



Blue Mountains Pluriversity Launches Spring / Summer Program

Blackheath continues to innovate! It is now one year since the launch of Blackheath Local News, each edition having been generously funded by the community. As well as developing new ways of sharing the news we're now exploring new ways of providing work and learning opportunities for our young adults with Australia's first Pluriversity, based in Blackheath.

The Blue Mountains Pluriversity has engaged young people to develop its ongoing programs. These programs include fortnightly bring-a-plate Youth Cafes to help participants grow networks of professional contacts and be part of creating a supportive intergenerational community. Through a range of workshops and events, they can also earn verifiable microcredentials with the Pluriversity's digital badging program.

Thanks to funding from Blue Mountains City Council's City of the Arts Trust, Family First Credit Union and the Blue Mountains Food Coop, the Spring / Summer program is now LIVE at www.bmpluriversity.org

Blackheath Events for September

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Adult Learners Week Open Days

September 3, 4, 5 @ 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
CYBER_SHED, 207 Great Western Highway, Blackheath
Contact: 0458 099 001 or cyber_shed@bancnsw.org.au

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Huge Spring Clearance Sale

September 7 @ 8:00 am - 4:00 pm and September 8 @ 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Sacred Heart Parish Hall, 167 Wentworth Street, Blackheath
Contact: 4787 8540

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Mental Health First Aid for the Suicidal Person

September 10 @ 9:30 am - 1:30 pm
RSL Sub Branch Hall, Station Street, Blackheath
Contact: 0422 363 912 or ommanepadmehum55@hotmail.com

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Blackheath History Forum – When the Personal Becomes Political: The Seventies in Australia

September 14 @ 3:30 pm - 6:00 pm. With speaker Michelle Arrow.
Phillips Hall, Gardiner Crescent, Blackheath. Contact: beasleymargo@gmail.com

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Introduction to Japanese Culture

September 15 @ 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Japanese language, calligraphy, origami and ikebana flower arrangement
Contact: 0417 681 277

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Walk 'n' Talk For Life

September 21 @ 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Fairfax Heritage Track, Blue Mountains National Park
Contact: RUOK_garry@outlook.com

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Opening of the Dr A L North Protea Garden

September 21 @ 2:00 pm. Wayne Hanley will talk about Dr North, followed by the opening and afternoon tea. Meet at the Lodge, Campbell Rhododendron Gardens, Bacchante Street, Blackheath. Contact: 4787 8965

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Garden Movie Night – Cinema Under the Stars

September 21 @ 5:00 pm - 10:30 pm. Showing Peter Rabbit and The Godfather
Blue Mountains Botanic Garden, Bells Line of Road, Mount Tomah
Contact: 4567 3000 or tomah@rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au

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Blackheath & District Horticultural Society – Flower & Craft Show

September 21 @ 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm and September 22 @ 9:00 am - 3:30 pm
Blackheath Community Hall, Gardiner Crescent, Blackheath
Contact: 4782 2292 or hitchell@bigpond.net.au

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Margaret Atwood Live Screening - 'The Testaments' Revealed

September 21 @ 5:30 pm and September 22 @ 1:30 pm
Mount Vic Flicks, 2a Harley Ave, Mount Victoria
Contact: 4787 6340

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HUFF – 'Get Ready' Bushfire Preparation Weekend

September 22 @ 10:00 am - 2:00 pm
Blackheath Public School, Leichhardt St, Blackheath
Contact: 4787 7770 or info@huff.org.au

Blackheath Events for September - October

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Spring Fashion Parade

September 25 @ 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Blackheath Bar and Bistro, 35 - 41 Govetts Leap Road, Blackheath
Contact: 0414 907 064 or ky711@optusnet.com.au

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Rhododendron Gardens Working Bee

September 28 @ 9:00 am - 2:00 pm. Help the Gardens get ready for the Rhodo Festival. Campbell Rhododendron Gardens, Bacchante Street, Blackheath
Contact: 4787 8965

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Blackheath History Forum – Retelling Stories of Aboriginal-Settler Friendship: Moving the Conversation Along

September 28 @ 3:30 pm - 6:00 pm. With speaker Emma Dortins.
Blackheath Public School Hall. Contact: beasleymargo@gmail.com

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Spring School Holiday Japanese Culture Workshop

September 28 - October 13
Japanese language, calligraphy, origami and ikebana flower arrangement
Contact: 0417 681 277

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Blackheath Theatre Company – New Voices with Things to Say

October 3, 4, 5 @ 7:00 pm and October 5, 6 @ 2:00 pm
Blackheath Community Hall, Gardiner Crescent, Blackheath
Contact: 0414 185 332. Bookings via blackheaththeatrecompany.com

Blue Mountains Pluriversity Program

Free activities for young people aged 16+. Bookings via www.bmpluriversity.org
Contact: 0407 437 553 or info@bmpluriversity.org

Youth Cafes

Bring a plate and share dinner with inspiring professionals sharing their life path

Community Farm Workshops

Blackheath Community Farm, 60 Thirroul Avenue, Blackheath

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Rowe Morrow – A Permaculture Life

September 4 @ 6:00 pm
101 Wentworth Street

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How to Start a Community Farm

September 15 @ 12:00 pm
Community lunch at 1:00 pm

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Rani Brown – Filmmaker

September 18 @ 6:00 pm
101 Wentworth Street

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Planting and Plant ID

September 29 @ 12:00 pm
Community lunch at 1:00 pm

Workshop

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Two-Day Youth Mental Health First Aid Course

September 21, 22 @ 9:00 am - 5:30 pm
The Big Fix, 101 Wentworth Street, Blackheath
Proudly sponsored by Family First Credit Union

Send events to events@thebigfix.org or phone Lis on 0407 437 553
Please contact event organisers to confirm details

This month's Local News proudly sponsored by Greg and Daylle Mallin



Greg and Daylle Mallin have lived in Blackheath since 1977. They came originally for two years, but 42 years later they are still here. They raised their four children in Blackheath and loved the caring village atmosphere. Whilst these days sees them dividing their time between Blackheath and the warmth of the Mid-North Coast, Blackheath is still firmly their home and community.

Family First Credit Union Sponsors Free Two-Day Youth Mental Health First Aid Course for Young People Aged 16+

Through the Blue Mountains Pluriversity young people will once again have the opportunity to take part in a free YMHFA course where they will learn how to be first-responders for their peers who may be suffering a mental health crisis. They will learn how to recognise common and disabling mental health problems, where and how to get help and what sort of help has been shown by research to be effective. Previous participants were inspired by instructor Jane Armstrong who will once again be delivering the course.



Participants in the last YMHFA workshop



Earn a verifiable Health Badge by participating in:

1. First Aid Certificate - September 11 (\$25)
2. Youth Mental Health First Aid - September 21- 22
3. Reflexology and Food as Medicine Workshop with Penny Henderson - October 5

For more information visit www.bmpluriversity.org or contact Lis Bastian on 0407 437 553 or lis@thebigfix.org

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