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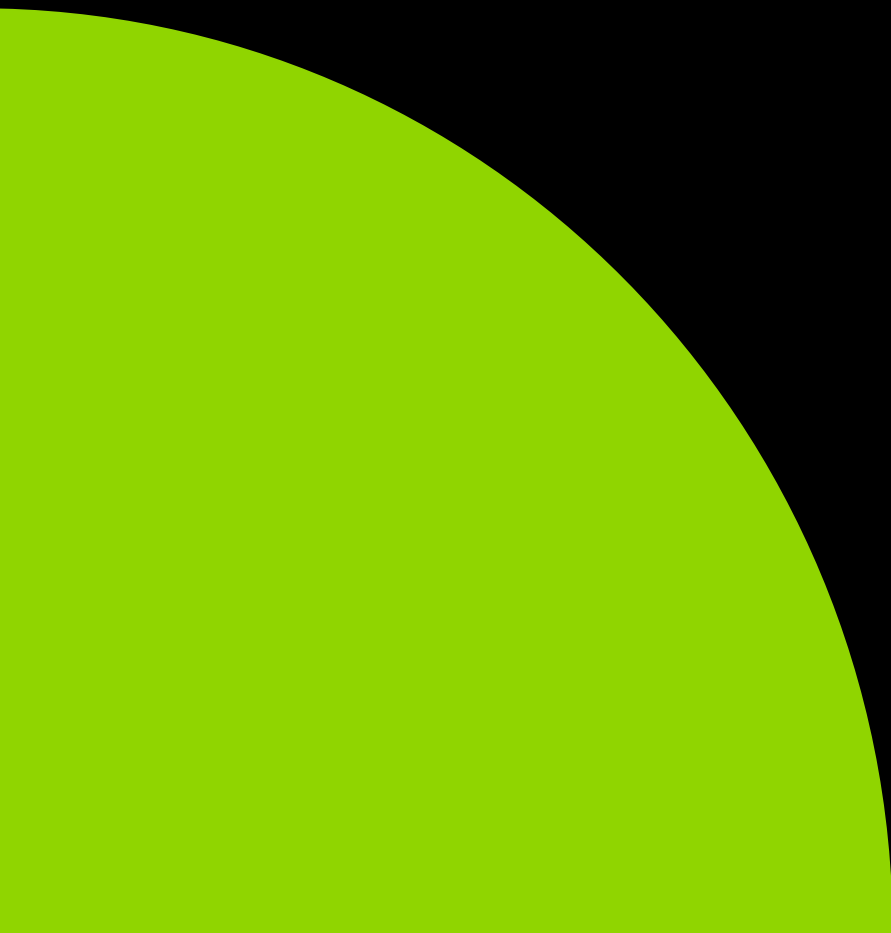
City of
Joondalup

J NDALUP FESTIVAL

2-22
MARCH
2024

The City of Joondalup acknowledges the
Traditional Custodians of this land,
the Whadjuk people of the Noongar nation.
We recognise the culture of the Noongar people
and the unique contribution they make to the
Joondalup region and Australia.

We pay our respects to Elders past,
present and emerging and all
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.



Kaya! Hey! Hello! G'day! Welcome to Joondalup Festival.

In Perth's far north, a hidden jewel lies,
Where Ngoolark squawk 'cross open skies.
Suburban streets, a community heart,
And when March comes, alive with art.

The lake that glistens, the ocean clear,
A handful of sand, let the spirits know you're here.
We're better together, so let's unite,
To discover surprises, and revel in delight.

Human sculptures, dancing after dark,
A posse of prams take over the park.
The Queen of Soul, illuminated beasts,
Hungry? Get ready for a festival feast.

So call up your friends and gather your crew,
Get ready for fun, bid boring 'adieu'.
Take a deep breath, let's dive right in,
But hush for now, it's all about to begin...



Hon. Albert Jacob City of Joondalup Mayor

Joondalup Festival is an extraordinary annual event that's making ripples across WA's arts landscape.

Named the Best Cultural, Arts or Music Event at the 2023 Australian Event Awards – beating a world-class field of finalists, this year's festival promises to be bigger and better than ever!

Over three weeks in March, the City of Joondalup will welcome people from all over Perth and beyond to enjoy world-class events and experiences at unique locations throughout the City.

From theatre, to giant puppets, human sculptures and a WA premiere music event, I'm sure you'll find something to love in this jam-packed program for Joondalup Festival 2024.

So, start your planning and we'll see you soon!

