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Calendar



Dance

Townsville Civic Theatre

41 Boundary St Townsville 4727 9797 TicketShop <http://www.ticketshop.com.au>
<mailto:civic.theatre@townsville.qld.gov.au>

August 15th

Be Your Self Redux

In Garry Stewart's *Be Your Self (Redux)*, audiences are engaged in a complex dialogue in which they are compelled to explore what makes you 'you'. The athletic dancers of Australian Dance Theatre (ADT) are transformed into erupting, powerful, and emotional entities, projecting startling physical images. Arising from conversations with a Buddhist monk, neurologist, physiologist and literary academic, Stewart situates the body at the centre of his inquiry and reveals that despite our civilising cultural influences, the body is still a force to be reckoned with. A distilled version of the original *Be Your Self*, *Be Your Self Redux* fuses Stewart's audacious choreography with spoken word to create an exciting dance work that leaves audiences questioning the underpinnings of who they are.

Cost: \$45 / \$25

All Abilities Disco

August 18th 6pm

Come and join the fun *All Abilities Disco*. There will be a Live DJ. - Fancy dress.

Come and Dance the night away.

Venue: Kith and Kin, 123 Ingham Road West End

For information: <https://kithandkin.com.au> <https://www.facebook.com/KKAllAbilitiesMentalHealth/>

Cost: \$15

33rd Highland Dancing Barrier Reef Championships and Competition

August 26th 8.30am

Townsville Highland Dancing Association Inc. welcomes Townsville residents to attend its 33rd Barrier Reef Championships and Competition on Saturday 26th August. This competition is held annually on the last Saturday in August.

The Barrier Reef Championships begin at 8.30am where you will see Premier Highland Dancers from all over Australia compete in the Highland Fling, Sword Dance, Seann Triubhas, and the Strathspey and Half Tulloch Reel. Champion Dancers will be presented later that morning.

The day will continue with the Northern Heather Titles, Trophy, and Section Dances - with presentation of Title and Trophy recipients later in the afternoon.

If you feel hungry there will be a BBQ, and cake stall to purchase sweets, and if you need coffee The Bean Queen will be there too.

You don't need to be Scottish to enjoy Highland Dancing.

For information: <https://www.townsvillehighland.com.au>

Venue: Emmaus Hall - Ryan Catholic College, Morindo Drive Kirwan

Cost: free

2017 School Disco #4

August 26th 6.30pm – 10.30pm

Presented by Ignatius Park College

Customers must collect tickets at either the Townsville Civic Theatre or Riverway Arts Centre prior to 1.00pm on the Saturday of the disco. No Ticket Collections or Sales at IPC Hall.

Security and Police are in attendance at the School Disco.

Venue: Ignatius Park College Hall, 368 Ross River Road Cranbrook

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

Cost: \$15

Exhibitions

Gallery 48

2/48 the Strand Townsville 4724 4898

<mailto:gallery48thestrantownsville@gmail.com>

<http://www.gallery48thestrantownsville.com>

Open: 12noon – 5pm Wednesday and Saturday – For other times please phone 0408 287 203

Continuing

To October 21st

Marking Time

This exhibition by Artist **Lesley Kane** from Mackay showcases a suite of 16 of her recent charcoal drawings. While some drawings are framed, other drawings are presented similarly with many contemporary artists methods, as unframed works on paper.

The gallery will organise framing if required. The artist envisages the work to be installed so the 'feeling of being surrounded by lots of different marks prevails'.

Lounge Art by Lyn

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

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

Museum of Tropical Queensland

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

Open daily 9.30am – 5pm

Discounted prices for Townsville locals – proof of residency required.

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

September 2nd – 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.

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.

August 29th 12pm

Special Event – MTQ Theatre

To celebrate the 226th anniversary of the sinking of the Pandora, the Museum is presenting a special talk by Peter Illidge (Project Manager, Maritime Cultural Heritage at the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority) and Alison Mann (Assistant Collections Manager – Cultures & Histories Program at the Museum of Tropical Queensland).

Peter and Alison took part in several Pandora expeditions in the late 1990s. Peter will talk about his first-hand experiences excavating the shipwreck and Alison will talk about her work managing the objects that were retrieved and are now part of the Queensland Museum collection at MTQ.

Perc Tucker Regional Gallery

Cnr Flinders & Denham Streets, CBD

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

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

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

Tour the Galleries

Visit the Galleries with your community group or social club!

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

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

Afternoon tea may require a small donation for food.

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

Friends of the Galleries

For information: 4727 9011

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

Friends enjoy many benefits through their association such as:

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

New

August 25th – October 15th

Head in the Clouds: Ben Trupperbäumer, June Tupicoff and Ron McBurnie

The high altitude tropical cloud forests of the Atherton Tablelands are the focus of an exhibition of new works by Ben Trupperbäumer, June Tupicoff and Ron McBurnie. Each artist has created a body of work that is reflective of their different relationships to this unique landscape.

Head in the Clouds aptly highlights the friendship that exists between these three artists and their different approach to rainforest, which is at the heart of the exhibition.

September 1st – 24th

62nd Townsville Art Awards and Townsville Open Art Awards

The Townsville Art Society has held an annual or biannual Arts exhibition since the society's inception, and The Townsville Art Society's Awards Exhibition is now a major exhibition in the cultural life of the city.

Held in the Townsville's Perc Tucker Regional Gallery, this exhibition provides an opportunity for North Queensland artists, who are affiliated with an Art Society, to display their work in a major gallery and compete for prizes.

Continuing

To August 20th

Teeming With Life: The Wongaloo Project - Pamela Griffith

Townsville is blessed by beautiful wetlands. In 2014 artist Pamela Griffith visited Clevedon / Cromarty protected wetlands 30 km South of Townsville. Some of the most extensive water-bird habitat in Australia occurs between Giru and Cleveland Bay. This area, with Wongaloo Regional Park at the core is seen by many thousands of travelers passing along the Bruce Highway that runs beside the Mt Elliot range. This is the subject of Pamela Griffith's exhibition.

To be launched by Dr Penny Olsen Honorary Professor Division Ecology and Evolution at The Australian National University.

To August 27th

My Country, I Still Call Australia Home: Contemporary Art from Black Queensland

QAGOMA's largest exhibition of contemporary art by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists to date examines the strengths of the Gallery's holdings and explores three central themes — presenting Indigenous views of history (My history), responding to contemporary politics and experiences (My life), and illustrating connections to place (My country).

Pinnacles Gallery

Riverway Arts Centre, Thuringowa Central

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

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

New

August 12th 2pm

Liz Tynan: The Maralinga Story

Academic and former science journalist Elizabeth Tynan will present her new book Atomic Thunder - the Maralinga Story and talk about the history of British atomic testing in Australia. How and why did Australia become a testing ground for British interests? What effects did the program produce and what are its legacies? Copies of Elizabeth's book will be available for signing. This talk coincides with the exhibition Black Mist Burnt Country, Testing the Bomb. Maralinga and Australian Art.

Burinja Touring Exhibition on display at Pinnacles Gallery till September 3rd 2017.

Cost: free

August 31st – September 20th

Spun Out

The 2017 Townsville Region Art Teachers' Exhibition Spun Out is open to all of the Region's secondary Visual Art Teachers and asks that artworks be created on any theme using textiles. There are no restrictions upon how to work with textiles and we are excited to see how each of you create, deconstruct or incorporate the medium in your work. Please contact us for additional information and important dates.

September 9th – October 1st

ARTNOW

ArtNOW is an exhibition of works by senior students from the north Queensland region; delivered as part of Gallery services' Creative Classrooms program.

