http://www.defencejobs.gov.au/navy/jobs/musician>

<http://www.defencejobs.gov.au/army/jobs/musician/>

<http://www.defencejobs.gov.au/airforce/jobs/Musician>

Dance Companies

Dancenorth

School of Arts Building, Cnr Stanley & Walker Streets, Townsville

4772 2549 <mailto:admin@dancenorth.com.au> <http://www.dancenorth.com.au>

Galleries & Museums

Army Museum of North Queensland

Jezzine Barracks, Mitchell Street North Ward

<http://armymuseumnorthqueensland.webs.com/> 0457 526 704 <mailto:curator@gmail.com>

Open: 9am – 1pm (Wednesday to Friday) 10am – 2pm (Sunday)
Collects and exhibits memorabilia associated with military units and their personnel from North Queensland.

Art at Jezzine

Hut 25 Jezzine Barracks Mitchell St North Ward 4725 0250 <mailto:tasarts@bigpond.com>
<http://www.townsvilleartsocietyinc.org.au>
Open: 10am – 4pm daily

Gallery 48

2/48 The Strand Townsville 4724 4898 <http://www.gallery48thestrland.com>
Open: 11am – 6pm Wednesdays and Saturdays

Garage Press

16 Victor St Cranbrook
0422 416 632 Donna Foley
Open to the public on the first Saturday of each month. Original prints by local printmakers are for sale.

Girringun Aboriginal Art Centre

235 Victoria Street, Cardwell 4066 8300 <http://art.girringun.com.au/>
<mailto:artsmanager@girringun.com.au>
The Centre represents artists from nine Traditional Owner Groups, the Nywaigi, Gugu Badhun, Warrgamay, Warungnu, Bandjin, Girramay, Gulgnay, Jirrbal and Djiru people. The traditional country of these groups covers some 25,000 square kilometres from north of Townsville, south west to Clarke River, north to the Mission Beach area, west to Ravenshoe and east to include Hinchinbrook and the Family Group Islands.

Good Shepherd Art Gallery

Anne Walsh, Director 0437 630 611
Good Shepherd Home, 565 University Rd Annandale Open: 9am – 5pm daily
Displays a range of artwork including oils, acrylics, watercolour and mixed media with subjects ranging from landscapes, seascapes, flora, fauna, people to abstract. All works are for sale.

Kaylenne Creighton Gallery

Corner of Howitt & Rose Street North Ward 4724 1106
<https://www.kaylennecreighton.com.au>
<https://www.facebook.com/kaylennecreightongallery>
Open: Thursday, Friday 10am – 4pm, Saturday 10am – 2pm

Maritime Museum

42 – 68 Palmer St, South Townsville 4721 5251 <mailto:tmhs@bigpond.com>
<http://www.townsvillemaritimemuseum.org.au/>
Open: Monday to Friday 10am – 3pm; Saturday & Sunday 12noon – 3pm

Mo's Art – Gallery of the Townsville Watercolour Group

14 Anderson St, Railway Estate 4724 2742 Marion O'Shea
<https://www.facebook.com/Townsville-Watercolour-Group-1506318909687812/>
Open Wednesday 9am to 12noon and for current exhibitions (please see exhibitions listed).
Otherwise by appointment

Museum of Tropical Queensland

70 – 102 Flinders Street Townsville 4726 0600 <http://www.mtq.qm.qld.gov.au>
Open: 9.30am – 5pm daily

National Trust Heritage Centre

5 Castling Street, West End 4771 5873 <https://www.nationaltrust.org.au/places/townsville-heritage-centre/>
Open: 10am – 1pm Wednesday; 1 – 4pm; Saturdays and Sundays; groups by appointment

NQ Potters Association Inc

15 Flowers St Railway Estate Townsville 4772 3458 <http://www.nqpotters.com/>
<mailto:nqpotters@yahoo.com.au>
Fully equipped art studio run by members – also offers classes.

