HISTORY WEEK 2016

NEIGHBOURS

3-11 SEPTEMBER 2016

PROGRAM OF EVENTS

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The theme of neighbours is crucial to our understanding of the past’s impact on the present. It includes stories of individuals, families and communities living near one another and links between adjoining suburbs, regions and countries.

How important were class, the economy, gender, governments, the media, race, religion and sport in the formation of ideas regarding neighbours? How have attitudes regarding a nation’s geographic neighbours determined defence, foreign, immigration, refugee and trade policies? Did new types of communication and transport from the nineteenth century onwards radically alter how neighbours and neighbourhoods were perceived?

As the success of the Australian television program Neighbours shows, the theme has long been a significant component of popular culture. History Week 2016 will explore how the concept of neighbours has shaped imagination and memories, created identities and been a source of both conflict and friendship.
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FROM THE PRESIDENT

History Week is widely recognised as the premier event of the history calendar in New South Wales, and has been the History Council of NSWs’ flagship festival for the past 19 years.

It is great to see the wide variety of History Council members celebrating the best in community and professional history, and highlighting its important role in our cultural life. The History Council’s innovative Speaker Connect program connects our regional members with professional historians and writers, exchanging ideas and expertise across the state from Singleton to Yamba, to Grafton and Moruya.

This year’s History Week theme is ‘Neighbours’, allowing our members to celebrate the history of their communities in myriad ways. Highlights include our Annual History Lecture delivered by Professor Heather Goodall on ‘Neighbours and Heroes’, and our annual Macquarie University symposium at the State Library of NSW celebrating and interrogating community sporting history.

The City of Sydney will be focussing on disputatious neighbours and our younger audiences can enjoy some historical family fun at Erskineville Public School.

The continued goodwill demonstrated by our members and supporters communicates the power of history. History contributes to the economy; it connects people and communities through story, shapes identity and citizenship and enhances community well-being. History Week joins together an array of cultural and educational institutions, community and professional organisations, and individuals. All are united by an understanding of the importance of history to their communities.

The History Council of NSW is grateful for the support of the NSW Government through Arts NSW, without which it could not host this wonderful annual celebration of history. We would like to thank De Bortoli Wines for their continued generous support, sponsoring the Deen De Bortoli Award for Applied History. Our sincerest thanks also go to Geoffrey Jones for his generous donation of the prize money for the 2016 Max Kelly Medal. We also acknowledge the support of our cultural partners - Sydney Living Museums, State Library of NSW and the Department of Modern History at Macquarie University.

Our sincerest thanks to all our supporters and participants and we hope you enjoy History Week 2016.

Dr Tanya Evans
PRESIDENT, HISTORY COUNCIL OF NEW SOUTH WALES
FEATURED EVENTS

ANNUAL HISTORY LECTURE 2016: NEIGHBOURS - AND HEROES

How have Australians thought of themselves as ‘neighbours’ in the Asia-Pacific region? Professor Heather Goodall will look at how many Australians have had the courage to cross borders – taking risks to build relationships across old borders and new borders, cultural borders and ethnic borders. Goodall notes that some may define Australia by previous policies such as the White Australia exclusions, but history can tell a different story about those who stood against these restrictions.

Isabel Flick and Kevin Cook, Indigenous activists who stood up for their people, were also not afraid to build alliances across racial lines to work with activists from Australia and overseas. There have also been people like Fred Wong, Molly Bondan, Clarrie Campbell, Danny Singh, Lucy Woodcock and Phyllis Johnson. These are the real neighbours – the heroes we can learn from.

Heather Goodall is Professor Emerita in History in the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences at the University of Technology, Sydney. She has published collaborative life stories with Indigenous people in Australia, and also on environmental history and on decolonisation across the Indian Ocean.

The Annual History Lecture is one of the History Council of NSW’s flagship events. First held in 1996, it was inaugurated by the History Council of NSW to underline the importance of history to current issues and concerns.

PRESENTED BY THE HISTORY COUNCIL OF NSW. SUPPORTED BY SYDNEY LIVING MUSEUMS AND DE BORTOLI WINES.

When: Wednesday 7 September 2016, 6:00pm
Where: The Mint, 10 Macquarie Street, Sydney
Cost: $50 General, $45 Concession/HCNSW Member. Bookings are essential.
Contact: History Council of NSW, admin@historycouncilnsw.org.au, 02 9252 8715
2016 NSW PREMIER’S HISTORY AWARDS
PRESENTATION AND LAUNCH OF HISTORY WEEK

Join us for a glittering evening as we announce the winners of the 2016 NSW Premier’s History Awards and officially launch History Week 2016.

