



MARIBYRNONG  
LIBRARIES

# WHAT'S ON

**SPRING 2024**



13-20  
SEPTEMBER  
2024

# MOON FESTIVAL

MARIBYRNONG LIBRARIES



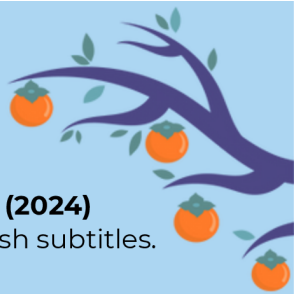
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The Moon Festival falls on 17 September this year,  
come celebrate with us at the library!

# WHAT'S ON...



**FRI  
13 SEP**

## **Movie Club Moon Festival Film: *Perfect Days* (2024)**

Rated PG - 125 minutes, in Japanese with English subtitles.

**11am Footscray Library**

**MON  
16 SEP**

## **New Chinese and Vietnamese Books & DVDs Morning Tea**

Browse new books and DVDs and enjoy moon cakes & green tea.

**11am Maribyrnong Library**

**MON  
16 SEP**

## **Moon Festival Food Talk with Jenny**

Join Jenny Chua for Moon Festival food chats as she demonstrates how to make snow moon cakes.

**3pm Footscray Library**

**TUE  
17 SEP**

## **Lantern Making Workshop**

Make a wire lantern. For ages 5+

**4pm Braybrook Library**



**WED  
18 SEP**

## **New Chinese and Vietnamese Books & DVDs Morning Tea**

Browse new books and DVDs and enjoy moon cakes & green tea.

**11am Footscray Library**

**THU  
19 SEP**

## **New Chinese and Vietnamese Books & DVDs Morning Tea**

Browse new books and DVDs and enjoy moon cakes & green tea.

**11am Braybrook Library**

**THU  
19 SEP**

## **Movie Club Moon Festival Film: *Little Forest* (2018)**

Rated PG - 103 minutes, in Korean with English subtitles.

**2pm West Footscray Library**

**ALL  
WEEK**

**Moon Stories, Paper Craft and More!** Join us for a moon story or two during storytime or grab a paper lantern craft to make at home. Explore new authors and genres at the library!

**All Maribyrnong Libraries**

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL FOR FILMS, FOOD TALK AND LANTERN MAKING. FOR MORE INFO AND BOOKINGS VISIT: [WWW.MARIBYRNONG-VIC.GOV.AU/LIBRARY](http://WWW.MARIBYRNONG-VIC.GOV.AU/LIBRARY) OR CONTACT US ON 9688 0290

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## BOOKING EVENTS

All events are free but bookings may be required. Some events have a limited capacity so get in quick! If for some reason you book and are unable to attend, please cancel your booking. This will free up a spot for someone else.

There may be changes to the programs schedule, including the addition of new events. For the latest program, head to the website or speak with library staff.

## HOW TO BOOK AN EVENT

Go to [www.maribyrnong.vic.gov.au/library/events](http://www.maribyrnong.vic.gov.au/library/events)  
Or call the library on 9688 0290



Discover Maribyrnong Libraries' Spring events in our seasonal guide to engaging, informative, and free programs for the community.

This season, we're celebrating the Moon Festival! Join Jenny Chua of Cooking with Jenny in Melbourne for a mooncake-making demonstration, or get involved in a series of themed events, including special Story Times, lantern crafting activities, and a movie club featuring contemporary stories from South Korea and Japan.

We're also introducing an exciting array of youth-only events every Friday night at Footscray Library—look out for everything from board game groups and crafting to movie nights (with free pizza!). For the amateur historians, our Local History Month sessions will help you access our archive and historical newspaper databases.

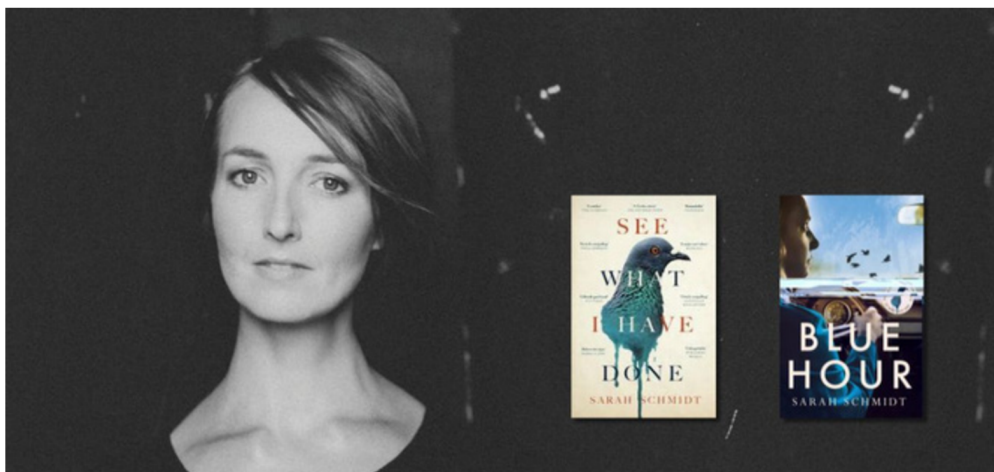
October is Seniors Month! Sign up for our Pocket Full of Pride morning tea, attend a Grandfriends Story Time, Toddler Time, or Baby Rhyme Time, and browse our program of regular wellbeing, technology, and craft activities for older people.

