

# MANDURAH Arts FESTIVAL



## PROGRAM

6 SEP - 6 OCT 2024



CITY OF  
MANDURAH

# ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY

We would like to acknowledge that this festival is being held on the traditional land of the Bindjareb people, and pay our respects to their Elders past and present. We acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and the unique contribution they make to the life of this community.

## MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

Kaya. Wandju wandju. (Hello. Welcome).

I am proud to present this year's Mandurah Arts Festival, a dynamic celebration of arts and culture that promises to enrich our community and captivate our visitors.

Arts and culture play a crucial role in fostering vibrant, connected communities. They offer a platform for self-expression, bring people together, and stimulate economic growth. Our artistic and cultural community in Mandurah is a testament to this, with individuals and groups excelling in a diverse range of pursuits like the visual arts, theatre, music, photography, and much more. This festival not only showcases the passions and talents of our local artists but also highlights work from across Western Australia, creating a rich and intriguing tapestry of the arts here in Mandurah.

Whether you prefer to learn, watch, participate, or be engaged in the arts, the Mandurah Arts Festival has something for everyone. It is an opportunity to explore new perspectives, inspire creativity, and build lasting memories.

Thank you to the dedicated staff, volunteers, and sponsors whose contributions make this event possible, and to the local artists whose work illuminates our community's stories and spirit.

I invite you to immerse yourself in the rich arts and culture at the Mandurah Arts Festival and experience firsthand the profound impact they have on our community.



## HOW TO USE THIS FESTIVAL PROGRAM

This program contains all of the events taking place across Mandurah for the four-week festival season, separated into event type along the edge of the page.

Each event listing includes artform icons to help you decide which event is right for you:

- Music
- Visual Arts
- Comedy
- Theatre
- Dance
- Film
- Photography
- Writing and Storytelling

### Some other important symbols include:

- Free event
- Ticketed event
- Family-friendly
- Wheelchair accessible  
(including accessible toilet onsite or nearby)



You can also scan the QR code for each event for more information or to book your tickets!

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## STAY IN THE LOOP



Be the first to hear about event updates and what you absolutely must see at Mandurah Arts Festival

## MANDURAH ARTS FESTIVAL 2025

Are you an artist, producer, venue or business looking to get in on the action?

Email [artsculture@mandurah.wa.gov.au](mailto:artsculture@mandurah.wa.gov.au) to receive information on opportunities for Mandurah Arts Festival 2025.

# SCHEDULE

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 ■ INTERACTIVE 
 ■ EXHIBITION/INSTALLATION 
 ■ PERFORMANCE 
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# ACCESSIBILITY

The City of Mandurah is dedicated to providing accessible and inclusive spaces, places and events for our entire community to enjoy!

We've compiled information about the accessible facilities and services across our festival venues:

VENUE	ACROD PARKING	ACCESSIBLE TOILET	WHEELCHAIR ACCESS	OTHER
<b>Mandurah Performing Arts Centre &amp; Alcoa Mandurah Art Gallery</b> 9 Ormsby Terrace, Mandurah	✓	✓	✓	Companion card available
<b>Mandjar Square</b> 7 James Service Place, Mandurah	✓	Visit Mandurah	✓	
<b>Contemporary Art Spaces Mandurah &amp; Community Workshop Space</b> 63 Ormsby Terrace, Mandurah	✓	✓	✓	
<b>Mandurah Seniors and Community Centre (Dandjoo Kaadadjan Mia)</b> 41 Ormsby Terrace, Mandurah	✓	✓	✓	Mobility scooter recharge
<b>WOTSO Mandurah</b> 22 Ormsby Terrace, Mandurah	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>Smart Street Mall</b> Smart Street, Mandurah	✓	Mandurah Terrace near Tuckey Lane	✓	
<b>Nabo</b> 20 Sholl Street, Mandurah			✓	
<b>Mandurah Bowling Club</b> 89 Allnutt Street, Mandurah	✓	✓	✓	
<b>Billy Dower Youth Centre</b> 41 Dower Street, Mandurah	✓	✓	✓	
<b>Peel Thunder Football Club</b> 11 Dower Street, Mandurah	✓	✓	✓	
<b>Mandurah Library</b> 331 Pinjarra Road, Mandurah	✓	✓	✓	
<b>Bortolo Pavilion</b> 1 Bortolo Drive, Greenfields	✓	✓	✓	
<b>Joseph and Dulcie Nannup Trail</b> Old Pinjarra Road, Greenfields	✓	✓	✓	
<b>Nidjalla Waangan Mia</b> 112 Lakes Road, Greenfields	✓	✓	✓	
<b>Halls Cottage</b> Leighton Place, Halls Head	✓	Hall Park	✓	Grass areas
<b>Hall Park / Under the Mandurah Bridge</b> Western Foreshore, Halls Head	✓	✓	✓	Grass areas
<b>Falcon Library and Community Centre</b> Cnr Flavia Street and Cobblers Road, Falcon	✓	✓	✓	
<b>Lakelands Library and Community Centre</b> 49 Banksiadale Gate, Lakelands	✓	✓	✓	

# ACCESSIBILITY

## Changing Places Facilities

Changing Places are secure, clean facilities designed for people with disability who require assistance when using the bathroom while away from home and are equipped with a ceiling hoist, an adult-size change table, and room for two support people.