September 9th – October 1st

Creative Generation Excellence Awards in Visual Arts 2017

Creative Generation Excellence Awards in Visual Art recognises and promotes excellence in senior visual art education throughout state and non-state schools in Queensland.

Continuing

To September 3rd

Black Mist Burnt Country: Testing the Bomb. Maralinga and Australian Art

This national touring exhibition project commemorates the 60th anniversary of the British atomic test series at Maralinga. The exhibition visits the events and its location through the artworks by Indigenous and non-Indigenous contemporary artists across the mediums of painting, print-making, sculpture, installation, photography and new media.

This project has been assisted by the Australian Government's Visions of Australia program. It has received development assistance from NETS Victoria's Exhibition Development Fund Grant, supported by the Victorian Government through Creative Victoria.

Further financial assistance was received from Gordon Darling Foundation. The project is supported by Anangu Pitjantjatjara people in Yalata and Oak Valley Maralinga, in partnership with Yalata Community Inc.

RAAF Townsville Aviation Heritage Centre

RAAF Base, Ingham Road Townsville 4752 1712

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 USAAF 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 0419 790 245

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

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

Continuing

To August 27th

Nature's Treasurers

This is an exhibition of work by Angela Leck depicting colourful bird life and Townsville's Icon Castle Hill.

Art originals from the Rack by Sylvia and local artist Annette Ireland, Pots by Island Potters, Stella and Elizabeth Tillack, Merchandise, collectables, objects de art by Hugh Martin

New

September 1st -17th

Tate Adams

This is a solo show of Tate Adam's work.

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

3D Sculpture Exhibition

To August 23rd

To coincide with Townsville's Iconic Strand Ephemera, The Drill Hall invites you to indulge in your love of all 3 dimensional arts.

3D is an exhibition of sculpture, from well-known and emerging local artists, range from the delicate to the durable, the minuscule to the majestic, across a range of styles and mediums.

TYTO Regional Art Gallery

73 – 75 Mcllwraith St, TYTO Wetlands Precinct, Ingham

4776 4725 <mailto:galleries@hinchinbrook.qld.gov.au> <http://www.tyto.com.au/gallery>

Open 10am – 4pm daily

New

September 1st – October 1st

39th Hinchinbrook Art Awards

The TYTO Regional Art Gallery invites artists from local, regional and national arenas to enter the 39th Annual Hinchinbrook Art Awards of North Queensland.

This signature event attracts a broad selection of submissions from artists nationwide. Celebrating the best in current practices across several media, while encouraging the development of Youth Arts, the Awards are an excellent platform for both emerging and established artists to showcase their work.

Opening: September 1st 7pm

Continuing

To August 27th

'H2 O-De-Constructed – Ingham Art Society Annual Exhibition

The Ingham Art Society member's annual show is an exhibition that explores the story of water and what it means in our lives – Connecting us to the land, our craft and each other. This exhibition reflects upon and cherishes the watery world that surrounds us in all its forms and manipulations, each work celebrating a rich interweaving of human-water relationships.

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

August 16th 6 – 8pm

Life in the Studio: Umbrella Book Launch

Umbrella Studio is proud to invite you to the launch of:

Life in the Studio: Thirty Years of Umbrella 1986 – 2016

This book celebrates the three decades of the people, the artists, the artwork and everything in-between that has made the organisation what it is today.

Come get your copy and get your friends to sign it.

Book Sales: \$25 Members, \$30 Non-Members

Townsville City Council is proud to support the creation of the *Life in the Studio: thirty years of Umbrella 1986 – 2016* publication under our Community Grants Program.

August 25th – October 1st

Prints, Pottery & Impressions

This exhibition displays artworks developed from the 2017 PressNorth Printmakers artist in residence program by Margaret Crawford. The artist undertook a three month residency in the Studio Downstairs at Umbrella Studio.

Crawford's artwork has predominately been inspired by North Queensland environs. In this body of work she has used iconic images of landmarks, birds and flowers of Townsville. Her impressions have been produced using both print and pottery. The pottery has been designed and produced to complement the prints in this exhibition.

Opening Launch: 6pm Friday 25 August 2017

August 25th – October 1st

Our Island Home

Three Magnetic Island-based artists, Julie Stark, Mardi Saker & Michelle McGuinn, have band together to exhibit in the Access space for their first joint exhibition, showing artworks in various media inspired by their island community and environment.

Opening Launch: 6pm Friday 25 August 2017

August 25th – October 1st

Saturation Point

With an aim of involving the viewer in a visual discourse that invites new connections to sculptural experience and picture making, Bruce Reynolds's latest exhibition includes relief sculpture, relief prints and imagery painted directly onto the gallery wall. The imagery largely consists of decorative forms derived from studies of caves in Mogao, China, and the relief works of Rome, Italy.

Opening Launch: 6pm Friday 25 August 2017

August 26th 10am – 12pm

Artist Floor Talk: Bruce Reynolds

Bruce Reynolds will discuss his artworks in his exhibition, *Saturation Point*. Audience participation is welcome – ask questions and gain an insight into the concept and development of the exhibition.

Continuing

To August 20th

Sojourn

Sojourn presents an eclectic selection of large-scale abstraction works by celebrated photo media artist Shane Fitzgerald. Fitzgerald continues his exploration of the spectacular and sublime through a selection of works conceived and developed during his brief period of stay in Townsville. *Sojourn* showcases Fitzgerald's ability to capture the symbiotic relationship between space, place and the ethereal. The works predominately extend towards evocative conceptual representations of landscape and psyche, and the viewer's collective unconsciousness through explorations in nature and the natural realm.

To August 20th

Return to Sumida / On: Time

Using video to explore notions of time, form, and abstraction, Sue O'Malley creates narratives that draw the viewer in to real and surreal moments of life.

Festivals & Special Events

Sunday Sundown at the Village

To November 26th 3 – 5pm

(Every month on the last Sunday of the month)

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

Activities include:

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

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

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

Townsville Cultural Fest

To August 13th

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

Over 100 food and market stalls from around the world, will offer arts and crafts, cuisines, fashion and produce, and around the grounds you will find art features, interactive games, roving performers, show rides, yarnning circle, henna tattoo stalls and gypsy fortune tellers. Join us in this celebration of Unity in Diversity.

Venue: 1 James Cook Drive Douglas

For information: 4772 4800

Jazz at the Headlands: A Festival that Swings by the Sea

August 13th 11am – 5.30pm

The Townsville Picnic Bay Surf Lifesaving Club and Townsville Jazz Club present an afternoon of great music showcasing some of the great jazz musicians in North Queensland. The lineup includes the Stokes Nicholson Big Band, the 1RAR Band and full day of jazz combos ranging from TRAD and Dixieland to Swing and Modern.

Jazz at the Headlands is a family friendly event for listeners to enjoy a relaxed Sunday afternoon, swinging to the sounds of some of the best jazz and blues bands in North Queensland, overlooking the best views in North Queensland, the Headlands of the iconic Strand at Townsville Picnic Bay Surf Lifesaving Club.

Bring a rug, a chair to enjoy the views of the Strand and Magnetic Island in comfort.

Venue: Picnic Bay Surf Lifesaving Club, 80 the Strand Townsville

For information: 4724 4211 <http://jazztownsville.com>

Entropy's 10th Birthday Party

August 13th 10am – 12pm

Grab your party hats its Entropy's 10th Birthday, and it's time to party. Join the elves and Chief Poobah for a celebration like no other. With face painting, a jumping castle, craft activities and loads more this party is going to be the talk of the town.

The elves like to use any excuse to dress up, and for that reason, they would like everyone to wear their biggest and brightest clothes. There will be best-dressed prizes for those wearing the loudest and most creative outfits. It's a free day of family fun.