The NSW Premier’s History Awards were first presented in 1997 to honour distinguished achievements in history by Australian authors. They assist in establishing values and standards in historical research and publication, and encourage everyone to appreciate and learn from the work of our historians.

The winners of the 2016 NSW Premier’s History Awards will be announced at a presentation and cocktail reception event held in the State Library’s historic Mitchell Building.

**When:** Friday 2 September 2016, 6:00–9:00pm  
**Where:** Gallery Room, Mitchell Library, Macquarie Street, Sydney  
**Cost:** $50 General, $45 Concession. Bookings are essential.  
COMMUNITY SPORTING HISTORIES:
INCLUSION, EXCLUSION AND AUTHORITY

HOSTED BY: THE DEPARTMENT OF MODERN HISTORY, MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY
IN COLLABORATION WITH THE HISTORY COUNCIL OF NSW

This symposium will draw together historians working on local, community and intimate histories of sport in Australia to ponder the tensions between the ideal of community, the politics of difference and the writing of history. Drawing on research into community and amateur sport, the symposium will examine the limits and possibilities of inclusion that are so often touted as a key element of Australian sporting history.


Tickets include afternoon tea and free admission to a screening of the critically acclaimed documentary, ‘Scrum’, at 6-7:30pm on 5 September 2016 at Metcalfe Auditorium, State Library of NSW.

‘Scrum’ follows the journey of 3 players as they attempt to make the first grade team of Sydney’s gay rugby team, The Convicts. This documentary is being screened in association with the symposium on 6 September, investigating community sporting histories.

This event is supported by the Australian Society for Sports History.

When: Monday 5 September 2016, 6:00-7:30pm (screening of documentary film, ‘Scrum’), Tuesday 6 September 2016, 9:45am-4:30pm (symposium)
Where: Metcalfe Auditorium, State Library of NSW, Macquarie Street, Sydney
Cost: $29.59 (includes afternoon tea and free admission to screening of ‘Scrum’)

P A G E 4  History Week 2016
AUSTRALIA’S ASIA-PACIFIC NEIGHBOURS

TYPE: SYMPOSIUM
HOSTED BY: HISTORY TEACHERS’ ASSOCIATION OF NSW
AND THE HISTORY COUNCIL OF NSW

The History Teachers’ Association of NSW and the History Council of NSW present a professional learning opportunity - ‘Australia’s Asia-Pacific Neighbours’. This professional development conference will give teachers the opportunity to hear keynote lectures from noted academics and historians.

Dr Stephen Gapps, Vice-President of the History Council of NSW, and Dr Frances Steel of the University of Wollongong, will both deliver keynote lectures aimed specifically at the NSW History syllabus. There will be workshops conducted by Sharon Champagne and Robyn McKenzie looking at programming options, which will assist teachers in programming around the topics of Indonesia and the Polynesian Expansion in their classrooms.

This is a unique event for History teachers, and we are proud to be able to bring you this opportunity. An online resource booklet will be made available for attendees.

When: Friday 9 September 2016, 9:30am–3:15pm
Where: Dixson Room, State Library of NSW, Macquarie Street, Sydney
Cost: $150 General, $100 HTA/HCNSW Members, $55 Pre-service/Student History teachers
Macarthur and Harris, and the Kings who came between

_TYPE_: TALK/LECTURE  
_HOSTED BY_: BLUE MOUNTAINS CITY LIBRARY

John Macarthur, of Elizabeth Farm in Parramatta, and surgeon John Harris, of Harris Park, were not the best neighbours. John Macarthur’s ambitions involved harnessing the compliance of the Rum Corps (and the rest of the colony) and isolating Governor King. Difficulties arose when John Harris started to support King, and things became even more complicated when nephew Hannibal, across the Parramatta River, actually married into the King family. Join Jo Henwood as she explores the complex relationship between these three historic neighbours.

Jo Henwood has been interpreting history as a Tour Guide and Education Officer in heritage sites around Sydney (including Elizabeth Farm) for the last 18 years. Her qualifications are in cultural heritage, museum studies, librarianship, gifted education and tour guiding. She is Accredited as a Tour Guide with the Institute of Australian Tour Guides and as a Storyteller with the Storytelling Guild of NSW.

