Summer marks a significant period in Georges River Council’s events calendar as our Summer Events Program comes into full swing.

Council prides itself on hosting spectacular events that bring people together and celebrate the unique cultural diversity of our community, and this year will be no different.

Join in the celebrations at the Magic of Christmas in Carss Bush Park, which has been a much-loved event for friends and families in the Georges River area for many years. This year will see many crowd favourites along with a few new additions, including a fireworks display over Kogarah Bay.

Following Magic of Christmas, Council’s Australia Day Festival celebrations are set to return to Carss Bush Park. For over 25 years this event has attracted people from across the region with its spectacular program of live music, diverse cultural performances, food and market stalls, and a fireworks display over Kogarah Bay. This is an event not to be missed, and I encourage you to attend.

Heading into the New Year, Council’s flagship event, the Lunar New Year Festival, will once again return to Forest Road, Hurstville. This event is a spectacular reflection of the diverse cultures represented in our local community. Welcoming in the Year of the Dog in 2018, the street festival will feature a traditional lion dance, live entertainment, food stalls throughout Forest Road and a great festival atmosphere.

After a hugely popular run early this year, the Outdoor Cinema series will be back in 2018. Hosted in the picturesque Carss Bush Park, these events are great for families to enjoy a film together under the stars. The 2018 Outdoor Cinema series will feature three films on three unique nights, and will benefit from the addition of a night market.

Over summer, Council will continue to deliver a number of projects to help make our local area more liveable, accessible and enjoyable for all. This includes the completion of Jubilee Park Adventure Playground, improvements to Chivers Hill Adventure Playground in Lugarno, the resurfacing of local parks and general improvements to local roads and footpaths. These projects will deliver a great many benefits to the community and make the area even more attractive.

This issue of Community will be our last for the year, so I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very happy Christmas and a safe New Year.

Kevin Greene
Mayor
Georges River Council
**Opening Hours**

**Georges River Civic Centre**
- 25 December 2017 – Closed
- 26 December 2017 – Closed
- 27 December 2017 – 8.30am to 5.00pm
- 28 December 2017 – 8.30am to 5.00pm
- 29 December 2017 – 8.30am to 5.00pm
- 30 December 2017 – Closed
- 31 December 2017 – Closed
- 1 January 2018 – Closed
- Opens on Tuesday, 2 January 2018

**Kogarah Service Centre**
- 25 December 2017 – Closed
- 26 December 2017 – Closed
- 27 December 2017 – 9.00am to 5.00pm
- 28 December 2017 – 9.00am to 5.00pm
- 29 December 2017 – 9.00am to 5.00pm
- 30 December 2017 – 10.00am to 4.00pm
- 31 December 2017 – 10.00am to 1.00pm
- 1 January 2018 – Closed
- Opens on Tuesday, 2 January 2018

**Hurstville City Library**
- 25 December 2017 – Closed
- 26 December 2017 – Closed
- 27 December 2017 – 9.30am to 5.00pm
- 28 December 2017 – 9.30am to 5.00pm
- 29 December 2017 – 9.30am to 5.00pm
- 30 December 2017 – 9.30am to 4.00pm
- 31 December 2017 – 9.30am to 4.00pm
- 1 January 2018 – Closed
- Opens on Tuesday, 2 January 2018

---

To find out about Georges River Council's opening hours over the holiday period, visit Council's website www.georgesriver.nsw.gov.au for up-to-date information.

Connect with us...

✉️ www.georgesriver.nsw.gov.au   ❱ facebook.com/georgesrivercouncil   📱 @Georges_River

---

**Waste Collection Reminder for Holiday Season**

Council’s Waste Services will operate as normal over the Christmas and New Year period.

For former Hurstville City Council residents, clean-up bookings will not be available between Friday 22 December 2017 and Tuesday 2 January 2018.

The final Saturday collection at Council’s E-Waste Collection site will be on Saturday 16 December 2017 which is located at Mortdale Depot, on Roberts Avenue Mortdale. The service will recommence on Saturday 20 January 2018.