MAJOR PRESENTATION

WA PREMIERE

ARETHA

A love letter to the Queen of Soul

“A great celebration of [Aretha Franklin’s] music, performed with feeling ... had the entire audience on their feet” – **Arts Hub**



ARETHA celebrates the life and music of one of history's most iconic voices. Experience an unforgettable night of music and memories honouring the legacy of a superstar, Aretha Franklin.

Performed by an all-female lineup of Australia's best artists, sing along to cherished hits like 'Respect', 'I Say a Little Prayer', '(You Make Me Feel Like) A Natural Woman', 'Think' and more.

Previously sold out at Sydney Opera House, ARETHA is a jaw-dropping spectacle that charts not only the music, but the tumultuous life and career of an extraordinary woman.

EMMA DONOVAN – legendary ARIA-nominated, award-winning, First Nations singer and songwriter.

THANDI PHOENIX – a vocal powerhouse with a unique tone, magnetic energy and commanding stage presence.

THNDO – considered Australia's 'First Lady of Soul and R&B', who reached the final of The Voice in 2014.

KAREN LEE ANDREWS – soul and blues virtuoso who's headlined WOMADelaide, Woodford, and more.

MAHALIA BARNES – Australian soul and blues royalty.

JADA ALBERTS – outstanding actor, writer and director whose credits include 'The Seven Stages of Grieving', 'The Dance of the Brolgas' and 'Title and Deed'.

Don't miss this chance to dance, celebrate, and show a little respect to the undisputed Queen of Soul.

ECU Joondalup
7.30pm – 10.20pm
(including intervals)

Ticket: \$59 - \$77

Licensed event

Ticketholders under 18
must be accompanied by
an adult

March 2024

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MAJOR PRESENTATION

WA PREMIERE

ELECTRIC KINGDOM

A new breed of outdoor experience

“A visual spectacular of light, colour, movement, and sound”



The nights come to life with Electric Kingdom, an award-winning, jaw-dropping, public art installation of glowing animals - in epic proportions!

Over three weeks, Hillarys Boat Harbour is set to become the home of a magnificent menagerie of gentle giants, including the menacing Tiger and the mighty Falcon, the roly-poly Pandas, the towering Giraffes, and Tarutharu - the Kurna Skink.

Don't miss the spectacular Underwater Wonderland, where giant jellies bob above luminous fish and incandescent corals amidst an encompassing soundscape. You might even catch two naughty crabs cheekily scurrying through the crowds...

In an exciting commission for Joondalup Festival, a brand-new creature is set to be unleashed. Created in collaboration with Nimunburr Yawuru Ballardong Noongar artist **Kambarni**, the Snake-Necked Turtle will make its debut in the Electric Kingdom. Known as Yaakan, Booyi or Choonya in Noongar, this 'near threatened' little turtle is endemic to the Joondalup region.

This electrifying one-of-a-kind event has been brought to life by **A Blanck Canvas**, the Melbourne production team whose illuminated artworks have captivated audiences at industry-leading events like World Expo, Moomba and White Night.

Hillarys Boat Harbour
 Fri & Sat: 6.00pm - 10.00pm
 Sun - Thurs:
 6.00pm - 9.00pm

FREE

Suitable for: All ages

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PERFORMANCE

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PRAM PEOPLE

We're rolling out the red carpet for every pram, big or small.

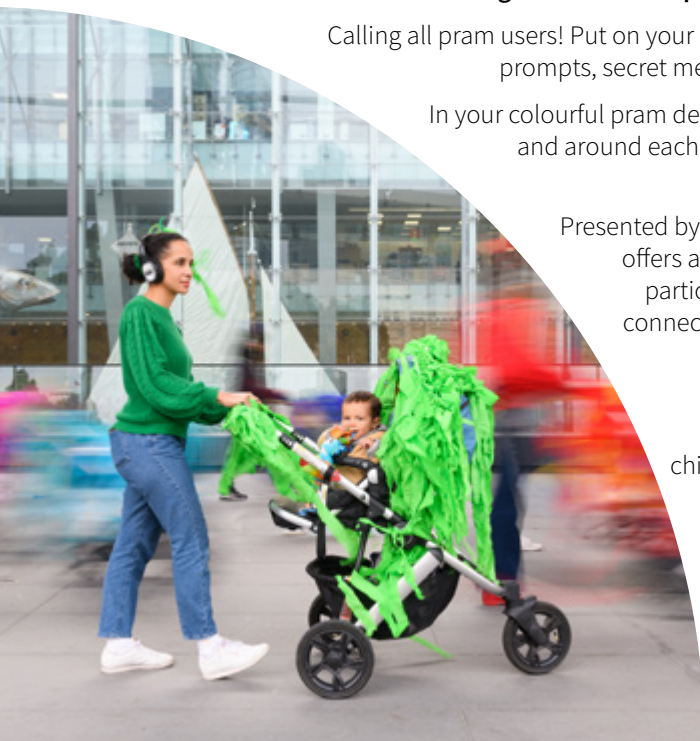
Calling all pram users! Put on your headphones, and follow curious prompts, secret messages, even other participants.

