



Darebin Netball Association lifetime member and umpire Lyn Smith and the next generation of netballers are excited about a new era at Narrandjeri Stadium.

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PRESTON MARKET MAKES COMMUNITY CONNECTION

Proud Reservoir residents Daniel and Luke Mancuso know a bit about community, kindness and connection.

Daniel and Luke started the Instagram hit ‘Yiayia Next Door’, showing the neighbourly bond born from tragedy when Daniel and Luke lost their mother through an act of family violence in 2013. Their elderly neighbour Nina (Yiayia) showed great kindness in passing meals over the fence to the brothers, helping them through tough times, and showing the true value of a connected community.

The brothers now use their platform to raise awareness to prevent family violence and inspire communities where people feel safe, and neighbours connect and care. For Daniel and Luke, Preston Market is an important part of Darebin’s connected community.

“Preston Market is a special place. It’s always been a part of our family’s weekly shopping ritual and we still go on Saturdays to buy fresh seafood and cheese,” Luke says.

“The market is so important to the community. It’s a place for people to connect over good food, coffee and conversation. It’d be such a shame to lose it.”

We love Preston Market too and we’re fighting to protect it. Current plans would result in about 80 per cent of the market being demolished. For us and the Darebin community, that’s just not good enough. We will continue to work to **#protectprestonmarket**

Head to page 11 for a delicious Preston Market-inspired recipe from Yiayia Next Door.

Protect Preston Market

The Preston Market Standing Advisory Committee hearing that will inform the State Government’s final decision about the future of the market has been postponed until 3 October 2022.

Free Protect Preston Market fence signs are available at our customer service offices in Preston (Gower Street) and Northcote Library (Separation Street).

For campaign updates see darebin.vic.gov.au/protectprestonmarket

If you or someone you know is experiencing family violence, help is available. Contact Safe Steps 24/7 on 1800 015 188. Call 000 if you are in immediate danger.

Darebin City Council acknowledges the Wurundjeri Woi wurrung people who are the Traditional Owners of the land on which Darebin stands. We recognise their continuing connection to land, waters and culture. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.



MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

A big thank you to everyone who provided feedback on our 2022/23 Budget. Your views helped finalise this important piece of work.

Council has now adopted the 2022/23 Budget, enabling us to roll out the many great projects and services it contains. You can read more about it on page 7.

Darebin Netball Association Lifetime Member Lyn Smith tells how girls' sport has evolved in Darebin, from harsh outdoor gravel courts being players' only option, to the wonderful new facilities at Narrandjeri Stadium.

There is a beautiful story and recipe from the Yiayia Next Door team, reminding us of the importance of the Preston Market, and an update on the Protect Preston Market campaign.

In Reservoir there is great news about a new defibrillator program being trialled, and high praise from the Preston Lions for the new pavilion at B.T. Connor Reserve. It's also great to hear more about the new Penders Park All-abilities Playspace in Thornbury.

We have so many fabulous events coming up in our Arts and Libraries programs. You can check out just some of what's coming up in 'What's On' on page 12.

And finally, for those who use our kerbside waste collection service, please don't forget to use your food and green waste bin for all your food scraps. I'm loving using my food and green waste bin, knowing I am helping to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from landfill.

Please enjoy this edition of DCN and to everyone in Darebin, stay warm and well this winter.

Cr Lina Messina
Mayor



NEW PAVILION BRINGS NEW POSSIBILITIES

A world of possibilities has emerged for the Preston Lions Football Club and the broader community, with the opening of a new pavilion at B.T. Connor Reserve in Reservoir.

Preston Lions Club President, David Cvetkovski, said the club's much anticipated base for the club is bringing new life to the club and opening up opportunities to realise its full potential.

"It gives us a multi-dimensional opportunity to care for the community and to allow people to use the facility for non-football related events as well," David says.

"We are working on an Indigenous football program, health and wellbeing initiatives, recruitment and looking to support different community groups, including currently discussing a pensioner group using it during the day."



