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Townsville City Council is the Community Information Centre's major sponsor.
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Community Information Centre Holiday Closing Times
Closes: December 8th 2017 @ 4pm
Re-opens: January 8th 2018 @ 9am

Calendar

Dance

Exhibitions

Aluminium Art Exclusives
263 Flinders Street Townsville 4427 5497
mailto:contact@aluminiumart.com.au http://www.aluminiumart.com.au
Open: Mon, Wed, and Thurs, Fri 10am – 5pm (closed Tuesday); Sat and Sun 9am – 1pm

Aluminium Art Exclusives is a new locally owned gallery featuring beautiful, inspiring, unique and affordable art in the Townsville CBD. The beautiful images are produced using specialised techniques of alternately grinding and painting on a recycled aluminium “canvas”. We are excited to announce two new Townsville artists who are exhibiting in the gallery, Kareti Tuala and Toni-Lee Birch! Each piece is handmade by the artists and completely individual. The gallery itself is
conveniently nestled adjacent to the Perc Tucker Gallery on Flinders Street. We look forward to your visit.

**Art Exhibition featuring local artists**

To December 31st 8.30am – 5pm
This is an exhibition of works by over 20 local artists living in the Townsville region. Over 120 pieces of work will be on display. Previous works by artists have been displayed at TYTO Regional Art Gallery (Ingham), Burdekin Art Society Exhibition (Ayr) and Art at Jezzine (Townsville)
Venue: Amazing Floors & Finishes, 79 Pilkington Street Garbutt

**Art at Jezzine Gallery**
Jezzine Barracks, 38 – 52 Howitt Street North Ward Townsville
4771 3484 mailto:helengraceart@gmail.com

To December 21st 10am – 4pm
Townsville and the Region
The Townsville Watercolour Group has a long tradition of producing vibrant images of Townsville, its vegetation and animal life, mastering watercolour techniques to manage detail as well as enjoying a more abstract and contemporary delivery.

This exhibition by The Townsville Watercolour Group widens the group’s focus to include iconic images of the surrounding region; from the wet tropical areas to the north around Hinchinbrook, Magnetic Island to the east, Charters Towers and Ravenswood to the west and the wetlands and cane growing areas to the south. This year the group also embraces other media than their traditional watercolour. A variety of media is employed from oils, Inks, pen, acrylic… either alone or with watercolour.

The vibrant works will take visitors on a tour of Townsville and its regions.

**Gallery 48**
2/48 the Strand Townsville 4724 4898
mailto:gallery48thestrandtownsville@gmail.com http://www.gallery48thestrandtownsville.com
Open: 12noon – 5pm Wednesday and Saturday – For other times please phone 0408 287 203

**Continuing**

To December 23rd

**Furred, Feathered & Scaled**
This is a joint exhibition by local artists Lynn Scott-Cumming and Margaret Robertson. The North Queensland environment plays an important part in their lives. Furred, Feathered & Scaled consists of original, limited-edition artist prints, some of which have been hand-coloured with a variety of media, including watercolours and gouache.

**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 January 28th 2018

**Lustre: Pearling and Australia**
From a 2,000-year-old natural pearl found in a Kimberley rock shelter to modern lustrous pearl jewellery, Lustre: Pearling & Australia traces the fascinating heritage of pearling across the north of Australia, from Shark Bay to the Torres Strait Islands.

The exhibition delves into the gritty human story of pearling, weaving together intersecting strands of Aboriginal, Asian and European histories to reveal insights into one of Australia’s oldest industries.
Discover the intriguing stories behind northern Australia's unique pearling tradition. Immerse yourself in the qualities of the shell itself, its evolution and habitat, and the people who have collected and harvested these treasures from Saltwater Country.

The Museum of Tropical Queensland also unravels the layers of pearling in the Torres Strait from a time before Europeans through to the golden age of luggers and beyond.

To February 4th 2018

Horrible Histories – Pirates: The Exhibition
Do you have what it takes to be a pirate? Get hands-on with pirate history at this Australian National Maritime Museum travelling exhibition based on the bestselling Horrible Histories series and developed in association with Scholastic UK. Take command of a pirate ship, design and project your own pirate flag, try out different weapons from cutlasses to cannons, find your fate on the wheel of misfortune, discover the best loot to steal and splat rats in the quayside tavern. Along the way, discover why the pirate women were just as wicked as the men and learn to talk the patter of a pirate. Learn about the ships they sailed on, the punishments they suffered and the rules they lived by. The Museum of Tropical Queensland is the first venue in Queensland and only the third in Australia to host this travelling exhibition.
Cost: Regular admission applies

Pandora Gallery
HMS Pandora was the British Royal Navy warship dispatched to the South Pacific in pursuit of the infamous Bounty mutineers. Today, the mutiny on the Bounty remains one of the best-known stories in the history of seafaring.
In her day, HMS Pandora was a prized and proud member of the Royal Navy. Today the Pandora is one of the most significant shipwrecks in the Southern Hemisphere. The Queensland Museum has been excavating the wreck and piecing together the Pandora puzzle since 1983. The Pandora Gallery is the mainstay exhibition at the Museum of Tropical Queensland. Visitors will be captivated by the story of the ill-fated Pandora and should allow at least an hour to enjoy this intriguing exhibition.

To February 11th

Manggan: Gather, Gathers, Gathering
Due to popular demand, the Museum of Tropical Queensland is pleased to announce the extension of the Manggan – gather, gathers, gathering exhibition until Sunday 11 February 2018. In an exciting collaboration the Museum, in conjunction with Girringun Aboriginal Arts Centre, will be running an artist workshop in early 2018 with one of the contributors to Manggan, Girramay and Jirrbal Traditional Owner Ninney Murray.

The exhibition Manggan – gather, gathers, gathering presents and shares knowledge, stories and art from nine tribal groups of rainforest people from far North Queensland.

Perc Tucker Regional Gallery
Cnr Flinders & Denham Streets, CBD
4727 9011 mailto:ptrg@townsville.qld.gov.au
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
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

January 27th – March 4th
From Under the Rock: Seppo Hautaniemi
This exhibition is from a period of about 7 years, encapsulating three series of works. The first series of about eight paintings is themed around the metamorphosis of Castle Hill to a phallic symbol. The second series is a study of colour and shapes to an unknown situation or place. The third and final series is installations of women’s struggle and position in modern society where electronics have given her greater freedom than ever.

February 9th – March 11th
Manga Hokusai Manga
By introducing some of the similarities and differences between modern Japanese manga, which now enjoy worldwide popularity, and Hokusai Manga, a collection of sketches by the ukiyo-e artist Katsushika Hokusai (1760-1849), this exhibition sets out to introduce the charms of this unique field of Japanese culture. Focusing on pictorial storytelling and participatory culture of “manga” from different periods, the exhibits include panels, books, videos, and a group of new works by contemporary manga artists. This is an international traveling exhibition from Kyoto Seika University, Japan.

Continuing

To January 21st 2018
2017 Glencore Children’s Exhibition
Enchanted – The Luminescent Art of Karen Richards
Enchanted Workshops:
Free workshops will be ongoing throughout the Glencore Children’s Exhibition, ‘Enchanted: The Luminescent Art of Karen Richards’ at Perc Tucker Regional Gallery. Please check the program guide for details.
Cost: free

To January 21st 2018
Drawn: From the City of Townsville Art Collection
Drawing has a rich history in Australia. The art form is well represented in the City of Townsville Art Collection and for the first time in the history of the Collection, it will be revealed in a thematically linked exhibition. One of earliest works is an 1865 drawing by early Townsville settler Mark Watt Reid which reinforces the strong history of art practice within Townsville. Themes relating to exploration and settlement, environment and place, people and culture ably demonstrate the diversity and richness of this art form from the Collection.

Pinnacles Gallery
Riverway Arts Centre, Thuringowa Central
4773 8871 mailto:pinnacles@townsville.qld.gov.au
New

February 9th – March 18th
Tomorrow, and Tomorrow, and Tomorrow
Kim Demuth & Henri van Noordenburg have attempted to imagine a world without ‘sound and fury’, a silent world held still within the relics of a past gone. But these works linger somewhere in the future, impressions from a time gone not here or now but from somewhere ahead of us. They are both warnings but also celebrations of a quiet calm presence this world has yet to receive, and the savagery it deserves to be cured of. These works are contemplations on a future, absent of ‘us’, one we have faded away from, only leaving archaeological remnants, and impressions of what we once were.

