

Blue Mountains Events: Winter

DATES

WINTER EVENT INFORMATION – Updated 24/5/19

During Winter

Yulefest Celebrations - Held throughout the Blue Mountains during winter in Hotels, Guesthouses and Resorts. Contact the Blue Mountains Visitor Information Centres for more information P: 1300 653 408 or E: tourism@bmcc.nsw.gov.au

JUNE 2019

Tuesdays

30 Apr – 18
June

The Art of Chinese Calligraphy – Blue Mountains Cultural Centre, 30 Parke Street, Katoomba. Learn to control a soft brush on rice paper, and use it to form bold yet delicate strokes that create harmonious and elegant Chinese characters. At the end of the course, you will have meaningful works of your own to take home and the technique and appreciation to make calligraphy an everyday skill. Time: 1pm – 2.30pm. Entry: \$170 per person, \$150 for Insight Members. All materials are included. Bookings essential at Reception or on 4780 5410. http://bluemountainsculturalcentre.com.au/public_programs/art-chinese-calligraphy/

Sat 18 May –
Sun 2 June 2019

The Wedding Singer – The Blue Mountains Musical Society – Blue Mountains Theatre, 106 Macquarie Road, Springwood. The Wedding Singer takes us back to a time when hair was big, greed was good, collars were up and a wedding singer might just be the coolest guy in the room. Based on the hit Adam Sandler movie, The Wedding Singer's sparkling new score does for the '80s what Hairspray did for the '60s. Just say yes to the most romantic musical in twenty years. Time: 2pm or 8pm on various dates. See website for dates and ticket prices. Tickets can be purchased at the Box Office, on 4723 5050 or online at <http://bluemountainstheatrehub.com.au/box-office/>

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Sat 1 June 2019

Daniel Champagne and Special Guest Chris Gillespie – 'Metro Social' at The Metropole Guesthouse, Corner of Lurline and Gang Gang Streets, Katoomba. 'Daniel Champagne exudes a natural ease on stage, as he sings poignant lyrics and beautifully crafted melodies that invariably whisk the heart up with grand romanticism. Coupled with an exhilarating guitar talent that transcends mere acoustic playing to replicate a whole band, Champagne is just magical' – themusic.com.au. Time: Doors open 5pm. Show starts 6pm. Entry: \$20 early bird pre-sale from Metropole reception or \$21.50 with booking fee online/phone (02) 4782 5544 or \$25 at the door from 5pm (unless sold out). www.fusionboutique.com.au

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Bill Frisell Trio – Blue Mountains Theatre, 106 Macquarie Road, Springwood. Grammy award winning jazz guitarist Bill Frisell, with drummer Rudy Royston and Thomas Morgan will take the audience on a spellbinding sonic journey of new music from his latest albums alongside re-imagined Frisell classics. Time: 8pm. Entry: \$65 Adult, \$62 Concession. Tickets can be purchased at the Box Office, on 4723 5050 or online at <http://bluemountainstheatrehub.com.au/box-office/>

**Fri 7 – Mon 10
June 2019**

bentART 2019 – Wentworth Falls School of Arts, 217 Great Western Highway, Wentworth Falls. bentART is focused on encouraging, promoting and supporting the visual art of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Intersex (LGBTI) people of Australia. The sexual orientation of LGBTI artists naturally informs and influences their perspective and vision. It is this orientation and view of the world that is encouraged by bentART. All artworks are judged on their artistic merit. Times: Opening Night Friday 6.30pm – 9.30pm, Saturday and Sunday 10am – 4pm (with Artist Talk on Saturday 2pm-3pm), Monday 10am – 2pm. Entry: \$5 for the Opening Night (includes nibbles and wine). All artworks are for sale. <http://bentart.com.au/>

**Sat 8 – Mon 10
June 2019**

Blackheath Art Society Winter Exhibition – Blackheath Art Studio, 139a Station Street, Blackheath. The second of Blackheath Art Society's annual exhibitions, the Winter Exhibition is open to BAS members and non-members working in any medium, who compete for a first prize of \$750 and second prize of \$250. Art entries close Friday 24 May. All works are for sale, starting from \$200. The launch event is on Saturday, at 2.30-4pm, where you can meet some of the artists and hear the judge's comments over a glass of wine and nibbles. Throughout the show, you can also enter the raffle for a gourmet hamper and vote for the 'people's choice'. For entry forms and previous prizewinning works please see the website. Time: 10am – 5pm (except Mon: 10am – 4pm). Entry: \$2 www.blackheathart.com

Sat 8 June 2019

Unlocking the Doors – The Baroque Room, The Carrington Hotel, 15-47 Katoomba Street, Katoomba. Unlocking The Doors set out to capture the Shamanistic presence of Jim Morrison, the hypnotic bass lines and swirling keys of Ray Manzarek, Robbie Krieger's legato blues inspired guitar modality and John Densmore eclectic fusion of Jazz, Rock and Latin drum beats for the ultimate Doors experience. Is everybody in? The ceremony is about to begin... Time: 8pm – 11pm. Entry: \$23.47 - \$35.00 tickets available from moshtix.com.au www.thecarrington.com.au/whats-on-events/

