

Greater Port Macquarie

What's On May 2009



Exhibition: Elizabeth Day and Lisa Andrew - Thursday 26 March 2009 to Sunday 17 May 2009

Visit the Port Macquarie Hastings Regional Gallery to view the exceptional works of two international artists, Elizabeth Day and Lisa Andrew working in the medium of fibre. Elizabeth Day's work entwines the themes of emigrant/immigrant experience as she reconfigures wool, muslin and plastic to create interrelating and unique works. Lisa Andrew, an installation artist, applies the layering of felt, fibre and mixed media, generating new and distinctive 'interfaces', resulting in strikingly aesthetic pieces that engage the viewer. This is a free event. Opening hours 10.00 AM - 4.00 PM Wednesday to Friday and 11.00 AM - 3.00 PM Saturday and Sunday, Port Macquarie Regional Gallery, 62 Horton Street, Port Macquarie. Contact Niomi Sands by phone on 02 6581 8877 for further information.

Eccentric Anomalies – 9 April 2009 to Sunday 7 June 2009

A vibrant collection of exciting new contemporary art works. Influenced by Australian culture and heritage encompassing economic, social and environmental issues, will form the nucleus of the exhibition. Blue Poles Café & Gallery is open Thursday to Sunday, 10am to 4pm. This is a free event. Blue Poles Café and Gallery, 1086 Comboyne Road, Byabarra. Contact Ian Farlow by phone on 02 6587 1167 for further information.

2009 Camden Haven Music Festival - Friday 24 April 2009 to Sunday 3 May 2009

The Camden Haven Music Festival strives to deliver a festival of national significance that provides a unique celebration of fine and diverse musical experiences. The Festival will be held in various venues in Port Macquarie, Laurieton, Kendall and North Haven. For prices and event times please contact Alvena Ferguson by phone on 02 6556 9622 for further information.

Annie Players Theatre - Friday 1 May 2009 to Sunday 24 May 2009

Players Theatre presents the musical Annie, the story of little orphan Annie, the child with indomitable spirit. Directed by Dennis Knuden and musical director Pat Frank. Performance times are Wednesday, Friday, Saturday nights at 8.00pm and Sundays at 2pm. \$27.00 Adult, \$18.00 Child, \$24.00 Concession, \$22.00 Members. Players Theatre, Corner Gordon and Lord Street, Port Macquarie. Contact Greater Port Macquarie Visitor Information Centre by phone on 6581 8000 for tickets and further information.

The Spirit of the Camden Haven Art Exhibition - Friday 1 May 2009 to Sunday 3 May 2009

The Hastings Valley Fine Art Association in conjunction with The Camden Haven Music Festival and Slice of Haven is holding an art exhibition and sale of original paintings by members of the association. The Best Painting in Show receives a \$500 prize, sponsored by Camden Haven Chamber of Commerce Industry and Tourism. 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM. Entry gold coin donation. St Peter the Fisherman Catholic Church Hall, 421 Ocean Drive, Laurieton. Contact Rita Carosi by phone on 6586 3236 for further information.

Dunbogan Rainforest Matters - Saturday 2 May 2009

Caring for our Country, an information morning at the Camden Head Pilot Station, find out why our rainforests are important. There will be speakers from NPWS and Landcare. This is a free event. 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM. Camden Head Pilot Station, Camden Head Rd, Camden Head. Contact Ross Butlin by phone on 65596699 for further information.

Exhibition of the National Wetland Care Art Competition - Saturday 2 May 2009 to Tuesday 30 June 2009

A regional exhibition of the winning works in the Wetland Care National Art Competition 2009. 9:00 AM – 4:30 PM. This is a free event. Sea Acres Rainforest Centre, Pacific Drive, Port Macquarie. Contact Janet Cohen by phone on 6582 3355 for further information.

Ruins by Starlight - Saturday 2 May 2009

The remains of the once majestic Lake Innes House, a grand convict built country mansion, are nestled amongst the bush on the Innes peninsula overlooking the tranquil Lake Innes. Visitors will be split into groups and rotate between three fun activities, which are, spotlight tour, telescope viewing and a guided tour through the ruins. 7:00 PM – 9:30 PM. \$13.20 Adult, \$5.00 Child, \$32.00 family. Lake Innes Nature Reserve, Historic Innes Ruins, The Ruins Way (off Oxley Hwy), Port Macquarie. Contact Visitor Information Centre by phone on 6581 8000 for tickets and further information.