Continuing

To January 14th 2018
On the Wild Side: By the Kelso Art Group
The Kelso Art Group is a non-profit group, first established in 1999. Every few years the Kelso Art Group holds an exhibition at YourSpace presenting an extensive range of themes and topics. Artworks on display are the result of weekly art sessions and get away weekends when the group gathers in astonishing sites to work in Plein-Air.
Venue: CityLibraries Thuringowa Central, 86 Thuringowa Drive Thuringowa Central

To January 18th 2018
Callings: By Students of the Barbara Cheshire Studio
This exhibition is a collection of images relating to learning experiences and re-evaluated social points of view. They harbour stories linked to recent and past events through an exchange of ideas and personal initiatives.

To January 28th 2018
Dread Sovereign: Jonathan McBurnie
Dread Sovereign demonstrates a reconfiguration of the act of drawing in response to digital technologies, culminating in what the artist terms ‘metadrawing.’ Within the exhibition, questions of genre, form and medium are abandoned for an interdisciplinary approach. The internet search engine is adopted into the artist’s toolbox, integrating the countless accessible and disposable images as raw matter for the artist to fossick and sift through. Specific images are selected by McBurnie and reconfigured through studio practice, creating a new imbrication of the raw image matter.

RAAF Townsville Aviation Heritage Centre (RTAHC)
RAAF Base, Ingham Road Townsville  4752 1516 mailto:RTA.HC@defence.gov.au
Open Tuesday and Thursday 9.00am to noon, Sunday 10 am to 3pm

Major Exhibition
A Photographic and Artefact Display “Commemorating the 75th Anniversaries of a number of significant events which occurred in Townsville in 1942”:
- No. 33 Squadron was formed on 16 February
- No. 75 Squadron was formed on 4 March
- No.41 Squadron was formed on 21 August
- No. 5 Communication Unit was formed on 1 December
- The Formation of No.1 Wireless Unit on 25 April
- Bombing of Townsville on 25/26 July, 27/28 July, 28/29 July
- 5th USAF was formed on 5 February
- No. 2 Air Depot built & operational on 8 December

Sylvia Ditchburn Fine Art Gallery
Shop 7 Metro Quays 86 Ogden Street, Townsville  4724 3953
mailto:sylviaditchburnart@icloud.com  http://www.sylviaditchburnfineartgallery.com
http://www.sylviaditchburn.com Open: 10am – 4pm Tuesday to Friday; 10am – 1pm Sunday
Paintings, Reproductions, Postcards + more
Holiday Closure: 25 December 2017 – 7 January 2018
Season’s Greetings to all. Thank you for your support.

New

December 19th – 24th
Mixed exhibition by Sylvia and gallery artists

December 19th – 24th
Profile: Kinga Rypinska
Queensland artist Kinga delights in expressing herself in colourful work with a menagerie of birds, animals and furniture - must see

Continuing

To December 17th
It’s All About Christmas
Current Show: It’s all about Christmas: Starring local artists with quirky takes on what the Christmas Season means to them from The Last Supper, Flowers, holidays, blessings, tropical birds, holiday memories and more. Must see. Delightful gift ideas to purchase.

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

Continuing

To December 31st
Birds of a Feather – Drill Hall Members Show
As birds of a feather congregate, so do artistic souls. Join us for a group showing by the artists of The Drill Hall Studio. This eclectic exhibition showcases not only the talents of The Drill Hall Studio team, but of associated artists and students.

TYTO Regional Art Gallery
73 – 75 McIlwraith St, TYTO Wetlands Precinct, Ingham
Open 10am – 4pm daily

New

December 8th – January 28th 2018
Ted Core Historical Reflections
This collection of 24 pen and watercolours was donated to the Canossa Nursing Home by Bob Shepherd in the early 1980s. They show historically accurate scenes of North Queensland from 1865 to 1978. With funding assistance from the Hinchinbrook Shire Council RADF program, the paintings have all been restored and reframed. Many of the paintings were in an exhibition at the Oxley Library in Brisbane in 1980, but have not been shown publically since.
Opening: December 8th 6.30pm

December 8th – January 28th 2018
Animalia by Gabriele Phillis
Gabriele is a pastel artist and author, who grew up in Cologne, Germany and moved to Australia 20 years ago. Gabriele now resides in Townsville.
“The beauty of the animal world captivates me and forms the inspiration for my paintings and writing. I have written a series of books for children where I illustrated the books with my own artwork. This is where it all began.
I am now a professional pet portrait artist specializing in pastel pencil art. I also paint in other mediums as well, including landscapes and Australian native fauna.”
Opening: December 8th 6.30pm

December 8th – January 28th 2018
Proof of Life
Arthouse Studio presents Proof of Life
Arthouse adults get together once a week to celebrate their creativity, make art and have fun along the way. Some of us call it therapy. Concepts are self-initiated and explored under the guidance of a trained Studio manager. Quality materials are available which gives new and emerging artists the opportunity to experiment and ‘play’ before investing in the cost of a specialty medium further down the track. Throughout the year, we investigate the techniques, traditional elements and principles that are the basis of successful artmaking and dabble in Art History through discussions on the work of the Masters through to Contemporary practice. This exhibition responds to the concept of “Proof of Life”. Each work demonstrates a unique personal aesthetic that has been nurtured to flourish and shine.
Opening: December 8th 6.30pm

Umbrella Studio of Contemporary Arts – Gallery and Studio
482 Flinders St, Townsville   Open: 9am - 5pm (Monday – Friday), 9am – 1pm (Saturday and Sunday)
4772 7109   http://umbrella.org.au/

New

January 19th – February 25th
Child’s Play
Laura McMahon, who signs her work Brain Foetus, is a Fremantle native now living and working in Hobart, Tasmania. Her work calls upon a host of recurring characters to reside in a continuous narrative of increasingly colourful and elaborate dreamscapes. These works represent making sense of feelings and searching for a sense of belonging within the artist – a reunion with the inner child.
Exhibition Opening 6pm Friday 19 January 2018

January 19th – February 25th
Route A6
Vince Bray’s work is an ongoing study of the landscape from Townsville to Mount Isa. Coming to art during a bout of malaria, Bray’s childhood of wandering hills, creeks and rock holes has grown into a deep examination of the dry tropics through painting and printmaking.
Exhibition Opening 6pm Friday 19 January 2018

Continuing

To December 17th
Drive: Umbrella annual members’ exhibition and art prize 2017
The final exhibition of each year is for our Members to participate and display their work. This year’s theme, ‘Drive’ asks members to be inspired by concepts of movement, direction, focus, determination, travel, instinct and any other interpretations of the word “drive”.

To December 17th
Matt Clark Travelling Scholarship Secondary School Portrait Prize
The Matt Clark Travelling Scholarship Secondary School Portrait Prize is a competition open to all Townsville-based secondary school students in any year level. Entrants may submit work in any two-dimensional medium. The only artistic criterion is that the work must be a portrait. For full conditions or to enter your work, click here. Finalists and Prize Money Works by the selected finalists chosen from the submitted images will be featured in a display at Umbrella Studio contemporary arts. All entrants will be vying for a $200 cash prize.