Mark your calendar for the spring school holiday program, featuring a range of free events and activities. Bookings open at 8am on Monday, 2 September.

Please note that some of our programs will take a brief hiatus during the school holidays, so be sure to check session details for updates on your favourite activities.



# LITERATURE AND CULTURE



## Writing The Past

Join Sarah Schmidt, Maribyrnong Libraries librarian and author of *See What I Have Done* and *Blue Hour* for an interactive workshop on turning ideas or historical events into compelling narratives. Through hands-on writing exercises and group discussion, you'll learn to develop characters, use historical research effectively, and create believable settings and moods.

Perfect for writers of historical fiction, memoirs, family histories, or personal memories. Bring a pen, notebook, and lunch; biscuits, tea, and coffee will be provided.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### Braybrook

10:30am-3pm Saturday 26 October

# LITERATURE AND CULTURE



## Book Groups

Join us for relaxed chats and engaging discussions at our Book Groups. Meet fellow readers and share your passion for literature. Book online or by speaking with library staff. If you would like more information on these groups, call 9688 0290.

### Braybrook Book group

2-3pm on the second Friday of each month  
Braybrook

### Footscray Saturday Book Group

2-3pm on the third Saturday of each month  
Footscray

### Footscray Second Tuesday Book Group

11am-12pm on the second Tuesday of each month  
Footscray

### Footscray Third Tuesday Book Group

2-3pm on the third Tuesday of each month  
Footscray

### Footscray Supper Club Book Group

6:30-7:30pm on the third Tuesday of each month  
Footscray

### Maribyrnong Book Group

6:30-7:30pm on the second Thursday of each month  
Maribyrnong

### Yarraville High Tea Book Group

2-3pm on the second Thursday of each month  
Yarraville

### Yarraville Book Group

7-8pm on the first Tuesday of each month  
Yarraville





## Lost in Translation - How Stories Change Between Forms

You've read the book, you've seen the movie and you've noticed differences. Get involved in this adaptation-focused book and film discussion to dig a little deeper, consider the transition from page to screen and find out what might have influenced the changes in the story between forms.

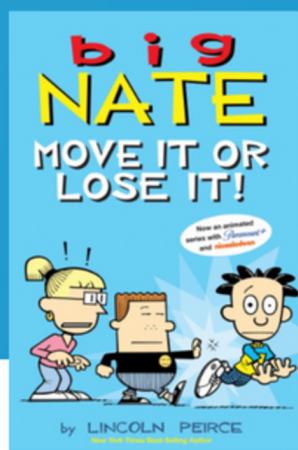
Ahead of your VCE, explore one of the curriculum texts. We will be viewing Joe Wright's adaptation of *Pride and Prejudice*.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### Footscray

1:30-4:30pm Saturday 5 October





**COMICSPLUS**

**#ReadAllTheComics**

**Free with your Maribyrnong Libraries membership**

**1000s of titles available available immediately -  
no holds, no waiting!**

<https://www.maribyrnong.vic.gov.au/library/Discover/Digital-Library>

# LITERATURE AND CULTURE



## Poetry Group

Discover the charm of poetry with our Poetry Group. Listen to engaging verse and connect with your community. It doesn't matter if you've never read poetry before, we want to create a welcoming space for everyone to explore.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

## Footscray

11am-12pm on the first Friday of each month

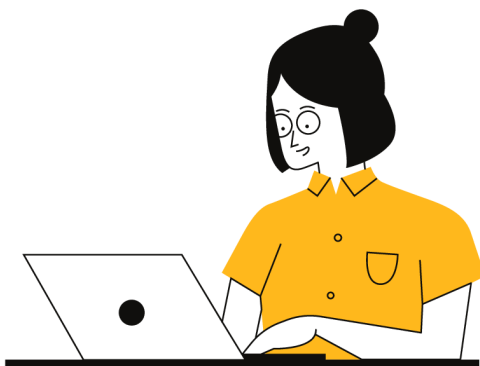
## Writers Group

Get involved and engage wherever you are in your writing journey. Connect with peers at all levels from beginners and emerging writers to accomplished authors. Find creative support and new friendships by joining our Writers Group at Braybrook.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

## Braybrook

2-4pm on the first Friday of each month



# LITERATURE AND CULTURE



## Queer Book Group

Designed by the Queer community for the Queer community, come along to the Queer Book Group to read and discuss books by gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, intersex, asexual and queer voices.

Facilitated by a member of the LGBTIQA+ community, book group members can discuss whichever books they've been reading with a book list available to provide inspiration when selecting your next read. This alcohol-free event will introduce you to new Queer reads and like-minded Queer folk.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

## West Footscray

11:30am-12:30pm on the fourth Saturday of each month





# CRAFTS, GAMES AND LEISURE



## **Queer Youth Creatives (Youth Event)**

Are you a Westside creative aged 13-18 who loves journaling, collaging, drawing, crocheting, making zines, patches, or other crafts? Want to meet new people in a relaxed, queer-friendly space? Come hang out and craft with us at Footscray Library!