**Wed 12 June
2019**

Morning Melodies: Remembering John Denver & Glen Campbell – Blue Mountains Theatre, 106 Macquarie Road, Springwood. A moving celebration of two of America's greatest country and folk music stars, presented by talented entertainer John Stephans. Enjoy the iconic songs of Glen Campbell including 'Rhinestone Cowboy', 'Gentle on My Mind', 'By The Time I Get To Phoenix' 'Southern Lights', as well as all your favourite John Denver hits such as 'Take Me Home, Country Roads', 'Annie's Song', 'Rocky Mountain High' and 'Leaving On A Jet Plane'. Time: 11am. Entry: \$20 (includes complimentary Devonshire-style morning tea at 10am before the concert). Tickets can be purchased at the Box Office, on 4723 5050 or online at <http://bluemountainstheatrehub.com.au/box-office/>

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- Fri 14 June 2019** **Joseph Tawadros Quartet** – Blue Mountains Theatre, 106 Macquarie Road, Springwood. Joseph Tawadros is one of Australian music’s most impressive and charismatic figures: a composer, improviser, storyteller and a brilliant exponent of the oud (Egyptian lute). Bringing middle-eastern, classical and contemporary jazz together seamlessly to create music that transcends labels and shatters borders. Time: 8pm. Entry: \$39 Adult, \$36 Concession. Tickets can be purchased at the Box Office, on 4723 5050 or online at <http://bluemountainstheatreandhub.com.au/box-office/>
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- Fri 14 June 2019** **Áine Tyrrell and Special Guests Smith & Jones** – ‘Metro Social’ at The Metropole Guesthouse, Corner of Lurline and Gang Gang Streets, Katoomba. Story is at the forefront for troubadour Áine Tyrrell whose rich song-writing practice draws deeply on her Irish roots. Her latest offering ‘Return to the Sea’ was written and recorded in her homeland but mastered and crowd funded with one boot in the red dirt of her adopted country of Australia. Time: Doors open 5pm. Show starts 6pm. Entry: \$20 early bird pre-sale from Metropole reception or \$21.50 with booking fee online/phone (02) 4782 5544 or \$25 at the door from 5pm (unless sold out). www.fusionboutique.com.au
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- Sat 15 June 2019** **Handel, With Care** – Leura Uniting Church, Corner Grose and Megalong Streets, Leura. Leura Singers present their Annual Charity Concert, this year supporting the local Blue Mountains SES with a new showcase into Handel’s works with a modern twist. The concert will feature well known Anthems by Handel including ‘Father Of Mercies’, ‘Lord, I trust thee’, Coronation Anthem for King George 11 including Zadok The Priest. Time: 2.30pm. Entry: \$15 (tickets available at the door, includes afternoon tea). www.leurasingers.com.au
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www.nationaltrust.org.au/places/woodford-academy/

Sun 16 June
2019

Blue Mountains Concert Society: Simon Tedeschi with Orava Quartet– Blue Mountains Theatre, 106 Macquarie Road, Springwood. Acclaimed pianist Simon Tedeschi is joined by Orava Quartet, one of the most exciting string quartets of its generation, to present an engaging, excellent and thrilling piano and strings performance. Time: 2.30pm. Entry: \$48 Adult, \$25 Student, \$15 Child under 16 (or child with paying adult is free if booking is made via the box office – not available via online bookings). Tickets can be purchased at the Box Office, on 4723 5050 or online at <http://bluemountainstheatrehub.com.au/box-office/>

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Henry Lawson – The City and the Country – Gallery ONE88, Pigeon Lane performance space, 186-188 Katoomba Street, Katoomba. Join us in this unique exploration into Henry Lawson's poems and life as we celebrate the great Aussie bush poet, the peoples poet. Narration by local Katoomba poet and author Lowell Tarling and music by Oliver Morley-Sattler, accompanied by guest readers and musos. All enjoyed over a light dinner and beverage. Time: Doors open 6pm. Entry: \$25 plus booking fee (includes light dinner and show).
www.stickytickets.com.au/82893/henry_lawson_show.aspx

Sat 22 June
2019

Winter Magic Festival – Katoomba Street, Katoomba. The Winter Magic Festival in Katoomba, Blue Mountains is when one of Australia's most famous towns is taken over by local artists, musicians, dancers, drummers, choirs, stalls and community. The Winter Magic Festival is a chance for everyone to participate and have fun! The main street of Katoomba is closed to motor traffic and open to pedestrians. This allows the whole town to become a performance space. Streets are lined with market stalls and everybody is encouraged to dress in costume. Time: 9.30am – 9pm. FREE Entry. www.wintermagic.com.au

Sat 22 June
2019

Winter Magic Vintage Circus Ball – Grand Dining Room, The Carrington Hotel, 15-47 Katoomba Street, Katoomba. Our annual Winter Magic Ball is the culmination of an amazing day of community celebrations to mark the Winter Solstice. Join us for a night of music, great food and fun...vintage circus style. Think "The Greatest Showman" meets "Water for Elephants", an era where surface glamour masked a dark underbelly, a time when people partied to escape. Happily in 2019 we can celebrate the glamour minus the underbelly! Time: 6.30pm. Entry: \$165 per person, bookings essential. www.thecarrington.com.au/whats-on-events/

