

OUR SHIRE

MERRY CHRISTMAS

DECEMBER 2022

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Sutherland Shire Council acknowledges the Dharawal people as the Traditional Custodians of the land within Sutherland Shire. We value and celebrate Dharawal culture and language, and acknowledge Dharawal people's continuing connection to the land, the sea and community. We pay respect to the Elders and their families, past, present and emerging, and through them, to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.



YOUR COUNCIL



THE PAVILION PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE

The Pavilion Performing Arts Centre re-opens in January!

The Pavilion is the new, spectacular home of performing arts in Sutherland Shire, and a complete refurbishment of the Sutherland Entertainment Centre.

Sutherland Shire is renowned for its high-calibre local performing arts companies and enthusiastic audiences.

The Pavilion is a home for their work as well as an exciting selection of Australian and

international entertainment.

Visit thepavilionarts.au to read about the first shows, including Bangarra Dance Theatre's show for young people, 'Waru', part of Sydney Festival.

WALK THE WALLS IS BACK!

FRIDAY 9 TO SUNDAY 11 DECEMBER, CRONULLA

Our much-loved street art festival is back, continuing what was started at Cronulla in 2019. And you're invited to join the fun with three days of live artwork, food and music. As a taste of the event, check out the amazing artwork just completed on the wall below Cronulla RSL (on the seaside walkway).

A joint initiative funded by the NSW Government, aiming to prevent graffiti and vandalism and revitalise open spaces. Also sponsored by the St George and Sutherland Shire Leader, Crockers, Cronulla RSL, Grind, Little Parrot, Montana Colours, and Rydges Cronulla.



More Walk the Walls will be held at another Shire location in 2023. For full event details visit sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/walkthewalls or the Leader on 7 December.



ST GEORGE & SUTHERLAND SHIRE
Leader

CHILDREN AND COMMUNITIES

ANNUAL SENIORS CHRISTMAS CONCERT

WEDNESDAY 7 DECEMBER, 11AM AND 2PM (1 HOUR DURATION)

Sutherland Arts Theatre, 25 East Parade, Sutherland

Council's 47th Annual Seniors Christmas Concert will once again celebrate the Christmas spirit with two concerts at the newly renovated Sutherland Arts Theatre (formerly called School of Arts). Special performances by renowned pianist Bev Kennedy and vocalists Louise Butler and Louis Vinciguerra are planned for all to enjoy.



All guests will receive a Christmas treat to enjoy while watching the performance. Book your \$15 tickets via seniorschristmasconcert.eventbrite.com (we cannot take phone bookings due to bank merchant security rules).

SHIREABILITY ART AWARD EXHIBITION

UNTIL SUNDAY 11 DECEMBER, 10AM-4PM DAILY

Hazelhurst Arts Centre, Gymea

Thank you to everyone who contributed works for the ShireABILITY Art Award – a program which provides artists of all ages who live with disability the opportunity to share their creative talent.

There is still time to view the collection of works, and to cast a People's Choice Award vote for your favourite work. Entry is free.



Proudly sponsored by diggers Miranda RSL and Southgate. More at sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/shireabilityexhibition



PAINT YOUR OWN BOARD SCHOOL HOLIDAY WORKSHOP

WEDNESDAY 21 DECEMBER, 10AM-1PM, GUNNAMATTA BAY

Kick-off the school holidays at our free workshop with Surfpaints. Young people 12-25 years old can take part and learn how to paint their own surfboard or skateboard. Plus, they'll get a great stash of Surfpaints pens to take home.

Registrations are essential. For full details and to register visit bit.ly/PaintYourBoard22



EMBEDDING ABORIGINAL PERSPECTIVES

For the Shire's youngest generation, learning about Aboriginal culture is as natural as learning their ABCs.

It's part of the everyday curriculum within our 11 Early Education Centres, experienced and enjoyed through songs, stories, dance, language and creative arts.

Our centres work closely with Eddie Wiradjuri Birrang from Dreamtime Explorers, who guides us on embedding Aboriginal perspectives. He's also a popular and engaging guest at many of the



children's group times, sharing Aboriginal artefacts, instruments and stories. We are proud of our proactive approach within early education, with each centre developing its own Reconciliation Action Plan, aligning with Sutherland Shire Council's own statement of commitment to reconciliation.

LET'S CELEBRATE - SUTHERLAND SHIRE SENIORS FESTIVAL 2023

1-12 FEBRUARY 2023

Mark your calendar for February - the Seniors Festival is returning with an Expo, concert and dozens of events at venues throughout Sutherland Shire.

