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### Knox Community Arts Centre





# Welcome to the Knox Community Arts Centre

Home of performing arts in Knox

Knox City Council is proud to present some of Australia's best performing artists and outstanding local talent within the Knox Community Arts Centre 2023 Program.

The 2023 program showcases a diverse mix of professional evening shows featuring comedy, music, and cabaret performances, along with a daytime program and family school holiday programs.

Partnerships with local community groups once again bring an engaging mix of quality home grown theatre, musical productions, and creative workshops to the venue, offering something for everyone!

We wish you an enjoyable year of entertainment at the Knox Community Arts Centre in 2023.

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## About the venue

Knox Community Arts Centre offers a range of services that support performing arts and community activities in Knox.

#### Venue hire

We have a medium sized theatre and large meeting room available for hire. These spaces are ideal for keynote events, theatre shows, school productions, film screenings, presentations, meetings, workshops and conferences.

For more information and rates, visit or contact us to arrange a venue tour, quote or booking.

### **Accessibility**

Knox Community Arts Centre is accessible to people of all abilities.



Scan the QR code or visit knox.vic.gov.au/kcac to view the Access Key or contact us for more information or to request a copy.

### Contact us & box office

For ticket purchases, venue hire or other enquiries, contact us:

#### **Box Office:**

located in the main foyer of the venue. Open Monday - Friday, 10:00am - 4:00pm

(03) 9729 7287

knox.vic.gov.au/kcac

arts@knox.vic.gov.au

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# Community programs

### **Partnership** events

We partner with local services to host events throughout the year, such as:

- Harmony Week
- Reconciliation Week
- NAIDOC Week
- Seniors Festival
- Pop Up Arts Events

Follow Knox Arts and Events on Facebook and Instagram to find out what's on, or subscribe to our eNew at knox.vic.gov.au/arts.



### **Community arts programs**

Knox Community Arts Centre is the proud home to a number of community organisations who offer musical theatre productions, recitals, classes, social groups, creative workshops and other functions at the venue. Explore their arts programs here:

3D Arts Company	www.3darts.com.au
Aspect Motion School of Dance	www.aspectmotiondance.com
ASV Academy	ASV Academy; Singers, Musicians & Performers
Drumming Circle	www.thecreativeartssociety.com.au
Foothills Dance Academy	www.foothillsdanceacademy.com.au
Freedom Music Studios	www.freedommusicstudios.com
InMove Performing Arts	www.inmove.com.au
Lumina Theatre Company	f Lumina Theatre Co.
Melbourne Indian Theatre	MiTheatre - Melbourne Indian Theatre
Out Of the Wings Theatre	www.outofthewingstheatre.wixsite.com
SLAMS Music Theatre Company	www.slams.org.au
Tempo Dance Company	www.tempodancecompany.com.au

## Community theatres in Knox

Knox is a thriving performing arts community, with so much on offer locally and some other great venues to explore.



### 1812 Theatre

1-3 Rose Street, Upper Ferntree Gully

Built in the 1930s, the 1812 Theatre presents a broad selection of live theatre productions featuring local talents each year, across two performance spaces.

For details on upcoming productions visit 1812theatre.com.au



### The Basin Theatre

Corner Doongalla Rd and Simpsons Rd, The Basin

The multi award-winning Basin Theatre Group has been presenting live community theatre for more than 60 years.

Enjoy free parking, sherries on arrival, light supper, a licenced bar, and low ticket prices.

For details on upcoming productions visit thebasintheatre.org.au or facebook.com/TheBasinTheatre/



### **Fab Nobs Theatre Inc**

33 Industry Place, Bayswater

Fab Nobs Theatre Inc is a non-for profit organisation, which produces four theatrical productions a year, including one junior production, one pantomime and two open productions.

For details on upcoming productions visit fabnobstheatre.com.au or facebook.com/fabnobs.theatreinc

### Cilla - You're My World

The Cilla Black Story featuring Danielle O'Malley



Cilla Black is back! 'Cilla-You're My World' is a cabaret full of the power house vocals and selfdeprecating humour that made Cilla Black one of the UK's most beloved icons. Featuring acclaimed performer Danielle O'Malley, audiences are given a glimpse into the world of the British pop icon and television personality at the peak of her popularity.