Festivals & Special Events

Connect Church Christmas Carols
December 9th 4 – 8pm
Connect Church invites you to their annual Christmas Carols Show on 9th December, 2017. Come and sing along to all your favourite carols and get in to the spirit of Christmas. Doors open at 4:00pm for food, drinks and pre-show entertainment. Carols Show starts at 5:00pm in the main auditorium. This is a family friendly event.
Venue: Connect Church, 98 Eyre Street North Ward
For information: https://www.connectchurch.online
Cost: free

Christmas in the Creek
December 10th 4.30 – 8.30pm
Christmas in the Creek is an event that has been held annually for the past 5 years. It is now being organised by the QCWA Gator Girls with the help of other local clubs in the Alligator Creek community. This community event is suitable for all ages, with live Christmas Music from the Townsville Brass Band, Photos with SANTA, Lighting of the Christmas Tree, along with Food, Crafts, and Stalls from locals. This year a Gifting Tree will be set up with all gifts being given to locals in need and Townsville Shelters - so please bring a gift to place under the tree. If you have it wrapped please place a tag on it for appropriate age and gender.
Entry is $10 per car load and all proceeds are divided between two charities.
Venue: Melville's Farm, 45 Alligator Creek Road Alligator Creek
For information: mailto:events@gatorgirls.com.au   http://www.gatorgirls.com.au

Carols by Candlelight 2017
December 10th 5 – 9pm
Join Townsville City Council and celebrate the Christmas spirit with the 2017 Carols by Candlelight on Sunday 10 December, from 5pm. The event will feature headline artist Kate Miller-Heidke along with plenty of local talent.
Venue: Reid Park Complex, 65 Boundary Street Railway Estate
For information: 1300 878 001   mailto:enquiries@townsville.qld.gov.au
Cost: free

O Come Let Us Adore Him
December 17th 5 – 7.30pm
Beaches Church invites you to enjoy an evening under the Stars.
Held behind the Church you will find Food Stalls, Arts & Crafts, Carols and even some Bush Poetry from Santa! Be sure to bring your Friends and Family as we come together and Adore the “Reason for the Season.”
Plenty of parking spaces, BYO Chair/Picnic Rug
Venue: Northern Beaches Church, 13 Mt Kulkurn Drive Jensen
For information: 0415 172 620   mailto:info@beacheschurch.com.au
Cost: free

Pop Up Shop
To December 17th
Umbrella Studio presents A Pop up North Queensland Christmas Shop – art and handmade gifts by local artists – including ceramics, artworks, homewares and works on paper.
Address: 261 Flinders Street Townsville (next to Perc Tucker Regional Gallery)
Hours: Mon – Fri 10am – 5pm; Sat – Sun 9am – 1pm.

Townsville World Vision Fair Trade Pop-Up Shop 2017
To December 24th
Unique handcrafts produced by fair trade co-operatives with a concern for people and the environment. This shop is staffed by volunteers and proceeds are donated to World Vision Australia.
Venue: Hermit Park Shopping Centre, 124 Charters Towers Road Hermit Park
Open: Mon to Fri 9am – 5.30pm, Sat 9am – 2pm
For information: Sue 0407 703 843   Mailto:worldvisiongrouptownsville@gmail.com
https://www.facebook.com/TownsvilleWorldVisionCommunityGroup/

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

New Year's Eve Celebrations
December 31st 6pm – 12.30pm
Welcome in the New Year in a relaxed, North Queensland style with Townsville City Council's New Year's Eve celebrations. Join us at any one of the locations below for a fun family night out to celebrate the New Year.

Strand Park
6pm - Movie, Rio 2
8pm - Live Music, The Koffin Rockers
9pm - Fireworks Show
9.10pm - Movie, The Jungle Book
11pm - Live Music, The Koffin Rockers
Midnight - Fireworks Shows
+ food available and free amusements

Riverway
6pm - Movie, Despicable Me 3
9pm - Fireworks Show
+ food available and free amusements

Nelly Bay
9pm - Fireworks Show
For information: 1300 878 001 mailto:enquiries@townsville.qld.gov.au

Australia Day Celebrations 2018
January 26th 2018 6am – 1pm
Townsville City Council presents a free community event and fun day in celebration of Australia Day. The morning’s schedule of events will include a fun run, free Aussie breakfast, Citizenship Ceremony, State Flag Raising Ceremony with 21 gun salute and Australian Defence Force fly-past, and will conclude with the Australia Day Awards Ceremony.

- 6am - Fun Run registrations open
- 7am - Townsville Aussie Day Fun Run start
- 8am - Fun Run presentations followed by free Aussie breakfast, Car display, Free Children's Amusements, Food Court
- 8:30am - Citizenship ceremony
- 9am - Live Entertainment starts
- 10am - State Flag Raising Ceremony followed by 21 gun salute and fly-past
- 11am - Australia Day Awards Ceremony
- 1pm - Event finish

Venue: Jezzine Barracks, 38 – 52 Howitt Street North Ward

The 2018 Australia Day Awards nominations are now open!
The Australia Day Awards celebrate the achievements of individuals who inspire us through their accomplishments in service to our community, culture and sports, and challenge us to make our own contribution to a better Australia.
The 2018 Australia Day Award categories are:

- Citizen of the Year
- Young Citizen of the Year
- Arts and Culture Award
- Community Volunteer Award
- Senior Sports Person of the Year (open to individuals and teams)
- Junior Sports Person of the Year (open to individuals and teams)
- Environmental Excellence and Sustainability
Does someone in your local community deserve recognition for going above and beyond? Nominations are now open for the 2018 Australia Day Awards. Nominations close at 11pm on Sunday 17 December 2017. Submit your 2018 Australia Day Awards Nomination now!

Other Australian Festivals

Markets

Alligator Creek Lions Markets
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.

Balgal 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: https://www.facebook.com/groups/bccmarkets/

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

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
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

**Cotters Market - Sunday on Flinders**
Every Sunday  8.30am – 1pm
Flinders Street (between Stanley Street and Denham Street) Townsville
For information: http://www.sundayonflinders.com.au  0400 261 369

**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**

**Riverway Movie Night**
Riverway, 20 Village Boulevard Thuringowa 1300 878 001

*December 15**th**  7 – 9.10pm
**Beauty and the Beast**
Come and join us at 7:00pm at Riverway Lagoons to see Beauty and the Beast. Bring your togs and towel, cool off and watch a movie on the big screen.
This is a live action adaptation of the fairy tale about a monstrous-looking prince and a young woman who fall in love.
Cost: free

**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: $110 member's annual subscription for 2018

*Screenings will recommence: Thursday 8 March 2018*

**Music**

**4**th **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.
**Full Moon Drum Circle**
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 between 6 – 7.30pm. 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](http://www.therhythmconnection.com)

**The Millennium Singers**
December 9th 7 – 9pm
"Carols under the Stars"
Fund-Raiser event for Angel Paws
Venue: Gregory Street Amphitheater

**The Millennium Singers**
December 15th 7 – 9pm
*Rotary Moonlight Markets Riverway*

**The Millennium Singers**
December 23rd 7 – 9pm
"Twas the Night before Christmas Eve Gig"
Venue: Gregory Street Amphitheater

**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 North Queensland Irish Association (NQIA)**
Irish tunes sessions on the second Saturday of each month at Molly Malone's 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](mailto:secretary@tsvfolkclub.org)  [http://www.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](mailto:townsvillejazz@icloud.com)  [http://www.jazztownsville.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

December 10th
**Jazz Club Christmas Party**
**All the President's Men**
Dinner will be available and tickets must be purchased in advance, phone Margaret 0437 926 680 or Coralie 0431 618 618 for bookings and details

**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
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.

Theatre

Burdekin Theatre
161 Queen Street Ayr

December 17th 4:00pm
Burdekin Celtic Dancers presents 40 Years
On 29th January, 1977, Cheryl (Baxter) Medley introduced herself to the Ayr Kilties class which was being held in the Presbyterian Sunday School Hall on the corner of Gibson and Ross Streets, Ayr. 40 Years, a name change and many, many students later, Cheryl has called on present and past students of the Ayr Kilties/Burdekin Celtic Dancers to help celebrate this milestone of Celtic Dancing in the Burdekin.
Cost: $35 / $30 / $15, family (2a + 2c) $90

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

December 13th 10.30am, 7pm; 14th 10.30am; 15th 10.30am, 7pm; 16th 10.30am, 7pm
**Charlotte's Web**  
*By E.B. White*  
*Adapted by Joseph Robinette*  
*Directed by Madonna Davis*  

*Performed by Props Youth Theatre Company and Cajam Circus*  
This story of friendship and loyalty will be reworked by the Props Youth Theatre children and Cajam Circus. Join this Christmas as the family is taken to Zuckerman's farm where they will meet Wilbur the pig, Charlotte the spider, Templeton the Rat, Goose and Gander, Old sheep and lamb and Fern. All of them will band together to save Wilbur from the slaughter house and turn him into the 'World’s famous pig.'  
Cost: $25 / $20 / $12 / Family $50

**Riverway Arts Centre**  
20 Village Boulevard Thuringowa  
4727 9797 TicketShop mailto:ticketshop@townsville.qld.gov.au