Perc Tucker Regional Gallery

4727 9011 Cnr Denham & Flinders Sts, Townsville <mailto:ptrg@townsville.qld.gov.au>
<https://www.townsville.qld.gov.au/facilities-and-recreation/theatres-and-galleries/perc-tucker-regional-gallery>
Open: 10am – 5pm (Monday – Friday) 10am – 2pm (Saturday & Sunday) Free admission

Performing Arts Historical Society of Townsville (PAHST)

P1 Hut Precinct Jezzine Barracks, North Ward Townsville
Ellen Read (Secretary) 0418 778 698 <mailto:enquiries@pahst.com> <http://www.pahst.com>
Open: 10am – 2pm (Wednesday and Sunday)
To view the collection or donate items contact Gordon Hodgson (Historian) 4775 1565

Peter Lawson Fine Art Gallery

16 Marine Parade, Arcadia, Magnetic Island 0418 727 534 <mailto:peterlawsonfineart@bigpond.com>
<http://www.peterlawsonfineart.net.au>

Pinnacles Gallery

Riverway Arts Centre, 20 Village Blvd, Thuringowa Central 4773 8871
<https://www.townsville.qld.gov.au/facilities-and-recreation/theatres-and-galleries/pinnacles-gallery>
Open: 10am – 5pm (Tuesday – Sunday) Free admission

RAAF Museum

RAAF Base, Ingham Rd, Garbutt 4752 1712
<http://www.airforce.gov.au/raafmuseum/research/bases/townsville.htm>
<mailto:raafmuseum.townsville@gmail.com>
Open: Tuesdays and Thursdays 9am – 12noon; Sundays 10am – 4pm

Sylvia Ditchburn Fine Art Gallery

4724 3953 Shop 7 Metro Quays 86 Ogden Street Townsville 0419 790 245
<mailto:sylviaditchburnart@icloud.com> <http://www.sylviaditchburnfineartgallery.com>
Open: 10am – 4pm Tuesday to Friday; 10am – 1pm Sunday

The Drill Hall

27 Mitchell St North Ward 4721 2634
0418 750 854 <mailto:sue@thedrillhallstudio.com.au> <http://www.thedrillhallstudio.com.au>
Open: 9am – 5pm Monday to Friday; 9am – 4pm Saturday and Sunday

Townsville Museum and Historical Society

4775 7838 Cnr Hugh & Palmerston Sts, Currajong (access via Barbeler St – behind ambulance station)
<http://www.townsvillemuseum.com.au> <mailto:admin@townsvillemuseum.com.au>
Open: 9am – 2.30pm Monday to Friday; 1.30 – 3.30pm first and third Sunday of the month; closed public holidays

TYTO Regional Art Gallery

73 – 75 McIlwraith St, TYTO Wetlands Precinct, Ingham
4776 4725 <mailto:gallery@hinchinbrook.qld.gov.au> <http://www.tyto.com.au/gallery>

Umbrella Studio Contemporary Arts – Gallery and Studio

482 Flinders St Townsville Open: 9am – 5pm Monday to Friday; 9am – 1pm Sunday
4772 7109 <mailto:office@umbrella.org.au> <http://www.umbrella.org.au>

Music Groups

Allegro Choir

4779 7368 <mailto:allegrochoirs@bigpond.com>

Amadeus Singers Children's Choir

0426 610 291 <http://www.amadeus-singers.com.au>

Aquapella World Music Choir

4758 1707 <mailto:beatlehmann@iprimus.com.au>

Australian Concerto & Vocal Competition

4771 2419 <mailto:info@acvc.com.au> <http://www.acvc.com.au>
<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Australian-Concerto-Vocal-Competition/269234913140141>

Australian Festival of Chamber Music

4771 4144 Level 1 Breakwater Terminal, Sir Leslie Thiess Dr, Townsville
<mailto:info@afcm.com.au> <http://www.afcm.com.au>
<https://www.facebook.com/australianfestivalofchambermusic>

Barrier Reef Orchestra – North Queensland Ensembles

4722 2789 <mailto:brotownsville@gmail.com> <http://www.nqorchestra.com.au>

4th Sunday Music

4789 1897 or 0427 351 273 Dave & Sue; 4 Kawana Court, Kelso.
The group meets on the fourth Sunday of the month

Kelso Country Music Club Inc

0499 303 967 Thuringowa RSL, Kelso Drive Kelso <mailto:petercjones007@bigpond.com>
<http://www.kelsocountrymusic.webs.com/>
3rd Sunday of the month 2pm – 7pm; 4th Friday of month 7.30pm – 11pm

Magnetic Jazz Association

4778 5918 <mailto:magneticjazz@hotmail.net.au> <http://www.magneticislandjazz.org>
Organises the *Great Tropical Jazz Party* held annually on Magnetic Island

Townsville & Thuringowa Country Music Club

0417 199 744 <mailto:weus3@bigpond.net.au> <http://www.ttcma.webs.com/>
<https://www.facebook.com/TownsvilleCMA>

Townsville Brass

0419 719 489 <mailto:enquiries@townsvillebrass.org>
<http://www.townsvillebrass.org>