Basic craft materials are provided, but feel free to bring your own project. It's a super relaxed environment perfect for creativity and making new friends.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### **Footscray**

5:30-7pm Friday 6 September

5:30-7pm Friday 4 October

5:30-7pm Friday 1 November

# CRAFTS, GAMES AND LEISURE



Experience the magic of cinema with our Movie Club, where you can enjoy the latest film releases and indie favourites. We host monthly screenings Footscray and West Footscray library branches. Light refreshments are provided, and films are screened with subtitles whenever possible.

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## **Movie Club: *Perfect Days***

In celebration of the Moon Festival, join us for a special screening of this Wim Wenders masterpiece from 2023. Share in the gentle and poetic journey of Hirayama, a cleaner of toilets in Tokyo. His simple everyday routine is filled with his passion when a series of unexpected encounters reveal his past and the experiences that led to his mindful existence. Nominated for the Palme d'Or and winner for Best Actor (Kōji Yakusho) at 2023 Cannes Film Festival.

125 minutes, rated (PG)

## **Footscray**

11am-1:15pm Friday 13 September

## **Movie Club: *Little Forest***

In celebration of the Moon Festival, join us for a screening of *Little Forest* (2018), directed by Yim Soon-Rye. Based on Igarashi Daisuke's original story, the film offers a heartwarming tale that beautifully captures the essence of rural life. Hye-won is weary of the hustle and bustle of city life so returns to her tranquil hometown in the countryside in this tender adaptation that delves into the lovingly sketched details of food and motherly love, highlighting the healing power of nature and the comforts of home.

103 minutes, rated (M)

## **West Footscray**

2-3:45pm Thursday 19 September

# CRAFTS, GAMES AND LEISURE

## Movie Club: *One Life*

In *One Life* (2023), British stockbroker Nicholas Winton (Anthony Hopkins) visits Czechoslovakia in the 1930s and forms plans to assist in the rescue of Jewish children before the onset of World War II, in an operation that came to be known as the Kindertransport.

110 minutes, rated (PG)

### Footscray

11am-1pm Friday 11 October

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## Movie Club: *The Holdovers*

*The Holdovers* (2023) is a heartwarming drama set in the early 1970s. The film follows the unlikely friendship between a curmudgeonly teacher and a rebellious student who are both stuck at a prestigious boarding school over the winter holidays. As they navigate their personal struggles and the challenges of their isolated environment, they discover unexpected connections and mutual growth.

105 minutes, rated (M)

### Footscray

11am-12:45pm Thursday 8 November

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## Movie Club: *The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society*

In celebration of Victorian Seniors Month, join us for a delightful screening of *The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society* (2018), a charming tale set in post-WWII England, where an author forms an unexpected bond with the residents of Guernsey Island while writing about their wartime experiences. This heart-warming film celebrates the power of literature and community in the face of adversity.

124 minutes, rated (M)

### West Footscray

2-4:15pm Friday 17 October

## Movie Club: *Anatomy of a Fall*

Join us for a screening of *Anatomy of a Fall* (2023), a gripping courtroom drama that delves into the complexities of a woman's trial for murder following her husband's mysterious death. The film keeps you on the edge of your seat as secrets unravel and truths are revealed.

152 minutes, rated (MA15+)

### West Footscray

2-4:45pm Friday 21 November



## GAME ON!



### Game On! (Youth Event)

Show off your skills or learn something new! We'll be offering the chance to play a bunch of great games including:

- Role-Playing Games (Dungeons & Dragons)
- Board Games (Azul, Catan and more)
- Nintendo Switch (FIFA and Mario Kart)

Free pizza and snacks provided!

This event is for young people aged 13-18.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### Footscray

5:30-7:30pm Friday 18 October

5:30-7:30pm Friday 15 November

# CRAFTS, GAMES AND LEISURE



## **Battle Jackets (Youth Event)**

Transform preloved denim in this fun and friendly upcycling session for queer-identifying youth aged 13-18, their friends and allies. Give an old jacket new life with studs, badges, patches, paints, and more.

Create unique and expressive recycled denim pieces while experimenting and exploring fashion. Scissors, fabric paints, badge makers, buttons, thread, paint brushes, markers, safety pins, needles, and a sewing machine will be provided. BYO jacket.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### **Footscray**

5:30-7:30pm Friday 20 September

## **SFX for Halloween (Youth Event)**

Dive into the world of Halloween special effects makeup! Discover the art of creating dramatic scars, slashes, gashes, and other spooky effects, and connect with the history of body decoration in this guided, hands-on SFX workshop.

Suitable for young people aged 13-18.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### **Footscray**

5:30-7:30pm Friday 25 October

# CRAFTS, GAMES AND LEISURE



## Karaoke Night (Youth Event)

Sing like nobody's listening! Gather your friends and join us for an unforgettable karaoke night. Whether you're a fan of the 80s, 90s, or 00s, we've got the perfect songs for you. Get ready to belt out your favourite tunes and have a blast!

Karaoke machine and free pizza, drinks and snacks provided.

This session is suitable for young people age 13-18. Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### Footscray

5:30-7:30pm Friday 29 November

## Mahjong

Experience the joy of Mahjong! Join our weekly social sessions to immerse yourself in this classic Chinese tile game.

Mahjong combines skill, strategy, and an element of chance, making it a great way to improve concentration and exercise your mind.

Beginners are welcome! No previous experience required.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### Maribyrnong

2pm Mondays

## Youth Movie Night



### Youth Movie Night

Grab a slice of pizza and some popcorn and settle in for a retro classic at our Youth Movie Night at Footscray Library!