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Jukebox Revolution – Blue Mountains Theatre, 106 Macquarie Road, Springwood. Boys in the Band presents Jukebox Revolution. Starring Australia's finest leading men and their sensational band The Players, this dazzling performance features over 50 years of iconic hits in an all-singing, all-dancing, high-octance concert. Time: 3pm. Entry: \$48 Adult, \$45 Concession. Tickets can be purchased at the Box Office, on 4723 5050 or online at <http://bluemountainstheatrehub.com.au/box-office/>

**Sat 29 June
2019**

Nathan Cavaleri and Special Guest Kristen Lee Morris – 'Metro Social' at The Metropole Guesthouse, Corner of Lurline and Gang Gang Streets, Katoomba. Cavaleri returns after playing sell out gigs up and down the East Coast, seeing him connect intimately with new and lifetime fans through both story and song. From how his love for music deepened during his battle with leukaemia as a kid, to a hilarious encounter with Led Zeppelin's Jimmy Page and Robert Plant after playing to sixty thousand people in Zurich after Elton John. However, it's how he brings his experiences and songs into the present that gives audiences more than a shot of nostalgia. Time: Doors open 5pm. Show starts 6pm. Entry: \$20 early bird pre-sale from Metropole reception or \$21.50 with booking fee online/phone (02) 4782 5544 or \$25 at the door from 5pm (unless sold out). www.fusionboutique.com.au

**Sat 29 June –
Sat 20 July 2019**

Yulefest 2019 with The Goon Show Live! – le Salon Grand, Palais Royale, 230 Katoomba St, Katoomba. Join the CraZy People as we celebrate our 7th Yulefest. Enjoy a warming Mulled Wine on arrival, before sitting down to a sumptuous 3-course Christmas-in-July menu. Featuring all those almost loveable characters from the original series; it's the best British Comedy DownUnder. See the website for details of the original episodes which will be presented. Time: Yulefest Dinner & Show every Saturday night at 6.30pm, PLUS a special Afternoon Tea and show on Sunday 14 July at 3pm. Entry: \$135 (Seniors and Group discounts available). <https://salongrand.com.au/>

**Sun 30 June
2019**

CareFlight Woodford to Glenbrook Classic 2019 – Oaks Fire Trail, Blue Mountains National Park. The CareFlight Woodford to Glenbrook Classic will attract over 500 entrants to run or ride the Oaks Fire Trail through the beautiful Blue Mountains National Park from the town of Woodford down to the Euroka Clearing near Glenbrook. Covering 25 km of undulating bushland, the trail is incredibly scenic and a must for keen mountain bikers and trail runners. Time: Mountain Bike Riders start from 9am, Runners start from 10am. The new 5km run will start at 11.30am. Entry for participants of 25km: \$80 Adults, \$35 Juniors. For 5km: \$30 Adults, \$15 Juniors. For more information: <https://careflight.org/events/woodford-glenbrook-classic/>

**Sun 30 June
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Fiona Horne: The Art Of Witch – Blue Mountains Theatre, 106 Macquarie Road, Springwood. A spoken word event. Featuring candid personal stories, inspiring advice & insight, audience Q&A, powerful life changing spell casting and ritual experience. Rockstar, media celebrity and Modern Witch Fiona Horne returns to Australia for the release of her new book The Art of Witch and a magickal spoken word tour. Time: 3pm. Entry: \$18. Tickets can be purchased at the Box Office, on 4723 5050 or online at <http://bluemountainstheatrehub.com.au/box-office/>

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Fri 5 July 2019

The Maes (formally the Mae Trio) with Monique Clare and Special Guest Maizy Coombes – 'Metro Social' at The Metropole Guesthouse, Corner of Lurline and Gang Gang Streets, Katoomba. Multi-award-winning Melbourne contemporary folk outfit, The Maes (formerly The Mae Trio) is the brainchild of sisters Maggie (banjo, guitar and vocals) and Elsie Rigby (fiddle, mandolin and vocals). Gentle, intimate and conversational, their latest album is an unadorned showcase of Maggie and Elsie's superb songwriting as well as honest, relaxed and stunning vocal and instrumental performances. The album also features cello and harmony vocals by award-winning Brisbane musician, Monique Clare who regularly tours with The Maes and will be performing at this show. Time: Doors open 5pm. Show starts 6pm. Entry: \$20 early bird pre-sale from Metropole reception or \$21.50 with booking fee online/phone (02) 4782 5544 or \$25 at the door from 5pm (unless sold out). www.fusionboutique.com.au

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Sat 6 – Sun 7
July 2019

Blue Mountains Antiques and Collectables Fair - Blackheath Community Hall, Great Western Highway, Blackheath. A wide range of antiques, retro items and collectables for sale displayed by a group of professional dealers. Items include furniture, jewellery, silver, porcelain, lamps, books and many other collectables. Also a fundraiser for the Rotary Club of Upper Blue Mountains who will be supplying delicious morning and afternoon teas and light lunches. Time: 10am to 4pm. Entry: \$9 Adults, FREE entry for accompanied children. P: 0428 446 534

Sun 7 July 2019

Elysian Fields – Blue Mountains Theatre, 106 Macquarie Road, Springwood. A brilliant 6-piece ensemble featuring electric viola da gambist Jenny Eriksson and acclaimed jazz musicians Matt Keegan & Matt McMahon. “An enthralling dialogue between past and present” – SMH. Time: 3pm. Entry: \$32 Adult, \$28 Concession. Tickets can be purchased at the Box Office, on 4723 5050 or online at <http://bluemountainstheatrehub.com.au/box-office/>