Venue: Entropy, Shop 6, Hyde Park Centre Woolcock Street Hyde Park

For information: 4724 4555 <https://www.entropy.com.au>

Cost: free

A Celebration of Diversity through Food, Culture and Dance

August 19th 5.30pm – 9.30pm

Seniors Week

A Celebration of Diversity through Food, Culture & Dance

Live Band 'livesire'

All seniors and carers welcome

For information: 0428 332 965 <mailto:cald.tsv@diversicare.com.au>

Venue: PCYC Aitkenvale, 113 Wellington Street Aitkenvale

Cost: \$5

Three Day Calm Abiding Meditation and mindfulness Retreat

September 1st – 4th

Conducted by Tibetan Buddhist Lama Choedak Rinpoche

Rinpoche has been teaching in Australia and New Zealand for over 25 years. His instructions are delivered with great humour and compassion. Private interviews are available with Lama at the retreat.

Venue: Paluma, via Townsville

For information: 048 401 066 <mailto:pheang@bipond.net.au>

<https://meditationtownsvilletharlaming.com/>

Cost: \$425 / \$400 / \$395

Tracing Your Heritage

September 2nd 9.30am – 4pm

Family History Assn of Nth Qld Inc presents the closing of National Family History Month 2017

Have you found your ancestors, or will your children find them first? For future generations, this question might shape their quest? This event is suitable for ages 14 plus.

Venue: Townsville RSL, Charters Towers Road Hermit Park

For information: 4728 2833 (10am – 2pm Sat – Thurs) <mailto:secretary@fhang.org>

Cost: \$35 / \$30

Glendi Festival

September 30th – October 2nd

For thousands of years, the Greeks have enjoyed interaction and trade with neighbours around the Mediterranean and farther east to Asia. In a nod to this, the Festival will expand its offerings to include cuisines and displays from around Greece's 'neighbourhood' celebrating Townsville's cultural diversity. The exciting addition to the cultural experience at Greek Fest and potential for further expansion of the new narrative has culminated in a name change for the festival to 'Glendi'. Glendi translates to festivity, revelry, merrymaking a celebration. The festival has always been and continues to be, a free event for over 25,000 attendees. This year the festival will be held over the long weekend. Festival goer's senses will come alive with traditional music and dancing displays, delectable foods and cooking demonstrations from around the Mediterranean. There will also be a variety of children's entertainment and fun filled activities for the whole family to be involved in. The festival is proud to offer the community an opportunity to reflect on the values and traditions that have helped shape our country and, more importantly, our region.

Venue: Riverway Precinct, 20 Village Boulevard Thuringowa Central

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

Ingham Maraka Festival

October 7th – 28th

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

For information: 4776 2066

Towers Rush

October 29th

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

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

For information: 4761 5515

Stable on the Strand

December 18th – 22nd

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

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

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

Venue: The Strand Townsville

For information: 4774 4542 / 0411 756 273

Other Australian Festivals

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

Markets

Alligator Creek Lions Markets

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/>

Nth Qld Babies and Kids Market

August 19th 8.30am – 12.30pm
There will be 500 Bounty Bags, Lucky door prize valued at \$600 thanks to Impressionable Kids Townsville, market stalls, Jumping Castle, Slot cars, Face painting, Craft Area, Yummy Food and Coffee, ATM on site
Venue: Emmaus Hall, Ryan Catholic College, Morinda Drive Kirwan
For information: <http://www.nthqldbabiesandkidsmarket.com/>
<https://www.facebook.com/nthqldbabiesandkidsmarket/>
Cost: \$2 Adult Entry

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>

Sunday on Flinders Cotters Market

Every Sunday 8.30am – 1pm

Flinders Street (between Stanley Street and Denham Street) Townsville

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

Great Barrier Reef Film Festival

September 8th – 10th

Starting on Friday 8 September with 'Shorts By The Sea', at the picturesque outdoor location at Geoffrey Bay, the festival heads into the weekend with Feature Films, Film Industry Forums and Workshops, Kids Film Workshops PLUS a fabulous Sunday of fun with Sean Murphy's acclaimed show 'Kid's Confidential' (Movie Version) plus a Youth Talent Quest and more feature films. Discount return ferry and festival passes are available.

For more information and the full program visit: <http://gbrff.com.au>

Venue: Friday Night: Geoffrey Bay ferry ramp. Saturday and Sunday: Arcadia Village Hotel, Magnetic Island.

Riverway Arts Centre

20 Village Boulevard Thuringowa

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

August 31st 7pm

Top Dog Film Festival – Townsville

Presented by Adventure Reels

Cats may own the internet: but dogs rule the BIG screen thanks to the Top Dog Film Festival, touring Australia for the first time this August.

Film is going to the dogs, and that's definitely a good thing for dog lovers around the country. The inaugural Top Dog Film Festival presents a 2 hour cinematic celebration honouring the bond between dogs and their people.

Audiences will gain an insight into the world of dog-powered sports, an appreciation for the first canine sent into space, explore the bond between owners and their senior dogs, reflect on the true meaning of unconditional love, take a 600km hike through the Utah Desert lasting a full dog year and meet a philosophical statesman as he reflects on his younger years.

This carefully curated program of 8 short canine-themed films is comprised of the most inspirational, heartwarming and entertaining stories about dogs and their human companions, from independent film makers around the globe.

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

Cost: \$25.50 / \$22.50 / \$17.50

September 1st 7pm – 9.15pm

Dirty Girls Adventure Film Tour
Presented by Adventure Reels

Born out of a desire to showcase the strong, inspirational, adventurous women of the outdoor world, the *Dirty Girls Adventure Film Tour* presents a carefully curated selection of 9 short films that will entertain, enthrall and enlighten.

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

Cost: \$25.50 / \$22.50 / \$17.50

Riverway Movie Night

Riverway, 20 Village Boulevard Thuringowa 1300 878 001

August 18th 6.30pm

Moana

Join us at 6.30pm on Riverway Oval for ***Moana***. Bring a blanket and watch a movie on the big screen under the stars and raintrees at Riverway.

An adventurous teenager sails out on a daring mission to save her people. During her journey, Moana meets the once-mighty demigod Maui, who guides her in her quest to become a master wayfinder. Together they sail across the open ocean on an action-packed voyage, encountering enormous monsters and impossible odds. Along the way, Moana fulfills the ancient quest of her ancestors and discovers the one thing she always sought: her own identity.

Cost: free

September 15th 6.30pm

Big Hero 6

Join us at 6.30pm on Riverway Oval for ***Big Hero 6***. Bring a blanket and watch a movie on the big screen under the stars and raintrees at Riverway.

Robotics prodigy Hiro lives in the city of San Fransokyo. Next to his older brother, Tadashi, Hiro's closest companion is Baymax, a robot whose sole purpose is to take care of people. When a devastating turn of events throws Hiro into the middle of a dangerous plot, he transforms Baymax and his other friends, Go Go Tamago, Wasabi, Honey Lemon and Fred into a band of high-tech heroes.

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: \$13 non-members per screening; \$90 members annual subscription

August 24th 7.15pm

The Eagle Huntress

A 13 year old trains to become the first female in twelve generations of her Kazakh family to become an eagle hunter. Her quest unfolds against the breath-taking expanse of the Mongolian steppe.

2017 Mongolia 87mins G

Hitchcock/Truffaut

Hitchcock and Truffaut spent a week excavating secrets behind cinema's mise-en-scene. A great lesson on the world of psycho, *The Birds*, and *Vertigo*. Today's best filmmakers reveal Hitchcock's incredible art.

2016 USA 80mins PG

September 7th 7.15pm

Mahana

Two families harbour decades-old resentments. The Mahana clan is ruled with an iron fist and father makes it clear his family must avoid the rivals. Romance enters the picture and a son seeks to find out how the feud started.