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Slice Of Haven - Food and Wine Festival - Sunday 3 May 2009

The Camden Haven Chamber of Commerce and Industry presents Slice Of Haven 2009. The day will be a showcase of the best food and wine on offer in The Camden Haven, 100 to 150 of the finest food and wine stallholders from The Camden Haven will be on display with tastings and sales available. It will be a great day for all the family with music, street theatre and rides. Bring a picnic blanket, chairs and relax on the grass expanse behind the club at the water's edge, enjoying the finest the Camden Haven has to offer. 10:30 AM – 5:00 PM. This is a free event. Laurieton United Servicemens Club, Seymour Street, Laurieton. Contact Gordon Wiegold by phone on 0418 266 700 for further information.

Hastings Women's Frame Drum Circle - Monday 4 May 2009

Let the Power of rhythm move you in the Women's Frame Drum Circle. Feel relaxed, invigorated and joyful, after an afternoon of chanting and frame drumming with the girls from Mountain River Drums. 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM. \$15.00 Adult, \$10.00 Concession. Mac Adams Music Centre, Gordon Street, Port Macquarie. Contact Ruth Shepherd by phone on 6567 8131 for further information.

Mad Hatter's Tea Party - Wednesday 6 May 2009

Join the Friends of Port Macquarie Library in the tradition of Alice in Wonderland at their Mad Hatter's Tea Party in support of Australia's Biggest Morning Tea. Wear a hat and be in the running to win a prize. Come along for great fun and delicious food. 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM. Entry gold coin donation. Port Macquarie Library, Corner of Gordon & Grant Streets, Port Macquarie. Contact Judith Hansen by phone on 6582 7932 for further information.

Autumn Orchid Show - Friday 8 May 2009 to Sunday 10 May 2009

Mothers Day weekend will have displays of orchids and bromeliads for judging. There will be vendors with sales tables of Orchids and Bromeliads from New South Wales and South Australia, especially with flowering plants for Mothers Day and seedlings. There will be potting demonstrations on each day at 11.00am. 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM. Entry gold coin donation. Port Macquarie Panthers, 1 Bay Street, Port Macquarie. Contact John Matthews by phone on 0265820186 for further information.

Wauchope Library Book Launch - Friday 8 May 2009

Visit Wauchope Library to get your first look and grab at the launch of a whole slew of brand new items including books, CDs, DVDs, and more! This is the first time such a launch has been done outside Port Macquarie Library so don't miss out. 10:00 AM. This is a free event. Wauchope Library, High Street, Wauchope. Contact Brendan McDonald by phone on (02) 6581 8162 for further information.

Haydn True - Saturday 9 May 2009 to Sunday 10 May 2009

Bringing a rich tapestry of music from the Classical period to audiences. Audiences will delight in a Trumpet Concerto performed by trumpeter extraordinaire, Jason Heise, a short Symphony and the extraordinary Nelson Mass. After the Sunday performance, enjoy a sumptuous Mothers Day afternoon tea. Saturday 9 May 8:00 PM. Sunday 10 May 2:00 PM. \$25.00 Adult, \$10.00 Child, \$20.00 Concession. Baptist Church, Port Macquarie, McIntyre Close, Port Macquarie. Contact Greater Port Macquarie Visitor Information Centre by phone on 6581 8000 for tickets and further information.

Tribute to Mothers - Saturday 9 May 2009

Step back into the past, where you will see handicraft items from generations ago. There will be lace making demonstrations, afternoon tea will be included in the price. 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM. \$2.00 Adult. Tenyson Woods Centre Lochinvar Place, St Agnes Village, Port Macquarie. Contact Patrica Godfrey by phone on 0409 851 854 for further information.

Jazz in the Vineyard - Sunday 10 May 2009

Bago Vineyards host the long running traditional Mothers Day 'Jazz in the Vineyards'. Since 1996 Bago Vineyards have provided an idyllic setting for a great family day out with foundation band 'Reds' Jazz Quintet providing the entertainment. The vineyard setting provides ample room for family reunions on Mothers Day with the 'under construction' maze providing another source of entertainment for the children. Hot and cold food is available, however family's are welcome to bring along a picnic basket. Wine tasting and cellar door sales also available. 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM. \$5.00 Adult, Children free. Bago Vineyards, Milligans Road, Wauchope. Contact Ian Adams by phone on 6585 7099 for further information.