Wed 10 July
2019

Morning Melodies: Piaf & Aznavour – Back in Time – Blue Mountains Theatre, 106 Macquarie Road, Springwood. A captivating journey into the fascinating world of French popular music, made famous by the legendary Edith Piaf and Charles Aznavour. Lana Nesnas and Milko Foucault-Larche honour the artistic legacy of these icons of French Chanson, with a sophisticated show featuring timeless classics including ‘Milord’, ‘La Vie en Rose’, ‘No Regrets’, ‘She’, ‘If You Love Me’. This special Bastille Day celebration will be performed in both English and French. Time: 11am. Entry: \$20 (includes complimentary Devonshire-style morning tea at 10am before the concert). Tickets can be purchased at the Box Office, on 4723 5050 or online at <http://bluemountainstheatrehub.com.au/box-office/>

Thurs 11 July
2019

Dr Seuss’s Cat In The Hat – Blue Mountains Theatre, 106 Macquarie Road, Springwood. Young and old alike will delight in this zany, imaginative play that faithfully brings to life Dr Seuss’s much-loved children’s literature classic The Cat In The Hat. Suitable for 3years+. Time: 10.30am and 1pm. Entry: \$25 Adult, \$20 Child under 16, \$80 Family. Tickets can be purchased at the Box Office, on 4723 5050 or online at <http://bluemountainstheatrehub.com.au/box-office/>

Thurs 11 July –
Sun 4 Aug 2019

Vanessa Whittington – North & South: Australian Landscape Journeys – Braemar Gallery, 104 Macquarie Road, Springwood. This exhibition explores the contrasting panoramas and hues of the Australian landscape from the rainforests of the Daintree National Park in Far North Queensland, to the arid plains and dramatic stone country of Kakadu National Park and Arnhem Land in the Northern Territory, and the rugged beauty of the Freycinet Coastline on the Tasmanian Coast, Australia’s southern extreme. Time: Braemar Gallery is open Thursday to Sunday, 10am – 4pm. FREE Entry. bluemountainculturalcentre.com.au/braemar-gallery/

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Steve Tredinnick – Out of the Blueys – Braemar Gallery, 104 Macquarie Road, Springwood. This exhibition depicts some of the iconic and some of the lesser known birds of the Blue Mountains – the “Blueys”. Raising public awareness and ongoing appreciation for these avian treasures is more important than ever with so many of these species threatened by habitat loss. Time: Braemar Gallery is open Thursday to Sunday, 10am – 4pm. FREE Entry. bluemountainculturalcentre.com.au/braemar-gallery/

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Rod Julian – Australian Birds: Lucky Captures – Braemar Gallery, 104 Macquarie Road, Springwood. Australian Birds – Lucky Captures is a personal collection of photographic images taken of wild Australian birds. Together they portray a life similar to our own: getting something to eat; courting a potential partner; being curious, and travelling through their environment to a known destination. There is far more to these creatures than meets the eye. Time: Braemar Gallery is open Thursday to Sunday, 10am – 4pm. FREE Entry.
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**Fri 12, Sat 13 &
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HubCon – Blue Mountains Theatre, 106 Macquarie Road, Springwood. HubCon is a family-friendly pop-culture mini convention taking place over 3 days in the July school holidays. Bringing together fans, creators, vendors and curious spectators, HubCon will showcase a wide range of activities and events for all ages, including table-top gaming, cosplay, special guest talks and workshops, film screenings, video gaming, kids zone and much more! Program and ticket sales open May 2019. See website for details www.hubcon.com.au

**Fri 12 July – Sun
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Bald Archy Art Exhibition – Leura Golf Club, Fairmont Resort, 1 Sublime Point Road, Leura. Created in 1994 as a spoof of that more serious competition, the Bald Archy Prize provides artists of all styles and standards with a genuine opportunity, ranging from the hilarious to the bizarrely vulgar, to create portrait paintings of humour, dark satire, light comedy or caricature. Time: Wed – Sat 12pm to 7pm, Sun 12pm to 4pm. Entry: \$5 (children FREE). www.baldarchy.com.au

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Fri 19 July 2019

Alice in Wonderland Melbourne City Ballet – Blue Mountains Theatre, 106 Macquarie Road, Springwood. An enchanting ballet based on the beloved novel, complemented by Tchaikovsky's famous score. MCB will bring a feast of colour & movement to the stage, combining dynamic storytelling, brilliant costumes, exquisite choreography & a cast of 16 stunning dancers. A gorgeous production that will delight audiences of all ages. Time: 7.30pm. Entry: \$42 Adult, \$35 Concession, \$150 Family. Tickets can be purchased at the Box Office, on 4723 5050 or online at <http://bluemountainstheatreandhub.com.au/box-office/>

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Aluminium etching – a non-toxic printmaking method with Seraphina Martin – Blackheath Art Society, 139a Station Street, Blackheath. This workshop will teach a safe, non-toxic approach to fine art etching, using copper sulphate with aluminium plates, rather than traditional, highly corrosive ferric or nitric acid and expensive copper or zinc plates. You will work from simple line drawings and also create texture using found objects such as leaves, feathers and fabrics. Time: 10am – 4pm. Entry: \$180 (discounts apply for BAS members). Registration forms available at www.blackheathart.com/forms. Closing date for registrations: Friday 5 July 2019. To book email workshops@blackheathart.com or contact Jo Chipperfield on 0418 633 923