---

**Council meetings**

In accordance with resolution of Council, all Council Meetings are scheduled for the **fourth Monday** of each month at Georges River Civic Centre, Cnr MacMahon and Dora Streets Hurstville, commencing at **7.00pm**. Committees are scheduled for the **second Monday** of each month, commencing at either **6.00pm** or **7.00pm**. Extraordinary Council meetings are called when required.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>DATES FOR 2018</th>
<th>MEETING NAME</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>12 February</td>
<td>Committee Meetings</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>26 February</td>
<td>Council Meeting</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12 March</td>
<td>Committee Meetings</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>26 March</td>
<td>Council Meeting</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9 April</td>
<td>Committee Meetings</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>23 April</td>
<td>Council Meeting</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Magic of Christmas

Get your family and friends organised for this year’s Magic of Christmas at Carss Bush Park on Saturday 9 December. The park will be transformed into a wonderland of festive cheer for this Christmas Carols event, with a huge line-up of entertainment and activities from 5.00pm.

Visitors will be treated to seasonal stalls offering an array of food and drink, and a great line-up of entertainers including a musical circus show, Harlow School of Dance and Christian Power and Lonesome Train. Crowd favourite Jay Laga’aia will be there, and, naturally, Santa will be making an appearance! The night will draw to a close with a spectacular fireworks display concluding at 9.00pm. Don’t miss out on all the festive fun! Magic of Christmas is the best possible way to kick-start your summer celebrations. Families are welcome to bring their own picnic to enjoy during the event’s performances.

Australia Day 2018

Everyone is welcome to come along to Carss Bush Park on the foreshore of Kogarah Bay this Australia Day and enjoy one of Sydney’s most popular and vibrant family celebrations.

For over 26 years this event has been the platform for a dynamic entertainment program which showcases great live music, diverse cultural performances, amusing roving entertainers and food/market stalls as well as children’s activities.

The event concludes at 9.00pm with a brilliant display of fireworks over Kogarah Bay which is enjoyed by festival goers as well as Sydney-siders across our city’s southern suburbs.

Event Details
**When:** Friday 26 January 2018  
**Time:** 10.00am – 9.00pm  
**Where:** Carss Bush Park, Carwar Avenue, Carss Park

This is an event not to be missed! For more information about the 2018 Australia Day Festival, please contact Council on 9330 6400. For the latest entertainment information and details about the headline act performers visit Council’s website www.georgesriver.nsw.gov.au
Winners announced!

There was an overwhelming interest in the newly established Georges River Art Prize with over 300 submissions received. The Art Prize provides a platform for local and national artists to showcase their talents and foster their creative endeavours.

This biennial prize, hosted by Hurstville Museum & Gallery and Kogarah Library and Cultural Centre, brings together the best parts of the St George Art Awards and the Kogarah Art Prize.

To see all of the successful finalist’s images, view the Georges River Art Prize catalogue, available online at www.georgesriver.nsw.gov.au/GRAP

Congratulations to all entrants and finalists on the exceptional quality of their work.

This year’s winners are:

**Georges River Art Prize - $10,000 acquisitive**
Winner: Ross Skinner – Yellow Calla Lilies
Highly commended: Chee Yong – Self-portrait as a ghost
Moritaka Suzuki – Still life with porcelain vase
Clifford How - Scoured

**Local Artist Prize - $5,000**
Winner: Steve Lopes – Scarborough Park

**Georges River Sculpture Prize - $4,000 acquisitive and solo exhibition**
Winner: Geoff Harvey – Black swan

**Georges River Youth Prize - $300 materials voucher**
Winner: Ann Yang – Abandonment
Highly commended: Leo Park – Korean peninsula
Wendy Tang – Polar bear’s scarf
Larissa White – Geometric statue

**Georges River Little Artist Prize**
$200 materials voucher
Winner: Matthew Hong – Rescue Mission
Highly commended: Natalie Tsang – My selfie
Nicolette Tsang – Light me up
Chloe Huang – Still vases

Georges River Art Prize would like to thank this year’s Media Partner, Chinese News and Media Group, for their support.
Lunar New Year 2018

February is set to be full of colour and excitement with our Lunar New Year Festival, as well as a range of workshops, and activities throughout January and February.

Forest Road, Hurstville will come to life with a street fair on Saturday 10 February. The festival will feature non-stop entertainment, food and market stalls, traditional lion and dragon dances, a spectacular street parade and much more.

Bring the whole family along to enjoy the celebrations!

See Council’s website for the full Lunar New Year Program which will include an exciting headline entertainment act for more details visit www.georgesriver.nsw.gov.au

15,000 attend 40th Oatley Village Festival

Over 15,000 visitors attended the 40th annual Oatley Village Festival on Saturday 21 October. Council was a major sponsor of this event providing a donation of more than $10,900 in support.