Bring your friends or head along solo for a film screening with free snacks, soft drinks and fun chats. All young people aged 13-18 are welcome, including LGBTIQ+ people and their friends and allies.

#### 🍕 Friday 13 September

*10 Things I Hate About You* (1999) 97 minutes, rated (PG)

#### 🍕 Friday 11 October

*Beetlejuice* (1988) 92 minutes, rated (M)

#### 🍕 Friday 8 November

*Moonrise Kingdom* (2012) 94 minutes, rated (PG)

#### 🍕 Friday 22 November

*Hairspray* (2007) 117 minutes, rated (PG)

All screenings will take place at Footscray Library.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

# CRAFTS, GAMES AND LEISURE



## After Hours: Bad Art Night

Unlock your creativity! Immerse yourself in an evening of artistic imperfection and in this welcoming creative session. No prior experience needed – everyone will finish the night with their very own original artwork.

Bad Art Night is part of an ongoing series of After Hours events suitable for adults.

Book online or speaking with library staff.

### Yarraville

6-8pm on the second Tuesday of each month

### Braybrook

6-8pm Monday 28 October

6-8pm Monday 25 November



## After Hours: Board Games Night

Hone your skills and strategies in an evening of board games at After Hours. Explore the variety of games on offer and enjoy the opportunity to connect with others in a relaxed and friendly space.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### Yarraville

6-8pm on the third Tuesday of each month



# CRAFTS, GAMES AND LEISURE



## After Hours: Introverts Reading Party

Calling all introverts! Indulge in an evening of solitude in good company at our Introverts Reading Party. Bring your favourite book, settle in with a cup of tea or coffee, and lose yourself in a story in the gentle company of likeminded book lovers. Immerse yourself in the shared silence with no small talk required – just quiet literary connection.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### Yarraville

6-8pm on the fourth Tuesday of each month

## Jazz and Jigsaws

Exercise your brain to soothing sounds at Jazz and Jigsaws.

Refreshments, great music and a range of puzzles provided.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### West Footscray

1-3pm on the first Thursday of each month

# CRAFTS, GAMES AND LEISURE



## Knitting Group

Knit your way to fun and relaxation by joining one of our weekly knitting groups at Footscray or Yarraville. Share your favourite patterns and techniques, and connect with other knitters in a comfortable and social setting.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### Yarraville

1-3pm Tuesdays

### Footscray

2-3:30pm Wednesdays



## Makers Morning

Unleash your creativity and find inspiration with others at Makers Morning!

Bring along your latest project, have a chat, and share your knowledge and skills with a supportive and encouraging community of makers.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### Braybrook

10:30am-12:30pm Thursdays

### Yarraville

10:30am-12:30pm Fridays

# TECHNOLOGY



## Tech Help

Get tech assistance with your computer, smartphone, or tablet. Connect one-on-one with a friendly library staff member for a 30-minute session tailored to your needs. Bring your own device, or we have iPads and computers available for use.

Tech Help is available in Spanish, Vietnamese, Mandarin and Cantonese.

Book your session online or by speaking with library staff.

### **Braybrook - English**

2-3pm Mondays

### **Braybrook - Vietnamese**

2-3pm Thursdays

### **Footscray - English**

10-11:30am Tuesdays

### **Footscray - Vietnamese**

10am-12pm Tuesdays

### **Footscray - Mandarin/Cantonese**

2-3pm Friday 20 September

2-3pm Friday 15 November

### **Maribyrnong - English or Spanish**

10-11am Monday 2 September

10-11am Monday 7 October

10-11am Monday 4 November

### **West Footscray - English**

2-3:30pm Thursday 12 September

2-3:30pm Thursday 10 October

2-3:30pm Thursday 14 November

### **Yarraville - English**

10-11am Friday 13 September

10-11am Friday 11 October

10-11am Friday 8 November



# HEALTH, WELLBEING AND COMMUNITY



## **Moon Festival: Food Chat with Jenny**

Come along for a taste of moon cakes! Join chef Jenny Chua for Moon Festival Food chats as she demonstrates how to make snow moon cakes and shares stories about the Moon Festival.

*Allergy note: Food may contain wheat, nuts & gluten.*

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### **Footscray**

3-4pm Monday 16 September

## **Moon Festival: New Chinese and Vietnamese Books & DVDs Morning**

Join us for morning tea and browse new books and DVDs in Chinese and Vietnamese. Enjoy some moon cakes and green tea this Moon Festival!

Explore new authors and genres at the library!

Bookings not required.

### **Maribyrnong**

11am-12pm Monday 16 September

### **Footscray**

11am-12pm Wednesday 18 September

### **Braybrook**

11am-12pm Thursday 19 September

# HEALTH, WELLBEING AND COMMUNITY



## Chair Exercises

Boost your health and wellbeing with our chair exercise classes designed to improve strength, stamina, balance, and flexibility.