_The Speaker Connect program is proudly presented by the History Council of NSW._

**When:** Friday 9 September 2016, 2:00–4:00pm  
**Where:** Katoomba Library and Cultural Centre, 30 Parke Street, Katoomba  
**Cost:** Free - bookings essential.  
**Contact:** bmlibrary@bmcc.nsw.gov.au  
Deathly Neighbours: the evolution of Sydney’s cemeteries

**TYPE:** TALK/LECTURE

**HOSTED BY:** FAIRFIELD CITY MUSEUM AND GALLERY

From burial ground, to churchyard, to church cemetery and then general cemetery: Sydney’s cemeteries demonstrate the implementation of a 19th century novelty in the colony. The planning and design of Sydney’s cemeteries is an under appreciated aspect of Sydney’s urban history. As Dr Lisa Murray will demonstrate in her talk, health, landscape, moral and religious values all contributed to their design and how individuals treated their friends and neighbours in death.

Dr Lisa Murray is the City Historian at the City of Sydney Council, overseeing a diverse History Program that encompasses local and community history, civic and municipal history, and urban history. Lisa is passionate about making history accessible to the public, and is an award-winning author of planning histories and a regular contributor to debates around public history.

The Speaker Connect program is proudly presented by the History Council of NSW.

**When:** Wednesday 7 September 2016, 6:30pm
**Where:** Fairfield City Museum and Gallery, 634 the Horsley Drive, Smithfield
**Cost:** Free
**Contact:** museumgallery@fairfieldcity.nsw.gov.au
www.livingmuseum.com.au
CAMDEN: THEN AND NOW

**TYPE:** EXHIBITION  
**HOSTED BY:** CAMDEN COUNCIL LIBRARY SERVICE, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH MACPHOTOGROUP

Join the Camden Council Library Service, in partnership with Macarthur CC Photography Exhibition Group, who are recreating scenes from the past. Using photos from the local archive Camden Images, this History Week event will showcase historical scenes set up in contemporary time in the same location. The photos from the past and present will be displayed together to highlight changes.

**When:** Thursday 1 September to Friday 30 September 2016, 9:30am–5:00pm  
**Where:** Camden Library, 40 John Street, Camden  
**Cost:** Free  
**Contact:** library@camden.nsw.gov.au, 02 4654 7951  

PIONEERSCAPE

**TYPE:** EXHIBITION  
**HOSTED BY:** THE OAKS HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC.

An exhibition developed from contributions made by the schools of Wollondilly Shire. The schools have researched pioneers from the Wollondilly Shire and created a visual image of that pioneer on wooden shapes of approximately 1.2m provided by the museum. The figures will be displayed together as a “Pioneerscape” at the museum and available to the public to view from History Week 2016 until the end of 2016. Written research, about the pioneers, will be collated and added to a catalogue for current and future reference.

**When:** Saturday 3 September to Sunday 11 September 2016, 10:00am–4:00pm  
**Where:** Wollondilly Heritage Centre and Museum, 43 Edward Street, The Oaks  
**Cost:** $3  
**Contact:** tohs1988@bigpond.net.au, 02 4657 1796
PARRAMATTA MĀORI TOUR

TYPE: WALKING TOUR
HOSTED BY: KOTAHI TOURISM

Follow the footsteps of visiting Māori Chiefs and discover Parramatta’s intriguing Māori heritage since 1805. This two-hour walking tour is led by a Māori-Koori guide and visits heritage sites including Old Government House, Kings School, Parramatta Town Hall and St Johns Cemetery.

The tour is based on Māori historian Maraama Kamira’s book Māori Trade and Relations in Parramatta recently published by Black Knowledge Australia and Parramatta City Council. Parramatta Māori Tours take place on Dharug Country.

When: Saturday 3 September 2016, 10:30am–12:30pm
Where: Tours depart from outside St Johns Cathedral, 195 Church Street, Parramatta
Cost: $39
Contact: info@kotahitourism.com, 02 4456 4848
www.kotahitourism.com

REDISCOVER ENGADINE: A HISTORICAL WALK

TYPE: WALKING TOUR
HOSTED BY: SUTHERLAND SHIRE LIBRARIES

Explore the sites of old Engadine township in a two-hour walking tour led by the Local Studies Librarian. The walk stays within proximity of the town centre as participants learn about pioneering people, shops and services. As a town bordering on the Royal National Park this walk will showcase the suburb once known as the “Sanatorium of the South”.