2016 NZ 102mins M

Captain Fantastic

Living off the grid in the mountains of Washington State, father passes on ideals of socialism and survivalism to his children. When forced to re-enter the real world, his parenting approach is challenged.

2016 USA 119mins M

Townsville Classic Films

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

See website for membership details and other upcoming movies.

August 12th 7pm

The Strange Love of Martha Ivers (1946) (screening at Now Office Furniture)

A ruthless, domineering woman is married to an alcoholic D.A., her childhood companion and the only living witness to her murder of her rich aunt seventeen years earlier.

Drama, Romance, Film Noir Rated: PG 116 mins

August 26th 7pm

They Made Me a Fugitive (1947) (screening in Denham Lane near The Hoi Polloi Café)

After WW2, former RAF airman Clem Morgan joins a gang of black-market smugglers-thieves but when a robbery goes wrong, Clem is caught, framed for a policeman's murder, and is sent to prison where he plots his escape and revenge

Crime, Drama, Film Noir Rated: PG 78 mins

August 27th 7pm

It Happened One Night (1934) (screening at Café Nova)

A spoiled heiress running away from her family is helped by a man who is actually a reporter in need of a story.

Comedy, Romance Rated: G 105 mins

Music

4th Sunday Folk Music

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

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

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>

Carlton Theatre

Carlyle Gardens Lifestyle Resort, 60 North Beck Drive Condon

August 12th 6.45pm

Tenori – The Tuxedo Tour

The trio of tenors met while touring internationally with The Ten Tenors.

These polished professional tenors know exactly how to put on a dynamic, uplifting and hugely entertaining show. They bring their sense of fun and sophistication to classics from the worlds of Opera, Music Theatre, Jazz and everything in between.

Tickets available at Carlyle Restaurant & Bar: 4 - 5pm July 20th & 21st; July 27th & 28th; August 3rd & 4th; August 10th & 11th

Cost: CG Residents \$20; Adults \$30; Concessions \$25

Jazz at the Headlands: A Festival that Swings by the Sea

In Association with the Townsville Picnic Bay Surf Lifesaving Club and the Townsville Jazz Club

August 13th 11am – 5.30pm

Building on the success of a sellout festival last year, Jazz at the Headlands returns to the Picnic Bay Surf Lifesaving Club. Jazz has been a part of Townsville since 1945, when Townsville was a garrison city with many American servicemen stationed here. The great Woody Herman Band played a concert to American troops and the locals in the rotunda on the Strand. Local legends such as Charlie Lees, Roy Stokes (co-

founder of the Stokes-Nicholson Big Band) carried on the jazz tradition which flourished until the early 1960's when rock and roll dominated.

The Townsville Picnic Bay Surf Lifesaving Club and Townsville Jazz Club will once again present an afternoon of great music showcasing some of the great jazz musicians in North Queensland. The lineup includes the Stokes Nicholson Big Band, Freaky Bizness, PMJB and full day of jazz combos ranging from TRAD to Swing and Fusion. Event organiser Vicki Salisbury will be hosting the event and performing as lead singer in the Stokes Nicholson Big Band.

For information: 4724 4211 <http://jazztownsville.com>

Saturday Concerts at St James

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

September 2nd 4pm

Recital with intermediate and advanced students on various instruments

Presented by the *Amadeus Singers Youth Choir*

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)

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

Irish tunes sessions on the second Saturday of each month at Molly Malones Irish Bar and Restaurant, Flinders Street East from 5pm. Irish sing-along song session from 6pm. Anyone interested in jamming should take a fiddle, tin whistle, flute, guitar, mandolin, ukulele, bouzouki, bodhran, bones, spoons or anything that can produce a lively dance tune.

The Ville Resort - Casino

45 Sir Leslie Thies Drive Townsville 4771 4000

August 12th 7.30pm

MAMAMIA – The Australian Spectacular

ABBA tribute show at The Ville Resort-Casino! Featuring favourite hits including Waterloo to Dancing Queen, Fernando to Ring Ring, audiences of all ages will be dancing and jiving to all the hits.

Beverages will be available for purchase. Group bookings must be made in a single transaction to allow group seating allocation - subject to availability, change and cancellation. Guests must be 18+ to attend. Ticketing fee applies to all online and phone bookings, plus a two per cent transaction fee applies to credit card bookings.

For information: <http://www.the-ville.com.au/play-offers/mamamia-australian-abba-spectacular/>

Cost: \$34

September 7th 7pm

Pete Murray Camacho Tour

Listen to the smooth tunes of Pete Murray at The Ville

Pete Murray has delivered a cool, uplifting, emotive, and powerful album and it will be celebrated and brought to life on this greatly anticipated Camacho Tour.

Tickets available from the Entertainment Centre on 4771 4000 or at <http://www.tecc.net.au>

Cost: \$47

Townsville Folk & Acoustic Club

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

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

Townsville Jazz Club

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

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

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

August 27th

The Pacific Mainstream Jazz Band led by Les Nicholson in a Fats Waller tribute evening. Hear some great music in a friendly atmosphere.

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>

Townsville & Thuringowa Country Music Association Country Music Weekend

August 11th – 13th 8am – 6pm
Come along to see some great local talent throughout the weekend. There will be bush poets and horse and dog demonstrations.
For enquiries and accommodation bookings, please phone Darryl on 0417 199 744.
Venue: Wonderland Station, 1486 Hervey Range Road, Hervey Range
For information: <http://www.geoffandvickitoomby.com.au>
<https://www.facebook.com/events/1432429660148074/>
Cost: free

Radio

Radio Triple T 103.9FM Community Radio

For information: 4721 5333 <http://www.triplet.com.au>
Weekly Program: <http://www.triplet.com.au/programs.html>
International Sunday features a diverse collection of music, news, weather and current events in English as well as the native language of the presenters on Sundays from 12noon – 7pm.
Details at: http://www.triplet.com.au/programs_internationalsunday.html

Theatre

Burdekin Theatre

161 Queen Street Ayr
4783 9800 <http://www.burdekintheatre.com.au>
https://www.facebook.com/BurdekinTheatre?_rdr=p

August 11th – 12th 7pm

East Ayr State School presents Aladdin Trouble

Welcome to the exciting world of 1001 Arabian Nights, where the marvellous, panto-tastic Aladdin Trouble is set. Scheherazade, our storyteller, launches us into a tale of good versus evil, a magical

lamp, three wishes, witty banter and buffoonery and, of course, love conquering all. Aladdin Trouble features all of your favourite characters including the beautiful Princess Jasmine, the wicked Abanazar, the hilarious Widow Twankey and the fabulous Genie – and plenty more besides. With a brilliant modern take on the original Aladdin script and 11 incredibly catchy songs, Aladdin Trouble will make you boo, hiss, laugh and cheer along to this rip-roaring musical, from the incredible writing team who brought you Cinderella and Rockerfella.

Venue: Burdekin Theatre, 161 Queen Street Ayr
Cost: \$13.75 - \$20

August 18th – 19th 6:30pm

Astronomical

The Townsville Astronomy Group and Full Throttle Theatre have teamed up to bring what is believed to be a world first tour during the 2017 winter. The new production Astronomical, not only delivers belly laughs as it explores the Universe, but the audience participates by looking at the various astronomical wonders through large computer controlled telescopes. The show stars Susan Prince, Daryll Heath and Bob Bartlett and is written by Bob Bartlett and directed by Susan Prince.