Sun 28 July
2019

National Tree Day at Valley Heights Rail Museum – Valley Heights Rail Museum, 17b Tusculum Road, Valley Heights. Experience railway bushland up close! To commemorate National Tree Day, the Museum is planning some special activities for young and old. Watch the website for updates. Ride in the 1890 'cowboy' style carriage, pulled by popular, 'Stevo', the steam tank engine with 19th century style! Take your time to enjoy all the wonderful large and small exhibits as you soak up the ambience of the rare 1914 Roundhouse. The two model rooms will attract children of all ages (and most parents too!) while the café and shop provide some relaxation before you leave. All rides included in admission. Time: 10am – 4pm (Last rides 3.30pm). Entry: Adult: \$15, Concession: \$13, Child (5-15): \$11, Children 4 and under: FREE, Family: \$45
www.infoblue-mountains.net.au/locodepot/index.shtml

Tues 30 July
2019

Top Dog Film Festival Katoomba – United Cinemas, 225 Great Western Highway, Katoomba. The 2019 Top Dog Film Festival presents a two hour cinematic celebration honouring the bond between dogs and their people. This carefully curated program of canine-themed films is comprised of the most inspirational, heart-warming and entertaining stories about dogs and their human companions, from independent filmmakers around the globe. Time: 7pm – 9.30pm. See website for tickets: <https://topdogfilmfestival.com.au/tickets/#nsw>

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Blue Mountains Events: Winter

AUGUST 2019

- Thurs 11 July – Sun 4 Aug 2019** **Vanessa Whittington – North & South: Australian Landscape Journeys** – Braemar Gallery, 104 Macquarie Road, Springwood. This exhibition explores the contrasting panoramas and hues of the Australian landscape from the rainforests of the Daintree National Park in Far North Queensland, to the arid plains and dramatic stone country of Kakadu National Park and Arnhem Land in the Northern Territory, and the rugged beauty of the Freycinet Coastline on the Tasmanian Coast, Australia's southern extreme. Time: Braemar Gallery is open Thursday to Sunday, 10am – 4pm. FREE Entry. bluemountainsculturalcentre.com.au/braemar-gallery/
- Thurs 11 July – Sun 4 Aug 2019** **Steve Tredinnick – Out of the Blueys** – Braemar Gallery, 104 Macquarie Road, Springwood. This exhibition depicts some of the iconic and some of the lesser known birds of the Blue Mountains – the “Blueys”. Raising public awareness and ongoing appreciation for these avian treasures is more important than ever with so many of these species threatened by habitat loss. Time: Braemar Gallery is open Thursday to Sunday, 10am – 4pm. FREE Entry. bluemountainsculturalcentre.com.au/braemar-gallery/
- Thurs 11 July – Sun 4 Aug 2019** **Rod Julian – Australian Birds: Lucky Captures** – Braemar Gallery, 104 Macquarie Road, Springwood. Australian Birds – Lucky Captures is a personal collection of photographic images taken of wild Australian birds. Together they portray a life similar to our own: getting something to eat; courting a potential partner; being curious, and travelling through their environment to a known destination. There is far more to these creatures than meets the eye. Time: Braemar Gallery is open Thursday to Sunday, 10am – 4pm. FREE Entry. bluemountainsculturalcentre.com.au/braemar-gallery/
- Fri 12 July – Sun 4 Aug 2019** **Bald Archy Art Exhibition** – Leura Golf Club, Fairmont Resort, 1 Sublime Point Road, Leura. Created in 1994 as a spoof of that more serious competition, the Bald Archy Prize provides artists of all styles and standards with a genuine opportunity, ranging from the hilarious to the bizarrely vulgar, to create portrait paintings of humour, dark satire, light comedy or caricature. Time: Wed – Sat 12pm to 7pm, Sun 12pm to 4pm. Entry: \$5 (children FREE). www.baldarchy.com.au
- Fri 2, Sat 3, Sun 4 Aug 2019** **Springwood Art Show** - Springwood High School Hall, Grose Road, Faulconbridge. A chance to admire over 400 artworks from over 100 local Mountains artists, photographers and galleries. Decorate your home or office with original work for very reasonable prices. Also on sale, a range of artisan work, such as handcrafted jewellery and gifts. Money raised directly supports students of the school with funds from admission, café, raffle and 25 per cent of all art sales used to provide educational resources. Times: Opening Night Friday 7pm – 10pm, Saturday 10am – 6pm, Sunday 10am – 4pm. Entry: \$20 Opening Night (includes supper and wine), \$5 Adults and \$10 Family for Saturday/Sunday. <https://springwoodartshow.org.au/>

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Sat 3 Aug 2019 **Shane Nicholson and Special Guest TBA** – Baroque Room, 86 Bathurst Road, Katoomba (entry via Carrington Hotel Driveway). Shane Nicholson is considered Australia’s leading proponent of Alternative Country / Americana and is widely regarded as a major player in the USA, having been nominated multiple times at the Americana Music Awards in Nashville. He has won 3 ARIA awards for his solo album and his hugely successful collaborations with Kasey Chambers, 10 Golden Guitar Awards including 2018 Male Artist of the Year and an APRA award. Time: Doors open 8pm. Show starts 8.30pm. Entry: \$25 early bird pre-sale from Katoomba Music or Carrington Hotel Reception or \$27.50 with booking fee online/phone (02) 4782 1111 or \$30 at the door from 8pm (unless sold out). www.fusionboutique.com.au