When: Saturday 3 September 2016, 12:30–2:30pm
Where: Engadine Library, 116E Caldarra Avenue, Engadine
Cost: Free
Contact: library@ssc.nsw.gov.au, 02 9710 0351
COME AND MEET THE NEIGHBOURS

**TYPE:** TOUR  
**HOSTED BY:** STATE RECORDS NSW

State Records NSW invites neighbours from Sydney and around NSW to visit their Western Sydney Records Centre at Kingswood for a behind the scenes tour. See the permanent home of the NSW State archives and find out how they are cared for. Bring your walking shoes and get to know the State archives in their own home.

**When:** 6 September 2016, 10:30am–12:00pm. Arrive at 10:15am for a 10:30 start.  
**Where:** State Records NSW, 161 O’Connell Street, Kingswood NSW 2747  
**Cost:** Free  
**Contact:** info@records.nsw.gov.au, 02 9673 1788

MINI-DISCOVERERS – COOKING FROM THE PAST

**TYPE:** HANDS-ON/KIDS  
**HOSTED BY:** CAMDEN COUNCIL LIBRARY SERVICE

Neighbours often shared recipes and the food they cooked. At this hands-on session for pre-schoolers and their carers, participants will be shown into the museum and able to handle cooking and household implements from the past.

**When:** Tuesday 6 September 2016, 11:00am–12:00pm  
**Where:** Camden Library and Camden Museum, 40 John St, Camden  
**Cost:** Free  
**Contact:** library@camden.nsw.gov.au, 02 4654 7951
ST PAUL’S COBBITTY CEMETERY TOUR

**TYPE:** WALKING TOUR  
**HOSTED BY:** CAMDEN COUNCIL LIBRARY SERVICE,  
IN PARTNERSHIP WITH CAMDEN AREA FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY

St Paul’s Cemetery has been in use by the Cobbitty community since 1827 with marked graves from 1835. The tour will include stories about some of the pioneers and notable residents buried there.

**When:** Thursday 8 September 2016, 4:30–5:30pm  
**Where:** St Paul’s Anglican Church, 330 Cobbitty Road, Cobbitty  
**Cost:** Gold coin donation  
**Contact:** camden_history@yahoo.com.au, 02 4654 7951  

SAMUEL MARSDEN’S NEIGHBOURS:  
A MAGISTRATE AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEIGHBOURHOOD IN PARRAMATTA

**TYPE:** TALK/LECTURE  
**HOSTED BY:** UNIVERSITY OF NEW ENGLAND

Samuel Marsden is famously remembered as the ‘flogging parson’, but his role as a magistrate involved far more than simply disciplining convicts. Traditionally, magistrates were not only responsible for policing but also for arbitrating disputes and administering local government. They were thus at the centre of their communities, reinforcing the hierarchical and patriarchal nature of society.

Dr Matthew Allen’s talk will focus on the broader social significance of Marsden’s magistracy in Parramatta during the Macquarie era. Despite his considerable authority, Marsden was unable to control local society and his failed attempts reveal the complexity of this developing neighbourhood.

Dr Matthew Allen is a Lecturer at the School of Humanities, University of New England.

**When:** Thursday 8 September 2016, 6:00pm–8:00pm  
**Where:** University of New England, FutureCampus, Level 1, 232 Church Street, Parramatta  
**Cost:** Free  
**Contact:** ktreven2@une.edu.au, 02 9689 4888  
[www.une.edu.au/research/events](http://www.une.edu.au/research/events)
LOVE THY NEIGHBOUR AND LOVE THY TRIVIA

TYPE: TRIVIA NIGHT
HOSTED BY: CAMPBELLTOWN CITY LIBRARY

Campbelltown Library is hosting a history trivia night. There will be rounds to test your knowledge of local history as well as broader knowledge of the past. A special round will bring into play “neighbours” from over the fence and over the airwaves. Light refreshments will be served and bookings are essential.

When: Thursday 8 September 2016, 6:30–8:30pm
Where: H.J. Daley Library, 1 Hurley Street, Campbelltown
Cost: Free
Contact: andrew.allen@campbelltown.nsw.gov.au, 02 4645 4431

COWPASTURES AND BEYOND

TYPE: CONFERENCE
HOSTED BY: CAMDEN COUNCIL LIBRARY SERVICE, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH CAMDEN AREA FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY INC, AND THE PICTON AND DISTRICT HISTORICAL AND FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY INC.