More information in the January Our Shire, or online at sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/seniorsfest2023

IS YOUR POOL SAFE AND SECURE FOR SUMMER?

Children are drawn to water – which puts them at high risk of drowning.

While active supervision is always best, a safe and secure pool area can be lifesaving. Make it a priority this weekend to check:

- pool fence: is every panel secure?
- pool gate: does it self-close and self-latch from all positions?
- are plants clear of pool fence and gates, and outdoor furniture well away from pool areas? Children have been known to move furniture to help them enter pool areas.



- CPR sign – is it clear, readable, and where you can read it when you need it?

Visit bit.ly/RLSwatersafety for a free comprehensive home pool safety checklist and tips for keeping children safe around water. See sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/poolsafetyrequirements for information on pool barrier regulations, safety requirements and inspections.

AUSTRALIA DAY 2023

Let's come together to reflect. Respect. Celebrate

You're invited to take part in a range of free, entertaining and cultural events as part of Council's Australia Day program.

Visit sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/australiaday for program updates.

WEDNESDAY 25 JANUARY

Sunset Cultural Ceremony - Burnum Burnum Sanctuary, Woronora, 5pm-8pm

Come together as our Aboriginal community leaders and elders share stories and culture.

THURSDAY 26 JANUARY

Australia Day Concert and Fireworks - Cronulla Beach, 4pm-9:15pm

Featuring five performances including three renowned headlining Australian bands and two supporting acts.



LEISURE CENTRE POOL PARTIES - CARINGBAH, ENGADINE, SUTHERLAND AND COMO, 10AM-2PM

Live DJs will get the party started at our local Leisure Centres with free entry.

CINEMA UNDER THE STARS - BIDDY GILES PARK, KIRRAWEE, 5:30PM-8PM

Enjoy an outdoor cinema experience including children's games and free popcorn.

FRIDAY 27 JANUARY

Symphony by the Sea Concert - Cronulla Beach, 5pm-8pm

Listen to musical, operatic and classical pieces showcasing local performers and musical theatre favourites while watching the sun set.

LIBRARIES

sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/libraries
Book online for all events

SUBSCRIBE TO THE LIBRARY EMAIL NEWSLETTER
Sign up to receive the latest news and events from Libraries at bit.ly/yourlibraryevents

WHAT'S ON

KIDS SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

Thursday 1 December to
Tuesday 31 January

The Kids Summer Reading Challenge is back and this year it's better than ever! Kids can track their reading on Beanstack – our exciting reading platform – and collect reward badges as they go. Every five books they read earns a ticket in the prize draw!



GENRE READING CHALLENGE FOR ADULTS

Thursday 1 December to
Tuesday 31 January

At last – a summer reading challenge for adults! Simply download the Beanstack app and get reading across a range of genres. Each time you read a book from a different genre, you'll collect a badge and go in the draw to win a book voucher. Challenge accepted!



CHRISTMAS STORYTIMES AND DROP-IN FESTIVE CRAFT

Wednesday 7 December to
Wednesday 21 December

The Library is the place to be this festive season with loads of jolly activities to help kids get in the Christmas spirit. Spread some festive cheer at our drop-in craft sessions or get jingling with songs and rhymes at our Christmassy storytimes! There may even be a merry ole visitor joining us from the North Pole! Ho! Ho! Ho!



MANDARIN-ENGLISH CHRISTMAS STORYTIME

Thursday 8 December,
10:30am-11:30am, Miranda Library

'Tis the season to be jolly with a very special bilingual Storytime. Kids aged 0 to 6 can join in the festive fun with stories, songs and rhymes presented in Mandarin and English. There will even be a Christmas craft activity to take home and enjoy. All welcome!



USING ZOOM IN-LIBRARY WEBINAR

Tuesday 13 December, 11:30am-12:30pm

Have you been struggling to use Zoom? Or would like to know more about it? Join us at Sutherland Library for this free Be Connected webinar and learn all the digital skills to get you connecting with your friends and Zooming like a pro in no time.

ADULT RESOURCE OF THE MONTH

Find My Past: 1921 Census of England & Wales

The 1921 Census of England and Wales is the most comprehensive British Census ever available online and it's ready for you to explore with Find My Past. If you have English or Welsh ancestors, find out what they were doing and who they were with at the start of the Roaring Twenties!