There are two Changing Places facilities located in Mandurah's city centre:

- 75 Mandurah Terrace, next to the Mandurah Visitor Centre.
- Eastern Foreshore, on Mandurah Terrace near the intersection of Tuckey Lane.

Access to Changing Places is via a Master Locksmiths Access Key (MLAK), ensuring these facilities remain reserved for people who need them. Companion Card holders automatically qualify for a free MLAK. If you're not a cardholder, you may still be eligible.

Contact National Disability Services at [changingplaces@nds.org.au](mailto:changingplaces@nds.org.au) or call 1800 617 337.

## Social Story™

Some Mandurah Arts Festival events have a Social Story™, which you can access via the online event listing.

A Social Story™ explains new experiences and environments to people who are autistic or have sensory sensitivities. It can be helpful for anyone who experiences nervousness when attending a place or event for the first time.

You can also find every Social Story™ for Mandurah Arts Festival events on the Accessibility Page of the Mandurah Arts Festival website.

## Communication Boards

A communication board is a visual tool used by people who have difficulty with verbal communication. It contains symbols, pictures, or words that people can point to in order to convey their messages.

Communication boards have been developed for Mandurah Performing Arts Centre and for events run by the City of Mandurah. You can download them from our accessibility page, or ask your event organiser if they have a print version at the event.

## More information

If you would like information regarding the accessibility of any specific Mandurah Arts Festival event, you can email us at [artsculture@mandurah.wa.gov.au](mailto:artsculture@mandurah.wa.gov.au) or call us on 9550 3842.



# PERFORMANCES



## HEADLINERS COMEDY GALA

Presented by WA Comedy

Friday 6 September, 8pm

Platinum Room, Peel Thunder Football Club



Kick off your festival experience with a massive night of laughs at *Headliners Comedy Gala!*

Following a sold-out show in 2023, *Headliners* returns to Mandurah for a special opening night comedy extravaganza at the Mandurah Arts Festival. Hosted by the hilarious Matt Dyktynski (previously heard on Mix 94.5 breakfast) and featuring a curated selection of headlining comedians, this performance is sure to be a hit. Book early to avoid disappointment!

**This event is for 18 years and over (coarse language and adult themes). Group bookings (4+) available. Seating is not allocated.**

Tickets available via [mandurahartsfestival.com.au](http://mandurahartsfestival.com.au)





## WORLD MUSIC CAFÉ

Presented by KMAM

Friday 20 September, 7pm

Platinum Room, Peel Thunder Football Club



*World Music Café* is an amazing 'dinner & show' concert experience featuring quality culturally diverse musicians with a sumptuous banquet of international cuisine.

Featuring upbeat Parisian swing classics with Eastern flavour from Sino Swing, original music by respected Bindjareb elder George Walley, and high-energy, contemporary South African band Mahali. With the addition of a brilliant banquet from Swell Fine Food Catering, this will be a night to remember!

Tickets available via [mandurahartsfestival.com.au](http://mandurahartsfestival.com.au)



## WESTERN SHORE'S DARK CORNERS

Presented by Ross Vegas

Friday 27 and Saturday 28 September, 7pm and 8pm

Western Foreshore, commencing Hall's Cottage



As the lights of Mandurah twinkle across the estuary, take an immersive journey through the darkness of the Western Foreshore, as our two mysterious guides tell spooky stories through theatre, projection, and soundscape. From their lanterns, ghostly figures emerge, whisper true histories, then evaporate into the night.

**Suitable for a mature audience (horror and supernatural themes). Children under the age of 15 years must be accompanied by an adult.**

**Aboriginal attendees please be advised that *Dark Corners* may include names and images of deceased people.**



Tickets available via [mandurahartsfestival.com.au](http://mandurahartsfestival.com.au)



## I CAN STILL SEE ALL THE STARS.

Presented by perhaps, a theatre company.

Thursday 19 September, 7.30pm

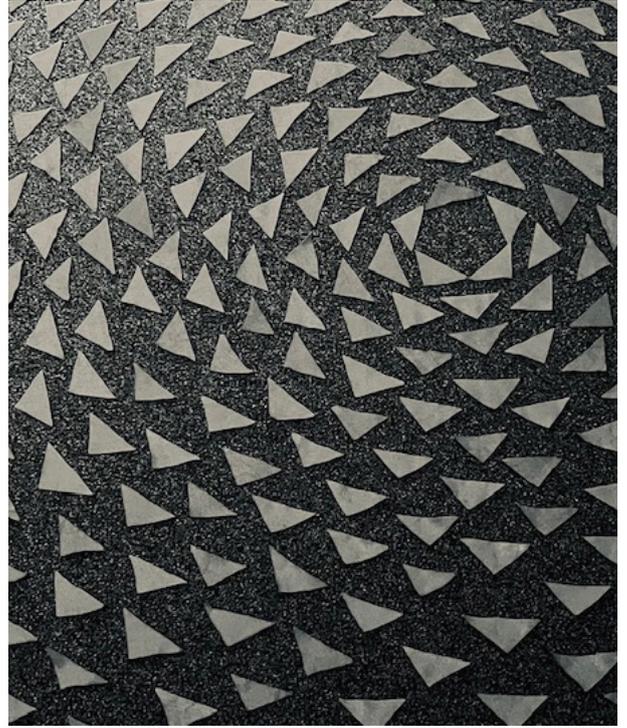
Mandurah Performing Arts Centre,  
Fishtrap Theatre



On Andie and Tessa's first date, sharing their coming out story for the 500th time over a bottle of expensive rosé, it feels meant to be – but as their relationship expands with heart and thrill, so do the ghosts of their closeted past.