Sat 3 – Sun 4 Aug 2019 **Blackheath Art Society Shapes and Forms 3D Exhibition** – Blackheath Art Society, 139a Station Street, Blackheath. The Blackheath Art Society Shapes and Forms exhibition showcases three-dimensional works, including sculpture, structural fabric and fibre work, found-object sculpture and pieces in ceramic, metal and wood. Entry is open to BAS members and non-members, competing for a first prize of \$500 and a second prize of \$250. Art entries close Friday 19 July. The exhibition is an opportunity for visitors to enjoy and purchase from an eclectic range of art objects, starting at \$80, from local artists. The launch event is on Saturday, at 2.30-4pm, where you can meet some of the artists and hear the judge’s comments over a glass of wine and nibbles. Throughout the show, you can also enter the raffle for a gourmet hamper and vote for the ‘people’s choice’. For entry forms and previous prizewinning works please see the website. Time: 10am – 5pm. Entry: \$2. www.blackheathart.com

Sun 4 Aug 2019 **Mozart Requiem** – Phillips Hall, Blackheath Community Centre, Great Western Highway Blackheath. Phoenix Choir are bringing a full performance of Mozart’s final choral masterpiece to the Blue Mountains, with professional soloists including local favourite tenor David Hamilton and full orchestra led by Rebecca Daniel with a brass section led by Volker Schoeller. Time: 3pm. Entry: \$35 General Admission, \$28 Concession. www.phoenixchoir.org.au

Thurs 8 Aug – Sun 1 Sept 2019 **Modern Arts Projects Blue Mountains (MAPPING)** – Braemar Gallery, 104 Macquarie Road, Springwood. MAPPING is a contemporary art exhibition that presents a survey of creative art practices of the MAP Blue Mountains members. New works in a wide range of mediums including painting, sculpture, video, performance, sound and installation will be shown in a curated exhibition. The public program during the exhibition will include durational performances, artist talks and a public forum. Time: Braemar Gallery is open Thursday to Sunday, 10am – 4pm. FREE Entry. bluemountainculturalcentre.com.au/braemar-gallery/

Fri 9 Aug – Sun 15 Sept 2019 **Margaret Flockton Award Exhibition – A Scientific Botanical Exhibition** – Visitor Centre, Blue Mountains Botanical Garden, Bells Line of Road, Mt Tomah. The Margaret Flockton Award honours the enormous contribution Margaret made to early Australian botanical illustration and taxonomic research and encourages outstanding contemporary illustrators to build on this fine tradition. Complex science is translated into precise and detailed imagery as artists from around the world compete for this annual Award. Time: 9.30am – 4.30pm daily. FREE entry. www.rbg Syd.nsw.gov.au/science/botanical-illustration/the-margaret-flockton-award-2019

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- Sat 10 Aug 2019** **Blue Mountains Concert Society: Sydney Symphony Orchestra Fellows** – Blue Mountains Theatre, 106 Macquarie Road, Springwood. ‘Bold Beginnings’ is an intriguing program of chamber works and arrangements, including works by Beethoven, Britten and Humperdinck. Time: 7.30pm. Entry: \$48 Adult, \$45 Concession, \$25 Student, \$15 Child under 16 (or child with paying adult is free if booking is made via the box office – not available via online bookings). Tickets can be purchased at the Box Office, on 4723 5050 or online at <http://bluemountainstheatreandhub.com.au/box-office/>
- Sat 10 Aug 2019** **Acrylic fundamentals with Geoff Hayes** – Blackheath Art Society, 139a Station Street, Blackheath
This workshop is a one-day introduction to painting with acrylics and is suitable for beginners with no experience as well as artists experienced in other mediums who would like to learn more about working with acrylic paint. This workshop will deliver a good overview of techniques, understanding of a basic palette, basic colour mixing and a chance to experiment to discover your own preferences. Suitable for beginners, some materials provided for an additional fee of \$5. Time: 10am – 4pm. Entry: \$90 (discounts apply for BAS members). Registration forms available at www.blackheathart.com/forms. Closing date for registrations: Friday 26 July 2019. To book email workshops@blackheathart.com or contact Jo Chipperfield on 0418 633 923
- Sun 11 Aug 2019** **Vietnam Veterans’ & Assoc. Forces Memorial Day** – March on Macquarie Road, and service at Buckland Park War Memorial, Springwood. The Vietnam Veterans Memorial Day March and Service commemorate the Battle of Long Tan, the most significant engagement by Australian Forces during the Vietnam War on 18 August 1966. Each year on the closest Sunday, Vietnam Veterans gather at the War Memorial for a commemorative service and wreath-laying. Time: March starts 11.30, Service starts 12 noon, Beating the Retreat at 4pm. P: 4751 8528 www.bmvets.com.au
- Wed 14 Aug 2019** **Morning Melodies: Rockabilly Heaven – Lonnie Lee & The Leemen** – Blue Mountains Theatre, 106 Macquarie Road, Springwood. Lonnie burst onto the music scene in the late 1950s, writing his first chartbuster with Johnny O’Keefe. Hit after hit followed, and Lonnie’s musical career took him to Nashville. Considered the ‘last man standing’ of his era, the dynamic Lonnie Lee & The Leeman have still got what it takes to get you bopping and boogieing. Time: 11am. Entry: \$20 (includes complimentary Devonshire-style morning tea at 10am before the concert). Tickets can be purchased at the Box Office, on 4723 5050 or online at <http://bluemountainstheatreandhub.com.au/box-office/>
- Thurs 15 Aug 2019** **Sydney Comedy Festival Showcase 2019** – Blue Mountains Theatre, 106 Macquarie Road, Springwood. Expertly curated, the showcase will feature some of the festival’s hottest acts live on stage for an incredible two hours of hard-hitting laughter. Time: 8pm. Entry: \$35 Adult, \$32 Concession. Tickets can be purchased at the Box Office, on 4723 5050 or online at <http://bluemountainstheatreandhub.com.au/box-office/>