Venue: St Francis Primary School
Cost: \$10 - \$50

August 31st and September 1st (various times and sessions)

Flipside Circus Workshops

Flipside Circus is Queensland's largest youth circus company with a national reputation for excellence in training and performance. Its purpose is to provide a unique opportunity for young people to show off, to take risks, to trust, to dream and aspire, to work hard, to laugh, and to have fun. Running over two days, children from the age of 0-16 have the opportunity to have a truly memorable experience, tackling the trapeze, harnessing the hula hoop and having loads of fun learning a range of circus skills. Kindy camps, Flipperoo camp, Teen circus and Story Time Circus will cater for ages 0-16.

Venue: Burdekin Theatre, 161 Queen Street Ayr, and Burdekin Library, 108 Graham Street, Ayr.
Cost: \$0 - \$13

September 11th 10am and 12pm

We're Going on a Bear Hunt – Live on stage

"We're Going on a Bear Hunt. We're going to catch a big one," chant hundreds of pre-schoolers in this impishly cute adaptation of Michael Rosen's award-winning children's picture book, with illustrations by Helen Oxenbury. *We're Going on a Bear Hunt* is the wonderful story of a family out for walk and on the lookout for a growling bear – they have to march through long swishy grass, wade through thick gloopy mud and even battle a snow storm before entering a big dark cave where maybe they will finally spot the glinty wet eyes of a slobbering, gigantic bear winking at them through the blackness.

Venue: Burdekin Theatre, 161 Queen Street Ayr
Cost: \$10 - \$13

Friends of the Theatre Townsville Inc

August 27th

Free Seniors' Week Concert

Friends of the Theatre's Free Seniors' Week Concert will be held on *Sunday 27 August* commencing at 2:00pm at PIMPAC, Fulham Road. Tickets must be pre booked by telephoning Lyn on 4723 7879 OR 0448 790 564. There will be NO tickets at the door as the 250 seats usually are all allocated within 4 days of being available.

Full Throttle Theatre Company and Props Youth Theatre

The Old Courthouse Theatre, Cnr Sturt and Stokes Streets, Townsville

0476 590 004 <mailto:madonna@fullthrottletheatre.com> <http://www.fullthrottletheatre.com>

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

To August 12th 7 – 10pm

Waiting for Godot by Samuel Beckett

Vladimir and Estragon, wait for the arrival of someone named Godot who never arrives, and while waiting they engage in a variety of discussions and encounter three other characters. Waiting for

Godot is Beckett's translation of his own original French play, *En attendant Godot*, and is subtitled (in English only) "a tragicomedy in two acts".

Cost: \$25 / \$20 / \$15

Riverway Arts Centre

20 Village Boulevard Thuringowa

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

September 7th 6.30pm; **8th** 10.30am, 12.30pm

We're going on a Bear Hunt

Children's Theatre Season 2017

Adapted for the stage from the modern classic written by Michael Rosen and illustrated by Helen Oxenbury

From Australia's leading producer of high quality entertainment for kids and families including *Possum Magic*, *Wombat Stew*, *My Grandma Lived In Gooligulch*, *Stripey – The Emu Chick* and the latest sensation *There's A Hippopotamus On Our Roof Eating Cake* comes the International Touring Production of *We're Going On A Bear Hunt – Live On Stage* with an all Australian cast.

We're Going On A Bear Hunt is the wonderful story of a family out for walk and on the lookout for a growling bear - they have to march through long swishy grass, wade through thick gloopy mud and even battle a snow storm before entering a big dark cave where maybe they will finally spot the glinty wet eyes of a slobbering, gigantic bear winking at them through the blackness.

Recommended for ages 2 – 8 years

Cost: \$15

September 15th 7.30pm

Josh Wade: Me, Myself & Cunny

Presented by Frontier Comedy

Recommended 18+ Contains Adult Themes and Coarse Language

In this audio visual spectacular, comedian **Josh Wade** explores his relationship with the many masks and characters developed throughout his lifetime as an attempt to fit in, and his 20 year quest to find his comedic alter-ego- 'Cunny'.

At 22 years old and with four sell-out national tours under his belt, Josh Wade has been taking the comedy scene by storm with his character-driven comedy since he was a teenager. Josh's journey of discovery embarks on the many issues facing Gen Y today - from religion and spirituality, drugs and alcohol, to domestic violence and sexual abuse. How did these experiences lead to the creation of 'Cunny'?

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

Cost: \$34.90

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 October 14th

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

Come Fly with Me

Back by popular demand, it's time to buy a one-way ticket to fun and laughs on Angel Airways, with weekly flights to Heaven including a stop-over in Purgatory.

Join flight attendant Pearl E. Gates, Captain Martini and all the crew on this hilarious, once-in-a-lifetime journey to that big recording studio in the sky.

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

TheatreINQ

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

September 12th – 24th 6.30pm

A Midsummer Night's Dream

TheatreiNQ's *A Midsummer Night's Dream - Shakespeare Under the Stars 2017*. This September, Shakespeare's most popular comedy comes to Queens Gardens, Townsville. Join TheatreiNQ "Under the Stars" for a magical romp where anything can happen. Where fairies play havoc with humans, where lovers battle for their fairytale ending and where a Queen can fall deeply in love with a donkey called Bottom - All thanks to a mischievous goblin called Puck. Dine under the stars by booking one of their premium table seats or bring a picnic to share with family and friends, and experience the very best of Townsville theatre. Directed by Terri Brabon and featuring Brendan O'Connor with Rachel Nutchey as Helena, *A Midsummer Night's Dream* will definitely be a "Shakespeare Under the Stars" to remember.

Venue: Queens Gardens, Kennedy Street North Ward

See website for details: <http://www.theatreinq.com>

Townsville Civic Theatre

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

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

August 11th – 12th 7.30pm

Pimlico Presents

Pimlico Presents is an evening of song, dance, drama and music. It is an exciting, fast-moving production that will entertain audiences of all ages. It showcases the many talents of 400 drama, dance, vocal and music students of Pimlico State High School.

Cost: \$25 / \$20 Family (2a + 2c) \$80

August 19th 7.30pm

Beethoven

Presented by Barrier Reef Orchestra

An evening listening to one of the world's greatest and most loved composers, Ludwig Van Beethoven. The show features soloist James Dong (winner of Australian Concerto and Vocal Competition 2016) playing violin with Townsville's own Orchestra.

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

Cost: \$38 / \$34 / \$15

August 24th, 25th 7.30pm; **26th** 1.30pm, 7.30pm; **27th** 4pm, 7.30pm; **30th, 31st** 7.30pm; **September 1st** 7.30pm, **2nd** 1.30pm, 7.30pm

Wicked

Presented by Townsville Choral Society

PREPARE TO BE SPELLBOUND!

Awe-inspiring and spectacular, WICKED is the untold story of the witches of Oz. Long before Dorothy dropped in, two other girls meet in the land of Oz. One, born with emerald-green skin, is smart, fiery and misunderstood. The other is beautiful, ambitious and very popular. WICKED tells the enthralling story of two unlikely friends and how they became the Wicked Witch of the West and Glinda the Good.

Cost: \$55 / \$50 / \$30

World Theatre Charters Towers

4761 5430 82-90 Mosman Street Charters Towers <mailto:worldtheatre@charterstowers.qld.gov.au>

<http://www.charterstowers.qld.gov.au/world-theatre> <http://worldtheatrect.blogspot.com.au/>

August 19th 2pm

Don't Shoot Me I'm the Piano Player with David Scheel

A runaway success in London's West End, at successive Edinburgh Festivals, at the Melbourne Comedy Festival and right across the USA, this is a hilarious send-up of classical music, which has established Australian pianist, David Scheel, as the successor to the legendary Victor Borge.

