

Banyule Council Arts & Culture

January - June 2024 Program



Arts and Culture in Banyule

Banyule boasts both a rich cultural heritage and a dynamic creative community.

Our significant Aboriginal heritage and strong links to the Heidelberg School art movement, are augmented by a vibrant contemporary artistic ethos and an increasingly diverse cultural community.

The Banyule Arts and Culture Annual Program is carefully curated to support and increase the role cultural activity plays in creating meaning in our daily lives.

We deliver these experiences to our community through art exhibitions, community festivals, networking events, workshops, public art, and much more.

We hope that through these experiences, your creativity will be stimulated, you will transcend the everyday and gain new knowledge, ideas and insights through the arts.

Image Credit: Welcome to Country and Smoking Ceremony by Wurundjeri Man, Colin Hunter Jnr Jnr, Opening Night of the 2023 Banyule Award for Works on Paper, 15 September 2023.
Photograph by Andres Weiss, Fresh Photography.





Acknowledgement of Country

Banyule City Council is proud to acknowledge the Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung people as Traditional Custodians of the land and we pay respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elders, past, present and emerging, who have resided in the area and have been an integral part of the region's history.

Ivanhoe Library & Cultural Hub



Ivanhoe Library & Cultural Hub is Banyule's community cultural venue, located in the heart of Ivanhoe. A new home for the arts in Banyule, our program allows our community to engage in meaningful cultural activities and transform the Ivanhoe Civic Precinct into a cultural destination.

Something for everyone, all under one roof, all year round.

ILCH is an inclusive, community-centred creative hub that welcomes everyone. The Banyule Arts & Culture program provides a dynamic mix of events, activities and performances together with outstanding

exhibitions, cultural experiences and access to information and learning.

Address:
275 Upper Heidelberg Road, Ivanhoe

Opening Hours:
ILCH is open with library opening hours, please check website for gallery hours:

banyule.vic.gov.au/ILCH

At the Ivanhoe Library & Cultural Hub, Banyule Council's Arts Team curate and program two art galleries, two artist studios and an informal theatrette.

Art Gallery 275 is our museum standard art gallery, purpose-built to host specially-curated exhibitions, and to display the Banyule Art Collection.



Loft 275 is our new professional, flexible gallery space for Banyule-based artists and community cultural groups. This exciting gallery is curated to showcase exhibitions by locals through an annual application process.



Mungga Artist Studios are two dedicated studios for local artists to undertake a residency, where they are able to develop and informally display artworks, showcase their process in a public context and deliver creative workshops to the community.

Mungga means 'to make' in Woiwurrung language.

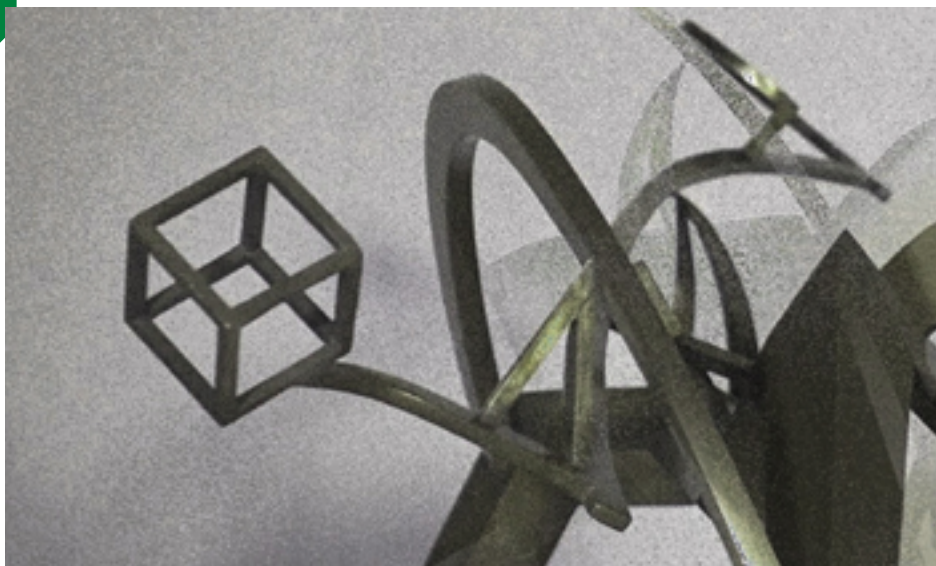


Yarra-me Djila Theatrette is our flexible indoor/outdoor presentation space. The theatrette is home to daily library storytimes, and hosts talks, performances, film screenings, and is available for community bookings.