This bittersweet theatre performance explores love, community, grief and the trauma of growing up queer.

Tickets available via [manpac.com.au](http://manpac.com.au)



## WHORL

Presented by Lifespan Dance

Sunday 29 September, 2pm

Saturday 5 October, 7.30pm



Experience spiralling shapes and unwinding movement in this stunning seated dance performance by Lifespan Dance. Performed by community and virtuoso dancers, this performance is inspired by the spirals that can be found throughout nature – in coastal shells, botanical structures and our own fingerprints.

This production will be presented twice at Mandurah Arts Festival events:

### Mandurah Makers Market

Sunday 29 September, 2pm  
Smart Street Mall

### Music Under the Bridge

Saturday 5 October, 7.30pm  
Western Foreshore, under the  
Mandurah bridge

Bookings not required





# PERTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA MUSIC UNDER THE BRIDGE

**Saturday 5 October, 7.30pm**  
**Western Foreshore, under the Mandurah Bridge**



Step into the past and enjoy the swinging tunes of the Big Band era at this special night under the bridge with Perth Symphony Orchestra!

You'll be transported to the 1930's, 40's and 50's with hits by Frank Sinatra, the Rat Pack and reimagined modern music performed by an incredible 12-piece live band. The orchestra will be joined by singers from within the local community for select numbers as part of the Perth Symphony Singers program, and Lifespan Dance will present the moving seated dance performance *WHORL* for all to enjoy!

This evening promises to be one to remember, so pack your outdoor chairs, grab a bite from the food trucks onsite and settle in for a breath-taking performance!

**Suitable for all ages. Free event, no bookings required. This is an alcohol, smoke and pet-free event. Mosquito repellent advised.**





## BREKKIE WITH THE BAND

Presented by Mandurah Concert Band

Saturday 5 October, 10am

Western Foreshore, under the Mandurah Bridge



Enjoy a morning of free musical entertainment with Mandurah Concert Band. Performing instrumental music ranging from movie themes, to contemporary hits and classic tunes, this morning concert on Mandurah's Western Foreshore is the perfect way to kick off a lazy Saturday morning. Coffee and breakfast food vans onsite to enjoy while you listen.

**Bookings not required**



## HOMEGROWN

Presented by Chop Street Music

Saturday 5 October, 1pm

Western Foreshore, under the Mandurah Bridge



Hear the newest voices in musical talent from Mandurah and the Peel Region at this all-ages music event! *HOMEGROWN* presents emerging musicians from Chop Street Music's latest music development program, performing a mix of original songs and covers.

Bring along your picnic blankets and enjoy the food trucks on offer at this incredible afternoon of new music.

**Bookings not required**



## MR SNOT-BOTTOM'S STINKY SILLY SHOW

Presented by Mr Snot-Bottom

Tuesday 24 September, 11am

Mandurah Performing Arts Centre, Fishtrap Theatre



Mr Snot-Bottom is a deeesgusting kids comedian brimming with all the ooey, gooey, yucky, slimy topics kids love! Expect snot-loads of gross-tastic gags, tasteless tunes and just wrong routines perfect for weird kids 5 and up and their even weirder parents. Free activities by AWESOME Festival in the foyer before the show (see page 23).

**Suitable for ages 5-10 years.**

**Tickets available via [manpac.com.au](http://manpac.com.au)**



# Plein Air DOWN UNDER



PEEL REGION  
WESTERN AUSTRALIA

**17-24 SEPT**

Outdoor  
Painting  
Festival

**2024**

**21-23  
SEPT**



PLEIN AIR DOWN UNDER

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Hosted by Mandurah Plein Air Artists



*Plein Air Down Under*, Australia's largest outdoor painting festival, is held around Mandurah's cultural precinct and the historic town of Pinjarra. The event features awards and prizes, feature artists, youth involvement, demonstrations and two art exhibitions.

Festivities commence from 17 September, see below for the Festival Weekend Program.

### Saturday 21 September

**Presented by Ray White Mandurah**

**Mandurah Performing Arts Centre**

**9am-3pm**

#### **Demonstrations and Presentations –**

Register for one or both of these two hour high quality events by international artists Tony Robinson (Ireland) and Lori Putnam (USA), and while you are there, have a look at the Spirit of the Landscape Exhibition.

**3pm-6pm**

#### **Plein Air Painting, Activities and Entertainment –**

Bring the family along for an afternoon of spectacular art! Mandjar Square will come alive with painting, live music and free art activities for all ages. Plus, you can witness magic as the artists translate their environment onto canvas! From 6pm onwards, enjoy a panel discussion and activities inside ManPAC.

**For more information on the full program, visit [pleinairdownunder.com](http://pleinairdownunder.com)**

### Sunday 22 September

**Edenvale Heritage Precinct and Town Centre, Pinjarra**

**10am-4pm**

#### **Plein Air Painting, Activities and Entertainment –**

Enjoy a day in Pinjarra as the Plein Air Down Under artists paint around the Edenvale Heritage Precinct and town centre. Live music, painting demonstrations, free art activities for all ages, plus the morning Peel Produce Markets.

