Minnawarra Arts Awards

22 April – 7 May Open daily, 11am – 4pm Armadale District Hall, Jull Street, Armadale

The renowned Minnawarra Art Awards showcases some of Australia's prestigious artists. This high calibre exhibition, professionally curated and exhibited in the Armadale District Hall, features more than 80 works across a variety of mediums of the fine arts including painting, drawing, printmaking, sculpture, photography and textiles.

Featuring an exciting public program of events, with workshops, floor talks and morning teas on offer throughout the Armadale Arts Festival.

Rediscover Armadale

18 April – ongoing Jull Street, Armadale

Perth was recently acknowledged as the fourth best urban art destination in the world and Armadale is about to become part of that story.

Four internationally renowned mural artists have been invited to create their signature portraiture inspired art on a series of selected walls along Jull Street.

The commissioned artists are: **Askew One** (*New Zealand*), **Matt Adnate** (*Melbourne*), **Lisa King** (*Adelaide*) and **Rone** (*Victoria*).

See the murals come to life on 18 April. They will be completed by Sunday 23 April and celebrated at the Armadale Arts Festival Community Sundowner.

To find out more about Rediscover Armadale 2017 and the locations of each work, pick up your free self-guided walking tour map from the Armadale Visitors Centre.

Festival Club

Saturday 21 & 29 April, 6 May, 7.30pm til late The Dale Bar & Grill, Jull Street Mall, Armadale Cost: \$20 18+ event. Tickets available armadaleartsfestival.com.au

Grab your mates and get ready to hit the dance floor listening to quality live music right here in Armadale!

Each Saturday night will feature a great line up of local performers and bands specially chosen to guarantee a fun night. Enjoy a satisfying pub meal in the newly renovated The Dale Bar & Grill, then head into the function room which will be specially transformed for the Festival Club.

Saturday 22 April

MC – Paul Treasure (Roleystone Theatre President)
Paul Peacock Cabaret, Cathie Travers Trio, Two Cent Professionals

Saturday 29 April

The Booby Trap Duo, The City Slickers, Kim Bettenay and the Passing Strays

Saturday 6 May

MC – Samantha Warne (Friend of Roleystone Theatre) Elizabeth Gogos, Kat and Sam's Cabaret, Gerard Maunick

NGWIDAMCANOOT with King Toogarr

Saturday 22 April, 11am - noon Neerigen Brook, Cnr Carradine and Angorra Road, Mt Nasura

Walk the Neerigen Brook with Bibbullmun artist King Toogarr and sing together in harmony Toogarr's song Ngwidamcanoot – Reverence Rite.

The 30 minute walk is suitable for all ages and follows the watercourse through Minnawarra Park, ending at the Festival Family Day in Memorial Park, Armadale.

Festival Family Day

Saturday 22 April 2017, noon – 4pm Memorial Park, Orchard Avenue, Armadale

A fun afternoon of creativity! All ages are welcome at the Festival Family Day to discover hands-on activities in arts and craft, music and dance. Activities include:

- Imagination Playground
- Classic Sounds Music Tent
- Dance Performances
- Young Emerging Artists
- Chalk the Walk

Jarrah Harpsichord Recital

Saturday 22 April, 2 - 3.15pm & 5 - 6.15pm Minnawarra Chapel, 7 Orchard Avenue, Armadale

Cost: Full \$15 / Concession \$10 Tickets armadaleartsfestival.com.au

In the surrounds of Minnawarra Chapel, hear the locally made Jarrah Harpsichord brought to life by works of Scarlatti, Vivaldi, Handel, Bach and Stamitz.

Collaborating with musicians from the Classic Sounds Orchestra, special guest performers include Kate Roe (Harpsichord), Trish Di Giovanni (Soprano), Samantha Craig (Violin), and Leanne Crestani (Viola), under the musical direction of Rachel John.

Sri Lankan New Year Concert 2017

Saturday 22 April, 6.30 - 10pm

Carey Baptist College, 51 Wright Road, Harrisdale

Cost: Adult \$30 / Children (up to 12 years) Free. Tickets armadaleartsfestival.com.au

The Sri Lankan New Year festival takes place in April and symbolises happiness, prosperity, peace and harmony.

This concert aims to showcase the richness of the Sri Lankan culture and diversity of traditional Sri Lankan dancing, music and food.