With 180 food, craft and novelty stalls, as well as two stages of live entertainment, there was something for everyone to enjoy.

Georges River Mayor Cr Kevin Greene officially opened the festival, and Georgie the Dragon roamed the festival, mingling with people in the crowd.

The Lions Trash & Treasure raised $4,000 which will go towards helping disadvantaged students realise their full potential. In total, $35,000 was raised for a range of community projects.

Outdoor Cinema and Night Market Series

After gaining popularity earlier this year, the Outdoor Cinema Series is set to return in the first three months of 2018. Gather your friends and family, grab a picnic rug and snacks, and enjoy some family-friendly films under the stars in the picturesque Carss Bush Park.

Outdoor Cinema dates:

Saturday 20 January, 2018
Saturday 3 February, 2018
Saturday 3 March, 2018

The 2018 series will also feature a fabulous night market and food stalls.
Summer of Cricket continues with Women’s Sydney Sixers at Hurstville Oval

Georges River Council’s Summer of Cricket is set to continue with the Sydney Sixers WBBL team scheduled to play three Big Bash matches at Hurstville Oval in January 2018.

Big Bash (Twenty20 cricket) is a fun and fast-paced game, which is highly entertaining for spectators and the WBBL|02 Championship winning Sydney Sixers will be sure to draw a crowd.

The first match will be against the Brisbane Heat on Friday 19 January from 2.00pm. The Sixers are then scheduled to play Adelaide Strikers on Saturday 27 January and then again on Sunday 28 January. This will be the third series of Cricket matches Council will be hosting at Hurstville Oval, which shows how desirable the pitch is for first class athletes to play on.

Council’s Summer of Cricket is a fantastic way for cricket lovers to see first class players in the local area. Everyone is encouraged to come to the game and experience the action of Big Bash Cricket in Hurstville.

For more information about the upcoming matches, please visit www.sydneysixers.com.au

Place Score Town Centres Survey Feedback

A Place Score Survey was recently undertaken to measure what communities value, and to reveal any big ideas they may have for their town centres. The survey found that the top three town centre attributes valued by Georges River residents and visitors were:

- Elements of the natural environment (views, vegetation, topography, water)
- Cleanliness of public space
- Sense of safety (for all ages, genders, day/night)

Popular community ideas for change included:
- Increasing street trees, planting and green spaces
- Improving general cleanliness and maintenance, and
- Creating community spaces for socialising, programs and play

Want to have your say about issues affecting your local community? The Have Your Say Panel is a great new way to help Georges River Council understand the community’s views. By signing up you can expect to receive regular updates about Council projects and programs that seek community feedback.

Joining is free – just visit the Georges River Council website, click on the Have Your Say icon and complete the online registration form. We look forward to having you on the Panel.
Graffiti Removal Day

A huge thanks to everyone who volunteered to help clean up the Georges River area at this year’s Graffiti Removal Day on Sunday 29 October. With Council’s support, 20 local Scouts, Guides and Rotarians painted over 300sqm of graffiti in a range of locations. So far in 2017, Council has spent more than $62,000 on graffiti removal across the city.

The team of volunteers helped make over the heavily tagged wall running from the corner of Grosvenor Street to Tavistock Street, South Hurstville; Prairievale Scout Hall off Terry Street, Blakehurst; and the walls facing the Princes Highway at the rear of 27 and 29 Beach Street, Blakehurst.

Anti-dumping campaign

In an effort to reduce the incidence of illegal dumping, Council is encouraging residents to report any instances of dumped rubbish in the local area. Dumped rubbish is not only unsightly, but it is also an environmental and health hazard.

If anyone is caught dumping rubbish, whether it be next to charity bins or next to another resident’s approved waste collection, they can face fines of up to $250,000.

Georges River Council places a strong emphasis on combating illegal dumping and will actively investigate and take legal action against people found to be illegally dumping materials.

You can contact Council 24 hours a day, 7 days a week if you see anyone illegally dumping rubbish or items that have been illegally dumped. Please contact Council on 9330 6400 and provide any information you can.
$2.5 million
Jubilee Park
Adventure
Playground nearing completion

The creation of the new Adventure Playground in Jubilee Park, Mortdale, is entering its final stages, with works expected to be concluded by the end of November 2017.

The refurbishments at the park, which will see vast improvements to this community asset, will include new picnic and barbeque areas, a walking track, outdoor fitness equipment and new lighting and seating.