### Monday 23 September

**Mandjar Square & Mandurah Performing Arts Centre**

**8.30am-1pm**

#### **Quick Draw –**

This two-hour painting activity is designed to flex your artistic skills! With registrations opening at 8.30am and painting commencing at 10am, this event is open to the public and the perfect opportunity to give painting a try. (Tickets: \$20 each)

**1.30pm onwards**

#### **Awards and Exhibition Opening –**

Wrap up your outdoor painting festival experience by visiting the Plein Air Down Under exhibition in ManPAC, viewing the award ceremony and maybe buying some artwork for yourself!

# EXHIBITIONS



Image: *Teapot Set* by Fox Ward

## CODES OF PEEL

Presented by City of Mandurah and IOTA24

7 September – 13 October

Contemporary Art Spaces Mandurah (CASM)



CASM delivers its inaugural contemporary ceramics exhibition, showcasing new works by 17 professional and emerging Peel artists exploring the theme of encoding through symbols, technique and ritual.

Exhibiting artists include Shannon Baggott, Chris Britza, Gayle Bukey, Jacq Chorlton, Carol Clitheroe, Penelope Collis, Tich Dixon, Isaac Gould, Alana Grant, Amanda Harris, Patricia Hines, Kell Lakia, Jean-Michell Maujean, Lyn Nixon, Bec Thomas, Fox Ward and Hamish Webster.

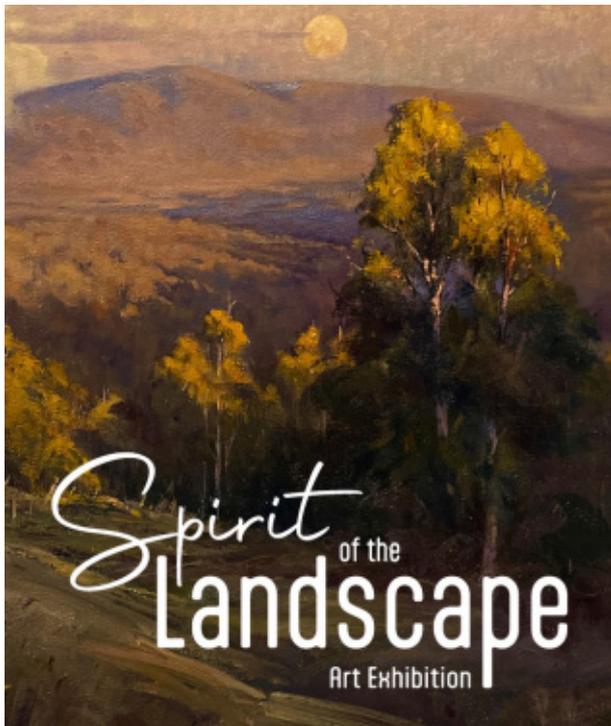
This exhibition is free to attend from 10am-4pm, Wednesday-Sunday.

**Exhibition Opening:** Friday 6 September, 6pm

**Artist Talks:** Sunday 15 & 22 September, 11am

**Bookings not required**





# SPIRIT OF THE LANDSCAPE

Presented by Plein Air Down Under

7 September – 6 October  
Alcoa Mandurah Art Gallery



*Spirit of the Landscape* presents unique perspectives on Australian landscapes by local, national and international artists, capturing the spirit and essence of a landscape or subject by incorporating natural light, colour and movement.

Marking the commencement of the *Plein Air Down Under* festivities, this exhibition is an unmissable celebration of art, nature and the indelible connection between artists and the landscapes they depict.

**Bookings not required**



# JOURNEYS TO MANDURAH

Presented by City of Mandurah and Mandurah Performing Arts Centre

13 September – 13 October  
Mandurah Performing Arts Centre, The Mez Gallery



Mandurah’s diverse community takes centre stage in this exhibition at ManPAC. Twelve community members from all over the world share their stories via recorded interview, weaving a touching tapestry of the different journeys people have taken to make their home in Mandurah.

This exhibition is free to view during ManPAC opening hours.

**Bookings not required**





## ARTWAVE

Presented by Peel ArtsConnect

**6 September – 6 October**  
**Smart Street Mall, Mandurah**



Eight local artists have worked their creative magic on old surfboards to create artworks that are uniquely Mandurah. Follow the *ArtWave* trail down Smart Street throughout the Mandurah Arts Festival to discover the surfboards, read the stories behind the work and vote for your favourite design!

**Bookings not required**



## MALLSCAPES

Presented by Peel ArtsConnect

**6 September – 6 October**  
**Smart Street Mall, Mandurah**



*Mallscapes* breathes vitality into Smart Street Mall with local artistry. Transforming vacant shop front windows into galleries, it showcases our region's creative brilliance. View this installation and vote for your favourite artwork – winning artists will be announced at the *Peel Makers Market* on Sunday 29 September.

**Bookings not required**



Image: *Relentless* by Lucy Gray

## CASM ARTIST IN RESIDENCE

Presented by City of Mandurah

**Contemporary Art Spaces Mandurah (CASM)**



**Lucy Gray – September**

Lucy Gray celebrates Australian botanicals in her highly skilled drawings and mixed media, and expresses her personal journeys through her powerful and emotive portraits of the sea.

**Amanda Harris – October**

Amanda Harris' multimedia artwork comes from the common, everyday domestic environment, such as images of the day-to-day, nursery rhymes and storybook tales.