The new pavilion will also support Preston Lions' women's programs by providing greater facility access and new programming.

The pavilion officially opened in April this year and was built as part of our 10 big actions in the 2021-2025 Council Plan.

We are committed to improving the health and wellbeing of our community, and a vital part of that is creating inclusive spaces for diverse communities.

Check out the new pavilion at B.T. Connor Reserve at 200 Broadhurst Avenue, Reservoir.



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Visit darebin.vic.gov.au/council-newsletters and follow the links to have our online news delivered to your inbox each month.

نقل رياضة الفتيات إلى الأماكن الداخلية الرائعة



استثمر المجلس 31 مليون دولار في المنطقة في ميزانية تبلغ 34 مليون دولار، وتلقى 2 مليون دولار من خلال صندوق البنية التحتية الرياضية المحلية التابع لحكومة ولاية فكتوريا ومليون دولار من برنامج Inner City Netball Program.

"إذا سقطت على الأرضية المليئة بالحصى - ستنزف ساكف وكان هذا شيء قليل من الحظ السيئ. سيقولون لك "هل أنت بخير؟" وإذا كنت كذلك، فستستمر في اللعب!"

(لين سميث) لديها عضوية دائمة في اتحاد لعبة كرة الشبكة في داربين (Darebin Netball Association) وظلت تلعب كرة الشبكة منذ أن كانت في التاسعة من عمرها، وقامت بدور الحكم منذ أن كان عمرها 14 سنة، وما زالت حكماً وهي في عمر 64 سنة.

شهدت (لين) الحملة لبناء ملاعب كرة الشبكة في Leamington Street حيث توجد حديقة التزلج الآن في بحيرة إدواردز، حيث لعب لاعبو كرة الشبكة من 1972 إلى 1998. عندما تم إيقاف تشغيلهم، انتقلت اتحاد لعبة كرة الشبكة في داربين (Darebin Netball Association) إلى ملعب داربين الرياضي المجتمعي (Darebin Community Sports Stadium).

استمرت الرابطة في النمو وتقام مبارياتها الآن أيضاً على أسناد نارنجيري.

تقول (لين)، مع افتتاح أسناد نارنجيري (Narrandjeri Stadium) الجديد ذي التصميم الفني الرائع في ثورنبري، إن الكثير قد تغير للاعبين كرة الشبكة منذ أن بدأت بممارسة اللعبة والتحكيم.

ترى (لين) أن هذه منشأة مذهلة توفر إمكانات هائلة للفتيات الراغبات في ممارسة الرياضة.

في ذلك الوقت، كانوا يلعبون في ساحات المدرسة في الملاعب الإسفلتية، وحسبما تتذكر فقد كانت تلك "ظروف صادمة"، مع انتشار القمامة في كل مكان.

"كرة الشبكة رائعة جداً للأطفال لأنها تعلمهم كثيراً. ليس فقط الجانب البدني ولكن الاجتماعي أيضاً - كاللعب مع الأصدقاء، مقابلة الناس، حيث إنهم يمارسون الرياضة وينمون مهارة التواصل الاجتماعي أيضاً".

(لين) سعيدة لكونها حكماً في أسناد نارنجيري الجديد ذي التصميم الفني الرائع، والمكتمل بملاعبه الداخلية، بما في ذلك ساحة عرض مذهلة تتسع لـ 340 مقعد.

وتضيف قائلة: "لذلك كان والدي يسمح للملاعب. كانت هناك عصي وأحجار ولب تفاح، سمها ما شئت - كل شيء".

مجلس داربين ممتن للدعم الذي قدمته حكومة فكتوريا.

أفتتح أسناد نارنجيري رسمياً في مايو/أيار، وهو مركز جديد مثير لمجتمع داربين المتنوع، ويهدف إلى تعزيز مشاركة الناس في الرياضة، وخاصة النساء والفتيات.

كانت هناك أيضاً في كثير من الأحيان ظروف "قاسية" يجب التعامل معها.