CONSULTATIONS



For all consultations and surveys, unless otherwise stated, see Join the Conversation: sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/jtc

OVERLAND FLOOD STUDY

Council has been studying overland flooding information for the Sutherland Shire to improve information on flood behaviour, hazard and risk.

We consulted with the community in September and October 2021. Feedback received has helped shape work on the draft report.

The draft flood mapping and flood study report will be available for community feedback in March – April 2023. As we work on the draft report and receive updated flood information, we will



update planning certificates for properties identified as flood affected. Find out more at jointheconversation.sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/flood-study

What's 'overland flooding'?

Excess stormwater runoff that's not captured by stormwater drainage and flows overland towards a waterway.

DRAFT PARKING STRATEGY

As our population grows, so does the number of vehicles on local roads and demand for parking.

To address the growing demand for parking in Sutherland Shire and to support a sustainable integrated transport system, Council has prepared a Draft Parking Strategy.

The Draft Parking Strategy provides a framework for safe and equitable parking



opportunities to support the local economy, while encouraging alternative transport options to reduce the reliance on cars.

Have your say by Friday 16 December.

DRAFT COMMUNITY VENUES STRATEGY

To ensure we have the community spaces that respond to local needs and interests, Council has prepared a draft Community Venues Strategy. More than 700 people helped shape the draft by contributing to online surveys and focus groups.

Have your say by Friday 16 December.



HAZELHURST

hazelhurst.com.au

To book your place in our events and programs visit bit.ly/whatsonathazelhurst or call 02 8536 5700.

IN THE MAIN GALLERY

AUSTRALIAN DESIGN CENTRE AT HAZELHURST

Saturday 26 November–Sunday 29 January 10am-4pm daily, free admission

Hazelhurst Arts centre is pleased to announce our major summer exhibition *Australian Design Centre at Hazelhurst*. Featuring three exhibitions on tour from Australia's leading contemporary craft and design organisation, Australian Design Centre, including:



- *Made / Worn: Australian Contemporary Jewellery*, presents 22 renowned contemporary jewellers working in Australia, including Liam Benson, Maree Clarke, Catherine Truman, and Zoë Veness. Curated by Australian Design Centre, designed by Garbett Design and supported by the Australia Council for the Arts.
- *Living Treasures: Masters of Australian Craft \ Prue Venables* presents an outstanding body of work by one of Australia's greatest artists working in clay, acclaimed ceramicist Prue Venables. An Australian Design Centre (ADC On Tour) national touring exhibition, presented with assistance from the Australian Government Visions of Australia program.
- *Profile: Contemporary Jewellery and Object Award* highlights 73 national and international contemporary jewellers and object designers who were shortlisted for the 2022 Award.

Image credit: Zoe Veness, *Return Loop: Double Loop* (detail) 2020. Image: Zoe Veness; Prue Venables, *White Spoon & Red Handle with Black Bowl*, 2019. Image: Terence Bogue; Jacki Stone, *Galactica and Stella Erratica* (detail) 2020. Image: courtesy of the artist.

IN THE BROADHURST GALLERY

SHIREABILITY ART AWARD

25 November–12 December 2022

Read about the ShireABILITY Art Award on [page 2](#).

ART RULES: HSC WORKS FROM SUTHERLAND AND ST GEORGE

16 December 2022–22 January 2023

Selected works by students undertaking the HSC in 2022 from the Sutherland and St George districts. Awards for outstanding work are provided by Eckersley's Art & Craft and the Friends of Hazelhurst.

Image credit: Elise Andersen, Engadine High School, *Dissimulation* (detail), 2021.



WHAT'S ON

ART IN CONVERSATION WITH PRUE VENABLES

Sunday 4 December, 2pm, free event

Hazelhurst Arts Centre and Australian Design Centre present an in conversation with one of Australia's greatest artists working in clay, Prue Venables. The acclaimed ceramicist will speak in depth about design, practice and life as a creative with Australian Design Centre's CEO and Artistic Director Lisa Cahill.



This talk is presented in association with the exhibition *Living Treasures: Masters of Australian Craft \ Prue Venables* which celebrates the achievements of Australia's most iconic crafts practitioners.

Bookings essential. To book call 02 8536 5700 or email hazelhurst@ssc.nsw.gov.au

Image credit: Prue Venables, *In her studio*, 2018. Image: Angus Lee Forbes; Prue Venables, *Black Tea Caddy, Black Oval Forms, Yellow Sieve and White Bowl*, 2017. Image: Terence Bogue.