**Visits by appointment only, call CASM 9550 3662 to book**



## BLOOM

Presented by Sharon Meredith  
Photography

23 September – 5 October

Falcon Library and Community Centre



Falcon Library will come alive with ocean creatures this Mandurah Arts Festival! With artwork created by members of the Mandurah community, digitally transformed and installed by the talented Sharon Meredith and Julie Driver, *Bloom* brings the ocean into Falcon Library and Community Centre with a montaged seascape and dancing jellyfish.

This exhibition is free to view during library opening hours.

In conjunction with this installation, children aged 6-12 are also invited to attend the *Bloom Storytelling and Diorama Activity* on Tuesday 24 September (see page 26).

**Bookings not required**



## CATS & DOGS ALL AT SEA

Presented by City of Mandurah

3 September – 31 October

Mandurah Museum



Cats and dogs have been cherished on board ships for as long as people have made sea voyages. This collection of photographs taken between 1900 and the 1950s by Samuel Hood shows the connection between seafarers and their littlest shipmates.

Activities for children will feature throughout the exhibition, check [mandurahartsfestival.com.au](http://mandurahartsfestival.com.au) for more information.

This exhibition is free to attend during Museum opening hours: Tuesday-Friday, 10am-3pm

**Bookings not required**





INTERACTIVE

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## The Mysterious Fort of Reclaimed Things



## THE MYSTERIOUS FORT OF RECLAIMED THINGS

Presented by REMida

**Saturday 21 and Sunday 22 September,  
10am and 1pm**

**Smart Street Mall**



When was the last time you built a fort? Reclaim the simple joy of building and bringing a structure to life as you use the available materials and create your very own fort, castle, cubbyhouse or architectural marvel. Bring the family, build with a friend, or lend your creative muscle to someone else's creation. This activity is suitable for adults and children alike. Don't worry if your fort building skills are rusty; there will be no shortage of help to get you underway.

**Tickets available via  
[mandurahartsfestival.com.au](http://mandurahartsfestival.com.au)**





## BEHIND THE LENS

Presented by Mark Regan

**Friday 27 September, 6pm**  
**Saturday 28 September, 1.30pm**  
**Mandurah Bowling Club**



Imagine yourself filming and being filmed in intense, fictional scenarios—a couple's heated argument and a voyeur's intrusion on sunbathers' privacy. Blurring the lines between audience and creator, this immersive experience allows you to become an active participant as you examine themes of identity, voyeurism, and selfie culture.

**Tickets available via**  
**mandurahartsfestival.com.au**



## MARIONETTES AND MEMORIES

Presented by Spare Parts Puppet Theatre

**Thursday 3 and Friday 4 October, 1.30pm**  
**Mandurah Seniors and Community Centre**



Delve into memory and personal connection through the art of marionette puppetry.

Curated by renowned puppeteer Michael Barlow, you'll hear about the history of marionettes and develop basic manipulation skills, and then use a personal item from home to share a story from your own past.

**Bookings available via**  
**mandurahartsfestival.com.au**



## OPEN BAND REHEARSAL

Presented by Mandurah Concert Band

**Tuesdays 10, 17, 24 September and 1 October, 7pm**  
**Mandurah Seniors and Community Centre**



Dust off your old instrument or meet new musically-inclined friends at these *Open Band Rehearsals*!

Mandurah Concert Band is a community wind ensemble, with members of all ages, from all walks of life; brought together by a love of music.

Proficient, hobbyist and former musicians are welcome to join the band for open rehearsals, experience the joy of music in a fun, low-pressure environment.

**Bookings not required**





## WHORL: REHEARSE

Presented by Lifespan Dance

**Sunday 29 September, 9.30am**  
**Mandurah Seniors and Community Centre**



Community dancers are invited to take part in *WHORL*, a new seated dance performance by Lifespan Dance.

This performance is inspired by natural spirals and botanical structures. Participants are invited to register for the performance opportunity and learn the choreography online, before connecting with fellow dancers and community members at the compulsory final rehearsal and performances. (see page 10)

**Registrations available via**  
**[mandurahartsfestival.com.au](http://mandurahartsfestival.com.au)**



## CASM AFTER DARK: DRAW

Presented by City of Mandurah  
**Wednesday 18 and Thursday 19**  
**September, 5.30pm**

**Wednesday 2 and Thursday 3 October,**  
**5.30pm**

**Contemporary Art Spaces Mandurah**



Gather in the gallery with a glass of wine and challenge your artistic skills! Explore the wonderful shapes and hidden of ceramic artworks at these intimate drawing experiences presented in association with the *Codes of Peel* exhibition.

**Form & Fun** – Bring along your friends and enjoy this beginners art activity. Learn the basics of negative space and shading with two quick-draw activities, then put it all together and sketch a masterpiece!

**Form & Face** – For more experienced artists, this event introduces the element of portraiture with featured artists discussing their ceramic works whilst modelling alongside them.



**Tickets available via**  
**[mandurahartsfestival.com.au](http://mandurahartsfestival.com.au)**



## FOYER FUN

Presented by **AWESOME Festival**

**Tuesday 24 September, 9am**

**Mandurah Performing Arts Centre, Foyer**



Before you head in to see *Mr Snot-Bottom's Stinky Silly Show* (see page 12), enjoy this free morning of activities hosted by AWESOME Festival!