Beautiful music and musical fun performed in so many accents/voices that David has also been compared to the late Robin Williams, and Peter Ustinov. Hear a familiar tune played in the styles of the old masters and an i-Pod; two famous pieces played simultaneously, one with the right hand, one with the left, plus his "translation" of the lyrics of *Waltzing Matilda*, already a comedy classic.

Cost: \$15

September 8th 8pm

Blue Love – Live

Live on stage... Award-winning Australian choreographer Shaun Parker presents Blue Love. Infused with intense physical theatre, film and dance, Shaun Parker's Blue Love is a poetic and satirical take on the clichés of pop culture, romance, coupledness and suburbia. From a fantastic place where television soap meets art-house film, Glenn and Rhonda Flune take the audience on an expedition in search of the perfect relationship. Blue Love is inspired by famous works of art, theatre, music, and film, all of which deal with the concept of love. This quirky, character-based work is a multi-media, physical theatre comedy: accessible, challenging and enormously entertaining

Cost: \$29.50 / \$25 / \$20

September 9th 7pm

Charters Towers Variety Spectacular – Live

Share in the theatre experience, celebrate local talent, remember the World Theatre Opening Gala 21 years ago, and surprises galore! Bring the family along for an evening to remember. There will be comedy, music, dance, old friends, new acquaintances and lots of colour, movement and memories.

Cost: \$29.50 / \$25 / \$20

Workshops/Training/Conferences

ABC Open

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

Alliance Française de Townsville Inc

French classes

For information: 0410 454 420 <http://www.aftownsville.org.au>

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

Art Lessons with Lynn

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

Dr Barbara Cheshire's Art Classes

Expert Art Tuition designed for Six Week Sets

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

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

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

Venue: 90 Leigh Street West End (St Peter's Hall)

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

Cost: \$300

Children's Art Classes with Donna and Johanna Beningfield

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

Venue: Hut 26 at Jezzine Barracks.

All material provided. \$18 per class

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

Citylibraries Activities

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

Flinders St Branch: Northtown – 4727 9666

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

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

Facebook is a great way to keep up-to-date with newly released books, programs, video links, and events

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/CityLibraries-Townsville/254424854642071>

What's On Townsville has news about upcoming events, activities and resources, including workshops and activities, author talks, lectures, displays, children and young people's activities, information about library services, learning partner events, book reviews, reader and learner resources. Pick up a hard copy at your library or the Community Information Centre or view at:

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

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@inet.net.au>

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

Language

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

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

“Exploring Watercolour for Beginners” with Elise Edler

Tuesday evenings 5.30 – 8pm

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

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

Full 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>

Term 3 – August 22nd – September 27th

Theatre Training

Term 4 – October 10th – November 15th

Theatre Training

Earlier in the year we held a weekend intensive with Anna Yen at the Magnetic Island Rec Centre in Picnic Bay. This workshop also brought 3 people down from Cairns which was a great opportunity for us to meet new actors from the region. This was funded by the Regional Arts Fund and covered the costs of Anna's fees, travel and accommodation.

Jive Time Dance

Monday nights: 6.30pm Start – Basic Step

7pm Basic Class

8 – 9.30pm Freestyle Dancing

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

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

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

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

La Luna Youth Arts

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

For program information and timetable:
<http://www.lalunanq.com>

To September 6th 4 – 5.30pm

Theatrix Drama Workshops

Theatrix drama workshops are for young people aged 8 to 12 years. over the 9 week course participants will learn and develop performance skills through improvisation and drama activities in a fun and safe environment.

Venue: Railway Estate Community Centre, 23 First Street Railway Estate

Cost: \$150 / \$135

Life Drawing on the Deck

Saturdays from August 13th 1- 5pm (4 hour pose)

No experience necessary. Bring your own materials and wine or afternoon tea to share.

All welcome \$20 per session. Life model provided.

Venue: Studio 4 Play, 6 Musgrave St, West End

For information: Gerald Soworka 0401 429 021

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

Museum of Tropical Queensland

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

Open daily 9.30am – 5pm

Discounted prices for Townsville locals – proof of residency required.

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

Every 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, 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:ngpotters@gmail.com>

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

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

Qld Writers Centre

Level 2, State Library of Queensland, Stanley Place South Brisbane

(07) 3842 9922 <mailto:admin@qldwriters.org.au> <http://www.qldwriters.org.au>

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

August 19th 9.30am – 12.30pm

Education Writing for Children

Education writing for children can be a steady source of income for writers, but breaking into that market can be difficult. Join Pamela Rushby for a nuts-and-bolts look at the educational market. *This event is offered free of charge to participants, thanks to the generous support of Townsville City Council.*

Venue: Aitkenvale Library, 4 Petunia Street, Aitkenvale

August 19th 1.30 – 4.30pm

The Perfect Pitch

More and more often, writers have opportunities to pitch their work directly to publishers: at writers' conferences, festivals, online. This workshop outlines how to have that perfect pitch on the tip of your tongue. Participants will develop two pitches: a short "elevator" pitch, and a longer pitch suitable for a one-on-one appointment.

This event is offered free of charge to participants, thanks to the generous support of Townsville City Council.

Venue: Aitkenvale Library, 4 Petunia Street, Aitkenvale

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 \$30pp

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 \$30pp

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

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

The Comedy Generation presents Comedy Open Mic

First Thursday of the month 8pm

Venue: Kirwan Tavern, 154 Thuringowa Drive, Thuringowa

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

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

Cost: free

The HUB Creative Space

16 Casey Street Aitkenvale 0421 499 801 - Sue

Current Workshop Details:

- Mondays 9.30 – 11.30am Re-Creation Craft Session with Jill Moxon - \$10
- Thursdays 9 – 12noon Mosaics with Fiona Banner - \$25
- Thursdays 5 – 7pm Craft Group with Sue Bright - \$7
- Fridays 9 – 12noon Art Circle – Art by Ann Burke & Mosaics with Fiona Banner - \$25
- Saturdays 1 – 4pm Art Classes with Lynn Scott-Cumming - \$20

The North Queensland Recorder Society

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

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

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

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

Cost: \$5 per workshop – refreshments provided

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 History Walking Tours

To September 30th

Townsville History Walking Tours hosts three walking tours showcasing the cities amazing and sometimes dark past.

Experience... The West End Cemetery Tour on Sundays

The Townsville Blood and Tears Tour on Friday Evenings

And The Tales from the Past Morning Tea Tour on Tuesday and Thursday Mornings

For information, costs and bookings visit: - <http://www.townsvillehistorywalkingtours.com.au>

Townsville Writers and Publisher Centre Inc

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

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

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

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

Romance and Commercial Fiction

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

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

Venue: TWPC Office, Riverway Arts Centre

Speculative Fiction Group

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

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

Venue: TWPC Office, Riverway Arts Centre

Verb Writers Group

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

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

Venue: TWPC Office, Riverway Arts Centre

Emerge Writers Group

Emerge presents an opportunity for interested students and teenagers to get involved in the community and extend their passion for writing and find their own tribe among like-minded writers. If you are between the ages of 13 to 17 or know of someone who would like to participate, please feel

welcome to join this great opportunity to learn new forms of creative writing as well as the tools needed for any young aspiring author.

Venue: online

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

September 9th

2017 Writers Retreat Magnetic Island

Venue: Pepper Blue on Blue, Magnetic Island

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

Umbrella Studio Contemporary Arts

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

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

August 16th 6 – 8pm

Life in the Studio: Umbrella Book Launch

Umbrella Studio is proud to invite you to the launch of:

Life in the Studio: Thirty Years of Umbrella 1986 – 2016

This book celebrates the three decades of the people, the artists, the artwork and everything in-between that has made the organisation what it is today.

Come get your copy and get your friends to sign it.