Yarra-me Djila means 'open play' in Woiwurrung language.



Art Gallery 275



Arc

The Art of Anthony and Jutta Pryor

Opening Night:

Friday 2 February, 6:30pm–8pm

Exhibition Dates:

3 February - 17 March 2024

Special Performance Event:

Friday 1 March, 6:30pm

In collaboration with:

Roderick Price (sound design)

Brett Pryor (studio and estate manager)

Image Credit: (detail of) *Approaching Equilibrium* (maquette, 1984) by Anthony Pryor, with projection by Jutta Pryor

An exhibition by Jutta Pryor, exploring the interplay between her video projections and her late husband, Anthony Pryor's sculptures.

In defiance of the static nature of metal and stone, Anthony Pryor's sculptures are imbued with energy, purpose, and movement. The solidity of the sculptures, their shadows and light, create a dialogue spanning an arc between the tangible, the intangible, and our imagination.

Exploring a collaboration across media, time, and place, Jutta Pryor's personal knowledge of, and relationship to her late husband's works reveals a new dimension to his vision.



Two Conversations on The Birrarung

by Phillip HOWE and Anthony Williams

Opening Night:

Friday 5 April, 6:30pm–8pm

Exhibition Dates:

6 April - 19 May 2024

Two Conversations on The Birrarung (Yarra) river is an immersive exploration of the iconic river, seen through unique visual perspectives of contemporary artists Phillip Howe and Anthony Williams.

Drawing inspiration from historical depictions, the exhibition will incorporate traditional, contemporary and multi-disciplinary media elements, seeking to captivate and encourage the viewer to contemplate the beauty of the Birrarung, as well as the Birrarung's environmental significance and cultural heritage.

Image Credit: (left) (detail of) *Current*, 2024, by Anthony Williams; (right) (detail of) *Birrarung River Trail*, 2023, by Phillip HOWE

Art Gallery 275



Conduit

with Peta Clancy and Jo Scicluna

Opening Night:

Thursday 30 May, 6:30pm–8pm

Exhibition Dates:

30 May - 21 July 2024

An exhibition bringing together artworks by Peta Clancy and Jo Scicluna, which considers how we navigate complex histories, from a First Nations and a first generation migrant perspective. In this space, we invite conversations to take place between the two artists, the land, First Nation Elders, and the community.

Peta Clancy is a descendant of the Bangerang Nation from south-eastern Australia. She's a senior lecturer at Monash University's Art Design & Architecture.

Jo Scicluna is a Naarm-based artist and educator across fine art and design, completing her PhD at Monash University (MADA) in 2021.

Following from the exhibition, *Considering the Land*, in 2022, the two artists have interrogated the landscape of Banyule, and will present new artworks exploring the significance of the Birrarung and the land on which we live here in Banyule.

Image Credit: Photo of Banyule Flats by Alex Sibbison



Winterbloom

by Aldona Kmiec

Opening Night:

Friday 2 February, 6:30pm–8pm

Exhibition Dates:

27 January - 18 February 2024

Winterbloom is a series of long-exposure photographs taken during Melbourne COVID-19 restrictions. Within these imposed constraints, I wanted to challenge myself and experiment with abstract expression. The potential for finding beauty, joy and freedom in the mundane, has become the basis for creating deeply personal work.

In these self-portraits, the movement of my own body creates an interplay of light and colour, revealing hidden layers of resilience within myself. It invites others to do the same, to think of their intuitive potential and what can emerge in times of darkness.

Image Credit: *Winterbloom 11*, 2021, by Aldona Kmiec



Melbourne by Another Eye

by Daniel Grace

Exhibition Dates:

22 February - 17 March 2024

Daniel's art is a captivating exploration of urban landscapes, brought to life on frameless art panels. His city scenes are a mesmerising blend of realism and abstraction, where the boundaries between the tangible and the ethereal blur seamlessly.