يمكنك الاطلاع على أحدث أخبار وفعاليات أسناد نارنجيري على facebook.com/darebinstadiums أو يمكنك التسجيل للاطلاع على المستجدات عبر narrandjeristadium.com.au.

"يمكن أن يكون هطول أمطار غزيرة، وأعني غرف مياه الأمطار. وقد تحدث عاصفة مصحوبة ببرق ورعد ولكننا كنا نواصل اللعب".

TAKING GIRLS' SPORT TO THE GREAT INDOORS



Darebin Netball Association Lifetime Member Lyn Smith has been playing netball since she was nine, umpiring since she was 14, and still umpires now at 64.

With the opening of Darebin's new state-of-the-art, sustainably designed Narrandjeri Stadium in Thornbury, Lyn says a lot has changed for netballers since she first took to the courts.

Back then, they played on the school yard asphalt courts in what she recalls as "shocking conditions", with rubbish everywhere.

"So my dad used to sweep the courts. There were sticks, stones, apple cores, you name it - everything," Lyn says.

There were also often "petrifying" conditions to deal with.

"It could be bucketing rain, and I mean bucketing. We could have an electrical storm with lightning and thunder and we would keep playing," she says.

"If you fell, being gravel - you would have blood pouring down your leg and that was just a bit of bad luck. They would say 'are you alright?' and if you were you would just keep playing!"

Lyn saw the campaign to build the netball courts at Leamington Street where the skate park is now at Edwardes Lake, where netballers played from 1972 to 1998. When they were decommissioned, the Darebin Netball Association moved to Darebin Community Sports Stadium. The association has continued to grow and is now also playing at Narrandjeri Stadium.

Lyn is so happy to be umpiring at the new Narrandjeri Stadium, complete with its indoor courts, including a spectacular 340-seat showcourt.

Officially opened in May, Narrandjeri Stadium is an exciting new hub for Darebin's diverse community, aimed to boost people's participation in sport - especially women and girls.



We have invested \$31 million into the \$34 million precinct, receiving \$2 million through the Victorian Government's *Local Sports Infrastructure Fund* and \$1 million from the *Inner City Netball Program*.

The venue hosts community activities and sport including netball, basketball, badminton, tennis and volleyball.

For Lyn, it is an amazing facility offering huge potential to girls wanting to play sport.

"Netball is so terrific for children because it teaches them so much. Not only the physical side of it but the social side of it - playing with friends, meeting people, they are getting exercise, but it's the social side of it too."

Darebin Council acknowledges the support of the Victorian Government.

Stay up-to-date with all the latest Narrandjeri Stadium news and action at facebook.com/darebinstadiums or register for updates at narrandjeristadium.com.au.



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SHAPING OUR FUTURE TOGETHER

Darebin is growing and changing. Let's shape our future together. Help us plan to meet the needs of our diverse community now and into the future.

From 28 June to 8 August we are holding two community consultations - Future Preston Central and Housing Conversation.

We want to know what's important, what's working well and what could be improved. With online surveys, face-to-face workshops and pop-up sessions there are lots of ways to get involved.

Future Preston Central

Your feedback will help guide the development of Preston Central over the next 15 to 20 years. Tell us what you think about everything from good design, to streetscaping, to transport and sustainability needs. If you live, work or socialise in Preston Central, we want to hear from you.

Housing Conversation

Help us create a new Housing Strategy and Neighbourhood Character Study by telling us how housing needs can be best met in the future. The new strategy and study will include a 20-year vision for housing in Darebin and guide things like the location, look and feel of new housing developments. Anyone with a connection to Darebin can join our Housing Conversation.

To find out more and get involved visit yoursay.darebin.vic.gov.au/futurepreston and yoursay.darebin.vic.gov.au/housing.

FIRST NATIONS ARTWORK UNVEILED AT NEW POOL SITE

Works at the new Northcote Aquatic and Recreation Centre are full steam ahead, and artist Dixon Patten (Bitja) has brought life to the construction site with a mural showing the significance of our environment and community.