The NSW and ACT Association of Family History Societies Annual Fair and Conference will include a free public day on Friday with talks by Trove, Ancestry.com, transcription agents and local history speakers. The Saturday and Sunday conference requires paid registration and includes historians Alan Atkinson and Nick Brody. Local tours and activities will be included in the program. Over 30 stalls of family history societies and related services will provide information and merchandise.

When: Friday 9 September from 10:00am to Sunday 11 September 2016 to 12:20pm
Where: Camden Civic Centre, Oxley Street, Camden
Cost: Friday free, $120 (Saturday and Sunday)
Contact: nswact2016conference@gmail.com, 0437 651 124
www.cowpasturesandbeyond.com.au
**Hunter**

**On the neighbour’s circuit: good and bad neighbours in the colonial Hunter Valley**

**TYPE:** TALK/LECTURE  
**HOSTED BY:** SINGLETON PUBLIC LIBRARY

In the Hunter Valley during the colonial years before the 1850s, many of the properties of prominent settlers were on a type of circuit for visitors to the area, with many of the same people appearing in journals and diaries of visits to the region. Historian, Dr Mark Dunn, will look at the politics of visitation, who was on and off the list, who was hospitable and who was not, and how those interconnections shaped the valley’s social fabric.

Mark Dunn is a professional historian, and some time archaeologist, who grew up in Singleton and now works in Sydney and around NSW. His family has long and deep connections with the town, a fact he drew on for inspiration in his recently completed PhD on the Colonial History of the Hunter Valley.

*The Speaker Connect program is proudly presented by the History Council of NSW.*

**When:** Tuesday 6 September 2016, 5:30pm  
**Where:** Singleton Public Library, 8-10 Queen Street, Singleton  
**Cost:** Free  
**Contact:** library@singleton.nsw.gov.au  
LINKS FORGED WITH NEIGHBOURING TOWNS: 
THE ROLE OF THE DUNGOG COTTAGE HOSPITAL

TYPE: EXHIBITION
HOSTED BY: DUNGOG HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC.

The Dungog Historical Society present an exhibition at the Dungog Library
which will showcase the links forged by Dungog and nearby communities
through the Dungog Cottage Hospital.

When: Saturday 3 September to 11 September 2016, 10:00am–5:00pm
Where: Dungog Library, Mackay Street, Dungog
Cost: Free
Contact: mkingston5@bigpond.com, 02 4992 2094

NEIGHBOURS: MAITLAND WALKING TOUR

TYPE: WALKING TOUR
HOSTED BY: MAITLAND CITY LIBRARY

As the success of the Australian television program Neighbours shows, the theme
of those who live close by has long been important in popular culture. But how
well do we know the stories of our neighbourhoods and local communities?

Characterised by narrow streets, laneways and a mixture of architectural styles
spanning the 19th and 20th centuries, Horseshoe Bend was one of the earliest
settled areas in Maitland. Sometimes referred to as ‘The Bend’ and so named
for the shape of the river when Europeans first settled there, Horseshoe Bend
has a unique and intriguing history. Join the Maitland City Library as they take
to the streets of Horseshoe Bend to meet local identities in celebration of
NSW History Week.

When: Sunday 4 September 2016, 10:30am–2:00pm
Where: Meet at Maitland Regional Art Gallery, 230 High Street, Maitland
Cost: Free
Contact: programmes@maitland.nsw.gov.au, 02 4933 6952
SUPPORTING YOUR COMMUNITY

TYPE: TALK/LECTURE
HOSTED BY: NEWCASTLE REGION LIBRARY

In this History Week talk, Newcastle Region Library will delve into the careers of some of the mayors and councillors of Newcastle’s suburban councils. Presented by Local History Coordinator, Sue Ryan.

When: Monday 5 September 2016, 10:00–11:00am
Where: Wallsend District Library, 30 Bunn Street, Wallsend
Cost: Free
Contact: coreilly@ncc.nsw.gov.au, 02 4974 5330

BAD NEIGHBOURS? THE SMUGGLERS AND PIRATES OF NEWCASTLE, 1804 –1824

TYPE: TALK/LECTURE
HOSTED BY: HISTORY DEPARTMENT, UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE

Please join us for a talk by University of Sydney PhD candidate, Tamsin O’Connor, on the bad neighbours of early nineteenth century Newcastle. Using the penal station as a microcosm for the wider colony, her paper will explore how the exiles of Newcastle looked to the sea to keep up their neighbourly ties, including replicating the illegal trading patterns they had known in Europe.