Daniel's masterful use of photography creates a dynamic interplay, drawing the viewer into a vibrant metropolis that pulses with energy.

Through his frameless art panels, Daniel invites viewers to immerse themselves in the heart of the city, to experience its vitality and diversity. His unique blend of abstraction and urban realism elevates the genre, offering a fresh perspective on the familiar.

Daniel's art photo panels become a visual symphony, a celebration of the urban landscape that resonates with both emotion and intellect.

Image Credit: detail of artwork by Daniel Grace



Together

Celebrating our diverse cultures

Opening Night & Harmony Day:

21 March, 6:30-8:00pm

Exhibition Dates:

21 March - 14 April 2024

Harmony Week is celebrated annually in March, and is centred on Harmony Day on 21 March. It coincides with the United Nations Day for Elimination of Racial Discrimination and Harmony, and is celebrated around Australia.

Here in Banyule, we are home to people from many diverse backgrounds and experiences. Data from our last survey revealed that 24.5% of our community were born overseas, with ancestry from 125 different countries; there are 79 languages other than English spoken in Banyule; and more than half of our community practice some kind of religion.

We embrace our diverse cultures by celebrating significant dates and cultural observances. This exhibition highlights some of these events, so that you can join us in experiencing the breadth and beauty of the diversity in our community.



Mass, Drawing Intensive

by Felicity Gordon

Proudly supported by a Banyule Council
Arts & Culture Project Grant

Opening Night:

Thursday 18 April, 6:30pm-8:00pm

Exhibition Dates:

18 April - 12 May 2024

Mass, Drawing Intensive is an ambitious exhibition of artwork based on the nude human figure. The exhibition will feature artworks created by eight Banyule Artists during a three-day drawing intensive held inside the Loft 275 gallery space.

Image Credit: Installation shot from NYSS Drawing Intensive, undertaken by Felicity Gordon in 2016.

The drawing intensive is inspired by a similar immersive program offered by the New York Studio School (NYSS) in the USA.

Artists are encouraged to investigate how they interpretate the world through processes of image making. To do this they are challenged to step outside of their normal ways of creating art. They bravely experiment with scale, new materials, techniques and ways of seeing and portraying the human form.

The resulting exhibition will include works that are raw and uncensored, unable to be altered once the intensive program is over.



We are

Celebrating our LGBTIQ+ Community

Opening Night:

Friday 17 May, 6:30-8:00pm (IDAHOBIT)

International Day Against LGBTIQ+ Discrimination

Exhibition Dates:

17 May - 16 June 2024

If you would like to be part of this exhibition, please email: arts@banyule.vic.gov.au

We are is an exhibition of people in our community who identify as LGBTIQ+.

These are all self-portraits, showing how each person sees themselves, celebrating each person, just as they are.

These portraits show that we are all someone's child, someone's grandparent, someone's cool aunt or uncle, someone's mum or dad, someone's parent, someone's brother, someone's sister, someone's sibling, someone's BFF.

We exist in all colours, shapes and sizes, gender, identities, sexual preferences and sex characteristics. Yet, we are more alike than different.

Let's celebrate who we all are, in all our glorious differences and in our similarities. *We simply ARE.*

For more info, or to get involved, please visit: banyule.vic.gov.au/IDAHOBIT



Barrbunin Beek Aboriginal Gathering Place Community Art Exhibition

Opening Event & Smoking Ceremony:
Saturday 22 June, 3:00-5:00pm

Exhibition Dates:
22 June - 28 July 2024

Barrbunin Beek means 'happy place' in Woiwurrung language.

It's a gathering place in Heidelberg West for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to connect with Elders and community, practice and celebrate culture, and build community wellbeing.

It was established more than 10 years ago, and delivers a range of programs and activities and promotes access to essential services for our local Aboriginal Community.

This exhibition showcases the range of art made by artists from the Barrbunin Beek community, with many pieces available for sale.

This exhibition will be a great opportunity to support local artists and collect some locally-made Aboriginal Art!