**December 31st** 7.30 – 10pm  
**New Year's Eve at Riverway**  
*Presented by NQOMT*  
Celebrate the people, music and dance that shaped the entertainment industry with NQOMT’s New Year’s Eve variety show celebrating the Hall of Fame - Legends and Legacies from the 18th century through to today.  
With a multitude of local Townsville talent as well as a few special guest appearances, this star-studded extravaganza is sure to have the whole family's feet tapping. Experience music from Cher, David Bowie, Queen, Aretha Franklin, The Eagles, Elvis and many, MANY more.  
A great night out for the family and even enjoy the fireworks during the interval at Riverway.  
Cost: $37.50 / $33.75 / $29.95 / family (2a + 2c) $110

**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

**To January 20th 2018**  
Friday Performances 8pm, Saturday Performances 7pm (no performances Sunday – Thursday)  
**That 80's Xmas Show**  
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.  
Stage Door prides itself on wonderful service and delivering on a night that has it all. Thousands of guests from all over Australia and the world have enjoyed a night of fun, food and frivolity.  
It's time to Wake Me Up Before you Ho-Ho as all your favorite 80s hits burst onto the stage in an unforgettable night of neon colours, shoulder pads and big hair.  
Will Jessie's Girl and her new man Mickey find Fame and Love in the First Degree, or will their romance just be a Flash dance in the pan... like it was Last Christmas?  
Cost: $89 / $79, group 10+ $84

**December 31st** 7 – 11.59pm  
**New Year's Eve at Stage Door**  
Stage Door prides itself on wonderful service and delivering on a night that has it all. Thousands of guests from all over Australia and the world have enjoyed a night of fun, food and frivolity.  
Featuring the Best of ABBA as we count down to midnight.  
Price includes a fabulous drinks package & 3 course alternate drop meal and performance. SeaLink ferry tickets are NOT included and must be purchased separately.  
Cost: $150
Townsville Civic Theatre
41 Boundary St Townsville     4727 9797 TicketShop     http://www.ticketshop.com.au
mailto:civic.theatre@townsville.qld.gov.au

December 8th 6.30pm; 9th 1pm, 6.30pm
Stop Rewind Play
Presented by TAPA - Townsville Academy of Performing Arts
Sometimes it only takes one good song to bring back thousands of good memories, ever vivid and heartwarming.
A showcase of TAPA Talent not to be missed
Cost: $34 / $24 / $20; family (2a + 2c) $89

December 9th 10am – 11am
Sugar and Spice, All Things Nice
Presented by TAPA - Townsville Academy of Performing Arts
The Littlest members of TAPA will bounce, bend, bop & boogie all the way into your heart.
Their confidence & enthusiasm will delight as they step out on the stage for the first time.
Cost: $13.50 / $11

Townsville Entertainment Centre
Entertainment Road, Townsville
4771 4000    mailto:boxoffice@tecc.net.au    http://www.tecc.net.au/

January 15th 2 – 3.30pm
Operation Ouch Live
Following their sold out Australian tour in January 2017, Dr Chris and Dr Xand, the stars of hit ABC Me children’s television series Operation Ouch!, are coming back to Australia with a brand new show! TV’s favourite identical twins have been hard at work - creating more incredible medical stunts and even crazier experiments … and the show is packed with fascinating facts about biology and the awesome things your body can do. Plus they’ll share their favourite bits from the TV show! Don’t miss Dr Chris and Dr Xand LIVE ON STAGE as they explore medical science from a kid’s-eye view!
Cost: $49.90 / $39.90

January 31st – February 10th 7.30 – 10.30pm (No shows on Mon and Tue 5 and 6 Feb 2018)
We Will Rock You
The Townsville Choral Society Inc presents the smash hit musical We Wil Rock You, featuring the music of Queen, to a story by Ben Elton.
It is set in the future, when live music is banned, and only down-loaded music is permitted, controlled by the sinister Global Soft.
A group of Bohemians set out to challenge this state of affairs. This is their story.
The show is being performed at the Townsville Entertainment Centre with a 10-day season, between 31 January 2018 and 10 February 2018, with matinees on Saturday 3 February and 10 February 2018.
Cost: $55

Townsville Little Theatre
4724 3112     mailto:theatre.lover@townsvillelittletheatre.org.au     http://www.townsvillelittletheatre.org.au
https://www.facebook.com/groups/townsvillelittletheatre/

December 8th 7.30pm; 9th 2pm, 7.30pm
A Christmas Carol
Presented by Townsville Little Theatre
Written by Charles Dickens, Adapted for the stage by Guy Williams, Directed by Christine Scott
Bah! Humbug! A mean-spirited, miserly Ebenezer Scrooge sits in his counting-house on a frigid Christmas Eve. Later that evening, he receives a chilling visitation from the ghost of his dead partner, Jacob Marley who tells him that three spirits will visit him during each of the next three nights. The Ghosts of Christmas Past Present and Yet to Come each take Scrooge on a journey... which will alter his fate forever.
Venue: PIMPAC (Pimlico High School Performing Arts Centre), Fulham Road Pimlico
The Pirates of Penzance, with a cast of only six – live on stage
A true family musical comedy is what lies ahead, with the pirates clashing swords and trading barbs in this modern take. Songs such as I Am The Pirate King, Policeman’s Lot is Not a Happy One, Cat Like Tread and Poor Wandering One, are just a few performed in this riveting production. So, say farewell to the Pirates as they sail off into the sunset, but not before providing the whole family with a truly great time in the theatre. Don’t miss out!
Cost: $25 / $20 / $15

Workshops/Training/Conferences

ABC Open
For information: 4772 3025  http://www.abc.net.au/open

Aerial Silk Classes
December 13th – January 17th 2018 - every week on Wednesday, until 17th Jan 2018;
no classes between 22 December 2017 and 9 January 2018
Hot Rock Adventure Centre offers numerous exciting activities through the school holiday period. The upcoming holidays you can join one of the Introductions to aerial silks classes.
Learn how to become an aerial dancer. Join the instructors to take your first steps on your journey in aerial dancing.
Only 6 people per class so bookings are essential. Book online through registering on the link below or email bookings@hotrockadventure.com.au
Venue: Hot Rock Adventure Centre, 17 – 19 Madden Street Aitkenvale
Cost: $20

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
Painting and Drawing Classes held most Saturdays 1 – 4pm
New students welcome any time. Please text if you are intending to come.
For information: Lynn 0429 115 591
Venue: The Hub, 16 Casey Street Aitkenvale
Cost: $20 per 3 hour session

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:

December 9th 9am – 5pm
Imagine Play Create – Christmas Decorations (Aitkenvale)
Christmas is coming. This is a time for family and fun. Join Santa's workshop and create your own
decorations to adorn your Christmas tree. Stay for 20 minutes or 2 hours.

December 12th 10 – 11am
Quizz-Itch: The Harry Potter Quiz Show (Aitkenvale)
Join the Wizard of Quiz, and Master of Mirth, Magic and all things Potter, Andy Jones. Enjoy a
magical time of Potter and Pizza with the best-selling children’s author and entertainer in his latest
show! Quizz-Itch will test your knowledge of everything Harry Potter – with trivia questions, a spelling
bee, audio/visual teasers, drawing games competitions for the best-dressed and heaps more! So
dress to impress as your favourite Hogwarts character, brush up on your Harry Potter knowledge
and prepare to have an amazing time.

December 12th 2 – 3pm
Electric Music with Andy Jones (Aitkenvale)
Electric music is a musical smorgasbord with students involved in every step of the creative process
and performance. Musical genres from Hip Hop and Disco to Latin and the Blues will be explored,
explained, performed and enjoyed. Students will create and record music on the spot using a
“Looper” and their lyrical input.

January 16th 2018 9.30 – 11am
Coconut Leaf Weaving – (Aitkenvale – Session 1)
Come and learn how to weave hats, plates, baskets and more from coconut palm fronds.

January 16th 2018 11am – 12.30pm
Coconut Leaf Weaving – (Aitkenvale – Session 2)
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January 16th 2018 1 – 2pm
Chinese Paper Lanterns (Aitkenvale – Session 1)
Come and learn how to make and decorate colourful Chinese paper lanterns.

January 16th 2018 2 – 3pm
Chinese Paper Lanterns (Aitkenvale – Session 2)
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January 16th 2018 3.30 – 4.30pm
Chinese Calligraphy – (Aitkenvale)
Come and learn about the history of the ancient Chinese writing system and how to execute basic
Chinese characters.

January 17th 2018 9.30 – 10.30am
Origami Theory (Aitkenvale)
For adults who want to learn about the theory of the ancient Japanese art of origami. If there is time
it may also include making an origami creation.