Dixon is a proud Gunnai, Yorta Yorta, Gunditjmara and Dhudhuroa man and grew up in Darebin. He says the Northcote pools were a safe, communal space to catch up with friends and family.

"Seeing a lot of mob there, it was a culturally safe place for First Nations people in Darebin, so the area feels like home," says Dixon.

His artwork honours the waterways on Wurundjeri Woiwurrung Country and features murnong - the yam daisy - a staple food for the Kulin Nations.

"Food universally brings people together, and I think it was important to honour that," says Dixon.

Dixon collaborated with Wurundjeri Elders on the artwork and says getting their blessing to work on it was pretty special.

"That's why I got into the arts, to Indigenise spaces and remind people that no matter where you go, you're on Country."

Once completed in late 2023, the new Northcote Aquatic and Recreation Centre will be an all-electric facility targeting a six-star green star rating, with indoor and outdoor pools, community spaces and a warm water pool for exercise and rehabilitation.

Keep an eye on our YouTube channel and social media for Northcote Aquatic and Recreation Centre updates.

A BUDGET THAT SUPPORTS OUR COMMUNITY



From aged care, sporting ovals, green waste, immunisation, libraries, to major recreation centre upgrades, our Budget 2022/23 has it all!

After consulting with the community, Council passed the Budget 2022/23 in June.

It focuses on supporting our community and making the lives of those who live, work and play in Darebin better.

We are funding the delivery of more than 100 essential services from building safety to waste services to home care and more, as well as allocating \$66.2 million to build, maintain and enhance our important community infrastructure from road safety improvements, to sporting and community facilities, to drains and footpaths.

Mayor Cr Lina Messina says community feedback helped make sure the Budget delivers on what is important to the community.

“We’ve worked hard to listen to the community and develop a budget that supports our residents,” Cr Messina says.

“It delivers essential services and investment in community assets, whilst maintaining our financial sustainability.”

Some of the budget highlights include:

- Collection of more than 6 million bins, 21,000 tonnes of green waste and 15,000 tonnes of recycling per year.
- Introduction of the green organic and food organic waste recycling service.
- Delivery of approximately 20,000 immunisations.
- Four library branches with spaces to work, study, and read and free access to Wi-Fi.
- Construction of the Intercultural Centre at the Preston Town Hall.
- Expansion of the funded three year-old kindergarten program.
- Construction of essential road safety projects.
- No increase on concession fees for Aged Care, Reservoir Leisure Centre and Animal Control services.
- A feasibility study for gender inclusive sporting facilities.
- An extensive event program to support learning, celebrate cultural diversity, engage our community and reduce social isolation.
- Construction of the Northcote Aquatic and Recreation Centre.
- Preparatory and design work for future major projects including the Reservoir Leisure Centre.
- Improvements to accessibility for people living with a disability.
- Approximately 130,000 hours of aged care services, programs and assistance.
- Planting 1,200 trees and 100,000 indigenous plants.
- Animal registrations for around 17,000 pets.
- Maintenance of more than 56 sporting ovals and fields and more than 30km of shared bike paths.
- Support for the installation of 300 solar systems to residential homes.
- Employment of over 1000 creative professionals enabling a diverse range of events.



DO THE RIGHT THING WITH YOUR FOOD AND GREEN WASTE BIN

Soon everyone who uses our kerbside waste service can recycle their food scraps and green waste.

During June and July we're delivering 22,000 more food and green waste bins to Darebin residents, along with free kitchen caddies, to help everyone recycle food scraps.

Right now over half the contents of Darebin residents' rubbish bins is food waste! When food and green waste breaks down in landfill it produces harmful greenhouse gases like methane, which contributes to climate change.

Mayor Councillor Lina Messina said expanding our food and green waste recycling service is one of the most significant steps Council can take to reduce waste to landfill and reduce greenhouse gas from waste.

