

Take a FRESH look at one of Wagga Wagga's favourite intergenerational programs

Jumpstart your creativity this winter with Wagga Wagga's favourite curated program of inclusive and accessible events.

During June 2024, explore and experience this fun, diverse and engaging intergenerational program, presented by Wagga Wagga City Council.

"Wagga Wagga is a diverse community and the concept behind FRESH is to bring people of different ages, backgrounds and cultures together," Council's Community Development Officer Victoria Lowe said.

"Whether you're young or young at heart, this year's FRESH program has something for everyone, with a series of special events tailor-made for young people, families and old(er) members of our community.

"The program is bursting with highlights ranging from a live music performance and book launch, artist-led creative art workshop and more.

"The intergenerational program brings Gen Alpha, Millennials, Gen Y, Gen X, Baby Boomer and Silent Generation audiences together to exchange ideas and learn new skills in order to gain new perspectives and insights into the way they see the world."

National Refugee Week (16-22 June 2024) will also be celebrated as part of FRESH this year, with intimate and unplugged performances in the Wagga Wagga City Library by Khairy Darweesh (Yazidi) and Felix Machiridza (Zimbabwean).

Wagga Wagga can also participate at home with a two-hour Global Roots: 2024 Refugee Week playlist curated by Bangladeshi-Australian Sydney-based DJ Munasib Hamid.

"FRESH is a fantastic opportunity for residents to learn something new or discover something out of the ordinary." Ms Lowe said.

For the full program of events or more information visit wagga.nsw.gov.au/fresh or call Council on 1300 292 442.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

IN MOTION: ALL-ABILITIES CONTEMPORARY DANCE CLASS

Wednesday 12 June, 10.30am to 11.30am and 1pm to 3.30pm

Wagga Wagga Civic Theatre

14+ Years | \$20 [+booking fees] | Tickets: wagga.nsw.gov.au/fresh

Let go of your inhibitions and just dance, dance, dance.

Led by an experienced and passionate dancer, performer, and dance/movement therapist Jessica Lesosky, In-Motion aims to develop a deeper body/mind awareness as well as foundational skills in contemporary dance.

This class is inclusive for people with disability and neurodiversity. No prior dance experience is necessary.

UPCYCLED PLASTIC JEWELLERY-MAKING – PRESENTED BY EM SHANNON

Saturday 15 June and Saturday 22 June, 10am to 12pm
Wagga Wagga Art Gallery
14+ Years | \$15 [+booking fees] | Tickets: wagga.nsw.gov.au/fresh

Create your own pair of earrings or neck piece using recycled milk bottles and lids and kickstart a conversation about upcycling.

FRESH EARS ft. BEN LEE – INTERGENERATIONAL MUSIC GIG

Sunday 30 June | 2pm to 3.30pm | Doors open at 1.30pm
Wagga Wagga City Library
Free entry | Bookings: wagga.nsw.gov.au/fresh
*Adults must be accompanied by a child and/or children

FRESH EARS is designed for music loving Gen Xers and Baby Boomers who want to introduce the young folk in their lives to one of Australia's best indie-rock artists – Ben Lee.

This child-friendly gig is ideal for grandparents, aunts, uncles and parents wanting to re-live those nostalgic 90s rock memories and instil the music they know and love in the 'fresh ears' of the next generation – Generation Alpha born since the year 2010 (and until the year 2025).

THE MOST WUTHERING HEIGHTS DAY EVER 2024 – WAGGA WAGGA

Saturday 20 July | 2pm to 2.30pm - Rehearsals from 1.30pm
Wagga Wagga Civic Theatre Lawn
Free entry | Registrations: wagga.nsw.gov.au/fresh

The Most Wuthering Heights Day Ever is an event held at locations around the world where fans recreate version two of the official music video for British musician Kate Bush's 1978 masterpiece, "Wuthering Heights".

Inspired by a 'happening' at the 2013 Brighton Fringe, when performance collective Shambush attempted an unofficial world record by assembling hundreds of Kate Bush lookalikes.

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About Wagga Wagga City Council

Wagga Wagga City Council serves more than 68,000 residents across an area of 4825 square kilometres with an overall budget of more than \$236M.

The organisation manages more than \$2.48 billion in assets, including a 2300km road network, Wagga Wagga Airport, Livestock Marketing Centre, and the Oasis Aquatic Centre.

Council also provides important community facilities such as Wagga Wagga Art Gallery, Wagga Wagga City Library, Museum of the Riverina and Civic Theatre, as well as maintaining countless parks, playgrounds and sporting facilities to ensure Wagga maintains its reputation as 'the City of Good Sports'.

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