January 17th 2018 11pm – 12pm
Practical Origami (Aitkenvale – Session 1)
Come and choose an origami item you would like to create from drawings and books.

January 17th 2018 12.30 – 1.30pm
Practical Origami (Aitkenvale – Session 2)
Come and choose an origami item you would like to create from drawings and books.
Venue: CityLibraries Aitkenvale, 4 Petunia Street Aitkenvale
Cost: free

December 9th – 22nd 9am – 5pm
Imagine Play Create – Christmas Decorations (Thuringowa Central)
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**December 13**

**Summer Reading Club Afternoon Movie – Jumanji**

Join us for an action packed afternoon movie, Jumanji. PG rated movie - parental guidance recommended for 15yrs and under.

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**January 16**

**The Secret Code – Breakers of the Central Bureau**

Join us for an evening of code crackers and secret networks as author David Dufty presents the world of Australian WWII intelligence in his new book *The Secret Code- Breakers of the Central Bureau*. Discover the location of the hidden Townsville headquarters and the history-changing message that was decrypted here.

Venue: CityLibraries Thuringowa Central, 86 Thuringowa Drive Thuringowa Central
Cost: free

**December 9**

**Imagine Play Create – Christmas Decorations (Flinders Street)**

Christmas is coming! This is a time for family and fun. Join Santa’s workshop and create your own decorations to adorn your Christmas tree. Stay for 20 minutes or 2 hours.

Venue: CityLibraries Flinders Street, Level 1, 280 Flinders Street Townsville
Cost: free

**Coding and Robotics for Kids**

**December 11 – 14**

**December School Holiday Program**

Learn to design and built computer games, robots and other exiting digital creations. This is the school holiday activity for kids who love computers and technology. Workshop will be held at Annandale SS, either 3 half days coding and Minecraft or full day robotics. Please see attached program guide.
For more details and registration please follow the below link:
https://www.jnrengineers.com/copy-of-school-holiday-program-qld
Places are limited. To secure your Child’s spot register today.
Venue: Annandale State School, Yolanda Drive Annandale
For information: 0420 595 243 mailto:eyal@jnrengineers.com https://www.jnrengineers.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 informal workshops during the year.
For information: Rae Smith 0432 143 985 raesmith26@gmail.com

Dante Alighieri Society Townsville
9/203 Kings Road Pimlico
For information: text the word Dante to 0439 349 568 or mailto:dantetownsville@iinet.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

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@lalunaq.com http://www.lalunaq.com

December 11th – January 19th 2018
Come and Play Holiday Workshops
La Luna Youth Arts has a huge range of workshops for all ages these holidays!
Every day there will be 2 time slots available for our Come and Play workshops, 9:30am to 10:45am and 11:15am to 12:30pm.
For both age groups (3-6yrs and 7-11yrs) there are workshops available across the board in art, aerials, cheer leading, circus, dance, drama, STEM and yoga.
Participants will be supervised for lunch if they stay for 2 sessions in a day, they will just need to bring a pack lunch with them.
For the full program please see website for more details.
Cost: $15 per workshop or 4 for $50
December 11th 2 – 4pm
*Intro to Trapeze – Creative Arts Plus*
Learn the fundamentals of static trapeze, mastering standard positions, movement and tricks.
Suitable for 12 years +
Bookings are required.
Cost $25 each or 4 for $80 per participant

December 12th 2 – 4pm
*Horror Face Paint – Creative Arts Plus*
Learn how to paint a rotting zombie and a fairy princess using face painting techniques. Develop sponge, brush and composition techniques from a face painter with 12 years experience.
Suitable for 12 years +
Bookings are required.
Cost: $25 each or 4 for $80 per participant

December 13th 2 – 4pm
*La Luna You Tube – Creative Arts Plus*
Create a short skit to act to camera and then we will put it up on our You Tube channel.
Suitable for 12 years +
Bookings are required.
Cost $25 each or 4 for $80 per participant

December 13th, 14th 2 – 4pm
*Hip Hop*
Learn some street style moves in this Hip Hop course. Across the two days you will master hip hop techniques and moves whilst you have the opportunity to contribute choreography to a group dance routine.
Suitable for 10 years +
Bookings are required.
Cost: $60 for the course of 2 workshops

December 14th, 18th, 21st 2 – 4pm
*Write Like a Champion*
Each session will consist of skills development, focussed writing time and one-on-one mentoring, along with some fun games and writing exercises. This short course will give you the skills and techniques you need to write awesome stories or perhaps begin your first novel.
Suitable for 10 years +
Bookings are required.
Cost: $100 for the course of 3 workshops

December 14th 2 – 4pm
*Charcoal Drawing – Creative Arts Plus*
Learn the basics and certain techniques of using charcoal to produce an original still life artwork.
Suitable for 12 years +
Bookings are required.
Cost: $25 each or 4 for $80 per participant

December 15th 2 – 4pm
*Choreographed Stunts & Blunders – Creative Arts Plus*
Learn simple falls and fighting techniques and create a short slap stick routine.
Suitable for 12 years +
Bookings are required.
Cost: $25 each or 4 for $80 per participant

December 18th, 19th 2 – 4pm
*Masks & Soundscapes*
This course provides an introduction to mask and musical soundscapes. Learn techniques and gain an understanding of the principles of creating characters and scenes through sound and physicality. Over the two days, you will create your own character masks and a performance and musical score.
Suitable for 10 years +
Bookings are required.
Cost: $80 for the course of 2 workshops.
**December 18**th 2 – 4pm  
*Theatre Improv Games – Creative Arts Plus*
Play theatre games that make you think on your feet and develop your imagination while having a fun time.  
Suitable for 12 years +  
Bookings are required.  
Cost: $25 each or 4 for $80 per participant

**December 19**th 2 – 4pm  
*Danger Tones – Creative Arts Plus*
Learn warm up techniques and exercises to get a fuller voice, more vocal control and a wider vocal range. You will also learn techniques to sing with more emotion and more genuine expression.  
Suitable for 12 years +  
Bookings are required.  
Cost: $25 each or 4 for $80 per participant

**December 20**th 2 – 4pm  
*Intro to Silks – Creative Arts Plus*
Learn the fundamentals of static trapeze, mastering standard positions, movement an tricks.  
Suitable for 12 years +  
Bookings are required.  
Cost: $25 each or 4 for $80 per participant

**December 20**th 2 – 4pm  
*Write Your Resume – Creative Arts Plus*
Your resume is one of the most important pieces of writing you will ever do. Learn how to create a complete resume representing your skills, experience and education. Learn tips and tricks that will help you make your resume stand out from the crowd.  
Suitable for 12 years +  
Bookings are required.  
Cost: $25 each or 4 for $80 per participant

**December 21**st 2 – 4pm  
*Stomp Dance – Creative Arts Plus*
Add to your dance repertoire when yo learn Stomp dance skills and techniques whilst you use your body and objects to make sound. Learn a group routine.  
Suitable for 12 years +  
Bookings are required.  
Cost: $25 each or 4 for $80 per participant

**December 22**nd 2 – 4pm  
*Tumbling & Mini-Tramp – Creative Arts Plus*
Jump, twist, tumble and roll: learn new tumbling and trampolining skills.  
Suitable for 12 years +  
Bookings are required.  
Cost: $25 each or 4 for $80 per participant

**January 8**th, 10**th** 2 – 4pm  
*Lyrical Dance*
A mixture of jazz and classical dance moves feature in this short course. Learn the techniques and skills to portray emotions through dance and develop your dance repertoire as you master this style of dance.  
Suitable for young people 10 years +  
Bookings are required.  
Cost: $60 for the course of 2 workshops

**January 8**th, 10th, 15**th**, 17**th** 2 – 4pm  
*Song Writing*
Learn the basics of Song writing from local professional musician with y years’ experience. Learn how to create contemporary songs, understand the basics of lyric writing and chord progression, so you can create your own contemporary sound.  
Suitable for 12 years +  
Bookings are required
Cost: $150 for the course of 4 workshops

**January 9th, 2 – 4pm**  
**Cheerleading – Creative Arts Plus**  
Cheerleading is a sport that is growing in popularity in Australia. It combines tumbling, jumping, throwing, catching and dance. Learn how these elements contribute to a routine and practice these skills so that you can confidently make up a routine and show off your skills.  
Suitable for 12 years +  
Bookings are required  
Cost: $25 each or 4 for $80