**Kids' Market** – young creatives from Mandurah and surrounds are invited to host their own market stall! Pick up some amazing homemade creations such as jewellery, candles, artworks and more.

**Ukelele Fever** – Have you ever wanted to play ukelele? Here's your chance! Learn a new song with our musician and many colourful ukuleles.

**Suitable for ages 5-10 years.**

**Bookings not required**



## STORYTIME ADVENTURES

Presented by **West Australian Ballet**

**Thursday 26 September,  
9.30am and 11am**

**Nidjalla Waangan Mia Health Centre**



Join West Australian Ballet Teaching Artists as they take your child on a First Nations Storytime Adventure!

Children will be guided through creative movement activities that explore characters and themes from a storybook, as characters are brought to life through the magic of movement.

Free activity for children aged 3 - 7 years old.

**Bookings available via  
[mandurahartsfestival.com.au](http://mandurahartsfestival.com.au)**





## WORLD WIDE PAINT OUT

Presented by Mandurah Plein Air Artists

**Saturday 7 and Sunday 8 September,  
10am-2pm**

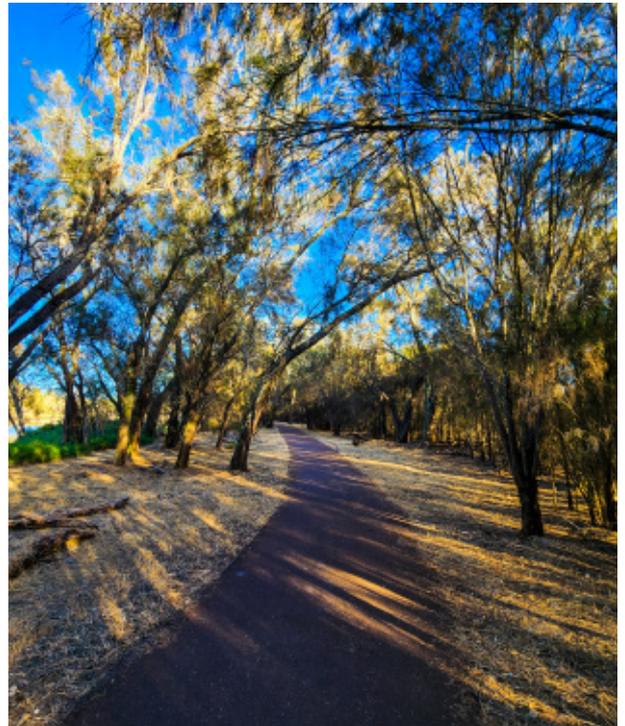
**Mandjar Square**



Artists of all skill levels and mediums are invited to paint in this free event, as part of the *22nd International Plein Air Painters Worldwide Paint Out*, hosted by the Mandurah Plein Air Artists Inc.

Turn up to this event, bring your own art materials and join other outdoor painters as they capture the landscape and waterways around Mandjar Bay.

**Bookings not required**



## MINDFUL TRAILS AND CREATIVE TALES

Presented by City of Mandurah and Down Under Discoveries

**Thursday 26 September, 10am**

**Joseph and Dulcie Nannup Trail**



Embark on a short, guided walking tour through scenic natural landscapes, where every step is an opportunity to connect with the present moment.

Experienced guides will lead you on a journey that encourages mindful awareness, helping you to tune into the sights, sounds, and sensations of the natural world, while you record the experience in a nature drawing and journaling activity.

**Bookings available via  
[mandurahartsfestival.com.au](http://mandurahartsfestival.com.au)**





# WORKSHOPS



## PERTH SYMPHONY SINGERS

Presented by Perth Symphony Orchestra

Wednesdays 11, 18, 25 September and 2 October, 6pm

Bortolo Pavilion



Sing loud and proud with fellow members of the community with *Perth Symphony Singers!*

This four-week program guides singers of all experience levels through a repertoire of big band hits to swing along to. At the end of it all, this local community choir will perform a select number of pieces alongside Perth Symphony Orchestra at *Music Under the Bridge* on Saturday 5 October.

Registrations available via [mandurahartsfestival.com.au](http://mandurahartsfestival.com.au)





# SO, YOU WANT TO BE PROFESSIONAL WITH LORI PUTNAM (USA)

Presented by City of Mandurah and Plein Air Down Under

Saturday 21 September, 1pm

Mandurah Performing Arts Centre,  
Fishtrap Theatre



Lori Putnam's experience as a business owner prior to her art career has enabled her to build a highly successful art business. This two hour presentation and Q & A by internationally renowned artist Lori Putnam provides invaluable advice on marketing, social media, professional reputation, organisation and much more.

Tickets available via  
[pleinairdownunder.com](http://pleinairdownunder.com)



## MANDURAH PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE





## ACT BELONG COMMIT FIND YOUR FEET

Presented by West Australian Opera

Wednesday 11 September, 2.30pm

Wednesday 25 September, 6pm

Mandurah Performing Arts Centre,  
Dance Studio



Let loose and find your feet in a fun, friendly workshop designed for anyone keen to dance or tell stories through movement. Build your confidence while exploring healthy movement and physical storytelling.