Other features will include a children’s bike track, junior swings, a toddler play area, and multi-purpose sports courts.

On completion, the new playground will complement the existing Mortdale Community Centre and significantly enhance the park’s accessibility and facilities for the whole community to enjoy.

Chivers Hill Shopping Centre upgrade

Upgrades to the footpaths and street furniture in Chivers Hill Shopping Centre, Lugarno, are currently underway.

With works commencing in August 2017, there has already been significant improvements made to the streetscape’s appearance.

These improvements will make the area a more vibrant and welcoming shopping precinct. As part of the works, Council is repaving footpaths and installing new street furniture.

It is expected that once completed, the works will make the area more enticing for new businesses and encourage greater investment into the local area.

This project is being funded through Council’s Infrastructure Plus Program and Revenue Works Program, costing approximately $590,000.
Shopfront Arts Co-op studio upgrade

The recording studio at Shopfront Arts Co-op was in desperate need of an upgrade, which has recently been completed thanks to a $44,700 grant from Council through the NSW government’s Stronger Communities fund. The facility, used in countless community programs over the past 10 years, had relied on second-hand equipment which no longer met the training needs of those using it.

The studio is used by young people studying music or film, and is also used for generating soundtracks for the Co-op’s theatre work. Professional artists mentor and work with them on projects, and provide support to develop their creative practice.

Executive Director and CEO of Shopfront, Daniel Potter, hopes that other organisations in the area will make use of the new facilities, which include a new mixing console, a computer for recording and microphones.

“We already work on projects with a number of schools in the space, and with the upgrade we hope to partner with more”, said Mr Potter.

“Professional recording equipment and spaces are often not easy for schools to come by, and we would love to see this space activated during school hours. It would be great for schools interested in using the studio to approach us and let us know how they could best utilise the space.

“We couldn’t have made these upgrades without the support of Council. Community grants are so important to organisations like ours; they allow us to complete projects that provide huge long-term community benefit, which would be impossible to achieve alone,” added Mr Potter.

Shopfront is a Youth Arts Co-operative that has been working with young people to create socially relevant, youth-led, multi art form work since 1976.

Image: David Molloy of Shopfront Arts Co-op
From Hurstville Oval to the SCG

Council’s previous Head Curator Adam Lewis has commenced in the role of curator at the Sydney Cricket Ground (SCG), and is only the ninth curator in the famous ground’s 160-year history.

Throughout his stellar 24-year career at Council, Adam has overseen Hurstville Oval and prepared it beautifully for every cricket season. He has been a tremendous asset to Council and demonstrated real dedication to maintaining the ground and wicket for all levels of cricket, from grade cricket to Test matches.

Under Adam’s management, Hurstville Oval was voted the most outstanding ground in Sydney on numerous occasions, including three seasons in a row from 2014-2016.

Adam said his appointment to the SCG is very much his dream job, with Council’s ongoing support over the years helping him to refine his ground-keeping skills.

“I am very humbled to get the opportunity to work at the SCG, which is one of the greatest sporting grounds in the world,” he said.

Congratulations to Adam on this outstanding achievement - we wish you every success for the future!

Start a Business Workshop

Realise Business is hosting a workshop to give you essential information to help start your business. It’s ideal for anyone thinking about starting their own business or those who have been in business for less than 12 months.

- Gain a wide-ranging view of key areas needed to start and manage a business and ensure successful outcomes
- Undertake a feasibility check on your business idea
- Better understand the financial aspects of managing your business
- Gain an understanding of your business compliance responsibilities
- Become aware of the roles of a business owner

**Date:** 14 December 2017, 5.00pm to 8.00pm  
**Location:** Unit 1A, 29-33 Waratah Street, Kirrawee  
**Cost:** $49 per person  
**Link to book:** https://realise.business/event/workshop-start-business-14-dec-17-kirrawee/
Christmas at the Gallery

Come along to the Museum & Gallery’s Christmas party. Dress up in your favourite Christmas colours and make some Christmas crafts to decorate your home with. Sing some carols and play some games.

**Age:** All ages welcome - children under 5 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

**Date:** Saturday 9 December 2017

**Time:** 10:30am – 12:00pm

**Cost:** Free

**Bookings essential:**


---

**Wanton, Wild and Unimagined coming soon to Hurstville Museum & Gallery**

*Wanton, Wild and Unimagined* is a playful exhibition of sculptured recycled plastics that stirs the imagination and evokes environmental reflection.