**January 9th, 16th, 2 – 4pm**  
**Drawing**  
In this course you will learn a range of drawing techniques that will enhance your own drawing skills. These will be incorporated to make your own series of drawings.  
Suitable for 10 years +  
Bookings are required  
Cost: $80 for the course of 2 workshops

**January 10th, 2 – 4pm**  
**Inside Acting Auditions – Creative Arts Plus**  
Learn how to prepare and present a short solo piece that showcases your acting talent.  
Suitable for 12 years +  
Bookings are required.  
Cost: $25 each or 4 for $80

**January 11th, 12th, 2 – 4pm**  
**Intro to Aerials**  
Participants are introduced to static trapeze, aerial silk and lyra. The workshops are perfect for those with little to no aerial experience. Build up aerial awareness, improve coordination and learn new movements and skills.  
Suitable for 10 years +  
Bookings are required.  
Cost: $80 for the course of 2 workshops

**January 11th, 12th, 2 – 4pm**  
**Imagination Galaxy**  
In this course you will unleash your creativity and paint your own galaxy and overlay with your choice of planets, aspirations, dreams or anything from your imagination.  
Suitable for 8 years +  
Bookings are required.  
Cost: $80 for the course of 2 workshops

**January 12th, 19th, 2 – 4pm**  
**What's a Wotnot? Course**  
Design and make your own foam puppet character from scratch. Learn puppetry techniques to bring your creation to life with its own unique personality.  
Suitable for 10 years +  
Bookings are required.  
Cost: $100 for the course of 2 workshops

**January 16th, 18th, 2 – 4pm**  
**Tumbling Intensive**  
Tumbling is a fundamental element in gymnastics, dance and cheerleading. This intensive is aimed at getting confident and gaining skills that are used in most tumbling passes in all three sports. These include hand springs, walkovers and round-offs. Body shape and correct technique are incredibly important and you will be given drills and techniques to take home. Prior knowledge in tumbling is beneficial.  
Suitable for 10 years +  
Bookings are required.  
Cost: $80 for the course of 2 workshops

**January 16th, 2 – 4pm**
**Hip Hop – Creative Arts Plus**
Learn hip hop moves whilst you master a routine that will make you step outside of the box.
Suitable for 12 years +
Bookings are required.
Cost: $25 each or 4 for $80

**January 17th 2 – 4pm**

**Intro to Trapeze – Creative Arts Plus**
Learn the fundamentals of static trapeze, mastering standard positions, movement and tricks.
Suitable for 12 years +
Bookings are required.
Cost: $25 each or 4 for $80

**January 17th 2 – 4pm**

**Figurative Painting – Creative Arts Plus**
Interested in painting? Learn how to work with watercolour paints and build up colour while creating your very own personalised artwork.
Suitable for 12 years +
Bookings are required.
Cost: $25 each or 4 for $80

**January 18th 2 – 4pm**

**Acrylic Painting – Creative Arts Plus**
You will learn a range of painting techniques in this class and end up with your very own masterpiece.
Suitable for 12 years +
Bookings are required.
Cost: $25 each or 4 for $80

**January 19th 2 – 4pm**

**Intro to Silks – Creative Arts Plus**
Learn to climb, wrap, drop and roll on aerial silk, mastering standard tricks, movements and positions.
Suitable for 12 years +
Bookings are required.
Cost: $25 each or 4 for $80

**January 20th 3 – 6pm**

**Little Day Out – Riverway**
Spend an afternoon playing, creating and discovering. Held amid the shady trees of Raintree Grove, Riverway, Little Day Out is a series of free family events to be held across this year. Activities at our first event will include face painting, Come & Try circus and aerials, imaginative play, storytelling, dance and visual arts. Local community organisations will be featured along with Council’s Library Services First Five Forever program. Drinks and snacks available to purchase.
Suitable for all ages
Cost: free

**Museum of Tropical Queensland**
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.

**December 9th – January 21st 2018**
**PIRATES SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM**
These school holidays the Museum has an action-packed pirate program including Pirate Storytime and an all new Treasure Map Trail. Kids of all ages are invited to explore the pirates exhibition, spin the wheel of misfortune, fire a cannon, splat a rat and find out if they have what it takes to be a pirate.
Cost: Included with admission
Every Tuesday 10am – 1pm
Taxidermy Tuesday Tales
MTQ’s taxidermy team works on specimens in the preparation room beside the Great Gallery between 10am and 1pm every Tuesday. The taxidermists love to come out and talk to visitors about their work and answer any bird identification questions. Normal admission applies. Entry is free for MyMuseum members.

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 (during school terms), 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.

Nth Qld Potters Assoc Inc
15 Flower St, Railway Estate 4772 3458 mailto:nqpotters@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

To January 21st 2018 10am – 1pm
Enchanted Workshops
Free workshops, artist talks and puppet theatre will be ongoing throughout the Glencore Children’s Exhibition, ‘Enchanted: The luminescent art of Karen Richards’ at Perc Tucker Regional Gallery.

*Enchanted workshops will not occur during Santa’s Art Workshops and the Christmas Closure.

December 9th – 17th 10am – 1pm
Santa’s Art Workshops
Perc Tucker Regional Gallery and Pinnacles Gallery
Join the Galleries for a range of free Christmas activities this school holiday. (Excluding Mondays at Pinnacles Gallery)

Pinnacles Gallery
Riverway Arts Centre, 20 Village Blvd, Thuringowa Central 4773 8871
Open: 10am – 5pm (Tuesday – Sunday) Free admission

December 9th – 17th 10am – 1pm
Santa’s Workshops – Pinnacles
Join us at Pinnacles Gallery for a wide range of free Christmas activities this school holidays!

To January 28th
Dread Sovereign Weekend Workshops
10am to 1pm every weekend throughout the Dread Sovereign exhibition.
A variety of FREE workshops

School Holiday Workshop – Mining and Crafting (inspired by Minecraft)
December 8th 9am – Midday
Minecraft is a game about placing blocks to build anything you can imagine. At night monsters come out, make sure to build a shelter before that happens! Experience the world of Minecraft with LEGO® Bricks in
this fun school holiday workshop! Kids will start by crafting their shelters and some of the mobs, critters and tools using LEGO® Bricks. They will face new challenges, build models and craft key elements from the popular Minecraft game. Ages 5+

Venue: Riverside Gardens Community Centre, 55 Riverside Boulevard Douglas
For information: 0412 067 036 mailto:townsville@bricks4kidz.com


Cost: $40

**The Comedy Generation presents Hump-Day Comedy**

First Wednesday 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/thecome
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Cost: free

**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; 1.30 – 3.30pm; 6 – 8pm: Painting Techniques with Sylvia Hewitt $30 pp

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

Tuesday evening 6 – 8pm – Illustration and Watercolour with Angela Leck $30 pp

Wednesday evening 6 – 8pm Clay Sculpture with Sue Tilley $30 pp

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

Thursday evening 6 – 8pm Pen and wash with jenny Hyatt $30 pp

Friday morning 10am – 12noon: Kick Start your Art with Sylvia Hewitt $30 pp

**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

**December 9th** 1.30 – 4pm

**Lampwork (glass beads) with Linda Bates**

The making of glass beads dates back centuries with the beads prized as currency and for personal adornment. The techniques were raised to an art form on the venetian island of Murano.

Cost: $65

**December 12th** 6 – 8.30pm

**Marbled Xmas Baubles with Sue Tilley**

Add your own personality to your Xmas tree this year, with your own marbled ceramic Xmas baubles.

Cost: $60

**December 16th** 1.30 – 4pm

**Fused Glass Xmas Ornaments with Sue Tilley**

Learn how to make fused glass Xmas tree ornaments in this fun workshop.

Cost: $65

**The North Queensland Recorder Society**

Workshops will be held on the third Sunday of every month – 2pm

Venue: Music Room 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: $10 / $5 per workshop – refreshments provided
The next workshop will be on Sunday afternoon – October 15th

**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**
The Townsville Writers and Publishers Centre (TWPC) is an umbrella organisation that works to increase regional writing by offering workshops facilitated by national and internationally known authors, and supporting several writers groups that meet regularly to explore the craft of writing. These writer’s groups cater to writers of different genres and are supportive, friendly communities that work to develop writers of any skill level. These individual groups also offer opportunities to be involved in collaborative projects.