Perfect for older people or those new to exercise, this gentle workout is suited to all levels of fitness.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### Braybrook

11-11:45am Mondays and Wednesdays  
during school term



## Conversation Café

Practice your English conversation skills and make new friends at Conversation Café! Join us in a relaxed and friendly environment at Braybrook, Footscray, and Maribyrnong branches. This program is free and welcomes people of all ages.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### Braybrook

3-4pm Tuesday 3 and 17 September  
3-4pm Tuesday 1, 15 and 29 October  
3-4pm Tuesday 12 and 26 November

### Footscray

2-3pm Thursday 5 and 19 September  
2-3pm Thursday 3, 17 and 31 October  
2-3pm Thursday 14 and 28 November



# HEALTH, WELLBEING AND COMMUNITY



## Qigong and Tai Chi

People of all ages and fitness levels are welcome to join us in the Footscray Library Courtyard for Qigong and Tai Chi classes.

These gentle and safe exercises, originating from China centuries ago, blend body movements, postures, breathing, and mental focus to promote overall health, fitness, and wellbeing.

No need to book, just wear comfortable clothing and runners.

### Footscray

11am-12pm Tuesday 3 September

11am-12pm Tuesday 17 September

11am-12pm Tuesday 1 October

11am-12pm Tuesday 15 October

11am-12pm Tuesday 29 October

11am-12pm Tuesday 12 November

11am-12pm Tuesday 26 November



## **Moon Festival: Lantern Making**

Join us for some lantern making fun!  
Make a wire lantern for Moon Festival  
this year, which falls on Tuesday 17  
September.

Suitable for ages 7+.

### **Braybrook**

4-5pm Tuesday 17 September



# LEARNING AND LANGUAGES



## Resume Help

Learn how to create a new resume, formatting tips, emailing your resume and uploading it to a job seeking website. These free, 30-minute sessions are open to anyone who needs resume help.

Resume Help is available at Braybrook Library and West Footscray Library.

Book your session by speaking with library staff.



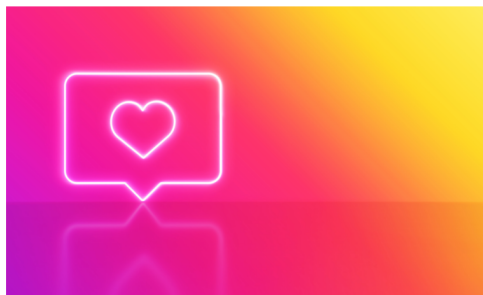
## Form Help

Do you need assistance to fill out forms and documents? Book a 30-minute, one-on-one session with one of our staff members. We offer basic assistance with a range of forms such as passport renewals, working with children checks, myGov, Centrelink and many other types of forms.

Form Help is available at each of our library branches.

Book your session by speaking with library staff.

# LEARNING AND LANGUAGES



## Chinese Book Group

Join our Chinese Book Group and meet other Mandarin and Cantonese speakers while connecting over Chinese books and culture.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

## Footscray

10:30am-12pm on the third Friday of each month

## Instagram 101

Level up your social media skills and get into Instagram! Across two sessions we will guide you through creating an account and connecting with your family, friends and local community. Discover new passions and create a small-scale social media project. Perfect for older adults who want to build connections online. Participants will need to bring their smartphone.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

## Braybrook

2-3pm Thursday 17 October  
2-3pm Thursday 24 October



# LOCAL HISTORY MONTH



## Local History Month: Author Talk with Deborah Gough

Warren & Brown is a successful engineering company that began in Footscray. For more than 100 years, they have been designing, producing and exporting world-class products. Join Deborah Gough, author of *Warren & Brown: The First 100 Years*, as she talks about researching and writing a book about the history of this local enterprise and shares some of the stories she discovered.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### **Braybrook**

6-7pm Monday 7 October



# LOCAL HISTORY MONTH



## Local History Month: Now and Then

Dive into the rich history of the western suburbs through the newspapers of yesteryear. Join us for an engaging workshop at Maribyrnong Library, where a local history librarian will guide you in navigating our local history collection. Learn to access historical news in print, microfilm, and online. Whether you're a history buff or just curious, this session offers valuable insights and hands-on experience.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### Maribyrnong

2-3pm Tuesday 8 October



## Local History Month: Accessing Local Newspaper Archives

Uncover the rich history of our community with help from our local history librarian. Curious about the front-page news in the Independent on September 15, 1902, or the fashion trends in the Footscray Chronicle on May 9, 1914? Discover these stories and more by accessing local newspaper archives online via Trove and Footscray Library's hard copy collection.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### Footscray

10:30-11:30am Monday 21 October

# PROGRAMS FOR OLDER ADULTS



## Rainbow Chat Group (a group for mature LGBTI+ people)

Discover new books and films, and share recommendations at our monthly Book and Film Chat for the older LGBTI+ community, their friends and allies! Join us at Footscray Library for interesting discussions and good company.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### Footscray

10am-12pm on the fourth Tuesday of each month.

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We also have many other programs at the library that appeal to older adults, including knitting groups, movie club, tech help, chair exercises and much more. These programs provide social connection and opportunities for learning. Browse the booklet for more detail.



## Pocket Full of Pride

Come and join the fun and celebrate at a lunch for and with the older LGBTI community. Friends and allies welcome!

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### Footscray

12-2pm Tuesday 29 October



# PROGRAMS FOR OLDER ADULTS



## Connect with your local library this Seniors Month!

For more than 40 years, the Victorian Seniors Festival has offered program full of free or low-cost events and activities for Victorians over 60 in celebration of Seniors Month each October.

Maribyrnong Libraries are getting involved and offering some fabulous Seniors Month activities, but we also offer year-round programming for older people, totally free across all five library branches. Read on for a summary of senior-suitable programs happening this spring and throughout the year!