Townsville environmental artist, Alison McDonald has collected thousands of lids to make a variety of unimagined creations inspired by plants, oceans and by John Wyndham’s book, *The Day of the Triffids.*

This playful travelling exhibition is being organised by Umbrella Studio contemporary arts and toured by Museums & Galleries Queensland and has been assisted by the Australian Government’s Visions of Australia program; and supported by the Visual Arts and Craft Strategy, an initiative of the Australian, state and territory governments.

**Exhibition dates:** 20 January – 13 May 2018

**Venue:** Hurstville Museum & Gallery, 14 MacMahon Street, Hurstville

---

**Australian Government**

**Visual Arts and Craft Strategy**

**Queensland**
Donna Ransom's 
*Rock, Water, Air* 
exhibition

3 - 25 February 2018  
Dragon's Lair Gallery,  
Hurstville Museum & Gallery

Coming to the Dragon's Lair Gallery in February, *Rock, Water, Air* consists of a triptych, *Ancient Land*, created in response to the monumental landscape of the Blue Mountains. Other paintings include a response to the coastal landscape. Donna explores the interaction of rock with water in these paintings. The substance of rock formations appear stable, solid and highly textured whilst the water is ever changing, fluid and translucent. In an additional series of square format paintings, Donna explores the contrast of the three elements of rock, water and air.

Libraries’ amazing new Management System

There’s never been a better time to be a member of Georges River Libraries with a new state-of-the-art $400,000 library system offering a range of exciting benefits.

Library customers can choose from over 55,000 novels, 20,000 DVDs and 20,000 picture books from our five convenient library locations, plus 24/7 access to eResources such as eBooks, eAudiobooks, eMagazines, music streaming and research databases.

Customers can manage loans, search the catalogue and view suggested titles from the library, based on their borrower history. They can also customise and set alerts for new items, reserve up to 10 items at a time, set and customise due date reminders, and book tickets for library events and programs.

Existing customers are invited to trade their current library card for a new Georges River Libraries card, and new customers are encouraged to join to enjoy the full range of collections, services and facilities.

Join the library: georgesriver.spydus.com

Online account and catalogue: georgesriver.spydus.com

Download the app from your app store: search ‘Spydus’
Hurstville Museum & Gallery – Out and about

Hurstville Museum & Gallery staff have been out and about in the Georges River area getting involved in community initiatives and activities.

Over the school holidays, staff could be found at Hurstville Central every afternoon offering free craft and colouring in sessions for kids.

Staff recently facilitated Reminiscing outreach sessions as part of Dementia Awareness Week. Participants were able to look at and hold a number of objects including old fashioned milk bottles, magazines and even some vintage hats!

The Museum & Gallery also hosted a stall at the 40th Oatley Village Festival where locals had the opportunity to learn something new about the history of the local area, as well as the exhibitions and programs run by the Museum & Gallery. It was a lovely day and great to talk to so many people from our community.

If you see us around, make sure to say hi!

For more information about upcoming exhibitions and events at Hurstville Museum & Gallery visit: www.georgesriver.nsw.gov.au/HMG

Borrow bestselling eBooks and eAudiobooks with BorrowBox

Customers of Georges River Libraries can now enjoy the latest bestselling eBook and eAudiobooks using the BorrowBox platform and app.

BorrowBox offers the best range digital lending can offer, with titles from popular authors like Liane Moriarty, Tim Winton and Clive James; crime stars such as Lee Child, and children’s favourites like Andy Griffiths and JK Rowling – just to name a few!

Getting started with BorrowBox is easy:
1. Go to www.borrowbox.com/library/georgesriver/ or download the BorrowBox app from your app store and select ‘Georges River Libraries’
2. Enter your library card number and password to sign in (if accessing BorrowBox for the first time enter your email address and accept the terms and conditions);
3. Browse or search the collection, and tap ‘Borrow’;
4. Download your eBook or eAudiobook and enjoy.

Not a member of Georges River Libraries yet? Join online and view all library eResources online: georgesriver.spydus.com
Seniors Art in the Courtyard

We had a great response to our new program Seniors Art in the Courtyard, with participants meeting new people and learning new skills. In our first class, participants learnt about the history of 14 MacMahon Street (the Museum & Gallery’s building) and used objects from the collection as inspiration for their drawings.