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**Thurs 15 – Sun
18 Aug 2019**

The Annual Blue Mountains Elvis Festival – Katoomba RSL Club, le Salon Grand at Palais Royale Hotel, the Family Hotel and other venues. Featuring some of the finest ETAs (Elvis Tribute Artists) in Australia, along with a range of attractions and activities, this Festival includes five major shows at the Katoomba RSL Club, plus the Opening Gala Dinner at the Palais Royale. Featuring world-class performers Johnny Lee Memphis, Marcus Jackson, Stuey V, Terry Leonard, and many more. Backed by the Legends TCB Band and the Memphis Belles. Please refer to the website for further ticket details and the programme. <https://bluemountainselvisfestival.com.au/>

Sat 17 Aug 2019

Soweto Gospel Choir – Blue Mountains Theatre, 106 Macquarie Road, Springwood. Winner of the 2019 Grammy Award for Best World Music Album, the world's most critically acclaimed choir brings their "Freedom" concert to Australia for the first time. Hailing from the town of Soweto, the birthplace of South Africa's democratic movement's struggle for freedom, Soweto Gospel Choir inspires audiences around the world with their powerful blend of African gospel, freedom songs, and international classics. Don't miss the spectacular Soweto Gospel Choir! Time: 7.30pm. Entry: \$79.90 Adult, \$72.90 Concession, \$49.90 Child, \$250 Family. Tickets can be purchased at the Box Office, on 4723 5050 or online at <http://bluemountainstheatrehub.com.au/box-office/>

**Thurs 22 – Sun
25 Aug 2019**

Blue Mountains Writers' Festival – The Carrington Hotel, Blue Mountains Cultural Centre, Katoomba Library and Varuna – The National Writers' House. The inaugural four-day Blue Mountains Writers' Festival, to be held from Thursday 22 to Sunday 25 August 2019, is the place to be. A celebration of place, writers, writing and reading, our Festival offers something for everyone, including author talks, panel presentations, literary dinners, book clubs with celebrity authors, childrens' and young adult events, musical events, writing workshops, book launches and more. See website for more details. The full program will be announced 24 June 2019. www.bluemountainwritersfestival.com.au

**Sat 24 Aug –
Sun 1 Sept 2019**

Daffodil Festival – Throughout the Garden, Blue Mountains Botanical Garden, Bells Line of Road, Mt Tomah. With optimum growing conditions, the Garden will be transformed by a sea of gold as plantings of daffodils erupt in bloom. Enjoy a picnic, take some photos or simply enjoy the mass plantings. View the many varieties of cut flower in the Visitor Centre with cut flowers available for purchase along with Cancer Council Daffodil Day merchandise. Time: 9.30am – 4.30pm daily. FREE entry although for a small fee, book in for a guided daffodil walk or our bulb growing workshop. www.bluemountainsbotanicgarden.com.au/What-s-On

Sat 31 Aug 2019

Japanese Tea Ceremony – Chado – Everglades Historic House and Garden, 37 Everglades Avenue, Leura. This is a Japanese cultural activity involving the ceremonial preparation and presentation of matcha (green tea). The presenters will wear beautiful Kimono and an afternoon tea of both Australian and Japanese food will be served following the ceremony. Time: 1.30pm. Entry: \$45 per person or \$40 for National Trust Members. Bookings essential. www.trybooking.com/479074 Enquiries: 0410 312 827

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Sat 31 Aug 2019 **Wayne Donnelly, Hypno-Comedian** – le Salon Grand, Palais Royale, 230 Katoomba St, Katoomba. Mirth, Mesmerism & Mayhem. Donnelly will weave his magic as local audience volunteers are put under his spell right before your eyes, and become the stars in the show. A fantastic night out where you will see people having fun on stage for the comedic entertainment of the audience, a show where you and your friends can become the stars of the show in a safe, tasteful and unforgettable way that will have you laughing and talking about the experience long after the show. Time: Dinner 6.30pm, Show 7.30pm. Entry: \$99 dinner and show, \$65 couple light supper & show, \$55 single light supper and show, \$40 single show only. Group discounts available. www.salongrand.com.au

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Regular Happenings and Open Days