Townsville Choral Society Inc

4772 1094, 0418 781 766 Choral Society Hall, 485 Sturt Street, Townsville <mailto:tcs@tcs.org.au>
<http://www.tcs.org.au/> <https://www.facebook.com/townsvillechoralsociety>

Townsville Community Music Centre

4724 2086 / 0402 255 182 Level 2, Civic Theatre Building, Boundary Street, Townsville
<mailto:admin@townsvillemusic.org.au> <http://www.townsvillemusic.org.au>
<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Townsville-Community-Music-Centre/159636880763534>

Townsville Concert Band

0408 088 675 <mailto:mark.purvis@bigpond.com.au>
<https://www.facebook.com/TownsvilleConcertBand/?fref=fb>

Townsville Jazz Club

0413 618 618 Coralie Costigan <mailto:townsvillejazz@icloud.com>
<http://www.jazztownsville.com>
<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Townsville-Jazz-Club-Inc/354976484531491>

Townsville Music & Performance Arts Space (TMPAS)

The Old Courthouse Theatre, Cnr Sturt & Stokes Streets, Townsville
0417 473 325 <mailto:tmpas01@gmail.com> <https://www.facebook.com/groups/tmpas/>

Townsville Folk & Acoustic Club

0428 994 125 <mailto:secretary@tsvfolkclub.org> <http://www.tsvfolkclub.org>

Townsville Ukuleles

0402 322 137 <mailto:tsvukes@gmail.com>
<http://www.townsvilleukuleleclub.org.au/>

Theatres & Theatre Groups

Burdekin Theatre

161 Queen Street Ayr
4783 9880 <http://www.burdekintheatre.com.au>
https://www.facebook.com/BurdekinTheatre?_rdr=p

Full Throttle Theatre Company

The Old Courthouse Theatre, Cnr Sturt and Stokes Streets, Townsville
4721 5433 / 0476 590 004 <mailto:madonna@fullthrottletheatre.com> <http://www.fullthrottletheatre.com>
<https://www.facebook.com/fullthrottletheatre>

La Luna Youth Arts

Riverway Arts Centre, 20 Village Boulevard, Thuringowa
4773 6377 <mailto:info@lalunanq.com> <http://www.lalunanq.com>
<https://www.facebook.com/LaLunaYouthArts>

North Qld Opera and Music Theatre (NQOMT)

0448 432 873 <mailto:secretary.nqomt@gmail.com> <http://www.nqomt.com.au>
<https://www.facebook.com/nqomt>

Riverway Arts Centre

20 Village Boulevard Thuringowa
4773 8888 TicketShop 4727 9797
<https://www.townsville.qld.gov.au/facilities-and-recreation/theatres-and-galleries/riverway-arts-centre>

School of Arts Theatre

4772 2549 Cnr Stanley & Walker Sts, Townsville
<https://www.facebook.com/dancenorthcommunity/>

TheatreiNQ

50 Allen St Townsville 0467 245 478 <mailto:theatreinq@gmail.com> <http://www.theatreinq.com>

The Outback Players Theatre Group Inc

0455 859 651 <mailto:theoutbackplayers@gmail.com> <https://www.facebook.com/outbackplayers>

Towers Players Inc – Charters Towers Local Theatre Group

156 – 160 Mosman St Charters Towers 4787 1768 / 0427 871 768
<mailto:towersplayers@aanet.com.au> <http://www.towersplayers.websyete.com.au>

Townsville Choral Society

Brian and Daphne Pease Memorial Hall, 485 Sturt Street Townsville 0419 290 864
<mailto:tcs@tcs.org.au> <http://www.tcs.org.au>

Townsville Civic Theatre

41 Boundary St Townsville 4727 9797 TicketShop
<https://www.townsville.qld.gov.au/facilities-and-recreation/theatres-and-galleries/townsville-civic-theatre>

Townsville Little Theatre

4724 3112 <mailto:theatre.lover@townsvillemiddletheatre.org.au> <http://www.townsvillemiddletheatre.org.au>
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/townsvillemiddletheatre/>

World Theatre Charters Towers

82-90 Mosman St 4761 5430 <mailto:worldtheatre@charterstowers.qld.gov.au>
<http://www.charterstowers.qld.gov.au/world-theatre>

<http://www.facebook.com/WorldTheatreChartersTowers>

What's On Townsville

<https://whatson.townsville.qld.gov.au/> for events information

Clubs & Groups

For other arts and cultural groups and clubs in Townsville link to [CommunityDirectory](#) on the Townsville City Council website – click on [NQ Arts Directory](#) and then on [Categories](#)