

Art of Cartooning Exhibition

Monday 5 September to
Friday 30 September

This exhibition will showcase the artwork of cartoon enthusiast **Gavin Porter**. Inspired by various forms of cartooning, Gavin has developed his own unique cartooning skills.

ADULT LEARNING WEEK

Stress Management

Tuesday 6 September & 18 October
7.00pm–8.00pm

Stress and relationship specialist **Sarah Batsani** will reveal strategies for coping with stress in everyday life. Bookings required.

Greatest Moments in
Martial Arts Movies

Wednesday 14 September
6.30pm–8.00pm

See legends like Bruce Lee and Jackie Chan, and more, in their finest moments from their greatest movies. Refreshments provided. Bookings required.

Get into Gardening and
Wormfarming

In Partnership with the City of Whittlesea

Thursday 15 September
7.00pm–9.00pm

Learn how you can make the most of your garden this Spring. Door prizes to be won. Bookings required.

SENIORS FESTIVAL

Behind the Scenes
Library Tours

Monday 3 October to
Friday 7 October
11.00am and 2.00pm

Come for a tour of the library. See behind the scenes and find out how the library runs.

Enjoy tea and coffee at the end of the tour. Bookings required.



HEALTH AND WELLBEING

Healthy Home Cooking

Monday 3 October
1.00pm–2.30pm

Professional chef **Yuka** will demonstrate healthy and easy-to-cook recipes. Come for a taste test and take home recipes. Bookings required.

Converting Videos to DVD

Tuesday 4 October
1.00pm–2.00pm

Don't throw away your favourite videos just yet. The library's gadget guru **Colin** will demonstrate how you can convert videos to DVD. Bookings required.

Games Afternoon for Seniors

Wednesday 5 October
1.00pm–3.00pm

Bring along your friends and family to play Scrabble, chess, Monopoly, Twister, and more. Bookings required.

Hypnosis: The Power to Reach
Your Full Potential

Thursday 6 October
7.00pm–8.00pm

Hear how hypnosis and dowsing can improve your emotional and physical well-being, and help with stress, illness and bad habits, from professional hypnotist **Erika Lane**.

Photobooks Online

Friday 7 October
11.00am–12.30pm

Turn your collection of digital photos into an impressive library of photobooks. Bookings required.

LOUD Shirt Day

Friday 21 October

Wear your loudest and craziest shirt or clothing. Make a gold coin donation to help kids with hearing disabilities in Australia and lucky dip in our loud lucky dip bag.



UFOs: The Mystery and the Facts

Wednesday 26 October
6.30pm–7.30pm

Get into the Halloween spirit and join us for an encounter with UFOs. **George from Australian UFO Research Network** will reveal why we are as not alone as you think. Bookings required.



National Flag Day Competition

Create a new Australian flag and enter it into our competition before Thursday 1 September. Entries displayed at the library. Ages 16 and under.

DV Garden Club

Tuesday 6 September
11.00am–12.00noon

Share Spring gardening ideas with other keen gardeners. See garden displays. Refreshments provided. Bookings required.

HEALTH AND WELLBEING

Improve Your Memory

In Partnership with Alzheimer's Australia

Monday 12 September
11.00am–12.00noon

Alzheimer's Australia will provide tips for improving memory. Bookings required.

Get Connected

Books Online Demonstration

Wednesday 21 September
11.00am–12.00noon

Learn how to borrow e-books and audio books and download to a computer, or other device. Bookings required.

Grand Finals Fever

Friday 23 September
3.00pm–4.00pm

Come to our party dressed in your favourite AFL colours and be in the running to win a prize. Bookings required.

Family History Fest Continues
Family Memorabilia

Wednesday 28 September
1.30pm–2.30pm



Neville Crawford from **Recherché Specialty Picture Framing** will demonstrate ways of presenting your military and other heritage memorabilia. Bookings required.

