

HARMONY FEST

16 - 26 March 2023 | Program Highlights

Brought to you by **CITY OF BALLARAT** 

Our Past. Our Future:

Celebrating and reflecting on the contributions of Victoria's multicultural communities

Daily 16 - 26 March

Weaving a New Life: Karen Tapestry Weavers

10am-5pm | Eureka Centre, Ballarat

'Weaving a New Life' is an exhibition curated by Sara Lindsay of tapestries by Cha Mai Oo, Mu Naw Poe, Paw Gay Poe and Shuklay Tahpo, from the Karen community of Australia. A Harmony Fest Ballarat exhibition presented by the Eureka Centre.

Museum entry fees apply

Thursday 16 March

St Patrick's Eve Dinner

6pm for 6.30pm start | Golf House Hotel, 920 Doveton Street North, Ballarat North

Ballarat and District Irish Association St. Patrick's Eve Dinner in the Doveton Room.

Bookings required. Cost as per menu. RSVP before 13 March to Megan 0419 392 200 or Helen 0407 770 209

Friday 17 March

St. Patrick's Day Flag Ceremony

10am | Queen Victoria Square, Sturt Street, Ballarat (opposite the Town Hall)

Friday 17 March

Harmony Week Intercultural Celebration

6pm-9pm | Ballarat Neighbourhood Centre, Ballarat South Community Hub

Ballarat Community Health & Ballarat Neighbourhood Centre invite you to a Free family event celebrating cultural diversity. Performances, taster workshops, children's activities, and dinner.

Bookings required. Book via Eventbrite eventbrite.com.au/e/harmony-week-2023-intercultural-celebration-tickets-545659641677

Friday 17 March

Ballarat Italian Association - Italian Film Festival

4pm | Regent Cinema, Lydiard Street North, Ballarat

A Casa Tutti Bene [There Is No Place Like Home]

Friday 17 March

Indian Film Festival

Regent Cinema, Lydiard Street North, Ballarat

Saturday 18 & Sunday 19 March

Tai Chi

9am-10am | Lake Wendouree (Near Pipers)

No bookings required. Free.

Saturday 18 March

Kids, Crafting, Culture with Will Austin

10am-11am at Sebastopol Library, 181 Albert Street, Sebastopol

Join proud Peek Woorroong Keerraay Woorroong man Will Austin, as he captures the imaginations of our youngest minds through First Nations music, storytelling and fun cultural craft activities. A family friendly event with the craft element most suitable for pre-school and primary school aged children.

Materials will be supplied.

Saturday 18 March

Ballarat Italian Association - Italian Film Festival

6.20pm | Regent Cinema, Lydiard Street North, Ballarat

Finché C'è Prosecco C'è Speranza [The Last Prosecco]

Saturday 18 March

Holi Festival of Colours

Ballarat Indian Association

Saturday 18 March

The Big Biryani Fest

5pm-8pm | St Patrick's Cathedral Hall, 3 Lyons Street South, Ballarat

Hosted by Ballarat Malayalee Association Inc.

Bookings required, bmaballarat.com.au/event-details/the-big-biryani-fest/10075

Sunday 19 March

Ballarat Interfaith Friendship Walk

2-5pm | Beginning at the Ballarat Mosque

Ballarat Interfaith Network together with BRMC invites you to join the friendship walk and learn about Islamic, Jewish, and Orthodox Christian beliefs.

Beginning at the Ballarat Mosque, 116 Elsworth Street East, Canadian, walking to BRMC Welcome Centre Hall, 25-39 Barkly Street, Bakery Hill, Ballarat East ending at St Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church, 116 Humffray Street North, Ballarat East.

Refreshments provided. All Welcome.

Sunday 19 March

Filipino Australian Association of Ballarat Inc (FAABI) Picnic

1pm-4pm | Victoria Park

Sunday 19 March

Displaced: a film by Sharon Ryba-Kahn

3-5pm | Eureka Centre Ballarat

Join us to mark Ballarat Harmony Fest with a screening of Sharon Ryba-Kahn film, 'Displaced. Sharon was born in Munich, Germany and now divides her time between Europe and Ballarat. In her film 'Displaced', Sharon shares her personal journey as a third generation Holocaust survivor.

After the screening, Dr Anna Hirsh, Manager of Collections & Research at Melbourne Holocaust Museum will discuss the film with Sharon, who will join us live via Zoom from Germany.

Free. Bookings required via Eventbrite

displaced-film-screening.eventbrite.com.au

Sunday 19 March

Taste of India- A food festival with a purpose to benefit the homeless

6pm-9pm | St Patrick's Cathedral Hall,
3 Lyons Street South, Ballarat

Hosted by the Ballarat Keralites' Foundation of Australia Inc.

Bookings required. via trybooking.com/CGBXF

Monday 20 March

Kids, Crafting, Culture with Will Austin

4pm-5pm | Wendouree Neighbourhood Centre,
Grevillea Road, Wendouree

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Tuesday 21 March

Harmony Day Official Flag Raising

10.30am | Sturt Street (opposite the Town Hall)

Flag raising at Queen Victoria Square, followed by a morning tea at the Town Hall.

Tuesday 21 March

Naw-Ruz (Baha'i New Year)

6pm | Ballarat Neighbourhood Centre, Ballarat South
Community Hub, 11 Tuppen Drive, Sebastopol

Tuesday 21 March

Street Soccer

1pm-3pm | Eastern Oval Netball Courts, Scott Parade,
Ballarat East

The Big Issue invites you to come and try Street Soccer at the Eastern Oval Netball Courts.

No bookings required. Free.

Wednesday 22 March

Cultural Cooking Class

4pm-7pm | Community Kitchen, Barkly Square,
25-39 Barkly Street, Ballarat East

Centre for Multicultural Youth (CMY).

Thursday 23 March

Intercultural Recognition Awards

5.30pm-7.30pm | Ballarat Town Hall

As part of celebrating Ballarat's diversity advantage, we will recognise various individuals, organisations and businesses who have made a valuable contribution to our Intercultural Community.

Friday 24 March

Barkly Square Global Market

3pm-8pm | 25-39 Barkly Street, Ballarat East

This market will celebrate the multicultural community in Ballarat. Markets will feature workshops, food, activities and entertainment. This is the perfect place for families and community minded people to come together, enjoy some delicious food and browse locally made goods.

Free.

Friday 24 March

Indian Film Festival

Regent Cinema, Lydiard Street North, Ballarat

Saturday 25 & Sunday 26 March

Tai Chi

9-10am | Lake Wendouree (Near Pipers)

No bookings required. Free.

Sunday 26 March

Multicultural Stand Up Paddle Boarding (SUP)

11.30-1.30pm | Fairyland, Lake Wendouree

Surfing Victoria is bringing its Community Connects Multicultural Stand Up Paddleboarding (SUP) program back to Ballarat during Harmony Fest. This is a FREE program supported by City of Ballarat Youth Services and is open to young people aged 12-25.

Sunday 26 March

Harmony by the Lake

12pm-3.30pm | Lake Wendouree

A free community picnic, with music, dance, and activities for families and everyone at Lake Wendouree. Opposite the Lake Wendouree Adventure Playground, in between the Ballarat Tramway Museum and the Ballarat Fish Hatchery. Bring your own chairs, picnic blankets and enjoy the day. Food trucks will be on site at own cost.

*No alcohol please.



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Supporting City of Ballarat venues and services include Youth Services, Ballarat Libraries, Art Gallery of Ballarat, and the Eureka Centre.