"Reducing food waste going to landfill is a part of our plan to achieve zero greenhouse gas emissions for Darebin by 2030," Cr Messina says.

"It's one part of what we can all do at a local level to tackle the climate emergency."

If everyone in Darebin recycles their food scraps, as a community we will save 9,000 tonnes of waste from landfill and 17,800 tonnes of greenhouse gas emissions from entering the atmosphere every year. This is the same as taking 6,130 cars off the road.

If you already have a food and green waste bin and would like to order a caddy, please fill out our online form at darebin.vic.gov.au/foodwaste.

Top tips for making food and green waste recycling easier:

- Keep your caddy on your bench top or under the sink where it's easy to access and use. When it's full, empty it into your lime green-lidded bin outside.
- Line your caddy with paper towel, newspaper or a brown paper bag to help to keep it clean.
- To keep your food and green waste bin clean and reduce smells, add dry garden waste between layers of food waste and store it in a shady spot.



AIA'S MEADOW

A community space at Bundoora Park Farm created in memory of Aia Maasarwe is now open to the public.

Named 'Aia's Meadow', the space was designed in close collaboration with the Maasarwe family, who hope it will become a place of peace.

Award-winning design practice SBLA Studio worked in collaboration with artist Rachel Derum to design and build Aia's Meadow.

The artwork at the centre of the space, an elevated daisy chain installation, is inspired by Aia's love of nature, featuring shells, flowers, rainbows and stars.



For more information please contact our Community and Wellbeing team, Community.Wellbeing@darebin.vic.gov.au



A BIG THUMBS UP FOR PENDERS PARK

Preston locals Jessica and her son Sid are just two of the many Darebin residents loving the brand new all-abilities playspace at Penders Park in Thornbury.

The park was designed with a group of passionate locals in 2019, and opened with a big celebration in May this year.

Jess and 21-month old Sid visit the playspace almost every week.

"It has some cool equipment you don't find in other playgrounds. Sid loves the trampolines and flying fox the best," Jess says.

There is a mix of accessible and challenging play equipment, social spaces, a sheltered BBQ and seating areas.

"Being an all-abilities playground, it's suitable for children with mobility challenges and also little toddlers like Sid, because a lot of the equipment is low to the ground," Jess says.

"It makes it easier for him to explore on his own."

Jess loves jumping around on the trampoline with Sid and getting the chance to chat and meet with other parents.

"Playgrounds are life for little kids and their carers! You visit them all the time if you've got a toddler, so having different types of play is important."

"It doesn't always have to be a playground though. Natural green spaces with trees, rocks and native plants are really important for kids - and adults too."

The project has also greened the area, with 22 new big trees for shade and more than 500 native plants.

The Penders Park All-abilities playspace was delivered by Darebin Council with the support of the Victorian Government through the *Suburban Parks Program*.

GO SOLAR AND GET SAVING

Our Solar Saver program has so far helped more than 1,800 residents switch to solar. This is saving around 12,000 tonnes of emissions each year, equal to about 3,600 less cars on our roads a year.

Darebin locals Frank and Carmel made the switch in 2019 through the program. Since then they've seen a 75 per cent drop in their energy bills, and some have even been a credit.

"We'd always talked about getting on to solar, but the upfront cost made the decision hard," says Carmel.

With Frank semi-retired and Carmel living with disability, they wouldn't have been able to afford it on their own. After finding out about Solar Saver from a friend, they jumped at the chance.

The couple now feed about 30 per cent of their solar generated energy back into the grid and use their appliances during the day to make the most of the sunshine.

Why solar?

- Reduce your electricity bills
- Receive credits for any unused power
- Increase the value of your home
- Add efficient electrical appliances to move away from gas
- Reduce your emissions and contribute towards a zero-carbon world.



You can also reap the rewards of solar at a great price. To find out more, visit darebin.vic.gov.au/solar



STEPPING IT UP FOR HEART HEALTH

Reservoir locals have joined forces in a trial program bringing defibrillators to the street.