SENIORS FESTIVAL

Positive Mental Health

Monday 10 October
11.00am–12.00noon

Learn creative ways to foster positive mental health. Refreshments provided. Bookings required.

live reads

Political Thriller Feast

Tuesday 11 October
7.00pm–8.30pm

Meet **Bill Wakeling**, author of *Four Days of Feast*, a fast moving political thriller. Refreshments provided. Bookings required.

Naughty vs. Nice Nutrition

Tuesday 18 October
11.00am–12.00noon

Learn about the benefits of good nutrition as part of National Nutrition Week. Bookings required.

Halloween @ the Library

Monday 31 October
4.00pm–8.30pm

Come dressed in Halloween costume for a ghostly party at the library. Enjoy creating ghoulish crafts and a special screening of *Coraline*. Bookings required.



Friday Focus

Tasty Food for Spring

Friday 2 September
10.30am–11.30am

What foods do you enjoy as the weather gets warmer? Sample some Spring flavours at this delicious morning tea.

Saturday Storytime

Father's Day

Saturday 3 September
11.00am–12.00pm

Join us for a special storytime to celebrate all Dads and Granddads. All welcome for stories and a craft activity.

live reads

Finding a Perfect Match

Thursday 15 September
10.30am–11.30am

Maxine Bennett's adventurous account of her search for the perfect partner is told with humour and honesty. Meet the author.



Penni Russon Book Launch

In Partnership with ELTHAMbookshop

Sunday 18 September
3.00pm–4.00pm

Everyone is invited to celebrate the launch of **Penni Russon's** latest young adult book *Only, Ever, Always*. It's the story of a girl without a dog, and a dog who wants to be owned; a simple story with deeper significance.

Speculate on This

Monday 19 September
7.00pm–8.30pm

Take part in this book discussion for young people where sci-fi is king, queen or alien overlord! Munchies provided.



Find My Past

Thursday 22 September
10.30am–11.30am

Join **Local and Family History Librarian Liz Pidgeon** as she introduces the Find My Past database, which gives access to over 50-million historical records.

SENIORS FESTIVAL

Senior Savvy

Monday 3 October to
Friday 7 October

Want to be more techno savvy? Find out how to use your digital camera, iTunes or e-books. Book a one-on-one class and pick your own topic.

HEALTH AND WELLBEING

Walking the Black Dog

Wednesday 12 October
7.00pm–8.30pm

Walking the Black Dog by **Ingi Barr** is one of very few books for children that deal with depression. Join us for a special session with the author.

live reads

What Happened Last Summer?

Wednesday 19 October
7.00pm–8.30pm

Acclaimed local author **Kylie Ladd** introduces her latest novel *Last Summer* about how a successful man copes with loss. Books for sale and signing.

@ Your Library

YARRA PLENTY REGIONAL LIBRARY

www.yprl.vic.gov.au

SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER 2011

Chinese Moon Festival

Also known as the Mid-Autumn Festival, or in Chinese, Zhongqiujié (traditional Chinese: 中秋節), the Chinese Moon Festival is a time for family get-togethers. When the full moon rises, families get together to watch the full moon, eat moon cakes, and sing moon poems. Get together with other people at the library to look for the lady in the moon at Bedtime Storytime, enjoy music and storytelling, and take part in a Chinese tea ceremony.

See inside this brochure or www.yprl.vic.gov.au for details.

School Holiday Program

Culture
Vultures

We're being vultures of culture at the library these school holidays. Try out some new and interesting arts and crafts, and experience theatre, music and food from other cultures.

Pick up a flyer at any YPRL branch or see www.yprl.vic.gov.au for details and bookings.



TMI – Too Much Information

Aged 12-20? Keep up with the fun and music events, opportunities and freebies for young people at library branches and elsewhere in the local community by signing up to the TMI newsletter.

Sign up at www.yprl.vic.gov.au/tmi.

Seniors Festival
Be Inspired!

October is Seniors Month and we are encouraging people to choose adventure and lifelong learning with a substantial smorgasboard of events to devour. Take the opportunity to enhance your mobile phone or other technology skills.