Book Sales: \$25 Members, \$30 Non-Members

Townsville City Council is proud to support the creation of the *Life in the Studio: thirty years of Umbrella 1986 – 2016* publication under our Community Grants Program.

September 2nd 10am

September 16th 4pm

Lamplighters Visual Art Development Course

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

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

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

You will leave the course with a solid, grounded plan for building a new exciting body of work and lots of support to see you achieve your plans.

This is a great course to join if you need a spark of inspiration to kick start your art making for 2017.

What to Bring:

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

Facilitator Bio:

Alex Christopher is an arts educator, writer, community curator and sometimes artist. She has a small business that keeps artists and business people on track with their making and promotions. The facilitator will be able to offer individual support after you have completed the course. This is to be arranged directly with the facilitator. You are eligible to 50% off the individual support if you sign up to this course.

Cost: Member's price \$190

September 3rd 9.30am – 12.30pm

Paper Making Workshop

This workshop is designed to teach the basics of paper making. From this workshop you will have the skills to continue to explore this technique in a direction to suit you.

The workshop will cover:

- making pulp from used paper using white and coloured paper
- making single sheets of paper A5 – A4 size
- embossing and embedding inclusions into the paper sheets.

All materials and tools included, however if you have some nice paper or leaves / flowers that you would like to incorporate into your paper, please bring it along.

This workshop is for ages 16+

Cost: Member's price: \$65

September 10th 10am – 12pm

4th Sunday Folk Music

Keeping alive the almost forgotten gems of Australian folk music

Come and listen to the beautiful tunes of the 4th Sunday Folk Music group at Umbrella Studio.

The 4th Sunday Folk Music group is a community based music group for professional, amateur, part-time and student musicians to get together play and learn from each other in a social setting with the emphasis on but not restricted to Australian collected folk music. Most of the music is traditional music of Colonial and Post-Federation Australia collected in the 1950s – 1970s from the old local musicians from rural and regional Australia.

State, National

Australian Film Television and Radio School Courses (AFTRS)

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

Australian Society of Authors

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

Date Claimers

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

North Qld Opera and Music Theatre (NQOMT)

<mailto:secretary.nqomt@gmail.com> <http://www.nqomt.com.au>

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

October 11th – 14th

Little Shop of Horrors

'*Little Shop of Horrors*' is a delectable sci-fi, horror, rock musical with an electrifying 1960s score by Alan Menken and Howard Ashman. Seymour Krelborn, a nerdy orphan working at Mushnik's flower shop in urban Skid Row, harbours a crush on fellow co-worker Audrey Fulquard. One day as Seymour is seeking a new variety of flower, the hapless florist discovers a mysterious unidentified plant that wishes to feed on human blood and flesh... A performance not to be missed
Please Note: parental guidance recommended for young children.

Venue: Townsville Civic Theatre, 41 Boundary Street South Townsville

Regional Arts Development Fund - Grant Application Workshop

Alternative times:

Date: **Tuesday 5 September 2017**

Time: 6:00pm – 8:30pm

Location: Townsville Stadium, Murray Sports Complex, Murray Lyons Crescent, Annandale
OR

Date: **Saturday 9 September 2017**

Time: 9:30am – 12:00noon

Location: Townsville Stadium, Murray Sports Complex, Murray Lyons Crescent, Annandale
Cost: Free

MORE INFORMATION is to follow very shortly.

If you have any queries please contact: communitygrants@townsville.qld.gov.au

Community Grants and Community Development, Townsville City Council

Supported by RADF Funds – Arts Queensland and Townsville City Council

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

News & Sundries

Arts for All Queenslanders Strategy

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

Arts and Culture: a quick guide to key internet links

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

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

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

<http://statements.qld.gov.au/Statement/2017/6/13/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

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

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

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

Friends enjoy many benefits through their association such as:

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

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

Performing Arts Historical Society of Townsville (PAHST)

P1 Hut 24 Jezzine Barracks, North Ward
 Historian/President, Gordon Hodgson, 4775 1565;
 Secretary/Treasurer, Ellen Read, 0418 778 698
 D'Esley Smith 4775 3825
<mailto:enquiries@pahst.com> <http://www.pahst.com>
 Opening hours: Wednesdays and Sundays 10am to 2pm

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

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

Promotional Opportunities

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

Screen Queensland

Screen Queensland is excited to announce the launch of the Talent Camp initiative with the Australian Film, Television & Radio School (AFTRS). The initiative is particularly targeted at storytellers from underrepresented communities (including cultural background, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, geographic disadvantage and socio-economic status) who are looking to build a career in the screen industry. Applications close Monday August 28th 2017.

For information: <http://www.aftrs.edu.au/short-courses/talent-camp>
<mailto:talentcamp@aftrs.edu.au> 1300 065 281

The Comedy Generation presents Comedy Open Mic

First Thursday of the month 8pm
 Venue: Kirwan Tavern, 154 Thuringowa Drive, Thuringowa
 For information: <mailto:info@thecomedygeneration.com> <http://www.thecomedygeneration.com/>
<https://www.facebook.com/thecomedygeneration>
 Cost: free

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

The TWPC now has organisation membership to the [Queensland Writers Centre](#) which means that individual members of the TWPC can take advantage of the membership discounts for courses offered by the QWC. The WQ quarterly magazine will also be available at the TWPC and online by using the membership number

and password which will be provided when members attend any of the writers' groups that operate under the TWPC umbrella.

The TWPC has also subscribed to the online [Australian Writer's Marketplace](#) which has a listings directory featuring over 2,000 opportunities for writers, with submission and contact details for Magazines, Newspapers, Publishers, Literary Agents, Industry Organisations, and Literary Awards.

Again, details of a username and password to access the AWM online will be available to members when they attend any of the writers' groups.

If you would like to renew your membership for 2017 or become a new member, please click [here](#). The benefits of becoming a member of the TWPC include access to our resources and numerous writing groups.

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

Grants/Scholarships/Sponsorships

Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) Grants

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

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

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

Phone: 1300 878 001

Email: communitygrants@townsville.qld.gov.au

Townsville City Council's Community Grants

- [Community Grants Program](#)

For information:

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

- [The Regional Arts Development Fund \(RADF\) Program](#) supports professional artists and artworkers to practice their art, for and with communities, resulting in mutual development of the professional artists/artworkers and communities in regional Queensland.

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

Gambling Community Benefit Fund (GCBF)

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

State, National

Aboriginal Benefits Foundation Grants

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

Anzac Centenary Arts and Culture Fund – Public Grants Program

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

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

Arts Queensland

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

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

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

Australian Artists Grant

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

Amount: \$500-\$1,000

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

Australia Council for the Arts Grants

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

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

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

Australian Communities Foundation Funding

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

Community Broadcasting Foundation Funding

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

Creative Partnerships Australia

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

Ian Potter Cultural Trust

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

Ian Potter Foundation

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

Performer's Trust Foundation Grants

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

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

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

What can you use the grant for?

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

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

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

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

Smartygrants

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

The Gordon Darling Foundation Grant

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

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

The Sidney Myer and Myer Foundation Funding

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

Competitions & Awards

Artists Opportunities & Support

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

Creating Australia

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

Writers' Opportunities

Fellowship of Australian Writers NSW Inc

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

Australian Writing Opportunities

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

Hunter Writers Centre

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

Queensland Writers Centre (QWC)

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

Opportunities for Musicians

Music Council of Australia (MCA)

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

Defence Jobs Australia – Musicians

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

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

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

Dance Companies

Dancenorth

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

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

Galleries & Museums

Army Museum of North Queensland

Jezzine Barracks, Mitchell Street North Ward

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

Open: 9am – 1pm (Wednesday to Friday) 10am – 2pm (Sunday)

Collects and exhibits memorabilia associated with military units and their personnel from North Queensland.