ANIMAL SHELTER

sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/animalshelter

A 'PAW-FECT' ANIMAL SHELTER OPEN DAY

More than 1,000 people were welcomed at Council's recent Animal Shelter Open Day, marking the eagerly awaited return of this popular annual family event.

Many couldn't resist the urge to cuddle a kitten and pat a pooch during their tour, along with enjoying fun and educational activities. Several residents took home loving new pets.

Our staff and volunteers do a wonderful job caring for cats, dogs and rabbits. Thinking of welcoming a furry friend into your family? Visits can be arranged year-round by appointment on 02 9710 0401.

Pets available for adoption/responsible pet ownership: sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/animalsandpets

Weekly snapshots of pets needing a home: facebook.com/SutherlandShireCouncil



HAZELHURST AT NIGHT

Friday 9 December, 6-9pm, free event

Join us for our last At Night event of the year for an evening of art and music celebrating our new exhibition *Australian Design Centre at Hazelhurst*. Enjoy demonstrations by *Profile Contemporary Jewellery and Object Award* finalists, mini jewellers markets, free artmaking for adults with Eckersley's Art & Craft, live music and twilight fare at Hazelhurst café.

Image credit: Pollyjane Photography.



LITTLE ART MAKERS

Wednesday 7 and 14 December, 9:30-10:30am, \$10 per child

Bring your preschooler along to Little Art Makers to explore our new exhibition *Australian Design Centre at Hazelhurst* and introduce them to art through discovery. Session includes storytime, a gallery tour and an art making activity. For children ages 3-5 years.

Bookings essential. Book online or call 02 8536 5700.



IN THE ARTS CENTRE

Art class enrolments open on the dates shown below from 6am online, 9am by phone on 02 8536 5700, or in-person at the Admin Desk at the Centre.

TERM 1 2023 ART CLASSES

Enrolments now open

Choose from a fantastic range of engaging art classes for children, teens and adults, including Illustration, Mixed Media, Mosaics, Printmaking, Sculpture, Painting, Drawing, Jewellery, Pottery and more.



SUMMER SCHOOL HOLIDAY ART CLASSES

Enrolments now open

So much summer fun to choose from ... Jumping Jelly Fish, Bucket Hats and Beach Bags, Pirate Puppets, Wire Sculptures, Printmaking and more.

ECO NEWS AND WASTE WISE LIVING

SUMMER WOODCHIPPING SERVICE

COUNCIL DEPOT, 13 TO 15 ETHELL ROAD, KIRRAWEE

Turn your bulky tree branches and trunks into wood chip with our domestic woodchipping service. Exclusively for Sutherland Shire residents, identification with proof of residence will be required on the day. Free mulch will also be available for residents.

Next dates (9am-3pm):

- Saturday 10 December
- Saturday 14 January.



To learn what waste is acceptable, requirements for using this service, and other dates, visit sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/woodchippingservice

EXCESS CHRISTMAS RECYCLING WASTE POPUP

7 AND 8 JANUARY, 9AM-3PM, AT BELLINGARRA NETBALL COURTS CARPARK MIRANDA

What we'll take:

- packaging from Christmas presents - polystyrene and cardboard
- live Christmas trees (not artificial)
- plastic bottles and aluminium cans - or alternatively take your bottles and cans to a local Return and Earn facilities to get your 10c deposit for eligible drink containers.

Only domestic amounts accepted; no rubbish or hazardous waste. The popup is for Sutherland Shire residents and proof of residence will be required on the day.

YOUR NEW COMMUNITY GARDEN

Locals of all ages were the first eager visitors to the Grays Point Garden Community at the Grays Point Community Centre complex – the first to be approved under Council's new Community Gardens Policy.

You don't need to be a gardening guru to enjoy the community gardens located throughout Sutherland Shire. Become a member of your local community garden association and help tend to garden beds and grow plants and organic vegies with fellow residents.

If you're interested in starting a local community garden in your area, visit sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/communitygardens for more information.



Note: Due to industry-wide challenges with soft plastics recycling, we are unfortunately unable to accept soft plastics at this event.

More at sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/XmaxRecycling



SAVE THE DATES

➔ HOUSEHOLD CHEMICAL CLEAN OUT

Saturday 11 to Monday 13 February 2023, 9:00am to 3:30pm

➔ E-WASTE COLLECTION EVENT

Saturday 18 and Sunday 19 March 2023, 9am to 3pm

4-20 Eton Street, Sutherland NSW 2232

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