See inside the brochure for all the event details.



Health and Wellbeing Month of September

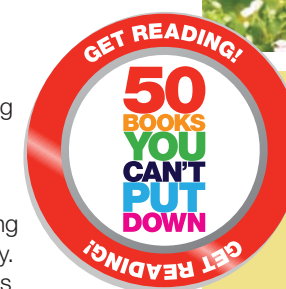
Focus on your personal health and wellbeing during September. Learn about healthy home cooking, meet the author of a popular book for children dealing with depression, and learn how to improve your memory.

See inside for event details.

Get Reading!

Monday 26 September
6.30pm–8.15pm

Author and ambassador for the annual Get Reading campaign **Liz Byrski** will talk about her writing, broadcasting, feminist popular fiction and advising politicians at Eltham library. B.Y.O. spangles. Bookings ELTHAMbookshop: 9439 8700



Macedonian Launch

In Partnership with Spectrum Migrant Resource Centre

Thursday 8 September
11.00am–1.00pm

Join us for the Macedonian Independence Exhibition and browse and borrow from a **NEW** collection of Macedonian books and DVDs. Refreshments provided.



SENIORS FESTIVAL

Wills and Powers of Attorney
In Partnership with Whittlesea
Community Legal Service

Monday 10 October
10.30am–11.30am

Robert from Whittlesea Community Legal Service will give basic information about making a will, the dos and don'ts, and gaining power of attorney. Bookings required.



Feng Shui for the Home and Garden

Thursday 20 October
10.30am–11.30am

Join **Tina Curro** from the **Ministry of Feng Shui** to discover the principles of Feng Shui for the home and garden. Bookings required.

Bedtime Storytime
Halloween

Thursday 27 October
6.00pm–7.00pm

Come dressed in a spooky costume to this special Halloween storytime. After reading some spooky stories, make something spooky to take home.



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Food Festival – Foodie Stories

Monday 5 September
12.00noon–1.00pm

Be entertained by a live reading of food-themed stories while enjoying a light lunch. Browse and borrow from our selection of foodie novels.



CHINESE MOON FESTIVAL

Bedtime Storytime
Chinese Moon Festival
Tuesday 13 September
7.00pm–7.45pm

Celebrate the Moon Festival with us at this special bedtime storytime. Bring your teddy and help look for the lady in the moon.

Autumn Moon Celebration

Thursday 15 September
11.00am–12.00noon

Enjoy Chinese songs, music and storytelling from **Ivanhoe Girls Grammar School** students. Browse and borrow from **NEW** Chinese books and DVDs.

Exhibition Opening
Unravelled

In Partnership with Banyule City Council

Wednesday 21 September
6.00pm–8.00pm

All are invited to the launch of this exhibition of artists' books and typographical prints from the **Banyule Art Collection** at the Banyule Arts Space, Banyule Arts Space 14 Ivanhoe Parade, Ivanhoe. The exhibition will be open to the public from Thursday 22 September to Wednesday 12 October.

Book Sculpting

Monday 3 October
7.00pm–8.30pm

Book sculptor **Nicholas Jones** explains how he transforms unwanted tomes into intricate, beautiful sculptures.



MYSTERY MONTH

Mystery Stories
Monday 3 October
12.00noon–1.00pm

Be entertained by a live reading of mystery stories while enjoying a light lunch. Browse and borrow from a selection of **NEW** crime and mystery novels.



SENIORS FESTIVAL

Mobile Phone Buttons

In Partnership with Banyule City Council Seniors Month

Friday 14 October
10.00am–12.00noon

Learn more about your mobile phone with IT students from local schools.

Chess Club

Monday 17 October
4.30pm–5.30pm

Junior chess players can pit their skills against players from other schools.



Just4Kids

Where Country Meets the City

Tuesday 25 October
4.00pm–5.00pm

With the Whittlesea Show around the corner we try out some country arts, crafts and activities. For primary school age children.