**The session on Wednesday 11 September is designed for people with disability, with a smaller class size to meet various requirements. Please contact [artsculture@mandurah.wa.gov.au](mailto:artsculture@mandurah.wa.gov.au) if you would like to discuss whether this workshop is right for you.**

Bookings available via  
[mandurahartsfestival.com.au](http://mandurahartsfestival.com.au)



## ACT BELONG COMMIT DISCOVER YOUR VOICE

Presented by West Australian Opera

Thursday 12 September, 6pm

Thursday 26 September, 10am

Mandurah Performing Arts Centre,  
Dance Studio



Let your voice soar in this singing workshop perfect for beginners and beyond!

Presented by West Australian Opera, join a professional performer to learn music from a song or two and enjoy the fun of group singing!

Bookings available via  
[mandurahartsfestival.com.au](http://mandurahartsfestival.com.au)





## BLOOM STORYTELLING AND DIORAMA ACTIVITY

Presented by Sharon Meredith Photography

Tuesday 24 September, 1pm  
Falcon Library and Community Centre



Hear coastal narratives and create your own mini ocean diorama at this creative activity for children. Set to the backdrop of a community artwork orchestrated by Sharon Meredith and Julie Driver, stories will be shared by a local Indigenous leader and the Coastal Waste Warriors.

Suitable for ages 6-12 years.

Tickets available via [mandurahartsfestival.com.au](http://mandurahartsfestival.com.au)



## HAND PUPPETS WORKSHOP

Presented by Spare Parts Puppet Theatre

Wednesday 25 September  
Lakelands Library and Community Centre, 9am  
Mandurah Library, 12.45pm  
Falcon Library and Community Centre, 3.30pm



Join Spare Parts Puppet Theatre in creating your very own hand-puppet to take home in this children's workshop! Using craft materials, you'll be introduced to basic design skills of colour, texture and form, and how they relate to character.

Suitable for ages 4-12 years. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Bookings available via [mandurahartsfestival.com.au](http://mandurahartsfestival.com.au)





# BREATH

Presented by City of Mandurah and Rise to Shine Wellbeing

Saturday 28 September, 4pm

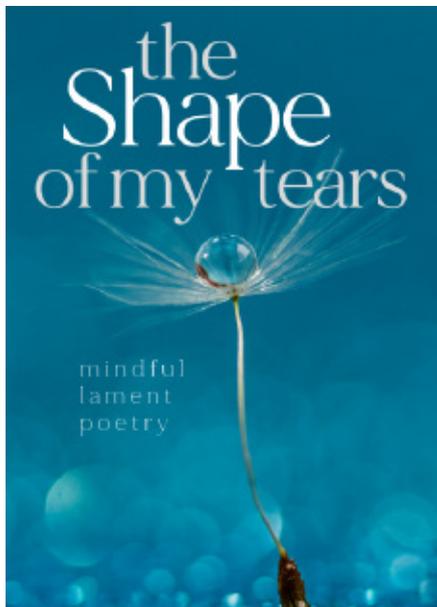
Sunday 6 October, 8am

Contemporary Art Spaces Mandurah (CASM)



During Mental Health Week, Rise to Shine Wellbeing facilitator Lea Hughes will both calm your mind and stretch your limbs. *Connecting to Calm* cultivates the breath to enhance relaxation while *Breathe into Balance* concentrates on using breathwork to regulate and rebalance the overactive mind.

Bookings available via [mandurahartsfestival.com.au](http://mandurahartsfestival.com.au)



# THE SHAPE OF MY TEARS

Presented by Design for More

Saturday 14 September, 1pm

Lakelands Library and Community Centre

Saturday 5 October, 1pm

Falcon Library and Community Centre



Unearth the ancient art of lament poetry writing, one of the oldest forms of song and writing known to history. Once you have put your words on paper, you will be guided to turn the words into creative sketches, letting your tears take shape. No previous experience is required.

Not suitable for children. Tickets available via [mandurahartsfestival.com.au](http://mandurahartsfestival.com.au)



# PEEL OPEN STUDIOS: INTRODUCTION

Presented by City of Mandurah

Thursday 26 September, 5.30pm

Contemporary Art Spaces Mandurah



*Peel Open Studios 2025* is right around the corner! This remarkable program is perfect for visual artists looking to get out there. Prepare for registrations, and find out what's new for next year's event, at this Introduction Session at CASM.

Bookings available via [mandurahartsfestival.com.au](http://mandurahartsfestival.com.au)





## RESONANCE

Presented by Chop Street Music

Tuesdays 10, 17, 24 September and 1 October  
WOTSO Mandurah, Nabo (Mataya Eatery)



Are you ready to take your music practice to the next level? Chop Street Music presents this professional development program for musicians who want to take the scary step into the music industry. Over four workshops, learn more about songwriting and music business, plus gain the opportunity to meet and connect with industry professionals.

Places are limited, registrations close Tuesday 17 August or when places are filled.



## FORAGED FIBRES

Presented by Fiona Gavino

Sunday 8 September, 10am  
CASM Community Workshop



This one-day workshop by innovative fibre artist Fiona Gavino provides tutelage on three distinct coiled basketry techniques, and guidance on recognising suitable plant fibres for this artform. This class caters to novice and artisans in the field of basketry. Materials provided, or you are welcome to bring any fibres you may be curious about exploring.