While belting out "Anyone Who Had a Heart" and "Alfie", Danielle shares stories about Cilla's childhood in Liverpool.

Featuring songs such as "Alfie", "Step Inside Love", "Going Out of My Head", "Sing A Rainbow", "Anyone Who Had a Heart", "What the World Needs Now", "You're My World", and many more.

Written and performed by Danielle O'Malley with musical direction by Mark Jones.







Tue 7 March \_\_\_ 11:00am 70 minutes \_\_\_ no interval \$22 \_\_\_ Adult

\$20 \_\_ Child \$18 \_\_ Grp/6+

### Sionnach Rua's Great Irish Song Book



Sionnach Rua's Great Irish Song Book brings Ireland's rich and unique culture to the shores of Australia, with a romantic passion that runs deep in Celtic veins.

Sionnach Rua's Great Irish Song Book is an authentic music and story catalogue from Irish born and raised front man, Gallie.

Interwoven with rich stories from Gallie's Irish upbringing, with tales of Irish traditions and histories, audiences will be transported back to a lively session in a celebration of Celtic music with songs ranging from Planxty to Van Morrison to the Dubliners.

This stage show will make you feel like you are visiting a lively "session" in an Irish bar without having to travel to Dingle.

An assured crowd pleaser.



Fri 31 Mar \_\_\_ 7:30pm 90 minutes \_\_\_ + interval

\$33 \_\_\_ Adult \$30 \_\_\_ Conc

\$30 \_\_ Conc \$28 \_\_ Grp/6+

### The Songs of Burt Bacharach

featuring Michael Cormick



In the 1960s and 70s, Burt Bacharach wrote an astonishing amount of hits.

You'll feel like you're back in your favourite chair in your childhood living room as internationally renowned singer and actor, Michael Cormick, chats about Burt Bacharach and croons through his favourite tunes, including "Do You Know the Way to San Jose?", "I'll Never Fall in Love Again", "There's Always Something There to Remind Me", "Say a Little Prayer", "Close to

You" and "What the World Needs Now".

Michael has had a diverse career throughout Australia, the United Kingdom and Europe. He is one of Australia's favourite leading men, performing in shows including The Phantom of the Opera, Beauty and the Beast, Cats, Grease, The Rocky Horror Show, Mamma Mia! and Jesus Christ Superstar.





Tue 4 April \_\_\_ 11:00am 70 minutes \_\_\_ no interval

\$22 \_\_\_ Adult \$20 \_\_\_ Conc

\$18 \_\_ Grp/6+

### Bunkasaurus By Bunk Puppets

School Holiday Feature Show



In Bunkasaurus, two clowns are distracted from the serious work at hand: stacking boxes in a warehouse. They fall into a world of puppetry and silent comedy, creating a universe soaked in imagination and creativity.

Bunk Puppets focus on DIY entertainment using simple materials, and household items. The transformation of ordinary objects into live shadow puppet cartoons leaves the audience with an imaginative experience.

A jaunty new adventure from the DIY masters of puppetry and theatrical wizardry, Bunk Puppets promise to rip open your imagination with their cast of slapdash puppets, bizarre characters and riveting illusions!









Fri 21 April \_\_\_ 11:00am 55 minutes \_\_\_ no interval For Ages: 6+

\$18 \_\_\_ Adult \$15 \_\_\_ Child \$52 \_\_\_ Family/4

### Melbourne International Comedy Festival Roadshow



Australia's biggest and best comedy festival is hitting the road for a huge 25th year! Featuring the best and brightest of the 2023 Melbourne International Comedy Festival, we're bringing the funny to you!

Get ready for a stellar line-up with Roadshow favourites alongside the most talked-about breakthrough stars of the moment, together in one jam-packed show that's sure to leave the whole nation laughing.

So, get some mates together, book your tickets and head out for a muchneeded comedy fix!