Bedtime Storytime
Crazy Hats

Thursday 29 September
7.00pm–7.45pm

Wear your pyjamas and a crazy hat to make us laugh. Hear silly stories with hat-wearing characters then make something crazy. Suitable for all ages.



Packing for Travel

Thursday 6 October
7.00pm–8.30pm

Do you struggle to decide what to pack when you travel? Do you take more than you need? Create an effective travel wardrobe to feel and look smart, but travel lightly across the globe. Learn how with expert **Imogen Lamport** from **Bespoke Images**. Light refreshments provided. Bookings required.



Spanish Café

Wednesday 7 September & 5 October
7.00pm–8.00pm

(First Wednesday of the month)

Come and learn this beautiful, colourful language with Spanish teacher **Laura Mendoza**. If you are a Spanish speaker, travelling, or just want to improve your skills, this class is a must.

Games Party Night

In Partnership with Banyule City Council
Saturday 10 September
5.00pm–8.00pm

Join us after the library has closed for party fun for all ages. Play foosball, table tennis, Twister, life-size chess, Wii, board games and more, or sit back and enjoy a screening of *Toy Story 3*. Light supper provided.

Chess for Fun

Monday 12 September & 10 October
7.00pm–8.00pm

If you love playing chess, or want to improve your skills, join this friendly group and be tutored by experienced chess coach **Jim Cannon**. All ages and levels of experience welcome.

Memories of my Community

Landscapes of the Past

Tuesday 13 September
10.30am–12.00noon

Spend time chatting with this friendly conversational group. Reminisce about all areas of life over a cuppa, in a session led by the library's **Lynne Siejka**. New members welcome.

Book online at www.yprl.vic.gov.au



LOL

Friday 16 September & Friday 21 October
5.00pm–7.00pm

On the third Friday of each month Watsonia Library gets loud! This is a special teen-only time when table tennis, foos-ball, Wii, Xbox and loud, loud DJ music makes the library rock after hours.



Exploring Fossils

Tuesday 20 September
7.00pm–8.00pm

Geologist and fossil enthusiast **Monty Grover** will talk about how fossils are formed and what they can tell us about the wondrous pre-history of our planet.

community reads

Writers@Watsonia
Workshopping

Thursday 22 September
6.30pm–8.30pm

Come and join this friendly group of writers to workshop your writing – whether it is memoir, short stories or a larger work. New members welcome.

Bedtime Storytime
Halloween

Friday 28 October
6.00pm–7.00pm

Dare to dress-up and scare the library staff. Run around the library after it's closed, hear some spooky stories and songs, play games and do some spooky craft.



AUSLAN Tale and Sign Storytime

Saturday 24 September & 22 October
2.00pm–3.00pm

All the stories and songs and rhymes are AUSLAN interpreted at this special storytime for all children. Play with our big selection of puzzles afterwards.

Behind the Action Thriller

Tuesday 4 October
7.00pm–8.00pm

Hear about the writing and research process for an action-thriller novel from **Bill Wakeling** author of *Four Days of Fear*.

SENIORS FESTIVAL

Memories of Our Community
Sayings Then and Now

Tuesday 11 October
10.30am–12.00noon

Spend time chatting with this friendly conversational group. Reminisce about all areas of life over a cuppa, in a session led by the library's **Lynne Siejka**. New members welcome.

community reads

Writers@Watsonia
Colourful Characters

Thursday 27 October
6.30pm–8.30pm

Writer and master coach **Cecile Riddle** will lead a workshop on creating colourful and consistent characters when writing. All welcome.

Book online at www.yprl.vic.gov.au

Food Fest @ Whittlesea Libraries

Wednesday 7 September
(Mill Park Library)

Monday 12 September
(Thomastown Library)

Thursday 22 September
(Lalor Library)

6.30pm–8.00pm

Boost your master chef skills at YPRL's Whittlesea branches in September with these multicultural cooking demonstrations and tastings. Master the entrée at Mill Park, main course at Thomastown and dessert at Lalor. Attend all the events to be in the running to win fabulous food hampers. Bookings required.