With the help of St John Ambulance and its 'Defib in Your Street' program, there are now 13 24/7 publicly accessible defibrillators in Reservoir – and most of them are in residents' front yards.

A defibrillator uses electricity to restart the heart or shock it back into its correct rhythm if someone experiences cardiac arrest.

Before the program started, 95 per cent of Reservoir residents didn't live within 400 metres of a defibrillator, and there were none available 24/7.

Reservoir has the fifth highest number of cardiac arrests in Victoria, making it an ideal place to trial the program.

Reservoir Neighbourhood House is one place you can now find a 24/7 defibrillator, and team member Kate says it's a huge benefit having them around.

"Knowing there are steps being taken to reduce the amount of deaths and people affected by heart attacks in the area is brilliant," Kate says.

"The response from the community has been very positive, especially with the free training that comes along with the defibrillator."

Kate thinks it's also great that people can opt in to have a machine at their property.

"If anyone is interested in having one put on their doorstep, they can actually be the point in their street where people can access lifesaving help."

To get involved or find out where your closest defibrillator is, head to stjohnvic.com.au/community-programs/defib-in-your-street

KEEP YOUR BIKE ROLLING IN WINTER

No matter the weather, Darebin resident Mike McEvoy will stay on his bike this winter.

"It's much faster, more direct, and good for your body and the planet," he says.

"It's liberating getting around by bike! Zero emissions makes me feel like a climate hero every day. In-built exercise gives me that endorphin buzz. Zipping past the traffic jams and finding a parking spot right out front makes me feel like a VIP."

Mike travels 12 to 40 kilometres a day, with a school drop-off on his way to work. He says keeping your bike rolling in winter isn't actually as wet as you think.

"Nine times out of 10 it doesn't rain on me even when rain is predicted."

He said it's important to have the right wet-weather gear such as a rain jacket or poncho, some high-vis and "a pair of gloves is an absolute must for cold mornings."

If you are new to pedal power, Mike suggests asking other cyclists which routes they recommend and to look for routes with bike lanes and shared paths along the creeks.



Find out about our free monthly bike checks and the Darebin Loves Bikes newsletter, at darebin.vic.gov.au/bike-riding-walking

WARMING WINTER DISH

Warm up this winter with a delicious Preston Market inspired meal from the Yiayia Next Door team.



Yiayia Next Door, by Daniel & Luke Mancuso (with Yiayia), published by Plum, RRP \$36.99, photography by Mark Roper, illustrations by Daniel New.



Fakes

Lentil soup

Another Friday-night staple, Yiayia promises this hearty soup will warm up your insides and put a smile on your face.

SERVES 6

200 g (1 cup) dried brown lentils, rinsed
2.25 litres boiling water
3 tablespoons olive oil
1 onion, finely chopped
1 small red bullhorn pepper (or capsicum), finely chopped
1 small green bullhorn pepper (or capsicum), finely chopped
2 garlic cloves, finely chopped
1½ teaspoons ground paprika
1 teaspoon salt
large handful of chopped flat-leaf parsley

Check the lentils for any stones or shrivelled pieces and discard.

Place the lentils in a large saucepan and add enough cold water to just cover them. Bring to the boil over medium-high heat and cook for 10 minutes. Drain well, then return the lentils to the pan and add the boiling water. Bring to the boil, then reduce the heat to medium, cover with a lid and simmer for 35 minutes or until the lentils are tender.

Meanwhile, heat the oil in a frying pan over medium-high heat. Add the onion, peppers and garlic and cook for 7 minutes or until soft. Add the paprika and cook for about 1 minute, until fragrant, then stir the mixture through the cooked lentils, add the salt and simmer for 5 minutes.

Divide the soup among bowls, sprinkle over some chopped parsley and serve.

WHAT'S ON



Image by: Gregory Lorenzutti

DAREBIN ARTS SPEAKEASY PRESENTS

RHYTHMIC FICTIONS

by Siobhan McKenna

Oscillating between the monotonous and the dramatic, between the meaningful and the meaningless, *Rhythmic Fictions* reorganises language and movement into a playful choreography.