These classes are perfect for active seniors wanting to learn about the history of Hurstville with people who share a love of art and history.

Classes will be held once a month in the Museum courtyard. As these classes are an introductory series, they are suitable for people with beginner/intermediate skills in drawing.

All materials will be provided. Light morning tea will be served from 9.30am.

Please bring sun protection e.g. hat, sunscreen and wear appropriate clothing for outdoors, e.g. jacket for cool weather. In the event of wet weather, classes will be held inside Hurstville Museum & Gallery.

Class size is limited and bookings are essential.

Time: 10.00am – 12.00pm. Refreshments from 9.30am.
Cost: $5.50 per person, per session

Dates:
Friday 8 December 2017
Friday 9 March 2018
Friday 13 April 2018

Hurstville Museum & Gallery
14 MacMahon St, Hurstville NSW 2220

For more information on any of the above programs, please contact the Museum & Gallery on 9330 6444 or museumgallery@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au.
Lunar New Year library activities

Celebrate Lunar New Year at Georges River Libraries with a number of exciting workshops, talks and demonstrations for the whole community.

**Fruit carving with Charlie Yan**
Join celebrity chef, Charli Yan, as he carves up a delicious range of sculptures from fresh fruit.

**Wednesday 7 February, 6.00pm-7.00pm**
**Kogarah Library**
Kogarah Town Square, Belgrave Street, Kogarah
Bookings essential: georgesriver.spydus.com
Enquiries 9330 9527

**Author talk: The new Chinese: How they are changing Australia, Barry Li**
Bridge the gap between the China you know and the real China of today at this author talk with Barry Li. Barry will speak about his personal experience of moving from China to Australia, give an ‘ordinary’ person’s view of China’s recent economic growth and what this has meant for the millions of ‘ordinary’ Chinese, and changes in people’s political attitudes. Barry will also speak about the differences between Chinese generations and the common conflicts between generations in a humorous way.

The book has been well received by Australians looking to understand more about the China of today, along with those of Chinese heritage wanting to learn more about current trends.

**Tuesday 13 February, 6.30pm-7.30pm**
**Hurstville Library**
Corner of Queens Road and Dora Street, Hurstville
Bookings essential: georgesriver.spydus.com
Book available for sale and signing.
Enquiries 9330 6111

**Lion dance and martial arts demonstration**
Be amazed by the colourful lion dance weaving through the library followed by an impressive demonstration of various Chinese martial arts performed by Da Hong Kung Fu Club.

**Thursday 22 February, 5.00pm-6.00pm**
**Kogarah Library**
Kogarah Town Square, Belgrave Street, Kogarah
No need to book
Enquiries 9330 9527
Chinese brush painting for adult beginners
Learn the art of Chinese brush painting and decorate a beautiful plum blossom paper fan for Lunar New Year. All materials provided.

Saturday 24 February, 10.00am-12.00noon
Hurstville Library
Corner of Queens Road and Dora Street, Hurstville
$5.20 (non-refundable), bookings essential:
georgesriver.spydus.com
Enquiries 9330 6111

Chinese collection selection day
Help select new items, such as DVDs, fiction, non-fiction, romance and children’s books, for the Library’s Chinese language collection.

Wednesday 28 February, 10.00am-12.30pm
Hurstville Library
Corner of Queens Road and Dora Street, Hurstville
No need to book.
Enquiries 9330 6111

Chinese calligraphy for adult beginners
Practise basic calligraphy strokes to create Chinese lucky characters and good fortune symbols for Lunar New Year. All materials provided.

Saturday 24 February, 1.30pm-3.30pm
Kogarah Library
Kogarah Town Square, Belgrave Street, Kogarah
$5.20 (non-refundable), bookings essential:
georgesriver.spydus.com
Enquiries 9330 9527
International Day for People with Disability

Join us in celebrating International Day of People with a Disability. Council will be hosting the Access All Areas Film Festival, an annual festival that promotes and celebrates access to film for everyone in NSW. Come along to view some short films (3-5 minutes in length) featuring disability themes. We will be serving a high tea and providing information about services in the area.

When: Thursday 7 December, 11.00am to 2.00pm
Where: Civic Theatre, 16 McMahon Street, Hurstville

Please RSVP by contacting Maria Athanasopoulos, Council’s Community Development Officer, on 9330 9455.