Mungga Artist Studios



Artists-in-Residence

The Mungga Artist Studios at ILCH are open to the public (when an artist is present), but bookings are essential for workshops.

There will be workshops associated with each residency.

Please check the website for details closer to the date of each residency

- we will update the website with details when the information is confirmed.

Aldona Kmiec

Photography/Visual Artist

29 January - 18 February

Treehome Art Collective

Visual Arts/Multimedia

14 May - 9 June

Daniel Grace

Woodwork/Jewellery Boxes

21 February - 17 March

Lisa Moore

Textile/Visual Artist

11-23 June

Felicity Gordon

Drawing Intensive

17 April - 12 May

Festivals and Events in Banyule



Murrundaya Yepengna Dance Troupe,
Lantern Festival 2023

Banyule celebrates our diverse cultures and community with a busy calendar of major festivals and events, which run from November to March each year. These events are free to attend and are designed to inspire, connect and heighten a sense of belonging for all.

They offer everything from live music and performances, a range of workshops, information about Banyule and community services, market stalls, entertainment, creative opportunities,

activities and games, arts and crafts, and a diverse variety of food vendors. Banyule's annual Carols by Candlelight event closed the 2023 season, with family-friendly festivities to celebrate the year that was. Our second ever Lantern Festival in March 2023 was bigger and hugely successful, featuring First Nations performers Murrundaya Yepengna Dance Troupe.

In 2024, we are excited to once again present Twilight Sounds at Heidelberg Park Oval and the return of Eco Festival to Petrie Park in Montmorency. Join us for another year of wonderful community festivals for all!



Twilight Sounds **Saturday 10 February 2024** **5:00 – 10:00pm**

FREE EVENT

Twilight Sounds is Banyule's premier free music event, showcasing live music by popular Australian artists and bands.

**Heidelberg Park Oval,
Beverley Road, Heidelberg**

banyule.vic.gov.au/TwilightSounds

This year's outdoor summer event will feature guest DJ Maya Vice spinning tracks in between live performances from:

- Ash Grunwald
- Fulton Street
- Georgia Fields
- Riflebirds
- Bumpy

A night of rhythm, groovin' and shakin', this huge gig also has a delicious variety of food on offer from our onsite food trucks, or BYO picnic. Alcohol is permitted at this event (no glass).

Festivals and Events in Banyule



Eco Festival **Sunday 17 March 2024** **10:00am-4:00pm**

FREE EVENT

Eco Festival is a pet and sustainability focused event, featuring environmentally friendly and animal related workshops, gardening activities, and market stalls.

**Petrie Park,
Montmorency**

banyule.vic.gov.au/EcoFestival

This is a FREE family-friendly event that celebrates our pets and local environment and welcomes all visitors, including our four-legged friends.

With roving entertainment, craft and creative spaces, demonstrations, professional tips and tricks, educational sessions and lots of helpful information.

This year's event will feature:

- Free pet photo booth
- Interactive drop-in workshops
- Market stalls, community and Council displays
- Kids' craft and face painting
- Live performers and food trucks
- Demonstrations by gardening and sustainability experts



Outdoor Movies

Saturday 17 February

Saturday 2 March

Saturday 9 March

FREE EVENT

Dust off your picnic rugs, the Outdoor Movies series is back!

There are three FREE family-friendly cinema events to choose from, each with coffee and food vendors, and live music between the movies.

banyule.vic.gov.au/OutdoorMovies

Saturday 17 February 2024

Price Park - Lady Betty Parade, Viewbank
(near the playground)

4:00pm - *Sing* (G)

6:30pm - *The Sapphires* (PG)

Saturday 2 March 2024

Binnak Park – Anderson Parade, Watsonia
North (near the playground)

4:00pm - *Monster Family* (PG)

6:30pm - *School of Rock* (PG)

Saturday 9 March 2024

Anthony Beale Reserve - Wahrenonga Cres,
St Helena (near the playground)

4:00pm - *Paws of Fury* (PG)

6:30pm - *Marley & Me* (PG)

No booking required for these free events.