Tickets available via  
[mandurahartsfestival.com.au](http://mandurahartsfestival.com.au)



## COPTIC BOOK BINDING

Presented by Bina Butcher

Sunday 6 October, 10am  
CASM Community Workshop



Learn the art of Coptic book binding in this one day workshop! You will learn the process of creating a fully hand bound artist book or diary. Bring along your own recycled or found materials (or use those provided) and you will be guided through curating your own unique artist book using the Coptic binding method.

Tickets available via  
[mandurahartsfestival.com.au](http://mandurahartsfestival.com.au)





# EVENTS



## PEEL MAKERS MARKET

Presented by Peel Produce Market

**Sunday, 29 September, 9am**

**Smart Street Mall**



*Peel Makers Market* is a vibrant hub where artisans, producers, and creators converge to celebrate craftsmanship and creativity. Featuring handcrafted goods, local artistic creations and live entertainment throughout the day, this collaborative platform invites visitors to explore and support a diverse array of talents and skills.

Come along at 2pm to see a seated dance performance *WHORL* by Lifespan Dance.

**Bookings not required**



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## MEHREGAN CELEBRATION

Presented by Rise Walk and Shine & Persian Kereshmeh Dance Group

Saturday 5 October, 6pm

Mandurah Seniors and Community Centre



Immerse yourself into this special evening of colour, music and harmony with the Persian community. Experience Persian hospitality and traditions in a vibrant atmosphere, with a buffet meal and activities for the whole family. This festival of friendship, love and kindness will sell out fast, so book quickly to secure your place!

Tickets available via [mandurahartsfestival.com.au](http://mandurahartsfestival.com.au)



## MURAL ARTISTS AT WORK

Presented by City of Mandurah

Mandurah Bridge, Eastern and Western Foreshore



Witness the magic of creativity live and in-person as murals are installed at various locations across the City of Mandurah! Experienced mural artists will be hard at work under the Mandurah Bridge, with new murals being painted on the Western and Eastern Foreshores.

Keep an eye out on the Mandurah Arts Festival website for information about the artists and installation dates.

**Bookings not required**





# STREET ART, EATS AND BEATS

Presented by City of Mandurah Youth Team

**Thursday 26 September, 3pm**  
**Billy Dower Youth Centre**



Dip into the vibrant world of urban art at Billy Dower Youth Centre! This electrifying event will showcase graffiti art, street dance, hip-hop culture, street food and entertainment!

Whether you're a budding artist, or simply curious about urban culture this event is your playground to create and connect.

**Bookings not required**



# PEEL OPEN STUDIOS

Showcasing visual arts from across the Peel region.

# 3-11 MAY 2025

# ACKNOWLEDGMENTS



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We would like to acknowledge the following partners for producing and supporting individual projects.

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**Headliners Comedy Gala**



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**World Music Cafe**  
is presented by Kaleidoscope  
Multicultural Arts Management  
(KMAM)



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**Western Shore's Dark Corners**



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**Perhaps, a theatre company**



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**Mandurah Concert Band**



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**Resonance & Homegrown**



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**Music Under the Bridge**

**Perth Symphony Singers**  
Perth Symphony Orchestra

**PERTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA**



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## WHORL

Lifespan Dance gratefully receives funds from Creative Partnerships Australia through the Australian Cultural Fund



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## Codes of Peel

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## Journeys to Mandurah



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## Cats and Dogs all at Sea

Exhibition produced by Australian National Maritime Museum



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## ArtWave and Mallscapes

Presented by Peel ArtsConnect



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## Bloom

Presented by Sharon  
Meredith with support from  
Falcon Primary School



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## The Mysterious Fort of Reclaimed Things



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## Spare Parts Puppet Theatre



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## Foyer Fun



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## Storytime Adventures



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## West Australian Opera Act Belong Commit Workshops



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## The Shape of my Tears



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## Peel Maker's Market Powered by Peel Produce Market



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## Mehregan Celebration



# EVENT MAP



## LOCATIONS

1. Mandurah Performing Arts Centre & Alcoa Mandurah Art Gallery  
9 Ormsby Terrace, Mandurah
2. Mandjar Square  
7 James Service Place, Mandurah
3. Contemporary Art Spaces Mandurah (CASM) & Community Workshop Space  
63 Ormsby Terrace, Mandurah
4. Mandurah Seniors & Community Centre (Dandjoo Kaadadjan Mia)  
41 Ormsby Terrace, Mandurah
5. WOTSO Mandurah  
22 Ormsby Terrace, Mandurah
6. Smart Street Mall  
Smart Street, Mandurah
7. Nabo (Mataya Eatery)  
20 Sholl Street, Mandurah
8. Mandurah Bowling Club  
89 Allnutt Street, Mandurah
9. Billy Dower Youth Centre  
41 Dower Street, Mandurah
10. Peel Thunder Football Club  
11 Dower Street, Mandurah
11. Mandurah Library  
331 Pinjarra Road, Mandurah
12. Bortolo Pavilion  
1 Bortolo Drive, Greenfields
13. Joseph and Dulcie Nannup Trail  
Riverside Gardens, Wanda Road, Greenfields
14. Nidjalla Waangan Mia  
112 Lakes Road, Greenfields
15. Halls Cottage  
Leighton Place, Halls Head
16. Hall Park / Under the Mandurah Bridge  
Western Foreshore, Halls Head
17. Falcon Library & Community Centre  
Cnr Flavia St and Cobblers Rd, Falcon
18. Lakelands Library & Community Centre  
49 Banksiadale Gate, Lakelands



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