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Victorian Seniors Card holders can explore Victoria with free travel on public transport from Sunday 6 October to Sunday 13 October 2024. Visit Seniors Online for more information: <https://www.seniorsonline.vic.gov.au/free-travel>

# PROGRAMS FOR OLDER ADULTS

## Grandfriends Baby Rhyme, Toddler and Story Time

In celebration of Seniors Month, we invite our grandfriends to join us for our regular Baby Rhyme Time, Toddler Time, and Story Time sessions from Saturday 26 October - Friday 1 November. Come and experience songs, stories, and rhymes alongside the little ones, and enjoy a fun-filled time together! Older people including family members, friends, and carers are all welcome to share in the joy of reading in our children's sessions throughout Seniors Month.

### Grandfriends Baby Rhyme Time

#### West Footscray

11-11:30am Tuesday 29 October

#### Footscray

2-2:30pm Wednesday 30 October

#### Yarraville

11-11:30am Thursday 31 October

#### Maribyrnong

2-2:30pm Thursday 31 October

#### Braybrook

11-11:30am Friday 1 November

### Grandfriends Story Time

#### West Footscray

11-11:30am Saturday 26 October

#### Yarraville

11-11:30am Monday 28 October

#### Braybrook

11am-12pm Tuesday 29 October

#### Footscray

11am-12pm Wednesday 30 October

#### Maribyrnong

11am-12pm Thursday 31 October

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## Grandfriends Toddler Time

#### Footscray

11-11:30am Monday 28 October

#### Braybrook

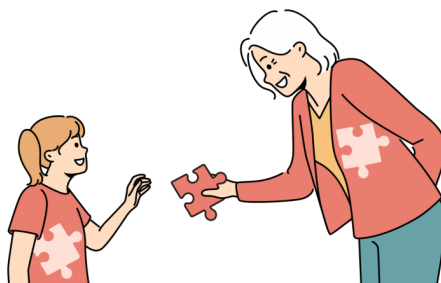
2-2:30pm Monday 28 October

#### Yarraville

11-11:30am Wednesday 30 October

#### West Footscray

11-11:30am Friday 1 November



# KIDS AND FAMILY



## Baby Rhyme Time

Engaging sessions with rhymes, stories, and songs. Encourage language development and early literacy in a fun-filled environment.

Suitable for infants aged 0-1, their families and carers.

Bookings not required.

### **West Footscray**

11am Tuesdays

### **Footscray**

2pm Wednesdays

### **Yarraville**

11am Thursdays

### **Maribyrnong**

2pm Thursdays

### **Braybrook**

11am Fridays

## Toddler Time

Engage toddlers in singing, stories, movement, literacy, language and play at Toddler Time. This session is specially designed to support language development and social skills.

Suitable for toddlers aged 1-3, their families and carers.

Bookings not required.

### **Footscray**

11am Mondays during school term

### **Braybrook**

2pm Mondays during school term

### **Yarraville**

11am Wednesdays during school term

### **West Footscray**

11am Fridays during school term



# KIDS AND FAMILY



## **Moon Festival Story Time**

Join us as we celebrate the Moon Festival during some of our regular Story Time sessions. Listen to a moon story or two and make a paper lantern to take home. Not able to join us for Story Time? No problem! Drop into one of our branches and collect the paper lantern craft to make at home.

### **West Footscray**

11am Saturday 14 September

### **Yarraville**

11am Monday 16 September

### **Footscray**

11am Wednesday 18 September

### **Maribyrnong**

11am Thursday 19 September

# KIDS AND FAMILY



## Story Time

Nurture a love of reading and help develop early literacy with Story Time. Our children's librarians share classic tales and new stories with a few favourite rhymes and singalongs. Suitable for children aged 3-5, their families and carers.

Bookings not required.

### Yarraville

11am Mondays during school term

### Braybrook (Auslan and English)

11am Tuesdays during school term

### Footscray

11am Wednesdays during school term

### Maribyrnong

11am Thursdays during school term

### West Footscray

11am Saturdays during school term

### Yarraville

12pm on the first Saturday of each month

## Bilingual Story Time

Support early bilingual skills in a warm and welcoming environment. Join us as we share stories, songs, and rhymes in English and your community language.

Suitable for children aged 0-5, their families and carers. Bookings not required. All sessions are at Braybrook Library.

### Vietnamese

11am Wednesday 4 September

11am Wednesday 6 November

### Arabic

11am Wednesday 11 September

11am Wednesday 9 October

11am Wednesday 13 November

### Hindi

11am Wednesday 18 September

11am Wednesday 16 October

11am Wednesday 20 November

### Chinese

11am Wednesday 23 October

11am Wednesday 27 November

# KIDS AND FAMILY



## Auslan Bilingual Story Time

Nurture a love of reading and help develop early literacy in both Auslan and English at our Auslan Bilingual Story Time. Each session is presented in Auslan by a Deaf storyteller along with a children's librarian who will present in English.

Suitable for all children aged 3-5 including deaf and hard of hearing children, their families, and carers.

Presented in partnership with Deaf Children Australia and supported by the Victorian Multicultural Storytime Program. Note, Auslan Bilingual Story Time will replace the English language Story Time sessions in Term 3.