10 - 14 August

Northcote Town Hall Arts Centre

\$35 Full | \$28 Conc. | \$30 Darebin Residents | \$15 Blak Tix

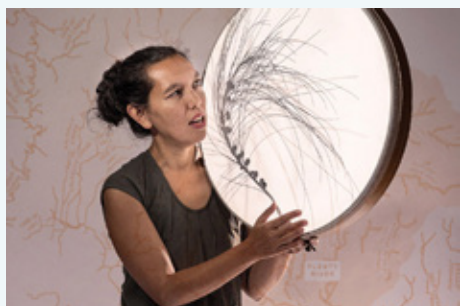


Image by: Darren Gill

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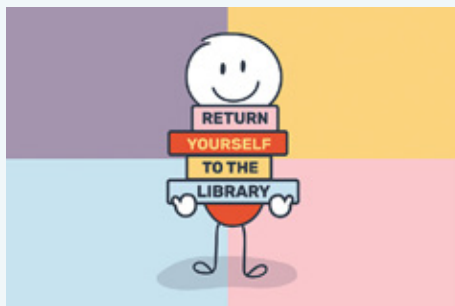
by Sandra Fiona Long and Ria Soemardjo with Jeremy Dullard and Ron Reeves

Inspired by frogs and our waterways, invoking the healing power of nature through libretto, voice, percussion and shadowplay.

7 - 17 September

Northcote Town Hall Arts Centre

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RETURN YOURSELF TO THE LIBRARY

Return yourself to Darebin Libraries to rediscover community, creativity and the collection! Experience a wide range of services and programs to enrich your life.

Our libraries have events and activities for all, and we're excited to once again welcome our community back in-person for our regular events:

- **Rhyme Time and Storytime**
Weekly sessions held during school terms for children aged 0-5 years.
- **Conversation Café**
Practise your English language skills in a friendly, supportive environment.
- **Chess Club**
Presented by Darebin Chess Club Inc every Monday at Preston Library.
- **Maker's Corner**
Maker's Corner is a monthly event for art and craft enthusiasts of all abilities.
- **Special events**
Film nights, authors talks, craft sessions, creative workshops and more!

To find out more about our events and to book visit libraries.darebin.vic.gov.au/events

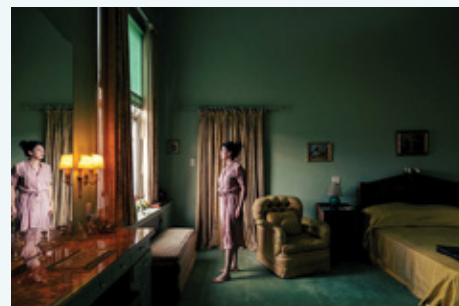


Image by: Pia Johnson, A view of the pool, from Mooramong Green series, 2020, archival inkjet print. Courtesy the artist.

BUNDOORA HOMESTEAD ART CENTRE

Upcoming exhibitions

Saturday 9 July — Saturday 17 September

PIA JOHNSON: FAINT ECHOES

Pia Johnson is known for her distinctive portraiture and performance photography. For a new exhibition at Bundoora Homestead Art Centre, the artist turns to the self as subject matter, employing self-portraiture to examine transcultural identity, place, memory and belonging.

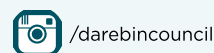
MAPPING THE CURIOUS HEART

Mapping the curious heart presents key works from the Darebin Art Collection alongside new acquisitions. Bringing together the work of eight First Nations women with strong culturally led practices to provide a space for discussion around Australia as a colonised nation with an Aboriginal past, present and future.

LOTTE FRANCES: ALONE, BUT SO AT HOME

Alone, but so at home presents a series of abstract paintings by Lotte Frances. Exploring the complexities of queerness, loneliness and memory, this body of work showcases the artist's unique visual language that is at once playful, vulnerable and intimate.

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