Art at Jezzine

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

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

Open: 10am – 4pm daily

Gallery 48

2/48 The Strand Townsville 4724 4898 <http://www.gallery48thestrnd.com>

Open: 11am – 6pm Wednesdays and Saturdays

Garage Press

16 Victor St Cranbrook

0422 416 632 Donna Foley

Open to the public on the first Saturday of each month. Original prints by local printmakers are for sale.

Girringun Aboriginal Art Centre

235 Victoria Street, Cardwell 4066 8300 <http://art.girringun.com.au/>

<mailto:artsmanager@girringun.com.au>

The Centre represents artists from nine Traditional Owner Groups, the Nywaigi, Gugu Badhun, Warrgamay, Warungnu, Bandjin, Girramay, Gulgnay, Jirrbal and Djiru people. The traditional country of these groups covers some 25,000 square kilometres from north of Townsville, south west to Clarke River, north to the Mission Beach area, west to Ravenshoe and east to include Hinchinbrook and the Family Group Islands.

Good Shepherd Art Gallery

Anne Walsh, Director 0437 630 611

Good Shepherd Home, 565 University Rd Annandale Open: 9am – 5pm daily

Displays a range of artwork including oils, acrylics, watercolour and mixed media with subjects ranging from landscapes, seascapes, flora, fauna, people to abstract. All works are for sale.

Kaylenne Creighton Gallery

Corner of Howitt & Rose Street North Ward 4724 1106

<https://www.kaylennecreighton.com.au>

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

Open: Thursday, Friday 10am – 4pm, Saturday 10am – 2pm

Maritime Museum

42 – 68 Palmer St, South Townsville 4721 5251 <mailto:tmhs@bigpond.com>

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

Open: Monday to Friday 10am – 3pm; Saturday & Sunday 12noon – 3pm

Mo's Art – Gallery of the Townsville Watercolour Group

14 Anderson St, Railway Estate 4724 2742 Marion O'Shea

<https://www.facebook.com/Townsville-Watercolour-Group-1506318909687812/>

Open Wednesday 9am to 12noon and for current exhibitions (please see exhibitions listed).

Otherwise by appointment

Museum of Tropical Queensland

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

Open: 9.30am – 5pm daily

National Trust Heritage Centre

5 Castling Street, West End 4771 5873 <https://www.nationaltrust.org.au/places/townsville-heritage-centre/>

Open: 10am – 1pm Wednesday; 1 – 4pm; Saturdays and Sundays; groups by appointment

NQ Potters Association Inc

15 Flowers St Railway Estate Townsville 4772 3458 <http://www.nqpotters.com/>

<mailto:nqpotters@yahoo.com.au>

Fully equipped art studio run by members – also offers classes.

Perc Tucker Regional Gallery

4727 9011 Cnr Denham & Flinders Sts, Townsville <mailto:ptrg@townsville.qld.gov.au>

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

Open: 10am – 5pm (Monday – Friday) 10am – 2pm (Saturday & Sunday) Free admission

Performing Arts Historical Society of Townsville (PAHST)

P1 Hut Precinct Jezzine Barracks, North Ward Townsville

Ellen Read (Secretary) 0418 778 698 <mailto:enquiries@pahst.com> <http://www.pahst.com>

Open: 10am – 2pm (Wednesday and Sunday)

To view the collection or donate items contact Gordon Hodgson (Historian) 4775 1565

Peter Lawson Fine Art Gallery

16 Marine Parade, Arcadia, Magnetic Island 0418 727 534 <mailto:peterlawsonfineart@bigpond.com>

<http://www.peterlawsonfineart.net.au>

Pinnacles Gallery

Riverway Arts Centre, 20 Village Blvd, Thuringowa Central 4773 8871

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

Open: 10am – 5pm (Tuesday – Sunday) Free admission

RAAF Townsville Aviation Heritage Centre

RAAF Base, Ingham Rd, Garbutt 4752 1712

<mailto:rta.hc@defence.gov.au>

Open: Tuesdays and Thursdays 9am – 12noon; Sundays 10am – 4pm

Sylvia Ditchburn Fine Art Gallery

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

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

Open: 10am – 4pm Tuesday to Friday; 10am – 1pm Sunday

The Drill Hall

27 Mitchell St North Ward 4721 2634

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

Open: 9am – 5pm Monday to Friday; 9am – 4pm Saturday and Sunday

Townsville Museum and Historical Society

4775 7838 Cnr Hugh & Palmerston Sts, Currajong (access via Barbeler St – behind ambulance station)

<http://www.townsvillemuseum.com.au> <mailto:admin@townsvillemuseum.com.au>

Open: 9am – 2.30pm Monday to Friday; 1.30 – 3.30pm first and third Sunday of the month; closed public holidays

TYTO Regional Art Gallery

73 – 75 McIlwraith St, TYTO Wetlands Precinct, Ingham

4776 4725 <mailto:gallery@hinchinbrook.qld.gov.au> <http://www.tyto.com.au/gallery>

Umbrella Studio Contemporary Arts – Gallery and Studio

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

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

Aquapella World Music Choir

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

Australian Concerto & Vocal Competition

4771 2419 <mailto:info@acvc.com.au> <http://www.acvc.com.au>

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Australian-Concerto-Vocal-Competition/269234913140141>

Australian Festival of Chamber Music

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

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

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

Barrier Reef Orchestra – North Queensland Ensembles

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

4th Sunday Music

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

The group meets on the fourth Sunday of the month

Kelso Country Music Club Inc

0499 303 967 Thuringowa RSL, Kelso Drive Kelso <mailto:petercjones007@bigpond.com>

<http://www.kelsocountrymusic.webs.com/>

3rd Sunday of the month 2pm – 7pm; 4th Friday of month 7.30pm – 11pm

Magnetic Jazz Association

4778 5918 <mailto:magneticjazz@hotmail.net.au> <http://www.magneticislandjazz.org>

Organises the *Great Tropical Jazz Party* held annually on Magnetic Island

Townsville & Thuringowa Country Music Club

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

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

Townsville Brass

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

<http://www.townsvillebrass.org>

Townsville Choral Society Inc

4772 1094, 0418 781 766 Choral Society Hall, 485 Sturt Street, Townsville <mailto:tcs@tcs.org.au>

<http://www.tcs.org.au/> <https://www.facebook.com/townsvillechoralsociety>

Townsville Community Music Centre

4724 2086 / 0402 255 182 Level 2, Civic Theatre Building, Boundary Street, Townsville

<mailto:admin@townsvillemusic.org.au> <http://www.townsvillemusic.org.au>

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Townsville-Community-Music-Centre/159636880763534>

Townsville Concert Band

0408 088 675 <mailto:mark.purvis@bigpond.com.au>

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

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

Theatres & Theatre Groups

Burdekin Theatre

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

Full Throttle Theatre Company

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

La Luna Youth Arts

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

North Qld Opera and Music Theatre (NQOMT)

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

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
<https://www.townsville.qld.gov.au/facilities-and-recreation/theatres-and-galleries/riverway-arts-centre>

School of Arts Theatre

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

TheatreINQ

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

The Outback Players Theatre Group Inc

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

Towers Players Inc – Charters Towers Local Theatre Group

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

Townsville Choral Society

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

Townsville Civic Theatre

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

Townsville Little Theatre

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

World Theatre Charters Towers

82-90 Mosman St 4761 5430 <mailto:worldtheatre@charterstowers.qld.gov.au>

<http://www.charterstowers.qld.gov.au/world-theatre>

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

What's On Townsville

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

Clubs & Groups

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