Strange's War: The World War One Cartoons of Ben Strange

Sunday 23 April – 11 November 2017 Open Tuesday, Thursday & Friday and some public holidays, 10am - 4pm History House Museum, 7 Orchard Avenue, Armadale

Join us at the latest History House exhibition to view a series of cartoons and delve into the world of Ben Strange.

Music in the Hall

Sunday's 23 & 30 April & 7 May, 1 – 3pm Armadale District Hall, Jull Street, Armadale

The historic Armadale District Hall is transformed into a unique pop up performance space. Immerse your senses in the creativity of the Minnawarra Art Awards while enjoying intimate live performances with some unique instruments.

Classic Sounds Orchestra String Quartet, Sunday 23 April

Leanne Crestani (Viola), Rachel John (MD and Violin), Samantha Craig (Violin) and Genevieve Ogden (Cello) will perform as a stylish string quartet. Hear these accomplished musicians, play music that is classic in style yet ranges in genre from Pachelbel to Pink.

Gongwalkabout with Paul Ford, Sunday 30 April

Paul Ford's enthusiasm and passion for gongs stems back for over a decade. Originally inspired to play gongs after receiving a therapeutic 'healing' treatment at the UK's Glastonbury festival his style varies from relaxing soothing drones, to a more spontaneous and dramatic dialogue with his instruments.

Harp Panoroma with Anthony Maydwell, Sunday 7 May

Highly renowned harpist Anthony Maydwell continues to perform regularly with the West Australian Symphony Orchestra, WA Philharmonic Orchestra (most recently WA Ballet's Nutcracker season 2016) as well as occasional chamber music with flautist Michael Howell.

Rediscover Community Sundowner

Sunday 23 April, 4 - 7pm Jull Street Mall, Armadale

Cost: Free (Refreshments available). Tickets armadaleartsfestival.com.au

Celebrate the completion of the Jull Street urban art murals at this Community Sundowner and hear directly from the artists about the work that they've created.

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Cartoon Drawing with Black Betty

Thursday 27 April, 6 - 9pm

History House Museum, Old School Building, 7 Orchard Avenue, Armadale

Cost: \$10 - donation to the Museum Tickets armadaleartsfestival.com.au

Draw your own cartoon with artist and cartoonist Black Betty, learn the basic steps during this workshop. All drawing equipment provided, places are limited and bookings required.

Lift the Roof

Saturday 29 April 2017, 2 - 4.30pm

St Mary in the Valley, 6 River Road, Kelmscott

Cost: Full \$20 / Concession \$15. Tickets armadaleartsfestival.com.au

This collaborative project with the Classic Sounds Orchestra will present pipe organ works, traditional hymns, and beautiful orchestra favourites. The pipe organ of St Mary in the Valley is the oldest working pipe organ in Australia, and local talent Liam Dekker invites guests to hear this magnificent instrument lift the roof!

Musical Director, Rachel John, will include entertaining facts about the music, instruments, and colourful history of the region.

Refreshments available at the interval. All enquiries to: Rachel John admin@cso.asn.au 0411 654 757

Family Rock Day: Hells Bells

Sunday 30 April, 1 – 6.30pm

Forrestdale Sporting Association, 760 Armadale Road, Forrestdale

Cost: Full \$20 / Children (12 years and under free).

Tickets armadaleartsfestival.com.au

Forrestdale Football Club is proud to present an all ages, family friendly afternoon of music, featuring *Hells Bells* as the headline act.

With local musicians, food and fun, bring your family to have a great afternoon rocking out.

Refreshments will be available, with all proceeds contributing to the development of the Forrestdale Football Club. This event is proudly sponsored by Carlisle Events Hire.

Positive Ageing High Tea

Tuesday 2 May to Friday 5 May, 10am – noon Armadale District Hall, Jull Street, Armadale

Cost: Free (bookings required). Tickets armadaleartsfestival.com.au

Enjoy a variety of delightful treats amongst some prestigious artworks in the historic Armadale District Hall, served by hospitality students from local high schools.

Join in a floor talk of the exhibition, and hear some of the stories behind the Minnawarra Art Awards entries.