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Volunteer Expo - Thursday 14 May 2009

2009 Volunteer Expo celebrates National Volunteers Week. This will have a wide range of volunteer organisations present on the day to provide information about the services they provide, talk to you about volunteering opportunities and also to recognise the valuable role volunteers have in our community. Contact Julie Murray by phone on 65864055 for further information.

Sunwrae Ensemble's Autumn Never Fall Concert - Friday 15 May 2009

Sunwrae's Australian Tour Autumn Never Fall presents a dynamic performance of cinematic music, accompanied by stunning projected visuals. Performed by a nine-piece chamber group on grand piano, vibraphone, string quartet, harp, alto flute, double bass and drums, the ensemble showcases some of Australia's most versatile musicians, performing a rich blend of original music by Artistic Director Rae Howell. 8:00 PM. \$26.00 Adult, \$20.00 Concession, \$20.00 Members. St Columba Chapel, Iona Ave, Port Macquarie. Contact Greater Port Macquarie Visitors Information Centre by phone on 6581 8000 for tickets and further information.

International Museums Day - Sunday 17 May 2009

Come along for a special Sunday opening of Port Macquarie Historical Museum to celebrate International Museums Day. Visit the Museum's 14 rooms of displays and exhibits and celebrate International Museums Day. Guided or self guided tours available. 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM. This is a free event. Port Macquarie Historical Museum, 22 Clarence Street, Port Macquarie. Contact Leonie Laws by phone on 02 6583 1108 for further information.

Mad Hatters Tea Party in the Vines - Sunday 17 May 2009

Come along dressed up in your "Craziest Hat or Outfit" for a day of fun and entertainment in the ambiance of the Douglas Vale Heritage Vineyard and cottage. There will be a wide variety of entertainment for all tastes. 10:30 AM – 3:00 PM. Adults \$12.00 pre purchased, Child \$8.00 pre purchased. Douglas Vale Homestead and Vineyard, Oxley Highway Port Macquarie. Contact Greater Port Macquarie Visitors Information Centre by phone on 6581 8000 for tickets and further information.

Maytime Markets - St Peter's Primary School - Sunday 17 May 2009

A family fun day with show bags, rides, white elephant, face painting, lucky dip, food, cake stall, pre-loved fashions, toys, books and much more. All welcome, come and have a great day out. 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM. This is a free event. St Peter's Primary School, Ocean Drive, Port Macquarie. Contact Di Hughes by phone on 65841962 for further information.

Country Pools Managers Conference - Wednesday 20 May 2009 to Friday 22 May 2009

The conference will provide an affordable conference and 'get together' for country based Pool Managers. Through this forum, all communities large and small will benefit. The trade show attracts about 30 aquatic industry businesses. The Westport Club, Buller Street, Port Macquarie. Contact Kerry Lynch by phone on 6541 4517 for further information.

Josh Pyke Chimey's Afire Album Tour - Saturday 23 May 2009

Multi ARIA award winning singer songwriter Josh Pyke returns from his sold out tour of the major cities early in the year, to play some one off shows including the Port Macquarie in his 'Chimney's Afire' Album Tour. 8:00 PM – 11:30 PM. \$33.00 pre purchased or \$40.00 at the door. Port Macquarie Panthers, 1 Bay Street, Port Macquarie. Contact Kirsty Cameron by phone on 0265862720 for further information.

Port Macquarie Hastings Municipal Band in Concert with Australian Army Band Sydney in Charity Concert Wednesday 27 May 2009

The Australian Army Band Sydney is one of the premiere Service Bands in the State. It is a privilege to have them visit Port Macquarie in their exciting plan to share their musical skills with school children of our region. Their evening concert, shared with the Town Band, is a golden opportunity for everyone to experience their high quality entertainment. 7:00 PM – 9:30 PM. \$10.00 Adult, \$5.00 Concession and Child. Port Macquarie Panthers, 1 Bay Street, Port Macquarie. Contact Keith Bergin by phone on 040 29 25 275 for further information.

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Boudoir Exhibition - Friday 29 May 2009 to Sunday 31 May 2009

This is a collection of erotic art from Veronique Bosshard and seven artists from the Hastings and Sydney. The opening will be at Sails Resort on Friday 29 of May, at 6.30 pm. Guest speaker will be Frankie J Holden and erotic tango. Adults only. \$15.00 Adult. Quality Resort Sails, 20 Park Street, Port Macquarie. Contact Veronique Bosshard by phone on 65 841864 for further information.