Braybrook Library is equipped with a Roger Soundfield system. Bookings not required.

### Braybrook

11am Tuesdays during school term

## Sensitive Story Time

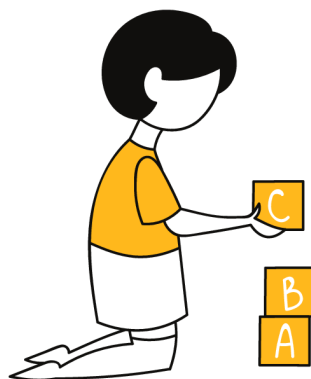
Sensitive Story Time is specially designed to include sensory items and practices, ensuring an engaging experience for children with autism and sensory needs to immerse themselves in stories and storytelling.

Designed for children aged 3-5, their families and carers.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### Footscray

11am on the first Tuesday of each month



# KIDS AND FAMILY



## Robotics Workshop with The Brainery

The Brainery's Robotics Workshop invites young minds to dive into a world where imagination and technology unite. Through engaging, hands-on activities, kids will learn to build, collaborate, and solve problems in a fun and interactive environment. Join us for a robotics adventure and watch as your child's curiosity sparks innovation, turning ideas into reality.

Suitable for children aged 6-12.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### Braybrook

1-2pm Wednesday 2 October



## Loose Parts Play (Children's Week Event)

Join us for a free, drop-in loose parts play session where children and adults can set their imaginations to work and get creative with a variety of materials. This interactive session will be offered by Maribyrnong City Council Early Years in partnership with Victoria University in celebration of Children's Week (21-29 October).

Suitable for children aged 2-12, their families and carers.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### Footscray

2-4pm Saturday 19 October

# KIDS AND FAMILY



## Kids Club

Experience a world of fun and creativity at Kids Club. There's something different each week, from arts and crafts to games, science experiments and engineering challenges.

Suitable for children aged 6+.

Bookings not required.

### Braybrook

4pm Wednesdays during school term

11am Saturdays during school term

### Yarraville

4pm Fridays during school term



## LEGO Club

Get creative and meet other LEGO® fans at this fun building session!

Suitable for primary school aged children.

Bookings not required.

### Braybrook

4pm Mondays

### Footscray

4pm Tuesdays

### West Footscray

4pm Wednesdays

### Yarraville

4pm Wednesdays

### Maribyrnong

4pm Thursdays

# KIDS AND FAMILY



## Kids Hook and Yarn Crochet Club

Chain, slip, stitch, repeat! Dive into the world of crochet with Kids Hook 'n' Yarn Crochet Club. All skill levels are welcome from beginners to experienced crocheters – just drop in and have yarn.

Suitable for children aged 6+.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### Yarraville

4-5pm Tuesday 3 September  
4-5pm Tuesday 10 September  
4-5pm Tuesday 17 September  
4-5pm Tuesday 12 November  
4-5pm Tuesday 19 November  
4-5pm Tuesday 26 November



## Code Club

Embark on a learning adventure with Code Club, a nationwide network of volunteer-led coding clubs dedicated to #GetKidsCoding!

Maribyrnong Libraries utilises Code Club's free resources and training to empower children in our community with coding skills.

Suitable for children aged 8+.

Book for the entire term online or by speaking with library staff.

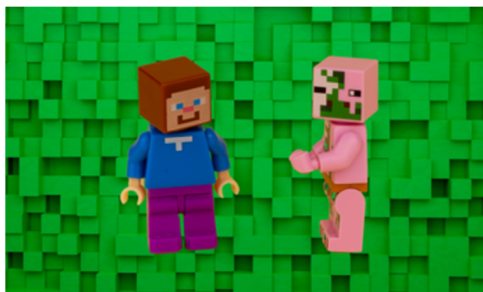
### Braybrook

4-5pm Thursdays during school term





# KIDS AND FAMILY



## Minecraft Club

Immerse yourself in new worlds with Minecraft Club. Whether you're a seasoned crafter or a complete beginner, get involved for loads of fun! Devices and Minecraft logins supplied.

Suitable for children aged 8+.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### Yarraville

4-5pm Mondays from 7 October

### West Footscray

4-5pm Tuesdays from 8 October



## Busy Builders

Help toddlers develop fine motor skills and spark their creativity at West Footscray's DUPLO club, Busy Builders.

This program offers a hands-on experience where caregivers and little ones work together to build and play while problem-solving and fostering imagination .

Suitable for children aged 1+, their families and carers.

Bookings not required.

### West Footscray

11am Thursdays during school term

# KIDS AND FAMILY



## Chess Mates

Discover the joy of strategising and make new friends with Chess Mates, an inclusive and enjoyable way to learn about one of the oldest and greatest games on earth.

This is a four-week program is designed for children aged 6+.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### Yarraville

4-5pm Tuesday 8 October  
4-5pm Tuesday 15 October  
4-5pm Tuesday 22 October  
4-5pm Tuesday 29 October



## Speedcubing

Master Speedcubing and embrace the challenge at Yarraville Library! Seasoned solvers and total beginners can come twist and turn with us for a fun time among new friends. Don't have a cube? No problem! We've got you covered with ours.

Suitable for children aged 8+.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### Yarraville

11am on the third Saturday of each month

# KIDS AND FAMILY



## Halloween Party

Experience an afternoon of spooky delights! Plunge your hands into sensory bins filled with frogspawn (orbees) and ectoplasm (slime). Dress up and embrace the spooky season, read spooky stories, wear your favourite spooky costume, and dance up a storm with the Braybrook Library ghost.