The Dreaming of Armadale – Walking with King Toogarr

Saturday 6 May, 10am – noon Settlers Common, Triton Crescent, Bedfordale

Join Bibbullmun artist King Toogarr as he leads you on a magical journey of discovery on ancient Aboriginal land and shows you the natural landmarks, rocks and flora that have inspired his mystical tale.

A robust walk starting at Settler's Common, requires moderate fitness level. Wear sturdy shoes and bring your own water.

Baroque by Candlelight

Perth Chamber Orchestra returns to St Matthew's Church to perform Baroque by Candlelight; an immersive, fully narrated concert of sublime music that takes the audience back in time to the 1700s.

Matinee - Saturday 6 May, 4 – 6pm St Matthew's Church, Church Avenue, Armadale **Cost:** From \$45. Tickets are available from www.perthsymphony.com Light refreshments will be provided.

Evening Concert, Saturday 6 May, 7 – 9pm

St Matthew's Church, Church Avenue, Armadale

Cost: From \$50. Tickets are available from www.perthsymphony.com

Light refreshments and a glass of wine will be provided.

Armadale Writers' Festival - Young Adult Panel

Saturday 29 April, 1pm - 2pm

Armadale Library, Armadale Central Shopping Centre, Shop 64/10 Orchard Avenue, Armadale

Cost: Free - Tickets armadaleartsfestival.com.au

Join us at our Writers' Festival session for youth as the City hosts a panel of 2016 Armadale Young Writers' Awards finalists, as well as authors Glyn Parry and Marie Rubzen.

Find out what motivates young authors, their writing process, and a bit about the young adult genre.

Armadale Writers' Festival - Kids Workshop

Saturday 29 April, 1.30 - 3pm

Armadale District Hall, Jull Street, Armadale

Cost: Free - Tickets armadaleartsfestival.com.au

Join some of Perth's amazing children's authors and illustrators; James Foley, Kylie Howarth and Sean E Avery as they share a little bit about what they do, before hosting a hands on interactive session suitable for children aged between six and 10 years.

Armadale Writers' Festival - Poetry Slam

Saturday 29 April, 2.30 – 4pm

Bean Thru Cafe, 89B Jull Street, Armadale

Cost: Free Tickets armadaleartsfestival.com.au

To celebrate the artistry and creativity of poetry, the winning artworks from the 2016 Minnawarra Art awards will be used as inspiration for a Poetry Slam!

Perth poet Rose van Son will be on hand to guide participants through the writing process. Visit www.armadale.wa.gov.au/award-winners to see the winning artworks for the 2016 Minnawarra Art Awards, and get your imagination flowing.

More Tales from the Dale

Saturday 29 April, 3.30 – 4.30pm

Armadale District Hall, Jull Street, Armadale

Cost: Free - Tickets armadaleartsfestival.com.au

Armadale Writers' Group 2017 Anthology of new short stories, poems and more tales tall and true, introduced by Dr Tony Buti MLA.

Armadale Writers' Festival - Write Around Armadale - Writers' Groups

Sunday 30 April, 10 – 11.30am

Armadale District Hall, Jull Street, Armadale

Cost: Free - Tickets armadaleartsfestival.com.au

Local writers' groups meet regularly and can help you develop your writing skills. Meet some of the friendly faces from the Armadale Writers' Group, Come Write In (Kelmscott), and Gosnells Writers' Circle.

Armadale Writers' Festival - Brooke Davis Author Talk

Saturday 29 April, 5 – 7pm

Armadale District Hall, Jull Street, Armadale

Cost: Full \$20 / Concession \$15. Tickets Armadale.artsfestival.com.au

The official launch of the Armadale Writers' Festival will be celebrated with an author talk by Brooke Davis, her debut novel *Lost and Found* won the West Australian Emerging Writers Award through the 2016 WA Premier's Book Awards. Refreshments provided.

Armadale Writers' Festival - Literary Lunch

Sunday 30 April, noon – 2.30pm

Avocados, Lot 2 Mount Street, Kelmscott

Cost: Full \$30 / Concession \$25. Tickets armadaleartsfestival.com.au

Hosted by Dr Tony Buti, this literary lunch will feature a variety of authors from different backgrounds. Join authors William Yeoman (*Literary Editor at The West Australian*), Loretta Hill, Brendan Ritchie, Renae Kaye, Amanda Kendle, and Sioban Timmer as they discuss and debate the world of literature over lunch.