This is a special event for History Week within the History discipline’s regular Friday morning seminar series. All welcome. Tea and cake will be served.

When: Friday 9 September 2016, 10:00–11:30am
Where: Cultural Collections, Auchmuty Library, University of Newcastle, Callaghan Campus, Callaghan
Cost: Free
Contact: kate.ariotti@newcastle.edu.au, 02 4921 5324
MORE THAN TEA AND SCONES

TYPE: EXHIBITION & OPEN DAY
HOSTED BY: HENRY KENDALL COTTAGE AND HISTORICAL MUSEUM, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH BRISBANE WATER HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC.

Join us in celebrating History Week 2016 and Country Women’s Association (CWA) Awareness Week 2016 at our Open Day, with a special guest speaker, light lunch and refreshments. We also present the ‘More Than Tea and Scones’ temporary exhibition that acknowledges the dedicated work of the CWA and highlights the many years of fun and friendship shared by their members with the community. The exhibition runs from 1 September until 30 November 2016.

When: Saturday 10 September 2016, 10:30am-2:00pm
Where: Henry Kendall Cottage and Historical Museum, 25 Henry Kendall Street, West Gosford
Cost: Free - gold coin donation welcome
Contact: info@henrykendallcottage.org.au, 02 4325 2270
www.henrykendallcottage.org.au
From Canton to the colonies: Chinese women in 19th century New South Wales

TYPE: TALK/LECTURE  
HOSTED BY: WOLLONGONG CITY LIBRARIES

In 1871 there were just twelve Chinese women in New South Wales. In this talk Dr Kate Bagnall will discuss her quest to find out who these women were and what their lives in colonial Australia were like. She will focus on four remarkable women – Ah Happ, Ah Fie, Kim Linn and Sam Que – who lived at scattered locations around the colony, from Sydney to the goldfields to the bush. Living far from each other, Dr Bagnall will consider who might have been their neighbours, friends and helpmates as they built new lives in New South Wales from the 1860s to the 1880s.

Dr Kate Bagnall is a historian, writer and editor based in Canberra. Her historical work focuses on Chinese migration and settlement in the British settler colonies of the Pacific Rim before 1940. Kate received her PhD in Australian History from the University of Sydney, and from 2016 is an ARC DECRA Fellow in the School of Humanities & Social inquiry at the University of Wollongong.

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When: Wednesday 7 September 2016, 6:00pm  
Where: Corrimal District Library and Community Centre, 15 Short Street, Corrimal  
Cost: Free  
Contact: 02 4227 7414  
Women radio broadcasters and their listeners

**TYPE: TALK/LECTURE**
**HOSTED BY: MORUYA AND DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

In 1948 West Australian broadcaster and feminist Irene Greenwood launched a new program on commercial radio called ‘Woman to Woman’. Rather than treating her rural working-class audience as passive listeners Greenwood was determined to make ‘a two-way business of broadcasting’, and she utilised the power of radio to create an imagined community of women. Greenwood’s ability to erase distance made her audience members feel connected, both to her and to the other women who were listening simultaneously. Dr Jeannine Baker will demonstrate the ways women listeners actively participated in broadcasting, and shaped programme content and style.

Dr Jeannine Baker is a historian and documentary maker who researches Australian women’s history and media history. She is the author of *Australian Women War Reporters: Boer War to Vietnam* (NewSouth, 2015) and has also worked in the media and museums sector as a curator, writer, researcher, oral historian and producer.

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**When:** Saturday 10 September 2016, 2:00pm  
**Where:** Moruya Surf Life Saving Club, Charles Moffitt Drive, Moruya  
**Contact:** secretary@mdhs.org.au  
[www.mdhs.org.au](http://www.mdhs.org.au)
CONJOLA TOURS

TYPE: WALKING TOUR
HOSTED BY: KOTAHI TOURISM

Discover (or re-discover) Lake Conjola on a 2.5km leisurely walk with a local guide. Hear surprising stories of this beautiful South Coast lake and surrounds – fishing, floods, the fascinating past of first European settler Thomas Kendall, endangered species, heritage-listed holiday houses and more. See an amazing range of local wildlife (kangaroo sightings guaranteed), take in magnificent sea/lake vistas and enjoy a lakeside ‘cuppa’. Conjola Tours take place on Budawang Country.