Show warning: Performances often contain course language, adult themes, sexual references and material that may offend some people. It is recommended for mature audiences aged 15 years or older





"A great night's entertainment with something for everyone."
Manning River Times



Thu 27 Apr \_\_\_ 7:30pm 115 min \_\_\_ + interval

\$42 \_\_\_ Adult

\$39 \_\_\_ Conc \$37 \_\_\_ Grp/8+

### The Songs of Eva Cassidy

featuring Silvie Paladino



The Songs of Eva Cassidy is a celebration of one of the great voices of the 20th Century, and who better to pay tribute to this genius than Australia's own Silvie Paladino.

Silvie is one of Australia's most versatile and talented entertainers. She is a popular concert performer, recording artist, and has starred in musicals such as Mamma Mia!, Cats and Les Misérables in Australia and on London's West End. She is also well known

to Australian audiences as a regular on Carols by Candlelight.

The show features inspired re-imaginings of such classic tunes as "Over the Rainbow", "Fields of Gold", "Autumn Leaves", "Time After Time", "Ain't No Sunshine", "Bridge Over Troubled Water", "What a Wonderful World" and, of course, "Songbird".

Back by popular demand!





Tue 2 May \_\_\_ 11am & 2pm 70 min \_\_\_ No interval

\$22 \_\_\_ Adult

\$20 \_\_ Conc \$18 \_\_ Grp/6+

### Oh Carole! The Songs of Carole King and Neil Sedaka

featuring Gina Hogan and Mark Jones



They were two of the biggest hit-makers of the 60s and 70s - and they dated in high school!

They never wrote a song together but continued to support and inspire each other as they worked side by side in New York's legendary hit factory, The Brill Building.

'Oh Carole!' is a toe-tapping tribute to the most joyful era of pop music and two of the greatest songwriters of all time. Their hits include "Will You Love Me Tomorrow", "Calendar Girl", "Natural Woman", "The Locomotion", "Love Will Keep Us Together", "I Feel the Earth Move", "You've Got A Friend", and many more!



"Mark Jones is one of Australia's greatest cabaret assets."



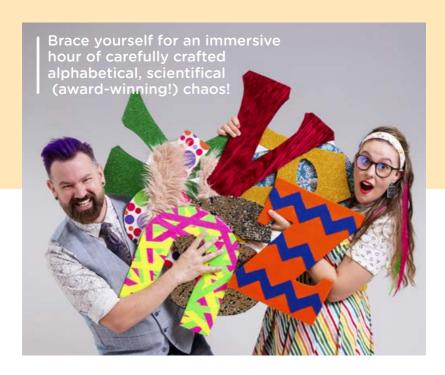
Tue 6 Jun \_\_\_ 11:00am 70 min \_\_\_ no interval

\$22 \_\_\_ Adult \$20 \_\_\_ Conc

\$18 \_\_ Grp/6+

### The Alphabet of Awesome Science

**School Holiday Feature Show** 



Join professors Lexi Con and Noel Edge (the Word Nerd and the Science Freak) for a thrilling voyage through the alphabet - where great big chewy sesquipedalian words inspire mind-blowing scientific surprises.

Professor Lexi Con has curated a curious collection of her favourite words (one for every letter of the alphabet), each providing Professor Noel Edge with an inspirational jumping off point for 26 quirky scientific demonstrations - that squish and squirt, float and fly, erupt and explode.

Together, this dad-joke quipping, prank-pulling pair of polished professors strut their stuff in a performance that's equal parts explosive, messy, spectacular, hilarious, fascinating and gross.

Plus, did we mention, this is a race? The plucky pair of professors have just 52 minutes to complete their alphabetical, scientifical countdown. That's just 2 minutes per experiment! Will they make it in time...?



Mon 26 Jun \_\_\_ 11am & 2pm 60 min \_\_\_ no interval For Ages: 5+

\$18 \_\_\_ Adult \$15 \_\_\_ Child

\$52 \_\_ Family/4

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### The Piano Men

featuring Craig Schneider



Join award-winning pianist and vocalist, Craig Schneider, as he explores the full spectrum of piano music from classical through ragtime, jazz and blues to rock and roll.

Featuring music and songs from Frederic Chopin, Billy Joel, Elton John, George Gershwin, Irving Berlin, Dave Brubeck, Barry Manilow, Peter Allen, Jerry Lee Lewis, and Oscar Peterson, the show is a tour de force of piano music.