In your colourful pram decorations, you'll weave amongst and around each other as performers delight and intrigue, adding to the fun.

Presented by **Polyglot Theatre**, Pram People offers a playful approach to community participation through movement and connection, using the most universal of vehicles - the pram.

This moving performance is an experience made specially for children who ride in prams and the adults who push them.

Pramless? You're welcome to come down and enjoy the colourful spectacle for free.



Tom Simpson Park, Mullaloo
9.30am – 10.30am and 12.30pm – 1.30pm

Tickets: \$10 (child + adult both included in price)

Suitable for: Children up to 4 years + their adult

Note: Please bring a pram to participate.
Adult participants will be given headphones to wear.

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LIVING SCULPTURES: HOW THE BIRDS GOT THEIR COLOURS

Experience the story like you've never heard it before.

Awe-inspiring and site-specific, Living Sculptures: How the Birds Got Their Colours is a captivating performance of First Nations dance, storytelling, and contemporary circus, culminating in a living, breathing work of art against the backdrop of nature's beauty.

Performed by **Arc Circus Company** and the **Yugambah Aboriginal Dancers**, hear Elder Luther Cora's interpretation of a simple story with a powerful message: we may look and communicate differently but we share more in common than we think.

Delight in something new at every show, with a unique array of complementary performances by local artists curated for each beautiful location.

See website for further details on each event.



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FREE

Suitable for: All ages

Morning shows (approx. 1 hour run time)

Wed: 9.00am at Central Park, Joondalup

Fri: 8.00am at Sorrento Beach

Sat: 9.00am at Tom Simpson Park, Mullaloo

Evening shows (approx. 2 hours run time)

Tue: 6.00pm at Sir James McCusker Park, Iluka

Wed: 6.00pm at Central Park, Joondalup

Thu: 6.00pm at Burns Beach Foreshore Park

Fri: 6.00pm at Sorrento Beach

Sat: 6.00pm at Tom Simpson Park, Mullaloo



BRUCE

The **Last Great Hunt** presents, BRUCE. He's a loveable screw-up with one last shot at redemption, but with a lifetime of regrets hunting him down, he's running out of space-time.

Wed 6 March, 8.00pm

Recommended for: 15+ (coarse language)



GARDEN PARTY

Two busy buzzy buddies find themselves in a sticky situation, but new tricks and new friends might be able help them get unstuck. Families will love this latest show from **Arc Circus Co.**

Sun 10 March, 10.30am

Recommended for: Children and families



RAPUNZEL

A prince, a princess, a witch...and a hairdresser! **Freeze Frame Opera** are set to bring you a classic fairytale about growing up and finding your voice, with an operatic twist.

Sat 16 March, 11.30am and 2.30pm

Recommended for: Children and families



SPACE MUSIC

In this orchestral extravaganza, astrophysicist and planetary geologist **Dr. Antony Brian** joins **Australian Baroque** to take you on a multi-sensory journey through space and time.

Sat 16 March, 6.30pm

Suitable for: All ages

See these shows at St Stephen's School Theatre, Duncraig.

Tickets: \$19 Student/conc \$17 Child \$11



THEATRE



THE LIFETIME OF DEAF AND DEAFBLIND

Experience the troubles and triumphs of living in a silent world with **Peter Blockey** and **Eddie Szczepanik** as they invite you on the journey of their lives with this moving signed performance by **Deafinite Connection**.

With the help of three hearing performers, experience the highs and lows of growing up in a hearing world that's unfamiliar and ever-changing.

Performed in Auslan, with narration for hearing people.

Fri 15 March. 8.00pm

Suitable for: All ages

Interested in learning Auslan?

Join Peter and Eddie for a ticketed sign language workshop.

Mon 11 March, 6.00pm – 7.00pm

Tues 12 March, 10.00am – 11.00am

See website for further details.

CINEMA

PERFORMANCE



CABARET

The delectably debauchorous and sensationally saucy artists from **Tone & Cheek** and **Lyons Production** are combining their powers to bring you the cult classic film – Cabaret!