When: Saturday 3 September 2016, 10:00am–12:00pm
Where: Tours depart outside Lake Conjola Post Office, 41-43 Carrol Ave, Lake Conjola
Cost: $29
Contact: info@kotahitourism.com, 02 4456 4848
www.kotahitourism.com

THE FACES OF EUROBODALLA

TYPE: EXHIBITION
HOSTED BY: EUROBODALLA SHIRE COUNCIL

Explore the rich history of Eurobodalla through an extraordinary archive of portrait photography. The Eurobodalla libraries will proudly partner with the Batemans Bay, Moruya and Narooma Historical Societies to bring you this wonderful exhibition. Discover the faces that shaped the shire and the stories behind them. Learn more about the unique social history through ‘The Faces of Eurobodalla’.

When: Monday 29 August to Saturday 17 September 2016, 10:00am–5:00pm
Where: On display at:
Batemans Bay Library, Hanging Rock Place, Batemans Bay
Moruya Library, Vulcan Street, Moruya
Narooma Library, Field Street, Narooma
Cost: Free
Contact: council@esc.nsw.gov.au, 02 4474 1000
Territorial Myths: The construction of legend and historical ownership in country town communities in the 20th century

**TYPE:** TALK/LECTURE  
**HOSTED BY:** TAMWORTH LIBRARY (CENTRAL NORTHERN REGIONAL LIBRARY)

Dr Louise Prowse explores how communities negotiate and demonstrate ownership of historical traditions. Looking closely at rural historical traditions in five country towns – the Coo-ee March (Gilgandra), the former Henry Lawson legacy (Mudgee), the Lambing Flat Riots (Young) and the Thunderbolt legend (Uralla) – this research considers how historical knowledge is reinterpreted, revisited and re-enacted and became during the 20th century a means of performing territorial ownership over folk myths and historical legends. Country towns carved out distinct local identities, based on the past, that changed the way we as residents and tourists now understand the rural landscape.

Dr Louise Prowse is an Australian cultural historian in place identity, tourism, heritage and the intersections between local and national history-making. Her research explores how historical identities of country towns came to epitomise modern Australian understandings of the rural ideal. Louise has taught in nineteenth and twentieth century Australian cultural and political history, American political history and the history of tourism at New York University (Sydney) and The University of Sydney.

Light refreshments will be served from 5:00pm.

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**When:** Thursday 8 September 2016, 5:00pm for 5:30 start.  
**Where:** Tamworth City Library, 466 Peel Street, Tamworth  
**Cost:** Free  
**Contact:** 02 6767 5228  
KEEPING UP WITH THE JONESES

**TYPE:** EXHIBITION  
**HOSTED BY:** MUSEUM OF PRINTING AT THE NEW ENGLAND REGIONAL ART MUSEUM

One aspect of being a neighbour is knowing or wanting to know everything about the lifestyle or the people next door and trying to ensure your lifestyle is at least as good as theirs. Keeping up with the Joneses is an exhibition of 1950s printing blocks, and some of the original newspapers they appeared in, advertising the good things in life, white goods, furniture and electrical goods. It gives a fascinating insight into what were considered the accoutrements of the good life.

**When:** Thursday 8 September 2016 to 27 January 2017, 10:30am–3:30pm  
**Where:** Museum of Printing at the New England Regional Art Museum, 106-114 Kentucky Street, Armidale  
**Cost:** Free  
**Contact:** mop@neram.com.au, 02 6772 5255
FRIENDSHIP, FENCES AND FEUDS

TYPE: TALK/LECTURE
HOSTED BY: PORT MACQUARIE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Port Macquarie’s earliest neighbours were the estates established shortly after the Hastings district was opened to free settlers in August 1830. Free settlement created new opportunities for the colony’s residents, and particularly those who had continuing or former connections with the Port Macquarie convict establishment. New neighbourhoods created friendships but also disputes over property boundaries, rights of way and, in some cases, ownership. This talk explores Port Macquarie’s early free settlements and the personalities that were neighbours.

When: Tuesday 6 September 2016, 10:00–11:30am
Where: Port Macquarie Museum, 22 Clarence Street, Port Macquarie
Cost: Free
Contact: pmuseum@bigpond.com, 02 6583 1108
www.portmuseum.org.au/events.php
Northern Rivers

**Everyone has at least one really good story**

**TYPE:** TALK/LECTURE  
**HOSTED BY:** GRAFTON LIBRARY

Oral historian, Benjamin Thorn, has discovered that everyone has at least one really good story that can cast a light on history. Talking to neighbours is therefore a productive way to gain historical insights into local history, various industries and work, and personal experiences of wider historical events. This talk will look at some of the ways that oral history of ordinary people can be a useful contextualising historical tool. It includes examples of stories that illustrate various contexts. The audience will then share their own memories to prove that everyone really does have a good story.