From the great classical composers to popular and rock artists and the technical wizardry of the jazz greats, Craig takes the audience on a journey of discovery of the wonderful music made by the men who, like him, love the piano.



"A great show...
a musical tour
de force"

Richard Windeyer, Muse Magazine



Tue 4 Jul \_\_\_ 11:00am 70 min \_\_\_ no interval

\$22 \_\_\_ Adult

\$20 \_\_\_ Conc \$18 \_\_\_ Grp/6+

### You Are a Doughnut

School Holiday Feature Show



From the creators of The Alphabet of Awesome Science comes a brand new biological-musical-comedy-adventure — that explores the ins and outs of the human digestive system!

Join tour guide Oesoph A. Gus and class clown Dewey Dean as they embark upon a brilliant exploration of every twisting tube and remarkable organ — with sketches, songs and sensational science! Plus... puppets and fireballs and (of course) one or two

(highly appropriate!) fart jokes.

It's a fast-paced variety hour — with each new digestive destination inspiring a wonderfully unusual performance.

Brace yourself for the weirdest (and most fun!) biology class / comedy double act / cabaret / vaudeville performance that you'll ever experience!

### NCM







Thu 6 Jul \_\_\_ 11am & 2pm 60 min \_\_\_ no interval For Ages: 5+

\$18 \_\_\_ Adult \$15 \_\_\_ Child

\$52 \_\_\_ Family/4

### **Elvis Forever**

featuring Damian Mullin



After winning the 2012
Australian Title of 'Ultimate
Elvis Tribute Artist'
competition, Damian
Mullin possesses the
voice, moves and passion
of the great Elvis Presley.
Damian's effortless talent
thrusted him into the
spotlight, making him one
of the most in-demand and
respected tribute artists in
the country.

A seasoned professional, Damian's love for touring and performing continues. With regular sell out shows, Damian's passion and commitment delivers a high energy and incredibly exciting performance.



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Tue 8 Aug \_\_\_ 11:00am 70 min \_\_\_ no interval

\$22 \_\_\_ Adult

\$20 \_\_ Conc \$18 \_\_ Grp/6+

### **Queen Rocks**



Queen Rocks is the definitive tribute to the greatest rock band of all time, Queen!

Performing all of Queen's iconic hits, Queen Rocks deliver a high-energy live show that brings to life the showmanship, musicianship, and majestic power that saw Queen rock stadiums all over the world.

Queen Rocks authentically capture Queen's unique sound and theatrical stage show, faithfully performing Queen's classic anthems and foot-stomping rockers to the delight of packed houses everywhere.



Queen Rocks lives by Queen's own famous motto -We Will Rock You! See for yourself. Guaranteed to blow your mind!



Fri 11 Aug \_\_\_ 8:00pm 100 min \_\_\_ + interval

\$33 \_\_\_ Adult

\$30 \_\_\_ Conc \$28 \_\_\_ Grp/6+

### Diva

featuring Queenie van de Zandt



One of our most formidable musical theatre talents and queen of cabaret; Queenie van de Zandt is taking to the stage in a show that celebrates the power, emotion and beauty of the female voice - DIVA.

Featuring songs made famous by legendary musical theatre divas Barbara Streisand and Patti LuPone, to the soul sounds of Ella Fitzgerald and Aretha Franklin, and the gentle folk tunes of Eva Cassidy and Joni Mitchell, Queenie van de Zandt will serenade you through this special concert that celebrates iconic songstresses through the ages.

Critics have hailed her as a "vocal powerhouse" (Herald-Sun) with "awesome inspiring soul and emotion" (Sydney Morning Herald), so who better to interpret and reimagine the songs of some of the world's most beloved chanteuses.





Tue 5 Sep \_\_\_ 11:00am 70 min \_\_\_ no interval

\$22 \_\_ Adult \$20 \_\_ Conc \$18 \_\_ Grp/6+

### **CHORES**

School Holiday Feature Show



Get your kids to clean their rooms with acrobatic comedy show CHORES!

Award winning comedycircus show from Australia, Chores is the story of a brother and sister who have to clean up their messy room so they can ride their bicycles. A storyline we can all relate to, this show is jampacked full of cool stunts, acrobatic flips, roller skates, juggling and the infamous toilet paper guns!