As the iconic picture plays on the big screen, see Australia's best performers shimmy, shake and schmooze all around you, bringing the story to life and delivering those memorable musical numbers like you've never seen them before.

Telethon Community Cinema,
ECU Joondalup
Thurs 21 March and Fri 22 March
7.45pm (doors open 6.30pm)

Tickets: \$23 Student/conc \$20

Recommended for: 15+



BEACON

In a heartwarming culmination of weeks of rehearsals, the Joondalup Community Choir are ready to bring you a joyous musical event.

With two performances at Hillarys Boat Harbour, this year's choir repertoire celebrates the power of connection, encouraging us through dark passages of life and into the light, guided by our Elders and mentors.

With music and creative direction from **Breaksea** and guided by music director, conductor and soprano **Pia Davis**, this hope-filled performance will move you beyond words.

Hillarys Boat Harbour
Sun 17 March

5.30pm – 5.50pm
6.30pm - 6.50pm

FREE

Suitable for: All ages

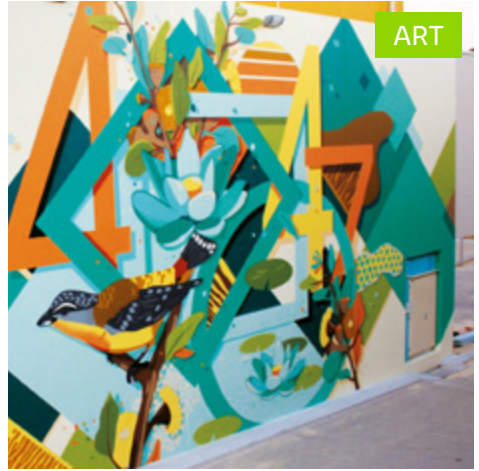


Image: Cambridge Street Botanical by George Domahidy.
Mural art in Floreat, WA.

ARTBEAT

Joondalup is set to get a big splash of colour as some of WA's best mural artists descend on the CBD.

Come down and watch as steps and paths are transformed by talented local painters.

Outside the Joondalup Library and City of Joondalup Civic Centre.

Sat 2 March – Mon 4 March

FREE

Loving the new art? Pop into the library to check out **URBAN RHYTHMS** - a pop-up art exhibition about the muralists, featuring images, sketches and insights into just how much work and thought goes into creating large-scale public artworks.

Joondalup Library
Sat 2 March – Sat 13 April

FREE

THE YOUTH BOOTH

Connect with other like-minded young creatives and make something beautiful each week with the crafty bunch at **Art Jam WA**.

CREATIVE JOURNALLING

Wed 6 March
5.30pm – 7.30pm

SELF CARE COLLAGING

Wed 13 March
5.30pm – 7.30pm

WEAVING WELLNESS

Wed 20 March
5.30pm – 7.30

Tickets: \$13 each or join all 3 workshops for \$30.

SIP IT & SEA

Make a splash, pop the bubbles and get ready to create ocean-themed masterpieces in two **House of Hobby** workshops guided by real marine biologist **Charlotte Krause**.

CORAL, CLAY, & CHARDONNAY

Thurs 7 March
6.00pm – 8.00pm

Tickets: \$75

DIVE INTO WATERCOLOUR

Sun 17 March
4.00pm – 6.00pm

Tickets: \$55

PASTELS, PROSECCO & PIANO

Paint up a pastel storm with award-winning artist, **Sarah Pondevie**, joined by maestro **Tim Voutas** on the keys for some musical inspiration.

Sun 10 March, 4.00pm – 7.00pm

Tickets: \$55

UNSTILL LIFE

Life isn't still, so why draw it that way? Join artist **Virginia Ward** and dancer **Floeur Alder** to learn how to creatively interpret movement on paper.

Fri 15 March, 6.00pm – 7.30pm

Tickets: \$26

BARRE WITH ME

Test your strength and flexibility with **Floeur Alder** in a fun combo of yoga and ballet.

Fri 22 March, 6.00pm – 7.30pm

Tickets: \$13

INTERACTIVE

WA PREMIERE

THE TOURISTS





Like many, The Tourists have just found out about the array of extraordinary events popping up in this strange faraway place called Joondalup – and they don't want to miss out!

So, the bags are packed, accommodation booked, they even remembered their chargers. But something tells us their journey to Joondalup Festival won't be quite as smooth as they'd hoped...

Keep an eye on **@JoondalupFestival** on social media to follow the journey of these lovably hapless halfwits and if you see them in the streets looking a bit flustered, be sure to say hello and point them in the right direction!

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