Council will also be exhibiting artworks by local people with disability from 2 December to 31 December 2017 in two of our libraries.
When: 2 -31 December 2017
Where: Hurstville Library, 12-22 Dora Street, Hurstville
Kogarah Library, Kogarah Town Square, Belgrave Street

Lah-Lah - Santa's Got A Brand New Groove

Lah-Lah will get everyone up dancing to their much-loved tunes and some Christmas favourites with a special Lah-Lah twist, and lots of laughs. Plus, there will be a special surprise visit from you know who, and he has been practising his trombone so he can join the band!

Join Mister Saxophone, Squeezzy Sneezy, Tom Tom, Buzz the Bandleader, Lola the Dancing Double Bass and the ever loveable Lah-Lah, for a Christmas show that will have the kids grinning and shimmying from go to whoa. Slip on your dancing shoes and bop away to the fun-filled sounds of Lah-Lah and the band that jams all over the land.

Wednesday 13 December, doors open 10.00am, 10.30am show
Hurstville Entertainment Centre - Marana Auditorium, MacMahon Street, Hurstville
$25.50 | Tickets: www.hec.org.au (Children under 12 months are free with a paying adult)
WHAT’S ON
GEORGES RIVER COUNCIL
www.georgesriver.nsw.gov.au

24 JANUARY
Art Attack
Workshops designed for children aged 7-12 years.
10.30am | Hurstville Museum & Gallery | $5.50 per child

26 JANUARY
Australia Day Festival
Live shows, children’s activities, food and market stalls.
10.00am | Carss Bush Park | free

24 JANUARY
Lunar New Year, Fruit Carving
Join celebrity chef, Charli Yan.
6.00pm | Kogarah Library | free

3 FEBRUARY
Dragonflies Kids’ Club - Handcrafted
Workshops are designed for children aged 4-10 years.
10.00am | Hurstville Museum & Gallery | $5.50 per child

23 JANUARY
Mini Games
Get active with some mini competitions.
10.30pm | Hurstville Museum & Gallery | $5.50 per child

8 DECEMBER
Seniors Art in the Courtyard
For active seniors who have beginner skills in drawing.
10.00am | Hurstville Museum & Gallery | $5.50 per session

9 DECEMBER
Christmas at the Museum & Gallery
All ages Museum & Gallery Christmas dress up party.
10.30am | Hurstville Museum & Gallery | free

13 DECEMBER
Lah-Lah – Santa’s got a brand new groove!
Get up and dance to Christmas favorites with Lah-Lah.
10.00am | Marana Auditorium | $25.50 | www.hec.org.au

10 FEBRUARY
Lunar New Year Festival
Celebrate the Year of the Dog.
Forest Road, Hurstville

13 DECEMBER
Magic of Christmas at Carss Bush Park
Live shows, children’s activities, food and market stalls.
5.00pm | Carss Bush Park | free

24 JANUARY
Recycled art and craft
Create unusual sculptures using recycled materials.
10.30pm | Hurstville Museum & Gallery | $5.50 per child

24 JANUARY
Cookie Creation
Learn how to decorate biscuits.
10.30pm | Hurstville Museum & Gallery | $5.50 per child

7 FEBRUARY
Lunar New Year, Fruit Carving
Join celebrity chef, Charli Yan.
6.00am | Kogarah Library | free

16 JANUARY
Mini Games
Get active with some mini competitions.
10.30pm | Hurstville Museum & Gallery | $5.50 per child

24 FEBRUARY
Chinese Brush Painting
Learn the art of Chinese brush painting.
10.00am | Hurstville Library | free

24 JANUARY
Australia Day Festival
Live shows, children’s activities, food and market stalls.
10.00am | Carss Bush Park | free

24 JANUARY
Art Attack
Workshops designed for children aged 7-12 years.
10.30pm | Hurstville Museum & Gallery | $5.50 per child

23 JANUARY
Mini Games
Get active with some mini competitions.
10.30pm | Hurstville Museum & Gallery | $5.50 per child

10 FEBRUARY
Lunar New Year Festival
Celebrate the Year of the Dog.
Forest Road, Hurstville

3 FEBRUARY
Dragonflies Kids’ Club - Handcrafted
Workshops are designed for children aged 4-10 years.
10.00am | Hurstville Museum & Gallery | $5.50 per child