Festivals and Events in Banyule



Friday Night Live @ ILCH presented by On the Road Again

February - April 2024
7:00-9:00pm

YARRA-ME DJILA THEATRETTE
FREE EVENT

*Bringing you a summer of live
music, here in Ivanhoe.*

For several months this year, ILCH will become a place to catch performances by some fabulous artists from Melbourne's contemporary live music scene.

In partnership with Music Victoria, we will be programming two bands for each

event, featuring both emerging and established acts.

Check our website and socials to find out who will be playing when:

banyule.vic.gov.au/FridayNightLive

Save the date for these FREE, public outdoor events:

Friday 16 February

Friday 1 March

Friday 19 April

This program is part of On the Road Again, a Victorian Government initiative delivered by Music Victoria to support the return of live music events across the state.

**ON THE
ROAD
AGAIN**



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VICTORIA**



Chillin' in Banyule

4 - 28 April 2024

**AT PARTICIPATING BARS & CAFES
AROUND BANYULE**

Returning in April 2024, Chillin' in Banyule will once again connect local venues with performers through gigs and lasting networks.

This month-long event series will run from Thursday 4 - Sunday 28 April, providing opportunity for local singers and musicians to perform at our very own North-side cafés, restaurants and public Banyule venues.

Be sure to check out some gigs local to you, while having a bite at your favourite local eatery.

For more information and to check out the full calendar of scheduled gigs, visit:

banyule.vic.gov.au/Chillin

Public Art in Banyule



*Secret Stories in the Night Garden, by Jutta Pryor
Art in Public Spaces, Kitchener Reserve 2023*

Art in Public Spaces

Banyule Council's Art in Public Spaces program works with emerging and established artists to activate public spaces and engage local communities.

Our Art in Public Spaces Program invigorates our communal spaces and encourages you to think about our urban environment differently. The program uses the capacity of art to revitalise the aesthetic qualities, support economic development and provide public safety benefits to the local area.

banyule.vic.gov.au/PublicArt

CHRYsalIS

by Lachlan Plain

**June 2024, Kitchener Reserve, Ivanhoe
(Norman St, opposite Ivanhoe Station)**

Since 2022, we have invited artists to respond to identified sites around Banyule in need of revitalisation, with their proposals for activating these locations with vibrant, temporary art.

CHRYsalIS is an art installation incorporating light, projection and sound. Three large illuminated chrysalides will hang from the trees in Kitchener Reserve after dark. Inside them you will see projections of flora, fauna, and moments of transformation.

For more information, visit:

banyule.vic.gov.au/PublicArt

Urban Light Box Gallery

URBAN LIGHT BOX

Banyule's Urban Lightbox Gallery program is a series of rotating art exhibitions in laneways in Heidelberg West.

They were developed in response to growing interest from artists looking for different ways to showcase their creative ideas, as well as to create contemporary art encounters for the community.

The works currently on display were created by young people living in Banyule, through a series of shadow puppetry workshops run in partnership with Banyule Community Health and local artist UB (Youbi Lee).

Locations:

- Cambridge Arcade, Bell St Mall
- Midway Lane, Olympic Village Shopping Centre

For more info visit:

banyule.vic.gov.au/LightBox



Banyule Arts & Culture Project Grants



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This fund supports local creative individuals and organisations to undertake high quality creative projects that activate and benefit our community.

Do you have an idea for a creative project that benefits the local community?

Banyule Arts and Culture Project Grants can provide up to \$10,000 to individuals or groups wishing to undertake arts projects! These grants can support projects in any creative medium, including but not limited to dance, performance, digital, music, visual arts, film and creative and cultural events and festivals.

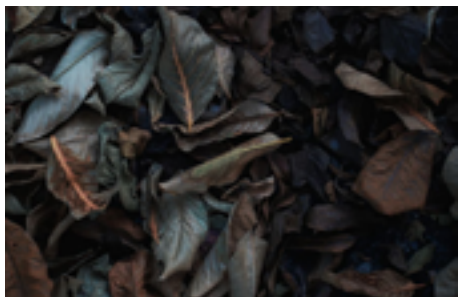
banyule.vic.gov.au/ArtsGrants

**The 2024 Grant Applications Open:
22 April - 31 May, for projects taking place in 2025.**

**Information Session:
Monday 15 April, 6:30pm (online)**

www.trybooking.com/COJJB

Projects supported by Banyule Arts & Culture Grants:



DNA by Dennis Kelly

12 - 21 April 2024

**A MUCKY PUPPY THEATRE
PRODUCTION @ BINNAK PARK**

For more info:

linktr.ee/muckypuppytheatre

A group of teenagers do something bad, really bad, to one of their peers, then try to cover it up - but as the lies spiral out of control, the consequences will shatter the gang forever.