The physical comedy is suitable for diverse

audiences as it requires little language and speaks to young and old alike. Inspired by Buster Keaton and Charlie Chaplin, this is a show that's made for children, but there is plenty of hilarity to amuse parents and families too!

The audience will find themselves on the edge of their seats and giggling until the chores are done.







Tue 26 Sep \_\_\_ 11:00am 60 min \_\_\_ no interval For Ages: 3+

\$18 \_\_\_ Adult \$15 \_\_\_ Child \$52 \_\_\_ Family/4

### Those Were the Days

The Ladies of the British Invasion



The Ladies of the British Invasion with Melissa Langton, Danielle O'Malley & Danielle Matthews. The Songs of Cilla Black, Petula Clark, Shirley Bassey, Sandie Shaw, Lulu & Dusty Springfield!

At the height of the swinging 60s, these extraordinary women repeatedly topped the charts in every corner of the globe with hits like "Downtown", "You're My World", "Wishin' and Hopin", "Puppet on a

String", "Anyone Who had a Heart", "Alfie", "Don't Sleep in the Subway", "Boom Bang a Bang", "Big Spender" and "To Sir With Love".

Melissa Langton, Danielle O'Malley and Danielle Matthews bring you this hand-clapping, toe-tapping tribute to the ladies who at the height of Beatlemania wrestled the Fab Four for the number one position on the music charts!





Tue 3 Oct \_\_\_ 11:00am 70 min \_\_\_ no interval

\$22 \_\_\_ Adult \$20 \_\_\_ Conc

\$18 \_\_ Grp/6+

### **Enchanted Forest**

presented by Inventi Ensemble



Step into an enchanted forest with Inventi Ensemble, a magical experience of classical talent!

Featuring a new arrangement of Beethoven's Pastoral Symphony and Debussy's Prelude to the Afternoon of a Faun along with a world premiere performance of a new Australian work by Melody Eötvös.

A seven-piece ensemble performing one of the most iconic orchestral works of all time, you will feel the storms, thunder and lush forests of Beethoven as well as the picturesque imagery that Debussy conjures in this outstanding performance.



Step into an enchanted forest with Inventi Ensemble, a magical experience of classical talent!



Fri 6 Oct \_\_\_ 7:30pm 75 min \_\_\_ + 15 min interval

\$33 \_\_\_ Adult

\$30 \_\_\_ Conc \$28 \_\_\_ Grp/6+

### Frankie Davis Junior and the Cat Pack



Frankie Davis Junior and The Cat Pack bring you classic cool sophistication from the golden era of Las Vegas.

The legendary hits and music of Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Nat King Cole, Perry Como, 60s and 70s rock, from a golden musical era.

Get ready for a toe tapping trip down memory lane as

you get lost in nostalgia and the golden vocals of Frankie Davis Junior. The legendary hits and music of Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Nat King ColePerry Como!



Tue 14 Nov \_\_\_ 11:00am 75 min \_\_\_ no interval

\$22 \_\_\_ Adult

\$20 \_\_ Conc \$18 \_\_ Grp/6+

### A Very Musical Christmas

presented by SLAMS Music Theatre



Tis the season to be jolly!

Join esteemed local Music Theatre Company SLAMS for a merry, funfilled Christmas music celebration!

Kick off the festive season by singing along to all your favourite carols. You are sure to get into the holiday spirit while listening to these outstanding performers. SLAMS Musical Theatre Company regularly present productions at Knox Community Arts Centre.

To find out about other SLAMS productions throughout 2023 visit slams.org.au.

Tis the season to be jolly!!





Tue 5 Dec \_\_\_ 11:00am 75 min \_\_\_ no interval

\$22 \_\_\_ Adult

\$20 \_\_\_ Conc

\$18 \_\_ Grp/6+



#### **Tickets & Box Office**

Tickets can be purchased on-line, over the phone or in person. 9729 7287 knox.vic.gov.au/kcac

#### Location

Knox Community Arts Centre Cnr Mountain Highway and Scoresby Road Bayswater, VIC 3153

### **Keep in Touch**

Keep up to date with exciting extra shows on offer throughout the year, along with other fun things to do in Knox.

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people of the Kulin Nation.