Addressing Hearing Problems

Thursday 1 September
10.00am–4.00pm

Do you have difficulty understanding people unless they are facing you? Find it hard to hear conversations in noisy rooms? If you said 'yes', you may have a hearing impairment. Includes a free hearing check for seniors, pensioners and veterans.

Father's Day Storytime

Sunday 4 September
2.00pm–2.45pm

Bring Dad to the library for Father's Day stories, and then make him a card to show him how special he is!



ADULT LEARNERS' WEEK

SLR Digital Photography
Monday 12 September
6.30pm–8.00pm

Learn how to take good quality photographs with your SLR camera with photographer **John Spry**. Bring your own camera.

Ansett Australia – 10 Years On

Wednesday 14 September
6.30pm–8.00pm

Were you an Ansett staff member at the time of the company's collapse? Come along and share your stories with others. View memorabilia from the Ansett era.

NEW Seniors Computer Classes

Every Tuesday
1.30pm–3.00pm

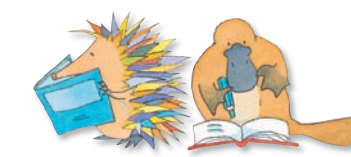
This class is for people who want to improve their computer skills. Learn with others at a friendly pace.

CHINESE MOON FESTIVAL

Tea Ceremony

Thursday 15 September
7.00pm–8.00pm

Join **Sophie** as she discusses the philosophy of tea and the tea-drinking ceremony in China. Bookings required.



Just4Kids

Pirate Party

Wednesday 21 September
3.30pm–4.30pm

Yarggggh! Join the other crew members at Lalor Library for a celebration of **International Speak Like A Pirate Day** (September 19th). Make a hat and an eye patch, have a beard painted on, and learn the tricks of speaking like the perfect pirate. Suitable for primary school-aged children.



Basic Mobile Phone Use

Wednesday 5 October
11.00am–12.00noon

Learn the basic operations of your mobile phone with **Natasha**. Learn how to text your family and friends, take photos and navigate your settings. B.Y.O. mobile phone.

SENIORS FESTIVAL

Song Bird Competition

Thursday 6 October
12.30pm–2.30pm

Enjoy singing performances by talented local nursing home residents, who will be competing to win prizes. Afternoon tea provided.

Dance Showcase

Friday 7 October
2.30pm–3.30pm

Enjoy a performance featuring the students from **L & S Dance Studio** performing jazz, ballet, tap and hip hop routines.

Metro Trains Information

Thursday 20 October
1.00pm–2.00pm

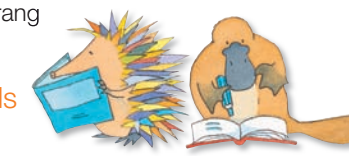
Listen to topics including, myki vs. Metcard, safety tips, journey planner and improvements to the Epping Line with the new stations and the South Morang extension.

Just4Kids

Cooking

Wednesday 26 October
3.30pm–4.30pm

We'll be baking up a storm to celebrate Children's Week. Suitable for primary school-aged students.



Just4Kids

Pet Rocks

Thursday 1 September
4.00pm–5.00pm

If Rocks Could Sing is a fun picture book about how the shape of a rock can look like something else. Come along to decorate a rock to change its look, and borrow some great new books. Suitable for primary-school-aged children.



LOL

Friday 2 September & 7 October
5.00pm–7.00pm

Young people aged 12-20 are invited to take over the library after hours. Play games, Wii, X Box, computers, table tennis, and foosball. Listen to a DJ spin tunes. Snacks provided.

Saturday Storytime
Celebrate Dads and Grandpas

Saturday 3 September
3.00pm–3.30pm

Jane will read stories. Learn a special song to sing on Father's Day and make a gift for a special person. Suitable for children of all ages.

Book online at www.yprl.vic.gov.au