Premiering at the UK's National Theatre in 2008, this dark contemporary drama from Tony and Emmy award winning playwright Dennis Kelly lucidly examines human nature, responsibility, and morality to hilarious and terrifying effect.

This ambitious site-specific outdoor performance from new company Mucky Puppy Theatre sees *DNA* inventively staged around Watsonia's Binnak Park.

An entirely youth-led project celebrating Banyule's young people and their creativity in all their diversity.



UpStage

Sunday 7 July 2024

2:00-3:00pm

@ YARRA-ME DJILA THEATRETTE, ILCH

UpStage is a performing arts program for creative people in the Banyule community with lived experience of diverse or complex mental health, who have participated in a series of interactive workshops facilitated by Heidi Everett.

Join us for an open stage night, full of theatre and performances by the UpStage collective.

For more info:

heidieverett.com.au

Upcoming Events and Opportunities



The best way to stay informed of all our Arts and Culture events and opportunities in Banyule, is to subscribe to our monthly e-newsletter: banyule.vic.gov.au/Newsletter (select "Arts and Culture")

Banyule Arts & Culture Project Grants 2024

Applications open from 22 April for projects taking place in 2025:

banyule.vic.gov.au/ArtsGrants

2025 Banyule Arts & Culture Program Open Call for EOIs

Information sessions and call for EOIs to be part of the 2025 Arts & Culture program:

EOIs open: May-July 2023

banyule.vic.gov.au/ArtsProgram

Performers, Stallholders and Vendors Call-Out

Are you are a local Banyule musician, service provider, community group, organisation or food vendor?

If you are, and would like to be part of our festivals and outdoor events in the future, please request to be added to our festival and events database by emailing us at:

arts@banyule.vic.gov.au

Stay connected:

We do our very best to ensure that dates and times are correct at time of publication, however many of these events take place months after the program is printed.

Please check our web pages for the latest details and updates:

- Exhibitions in Art Gallery 275 and Loft 275: banyule.vic.gov.au/Exhibitions
- Festivals: banyule.vic.gov.au/Festivals
- Other events: banyule.vic.gov.au/WhatsOn
- Local Artist Network: pinpointartists.com.au
- Public Art in Banyule: banyule.vic.gov.au/PublicArt
- Opportunities and everything else: banyule.vic.gov.au/Arts
- Facebook: facebook.com/BanyuleArts
@BanyuleArts, #BanyuleArts

Visit us @ ILCH:

Banyule's Art Spaces @ Ivanhoe Library & Cultural Hub
275 Upper Heidelberg Road, Ivanhoe

banyule.vic.gov.au/ILCH

- **Art Gallery 275** (Upper Ground floor) is open only when there is an exhibition on. The gallery is closed in between exhibitions. Please check the website for dates before visiting:

CLOSED Monday and Tuesday
Wednesday-Friday, 10:00am-5:00pm
Saturday, 10:00am-4:00pm
Sunday, 11:00am-4:00pm
- **Loft 275** (First floor) is open with Ivanhoe Library operating hours. The gallery is closed only between exhibitions. Please check the website for dates before visiting:

Monday-Thursday, 9:00am-9:00pm
Friday, 9:00am-6:00pm
Saturday & Sunday, 10:00am-5:00pm
- **Mungga Artist Studios** (First floor)
Open when the artist is present
Please check the website for dates before visiting to avoid disappointment.

Dates are correct at time of publication.
Please check our web pages for the
latest details and updates.

For more about any of these events
and activities:

banyule.vic.gov.au/arts

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Open Wed-Sun only (when an exhibition is on)
- Loft 275
Open with Ivanhoe Library operating hours
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- Yarra-me Djila Theatrette

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