Every Weekend.	For the market enthusiast, every weekend in the Blue Mountains offers a different market to explore. Everything from organic foods, local art and craft to collectibles and clothes, there is a treasure to find for every avid market explorer. Ask for the Markets List at the Blue Mountains Visitor Information Centres.
Open first Sunday of every month (except January).	Wascoe Siding – Grahame Street, Blaxland. You are invited to bring family and friends to picnic in the grounds and enjoy a train ride on these miniature locomotives. Time: 10am – 4pm. Cost: \$4 per train ride. www.infoblue-mountains.net.au/rail/wascoe/
Normally open second and fourth Sunday of every month with some special open days – see website for dates.	Valley Heights Locomotive Depot Heritage Museum Open Days - Valley Heights Locomotive Depot Heritage Museum, Tusculum Rd, Valley Heights. Explore the oldest remaining roundhouse in NSW and take a short ride on a steam train or tram. Examine the exhibits of the historic locomotives, memorabilia, and more to learn about the history of the railways in the Mountains and on the Western Line. Time: 10am – 4pm (Last rides 3.30pm). Entry: Adult: \$15, Concession: \$13, Child (5-15): \$11, Children 4 and under: FREE, Family: \$45 www.infoblue-mountains.net.au/locodpot/index.shtml
Open Thursday to Sunday.	Braemar House & Gallery – Braemar House, 104 Macquarie Road, Springwood. Showcasing changing exhibitions of various mediums from both emerging and established artists work in one of Springwood's most historic buildings. Time: 10am – 4pm. FREE Admission. http://bluemountainculturalcentre.com.au/braemar-gallery/
Open third Saturday of every month.	Woodford Academy - 90-95 Great Western Highway, Woodford. This historic property dates back to the 1830s. Time: 10am – 4pm or by appointment. Cost: Adult: \$10, Child/Concession: \$8, Family \$25. Guided Tours included with Museum entry (subject to availability). Also open by appointment for groups of 10 or more (subject to availability). P: 4758 8743 E: woodfordacademy@gmail.com www.nationaltrust.org.au/places/woodford-academy/
Open last Sunday of the month (except December). See website for more details.	Historic Tarella Cottage Museum – 99-101 Blaxland Road, Wentworth Falls. Built in the 1890s, this cottage museum is a hidden treasure filled with a wonderful collection of memorabilia of the late 19th and early 20th centuries. Homemade refreshments available for purchase. Time: 10am – 3pm. Entry: Adults \$5, Child \$2. (Cash only.) Groups welcome throughout the year by prior arrangement. P: 4757 3824 www.bluemountainshistory.com
Every Saturday & Sunday Katoomba Every Saturday Springwood	Board Games at the Libraries – Katoomba and Springwood Libraries. Come and join in the fun and games at the Libraries. Explore new and more complex games at Katoomba Library every first Saturday of the month with Afternoonified. All ages and levels of ability welcome. Time: 11am – 3pm. FREE Entry. P: 4780 5750

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Every Saturday.

Saturday Chess at Katoomba Library – 30 Parke St, Katoomba. Come and join in the fun and sociable atmosphere of Saturday Chess. Both friendly and tournament style chess available all day. All ages and levels of ability welcome. Time: 11am – 3pm. FREE Entry. P: 4780 5750

Last Sunday of each month, Feb to Nov.

Blue Mountains Radio Players – Palais Royale, 230 Katoomba Street, Katoomba. Performances are before a live audience, using mainly scripts transcribed from original performances of the 1930s, 1940s and 1950s. The repertoire includes plays from long-running drama series such as ‘Suspense’, ‘Escape’ and ‘Quiet, Please!’, episodes from the comedy series Easy Aces and Life of Riley; and crimes solved by Sherlock Holmes and more. Time: 2.30pm. P: 4784 6300
<https://sites.google.com/site/bmradioplayers/performances>

Open daily (Closed Christmas Day).

Blue Mountains Heritage Centre, Blackheath – End of Govetts Leap Road, Blackheath. New exhibition every month. FREE Entry. Time: 9am – 4.30pm. P: 4787 8877
www.nationalparks.nsw.gov.au/things-to-do/Visitor-centres/Blue-Mountains-Heritage-Centre

Saturday afternoons on selected dates, March to July.

Blackheath Philosophy Forum – Blackheath Community Hall, Corner of Great Western Highway and Gardiner Crescent, Blackheath. Blackheath Philosophy Forum was founded in 2002 to arrange public discussion forums on philosophy and related topics. See program on the website for dates and topics. Time: 4pm. Entry: \$10 payable at the door (includes afternoon tea).
<https://blackheathphilosophy.org/entry/Home>

Open weekends, public & school holidays.
Closed Christmas Day and Good Friday.

Mount Victoria & District Historical Society Museum – Located at the back of Mount Victoria Railway Station. Opening in 1868, this Heritage Listed sandstone station is now a museum full to the brim with memorabilia of early history and old ways of living, farming and working in the upper mountains. Time: 12noon – 3pm. Entry: \$5 Adult, \$1 Child. Donations Welcome.
<http://mountvictoriamuseum.info/>

Blue Mountains City of the Arts Events – Various Locations and Times.

Inspired by the natural beauty of this World Heritage Listed area, the Blue Mountains has a vibrant community of artists, writers, composers, poets, sculptors, performers, artisans and creatives who live, work, entertain and educate visitors to the Region. Everything from workshops to exhibitions, poetry readings to concerts, radio plays to films, there is something for everyone who wants to experience why the Blue Mountains was the NSW Inaugural City of the Arts. For more information on a full range of our City of the Arts cultural events “Like” the facebook page – www.facebook.com/cityofthearts

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