Venue: Riverway Arts Centre 20 Village Boulevard, Thuringowa Central

For information: mailto:info@twpc.org or 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/

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**Emerge** presents an opportunity for interested students and teenagers to extend their passion for writing and find their own tribe among like-minded writers. Members learn new forms of creative writing as well as the tools needed for any young aspiring author with the view to creating the best story and working towards publication. If you’re between 13-17 years old or know of someone who'd like to join us, please contact us at emerge@twpc.org

Venue: 2018 dates and venue tbc

**Kid’s Lit** is a new group for authors of children’s books to chat and share ideas and experiences. Members so far include published authors and illustrators. This might just be the tribe for you! Please bring a gold coin to cover costs of nibblies.

When: 2nd Friday of the month at 6.30pm – 8.30pm (meet at the front of the arts centre at 6.25pm)

Venue: Riverway Arts Centre

Contact: info@twpc.org

**Romance and Commercial Fiction**

This group is for the romantically-inclined creative writer who would like to engage with other passionate wordsmiths who enjoy the genre. Please bring a gold coin to cover costs of nibblies.

When: the fourth Wednesday of the month 6.30pm – 8.30pm (meet at the front of the arts centre at 6.25pm)

Venue: TWPC Office, Riverway Arts Centre

Contact: romance@twpc.org

**Speculative Fiction Group**
The Speculative Fiction Writers’ Group supports writers who love to dip into all genres of fantasy and fiction. This group publishes an annual collaborative anthology and members have the opportunity to be a part of this exciting project as well as developing their own, individual works. Please bring a gold coin to cover costs of nibblies.

When: Tuesday fortnightly 7pm – 9pm (meet at the front of the arts centre at 6.55pm)

Venue: TWPC Office, Riverway Arts Centre

Contact: specific@twpc.org

**Verb** is a writer’s group that’s all about writers and poets connecting with like-minded creatives, developing skills and receiving feedback on their personal works. 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. Please bring a gold coin to cover costs of nibblies.

When: second Thursday of the month 6.30pm – 8.30pm (meet at the front of the arts centre at 6.25pm)
Shut Up & Write!
Not sure what Shut Up & Write! Sessions are about? It’s just what it says. Members (or anyone really) who can’t find the time to write in their ordinary lives get the opportunity to join like-minded people in a two-hour session where there is minimal socialising and a very strict mediator who makes sure there is lots of writing!
BYO caffeine and snacks
When: third Saturday of the month 1pm – 2.45pm (meet in the foyer a few minutes before 1.00pm)
Venue: tbc for 2018
Contact: info@twpc.org

Young Writers Workshops:

Emerge Writers Workshop for 13-18 year olds
Do you have a story in you? Does it scratch at your brain in the dark of night, begging to be let out? We can help you set your imagination free!
Townsville Writers & Publishers Centre, with support from James Cook University and Townsville City Council, are running a 3-day workshop for writers aged 13-18 year old. Numbers are limited to 20 participants.
You’ll learn techniques to get the words down, develop the story, and polish it off, so it’s ready for all your adoring fans to get lost in. Once that’s done and dusted, the world can savour it as you bask in your very own glory.
Presenters include local authors Chris Cummings and Chris Picone, and Brisbane editor Belinda Pollard.
When: 9-11 January 2018. Where: JCU - Building 27. Maps and lists of other things to bring will be emailed after booking a place.
Book Now for Early Bird rates until 15 December 2017

Scribblerz Workshop for 8 - 12 year olds
What could you do with paper + pens + words + your imagination? Do you have stories you’ve struggled to get down? Or better yet, stories you want to share? Join other storytellers and get your words and worlds on paper, polish your stories, and then share them with others.
Townsville Writers & Publishers Centre, with support from James Cook University and Townsville City Council, are running a 2-day workshop for young writers aged 8-12 years old.
It’s time for you to fall down the rabbit hole and create your very own story!
Presenters include local authors Maggie O and Wendy Nielsen, and local illustrator Matt B.
When: 9-11 January 2018. Where: JCU - Building 27. Maps and lists of other things to bring will be emailed after booking a place.
Book Now for Early Bird rates until 15 December 2017

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 December 17th
Pop Up Shop
Umbrella Studio presents A Pop up North Queensland Christmas Shop – art and handmade gifts by local artists – including ceramics, artworks, homewares and works on paper.
Address: 261 Flinders Street Townsville (next to Perc Tucker Regional Gallery)
Hours: Mon – Fri 10am – 5pm; Sat – Sun 9am – 1pm.

January 21st 10 – 11am
Artist Floor Talk: Laura McMahon
Tasmanian visiting artist, Laura McMahon (AKA Brain Foetus) will discuss her artworks in her exhibition ‘Child’s Play’ that is a series of large scale original drawings and hand illustrated paste up murals addressing themes of searching of self and a sense of belonging. Audience participation is welcome – ask questions and gain an insight into the concept and development of the exhibition.
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

Australian Concerto & Vocal Competition
July 20th – 24th 2018
2018 ACVC Competition Dates & Adjudicators
Planning is already under way for the 2018 Competition which will be held from Friday 20th July to Tuesday 24th July.
International concert pianist Piers Lane AO, who is the Patron of the Australian Concerto & Vocal Competition and well known to Townsville audiences through his tenure with the Australian Festival of Chamber Music, will adjudicate in the instrumental sections of the Competition. International operatic soprano Cheryl Barker AO will return to the Competition to adjudicate in the vocal sections.

North Queensland Recorder Society Annual Weekend Workshop
July 20th – 22nd 2018
The North Queensland Recorder Society Annual Weekend Workshop will be held on beautiful Magnetic Island on the weekend of 20 / 21 / 22 July 2018.
Join us in Townsville to not only play and learn beautiful music but also to celebrate a tropical Festival of Music in July and August. Maybe consider a week or two on Magnetic Island.

Australian Festival of Chamber Music
July 27th – August 4th 2018
Artistic Director Kathryn Stott

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.

Meeting of Cultural Ministers
National Arts and Health Framework can be found at http://mcm.arts.gov.au/
State Budget invests in regional arts and infrastructure jobs

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

**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

**Australian Society of Authors**
The ASA is a leading organisation in Australian literature with its mission to help the advancement of writers and authors and to protect their rights and freedoms in publication. Not only do they provide a great wealth of resources and opportunities for both the published and soon-to-be, but they do so with a passion that will greatly benefit you as a member.
For information: https://www.asauthors.org/

**Friends of the Galleries**
For information: 4727 9011

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

**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.australia.com

The Comedy Generation presents Comedy Open Mic
First Wednesday of the month 7.30pm
Venue: Kirwan Tavern, 154 Thuringowa Drive, Thuringowa
For information: info@thecomedygeneration.com
http://www.thecomedygeneration.com/
https://www.facebook.com/thecomedygeneration
Cost: free

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

Townsville Writer's and Publisher's Centre Inc
Membership & Benefits
TWPC membership includes access to our resources and numerous writing groups and we now have organisation membership to the Queensland Writers Centre. This means that individual members of the TWPC can take advantage of the membership discounts for courses offered by the QWC.
The WQ quarterly magazine is available at the TWPC office and online by using our membership number and password. Members can access this if they attend any of the writers’ groups that operate under the TWPC umbrella. Just ask your group’s facilitator or email us.
The TWPC also subscribes to the online Australian Writer’s Marketplace (AWM). The AWM directory lists over 2,000 opportunities for writers, with submission and contact details for Magazines, Newspapers, Publishers, Literary Agents, Industry Organisations, and Literary Awards. Details of the username and password to access AWM online will be available to members when they attend any of the writers’ groups. If you’d like to renew your membership for 2018, or become a new member, do it online at our new and improved webpage.
Email info@twpc.org for more.

Grants/Scholarships/Sponsorships

Townsville City Council's Community Grants

- The Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) Program
  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. The guidelines and application form will be available from the 18th December 2017. Applications will close at 5pm on Monday 12th February 2018.

- Community Grants Program
  For information:
Gambling Community Benefit Fund (GCBF)

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/navagraants/

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

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

Performers 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?
An application under the PPCA Performers’ Trust Foundation can be used for costs associated with:

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

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


**Smartygrants**

**The Gordon Darling Foundation Grant**
The Foundation provides funding for a range of visual arts projects Australia-wide.