Sidewalk Astronomy - Sunday 31 May 2009

Using telescopes from the Observatory, looking at the sun, moon and planets in the afternoon sky, at The Town Green from 3pm - 5pm. Weather permitting. This is a free event. Phone Port Macquarie Astronomical Association Inc on 0403 683 394 for further information.

Port Macquarie Swap Meet - Sunday 31 May 2009

Port Macquarie Swap Meet hosted by the Hastings Auto Restorers Society Inc. The swap has something for everyone from cars, motorcycle and associated parts plus general bric-a-brac, collectables and other items of interest. \$3.00 Adult, Child free. Sites \$15.00. Port Macquarie Race Club, Oxley Highway, Port Macquarie. Phone Bookings on 0427 640 779 for further information.

What's On Weekly, Clubs, Associations & Society Meetings

Log on to our Downloads section of the website www.gpmevents.com.au and download a list of scheduled meetings occurring throughout the month.

What's On is featured on the Greater Port Macquarie website www.portmacquarieinfo.com.au
To submit your event, go to www.gpmevents.com.au and follow the prompts. All entries must be received by the 10th of the month to be included in the following months What's On.
For further information please contact the Greater Port Macquarie Visitor Information Centre ph 65 81 8000.



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Monthly Markets

<p align="center"><u>Saturday 2nd May</u></p> <p>Uniting Church Markets- 8.00 am to 11.30 am Uniting Church, Corner Oxley Highway and Sherwood Road. Enquiries: Contact Ken Elvy on 6581 2414.</p> <p>Wauchope Community Markets & Arts Bazaar- 8.00 am to 1.00pm. Uniting Church grounds, Hastings Street, Wauchope. Enquiries: Contact Robin Starr on 6585 1766.</p> <p>Dorrigo Country Markets- 8am to 2pm Dorrigo Showground. Enquiries: 66575244</p>	<p align="center"><u>Sunday 3rd May</u></p> <p>Port Macquarie Art Society Market Bazaar- 8.00 am to 1.00 pm. Hamilton House, 198 Hastings River Drive. Enquiries: 0409 244 317.</p> <p>Kendall Markets- 8.00am to 1.00pm. Kendall Showground. Enquiries: Contact Bev on 6556 5028.</p>
<p align="center"><u>Saturday 9th May</u></p> <p>Hastings Farmers' Market Port Macquarie- 8.00am – 12.00pm. Maritime Museum, Cnr William St & Pacific Drive. Enquiries: Contact Sonia Fingleton on 0414 376 868</p> <p>John's River Market- 9.00 am to 1.30 pm Community Hall, Pacific Highway. Contact Bev Yates on 6556 5028 or Rod Heath on 6556 5042.</p>	<p align="center"><u>Sunday 10th May</u></p> <p>Port Macquarie Art Society Market Bazaar- 8.00 am to 1.00 pm. Hamilton House, 198 Hastings River Drive. Enquiries: 0409 244 317.</p> <p>Port Macquarie Sunday Markets- 8.00am to 1.00pm. Westport Technology High. Findlay Avenue. Contact: Pat & Greg Clark on 0418 654 401 between 3-5pm only.</p>
<p align="center"><u>Saturday 16th May</u></p> <p>Comboyne Village Markets- 9.00am – 1.00pm. Comboyne Community Centre, opposite Udder Cow Café. Enquiries contact Margot Anderson on 6550 4393 or Marg Duffy on 6550 4346.</p> <p>St James Cottage Crafts- 9.30am to 2.00pm Opposite the Blue Poles Café and Gallery, Byabarra. Enquiries: Phone 6585 2019.</p> <p>Bellingen Community Markets- 8.00am to 3.00pm. Bellingen Park, Church Street. Enquiries: Bill Casey on 6655 2151.</p> <p>Wauchope High School Markets- 8.00am - 12 noon. Wauchope High School, Campbell St. Enquiries: Elizabeth on 6586 0229.</p>	<p align="center"><u>Sunday 17th May</u></p> <p>Port Macquarie Art Society Market Bazaar- 8.00 am to 1.00 pm. Hamilton House, 198 Hastings River Drive. Enquiries: 0409 244 317.</p> <p>Laurieton Riverwalk Market- 8.00 am to 1.00 pm. Corner Tunis & Short Streets, Laurieton. Enquiries: Wayne on 0428 695 084.</p>
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