5 FEBRUARY
Lunar New Year, Lion Dance
Be amazed by the colourful lion.
5.00pm | Hurstville Library | free

10 DECEMBER
Sensational Saturday
Enjoy a range of free events.
9.00am | Hurstville Library & Gallery | free

13 DECEMBER
Author talk: Barry Li
The new Chinese: How they are changing Australia.
6.30pm | Hurstville Library | free

13 FEBRUARY
Author talk: Barry Li
The new Chinese: How they are changing Australia.
6.30pm | Hurstville Library | free

5 JANUARY
Luna New Year, Lion Dance
Be amazed by the colourful lion.
5.00pm | Hurstville Library | free

5 DECEMBER
Chinese Collection Selection Day
Enjoy a range of free events.
9.00am | Hurstville Library & Gallery | free

10 JANUARY
Luna New Year, Lion Dance
Be amazed by the colourful lion.
5.00pm | Hurstville Library | free

10 DECEMBER
Sensational Saturday
Enjoy a range of free events.
9.00am | Hurstville Library & Gallery | free
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Ward</th>
<th>Members</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>Blakehurst</strong></td>
<td>Sam Elmir 0410 654 310 <a href="mailto:selmir@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au">selmir@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Vince Badalati 0411 745 255 <a href="mailto:vbadalati@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au">vbadalati@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Stephen Agius 0419 556 023 <a href="mailto:sagius@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au">sagius@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Con Hindi 0408 383 783 <a href="mailto:chindi@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au">chindi@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Kevin Greene Mayor 9330 6020 <a href="mailto:kgreene@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au">kgreene@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Hurstville</strong></td>
<td>Sandy Grekas 0424 617 831 <a href="mailto:sgrekas@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au">sgrekas@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Nancy Liu 0400 681 188 <a href="mailto:nlui@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au">nlui@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Nick Katris 0419 402 191 <a href="mailto:nkatris@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au">nkatris@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Lou Konjarski 0421 188 896 <a href="mailto:Lkonjarski@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au">Lkonjarski@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Rita Kastanias 0416 009 695 <a href="mailto:rkastanias@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au">rkastanias@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Kogarah</strong></td>
<td>Kathryn Landsberry Deputy Mayor 0419 984 934 <a href="mailto:klandsberry@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au">klandsberry@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Christina Wu 0400 241 851 <a href="mailto:cwu@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au">cwu@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Leesha Payor 9330 6296 <a href="mailto:lpayor@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au">lpayor@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Warren Tegg 0427 671 666 <a href="mailto:wtegg@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au">wtegg@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Colleen Symington 0409 546 202 <a href="mailto:csymington@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au">csymington@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Mortdale</strong></td>
<td>Sandy Grekas 0424 617 831 <a href="mailto:sgrekas@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au">sgrekas@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Nancy Liu 0400 681 188 <a href="mailto:nlui@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au">nlui@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Nick Katris 0419 402 191 <a href="mailto:nkatris@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au">nkatris@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Lou Konjarski 0421 188 896 <a href="mailto:Lkonjarski@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au">Lkonjarski@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Rita Kastanias 0416 009 695 <a href="mailto:rkastanias@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au">rkastanias@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Peakhurst</strong></td>
<td>Kathryn Landsberry Deputy Mayor 0419 984 934 <a href="mailto:klandsberry@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au">klandsberry@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Christina Wu 0400 241 851 <a href="mailto:cwu@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au">cwu@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Leesha Payor 9330 6296 <a href="mailto:lpayor@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au">lpayor@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Warren Tegg 0427 671 666 <a href="mailto:wtegg@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au">wtegg@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Colleen Symington 0409 546 202 <a href="mailto:csymington@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au">csymington@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au</a></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**GEORGES RIVER CIVIC CENTRE**
Corner MacMahon and Dora Streets, Hurstville
Opening hours: Monday - Friday 8.30am - 5.00pm

**HURSTVILLE LIBRARY AND SERVICE CENTRE**
Corner Queens Road and Dora Street, Hurstville
Opening hours: Monday - Friday 9.30am - 9.00pm
Saturday - Sunday 9.30 - 4.00pm

**KOGARAH LIBRARY AND SERVICE CENTRE**
Kogarah Town Square, Belgrave Street, Kogarah
Opening hours: Monday - Friday 8.30am - 7.00pm
Saturday 10.00am - 4.00pm, Sunday 10.00am - 1.00pm

9330 6400 | mail@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au | PO Box 205, Hurstville NSW 1481
www.georgesriver.nsw.gov.au  
GeorgesRiverCouncil  
@Georges_River