**The Sidney Myer and Myer Foundation Funding**

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**Competitions & Awards**

**Artists Opportunities & Support**
For information: [http://www.competitionsforartists.com/](http://www.competitionsforartists.com/)

**2018 Australia Day Awards Nominations Now Open!**
The 2018 Australia Day Awards recognise Townsville's unsung heroes. The awards pay tribute to the special people in our community who have gone above and beyond to help improve the lives of others and contribute to a diverse, friendly and strong community.

This special person could be your neighbour, a friend or someone you have come across through your local school, church or sporting group. Whoever comes to mind, they are someone who works selflessly to help improve your life and the lives of others.

The efforts of these quiet achievers can often go unnoticed in our busy lives. The Australia Day Awards are about taking the time to ensure these remarkable individuals are honoured and receive the recognition they deserve.

Nominations for the 2018 awards are now open and available to be submitted via the Council website (the link is: [https://fs6.formsite.com/townsvillecc/form434/index.html](https://fs6.formsite.com/townsvillecc/form434/index.html)). **Submit your nomination by 11:00pm, Sunday 17 December 2017** for the person, organisation or event that you believe has made an outstanding contribution to the Townsville community and tell us why you think they are deserving of an Australia Day Award.

Visit Council’s website: [www.townsville.qld.gov.au](http://www.townsville.qld.gov.au) to lodge your nomination or for further information.

Categories as follows:

- Citizen of the Year
- Young Citizen of the Year
- Arts and Culture Award
- Community Volunteer Award
- Senior Sports Award (open to individuals and teams)
- Junior Sports Award (open to individuals and teams)
- Environmental Excellence and Sustainability Award

Eligibility:
All nominees must be Australian citizens and have resided in the Townsville region during the 2017 year and at the time of nomination.
Nominators must be over 18 years of age.
Nominators and all award nominees and their families will be invited to attend the Australia Day Awards Ceremony held at Jezzine Barracks on 26 January 2018.
Thank you for your time in completing this application, you are on your way to making someone’s day!

**Citizen of the Year**
Nominees must be 26 years of age or older as of 26 January 2018.

**Young Citizen of the Year**
Nominees must be 25 years of age or younger as of 26 January 2018.

**Arts and Culture Award**
No age limitation for nominees. Nominated organisations must have 2 or more members.

**Community Volunteer Award**
No age limitation for nominees.

**Senior Sports Award**
Nominees must be 19 years of age or older as of 26 January 2018.

**Junior Sports Award**
Nominees must be 18 years of age or younger as of 26 January 2018.

**Environmental Excellence and Sustainability Award**
No age limitation for nominees. Nominated organisations must have 2 or more members.

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**Perc Tucker Regional Gallery**
4727 9011  Cnr Denham & Flinders Sts, Townsville  mailto:ptrg@townsville.qld.gov.au

**Call for Artists – Percival Portrait Painting Prize 2018**
The biennial Percival Portrait Painting Prize is North Queensland’s own portrait competition and is held at Perc Tucker Regional Gallery.

Having begun in 2007, The Percivals is an open competition for artists. While showcasing the outstanding and innovative work currently being produced by Australian artists, the competition has also given many emerging artists an opportunity to engage with portraiture and share their expressions of themselves and those close to them. Across the years participating artists have presented varied styles and approaches to the contemporary portrait - from abstracted images and cool conceptualism to smooth realism and the energetic aura of thick, impasto oils executed with a broad brush and palette knife.

Thanks to the generosity of Glencore and other sponsors over the years, the Prize has steadily grown in stature and prize monies, from $3,000 in 2007 to the current major acquisitive prize of $40,000.

This year the form can be completed online.

Applications Close: Monday February 12th 2018

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**Pinnacles Gallery**
Riverway Arts Centre, 20 Village Blvd, Thuringowa Central  4773 8871

**Call for Entries – DUO Magazine Percival Photographic Portrait Prize 2018**
In 2018, DUO Magazine Percival Photographic Portrait Prize returns for the third time since its inaugural display at Pinnacles Gallery in 2014. This prize was started to coincide with the highly popular Percival Portrait Painting Prize at Perc Tucker Regional Gallery and ensure a city-wide celebration of portraiture.

Thanks to the sponsorship of DUO Magazine, the exhibition offers a major $10,000 acquisitive prize. The exhibition’s second instalment in 2016 saw the exhibitions’ continued popularity attract 112 entries from around the country, of which 61 were selected and displayed in an outstanding display of finalists.

The form can be completed online this year.

Applications close: Monday February 12th 2018

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**Queensland Music Festival**
Entries are open for the 2018 Carol Lloyd Award

This annual award is presented to a female singer-songwriter, either born in or currently residing in Queensland, in honour of the ultimate trailblazer, Carol Lloyd.
One exceptional artist will be awarded $15,000 to assist in recording an original album, or an EP with a tour, as well as broadening their experience in the music industry and connecting them to some of Queensland’s most respected artists. Applicants can submit up to three tracks of original material and supporting material. Visit qmf.org.au for full details.

**Creating Australia**
For information on advocacy, support and leadership for the community arts and cultural development (CACD) sector: [http://creatingaustralia.org.au/](http://creatingaustralia.org.au/)

**Writers’ Opportunities**
**Fellowship of Australian Writers NSW Inc**
For information: [http://www.fawnsw.org.au](http://www.fawnsw.org.au)

**Australian Writing Opportunities**
For information: [http://competitionsforwriters.com/](http://competitionsforwriters.com/)

**Hunter Writers Centre**
For information: [http://www.hunterwriterscentre.org/](http://www.hunterwriterscentre.org/)

**Queensland Writers Centre (QWC)**
For information: [https://qldwriters.org.au](https://qldwriters.org.au)

**Opportunities for Musicians**
**Music Council of Australia (MCA)**
For information: [http://www.mca.org.au](http://www.mca.org.au)

**Defence Jobs Australia – Musicians**

**Dance Companies**

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

**Galleries & Museums**

**Aluminium Art Exclusives**
263 Flinders Street Townsville 4427 5497
Open: Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri 10am – 5pm (closed Tuesday); Sat and Sun 9am – 1pm

**Army Museum of North Queensland**
Jezzine Barracks, Mitchell Street North Ward
[http://armymuseumnorthqueensland.webs.com/](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.gallery48thestrand.com
Open: 12noon – 5pm 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
maitto:artsmanager@girringun.com.au
The Centre represents artists from nine Traditional Owner Groups, the Nywaigi, Gugu Badhun, Warrgamay, Warungnu, Bandjin, Girramay, Gulgnay, Jirbal 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
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.mtg.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/
maitto: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
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
Open: 10am – 5pm (Tuesday – Sunday) Free admission

RAAF Townsville Aviation Heritage Centre (RTAHC)
RAAF Base, Ingham Rd, Garbutt 4752 1516
mailto:rta.hc@defence.gov.au
Open: Tuesdays and Thursdays 9am – 12noon; Sundays 10am – 3pm

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

Umbrella Studio Contemporary Arts – Gallery and Studio
482 Flinders St Townsville  Open: 9am – 5pm Monday to Friday; 9am – 1pm Saturday and Sunday
4772 7109 mailto:office@umbrella.org.au  http://www.umbrella.org.au

Music Groups

Allegro Choir
4779 7368 mailto:allegettochoirs@bigpond.com

Amadeus Singers Children’s Choir

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
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 1997 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:peterjones007@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@hotkey.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

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=nf

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
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.ngomt@gmail.com  http://www.ngomt.com.au
https://www.facebook.com/ngomt

Props Youth Theatre
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

Riverway Arts Centre
20 Village Boulevard Thuringowa
4773 8888  TicketShop  4727 9797

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  http://www.theatreinq.com

Towers Players Inc – Charters Towers Local Theatre Group
156 – 160 Mosman St Charters Towers 4787 1768 / 0427 871 768

Townsville Choral Society
Brian and Daphne Pease Memorial Hall, 485 Sturt Street Townsville
mailto:tcs@tcs.org.au  http://www.tcs.org.au

Townsville Civic Theatre
41 Boundary St Townsville  4727 9797 TicketShop

Townsville Little Theatre
4724 3112  mailto:theatre.lover@townsvillelittletheatre.org.au  http://www.townsvillelittletheatre.org.au
https://www.facebook.com/groups/townsvillelittletheatre/
What’s On Townsville


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