### Braybrook

2-5pm Thursday 31 October



## Family Games Night

Hey grownups! Feeling nostalgic for the days when board games were a favourite family pastime? Bring your little ones and loved ones to get involved in an evening of friendly competition and loads of fun. Create new memories while enjoying the classics!

Suitable for children aged 6+ their families and carers.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### Yarraville

6:30-8pm Friday 22 November



# SPRING

## SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

**Bookings open 8am Monday 2 September**



# SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM



## LEGO Spike Robotics

Build a robot then program it to move with LEGO Spike, a fun, hands-on STEM resource that combines robotics and coding.

**Please note:** We are offering this program for children aged 8+, but LEGO recommends this product for children aged 10+.

### Footscray

11am-12pm Monday 30 September

## Bad Art Day

Get creative with your family in this fun-filled event where everyone can enjoy making art together. Gather your loved ones and explore, experiment, and enjoy the process—no artistic skills required, just a spirit of adventure. No art is bad art in this family session where the only rule is to have a great time together!

This session is suitable for children aged 6+, their families and carers.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### Yarraville

2-4pm Monday 23 September

# SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM



## Braybrook Science Fair

Discover your inner scientist with a week full of exciting experiments and fascinating displays. Each day features a new theme, offering hands-on activities and eye-opening demonstrations that bring the magic of science to life.

### **Monday 30 September: Botany**

Learn how plants can purify water through a hands-on water filtration experiment. Discover how plants reach for the sun and their role in reducing soil erosion.

### **Tuesday 1 October: Biology**

Test the strength of slug (or snail) slime and see if it holds up like a glue stick. Observe the life cycle of bugs, from mealworms in larvae, pupae, to adult form, and explore the world of worms.

### **Wednesday 2 October: Sound**

Create your own musical instrument and explore the science behind sound.

### **Thursday 3 October: Propulsion**

Build a catapult and learn about the forces behind propulsion.

### **Friday 4 October: Environmental Science**

Participate in a simulated oil spill clean-up and discover the effects of pollution. Watch a demonstration of what happens when oceans become acidic.



# SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM



## Zoo Party!

Experience a thrilling zoo adventure right here at the library with Carp Productions' interactive, zoo-themed show! Through this lively performance, children will explore narrative techniques, drama skills, confidence, and learning. See a big tiger, a cute orangutan, slithering snakes, bouncing kangaroos, and maybe even a snappy crocodile or two! Watch out for the cheeky monkeys!

Suitable for children aged 3-12.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### Footscray

2-3pm Monday 23 September

## Code with Scratch Junior

Create your own interactive animation in this introductory Scratch Jr coding workshop. Design unique characters and backgrounds, unlocking endless possibilities for creative storytelling. Perfect for beginners aged 5-7.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### Yarraville

2-3pm Wednesday 25 September

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## Cultivating Paper Flowers

Discover the world of flower farming this Spring School Holidays as we create our own vibrant paper gardens. How many flowers can you cultivate in one hour? Suitable for ages 6+.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### West Footscray

11am-12pm Thursday 26 September

# SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM



## Paper Pilots

Design and build your own paper planes, then test their aerodynamics with new friends at the library. See how they glide, loop, or fly through the air. Whether your plane soars gracefully, performs acrobatic feats or takes a nose dive, all creations are celebrated. Enjoy a fantastic time of fun and learning!

Suitable for children aged 5+.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### Maribyrnong

11am-12pm Thursday 26 September

### Yarraville

2-3pm Friday 4 October

## Family Movie Fun: *IF*

Experience a fantastic family movie with us! Enjoy a film, munch on popcorn, and meet new friends. All families are invited to join in the fun.

In *IF* (2023), a young girl discovers a superpower: she can see everyone's imaginary friends! Get involved in this magical adventure and watch as forgotten IFs reconnect with their kids

104 minutes, rated (PG).

### Footscray

2-3:45pm Thursday 26 September

# SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM



## Budding Book Designers

Design your own book cover to promote a new release, come up with a new look for your favourite book or make a cover for a story of your own creation. Book covers will be displayed at The Chestnut Tree bookstore and in the library. Your design could also go into the running to win a bookstore voucher.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### West Footscray

2-4pm Tuesday 1 October

## A Spring Happening

Celebrate the arrival of spring and join us for a whimsical afternoon of music, bubble play, creative crafts and other joyful springtime activities. Feel free to wear your favourite season dress-up for extra fun!

A Spring Happening is open to children of all ages, their families and carers.

Bookings not required.

### Yarraville

2-5pm Wednesday 2 October

# SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM



## Australian Animals with Wild Action

Join Wild Action for an interactive workshop where children and families are introduced to Australian animals. They will learn about the important role that all species play in our fragile ecosystem and the impact humans have on their populations.

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### Maribyrnong

11am-12pm Thursday 3 October



## Minecraft Party

Embark on an epic journey with fellow Minecrafters! Minecraft Party offers an afternoon of collaborative crafting in a closed creative world. Join forces with friends to build, explore, and have fun.

Suitable for children aged 8+

Book online or by speaking with library staff.

### Footscray

2:30-4pm Thursday 3 October



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