Benjamin Thorn has been collecting oral history about the printing industry for nine years. He has been the curator of the Museum of Printing at the New England Regional Art Museum and lectures in creative arts education at UNE. He also has an international reputation as a composer. His music is performed around the world and has been published in Australia, Germany, Canada and the United States.

*The Speaker Connect program is proudly presented by the History Council of NSW.*

**When:** Tuesday 6 September 2016, 12:30pm  
**Where:** Grafton Library, 126-144 Pound Street, Grafton  
**Cost:** Free  
**Contact:** graftonlib@crl.nsw.gov.au, 02 6641 0100  
Australia’s Southern Empire: How Antarctica was made Australian

**TYPE:** TALK/LECTURE  
**HOSTED BY:** THE PORT OF YAMBA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

How did Australia lay claim to 5.8 million square kilometres of its largely forgotten southern neighbour, Antarctica? Rohan Howitt will trace the origins of the Australian Antarctic Territory to the 1830s, examining contemporary newspapers, government and diplomatic sources, commercial records, and popular culture, to reconstruct the relationship between Australia and Antarctica. Howitt will demonstrate how the acquisition of an Antarctic territory was the culmination of nearly a century of Australian fascination with Antarctica, and that this fascination was driven as much by ordinary people as by politicians and explorers.

Rohan Howitt is a PhD student in the Department of History at the University of Sydney. His PhD thesis, ‘Australia, Antarctica, and the Logics of State Formation, 1839-1933’, examines Australia’s political, scientific, economic and cultural engagement with Antarctica.

**When:** Sunday 11 September 2016, 2:00pm  
**Where:** The Old Kirk, Yamba Museum, River Street, Yamba  
**Cost:** Free  
**Contact:** yambamuseumnsw@gmail.com, 02 6646 1399  
[www.pyhsmuseum.org.au](http://www.pyhsmuseum.org.au)
SOME ABORIGINAL HISTORY OF NORTH LISMORE

**TYPE:** TALK/LECTURE
**HOSTED BY:** RICHMOND RIVER HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Banyam/Baigham, or North Lismore, is an important place for local Aboriginal people, the Bundjalung Nation and tribes from other countries. In this talk the presenters will share some stories of the significance of this place by drawing on work they completed in 2013 to create heritage signs at the Lismore Showground.

For thousands of years the showground site has been a significant gathering place, and the landscape around the Showground is rich with stories from the Dreaming through to the present day. The presenters will also discuss some of the more challenging local history from North Lismore - the theft from the grave of Aboriginal remains.

**When:** Sunday 11 September 2016, 2:00–4:30pm
**Where:** Lismore Museum, 165 Molesworth Street, Lismore
**Cost:** $2
**Contact:** museum@richhistory.org.au, 02 6621 9993
[www.richhistory.org.au](http://www.richhistory.org.au)
Sydney: City

NEXT DOOR: PHOTOGRAPHS BY PAUL BLACKMORE

TYPE: EXHIBITION
HOSTED BY: THE STATE LIBRARY OF NEW SOUTH WALES

Paul Blackmore’s photographs, taken throughout the 1990s, document exterior life in a diverse range of Sydney suburbs. Much of suburban life is defined by the experience of having neighbours – living in close proximity with others, together yet apart. Blackmore’s photographs explore contrasting expressions of neighbourliness – driveway cricket matches in a Balmain gated community, the friendly openness of working on your car in the front yard, a community bonding over the protest against a proposed local airport. The photographs selected from the Library’s collections of Blackmore’s work show people relating to the world around them, starting with those next door.

When: Saturday 3 September to Sunday 27 November 2016, 10:00am–5:00pm
Where: State Library of New South Wales, Macquarie Street, Sydney
Cost: Free
Contact: bookings.library@sl.nsw.gov.au
www.sl.nsw.gov.au/whats-on
ERSKINEVILLE: OUR NEIGHBOURHOOD

**TYPE:** OPEN DAY  
**HOSTED BY:** ERSKINEVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL AND P & C ASSOCIATION

Get closer to this special part of Sydney. Join Erskineville Public School for a fascinating trip through time including the early days of convict labour, doing it tough in the depression, local Indigenous history and even how the natural landscape has shaped Erko’s past and present.

Discover local heroes, including pioneering activist Lucy Woodcock – an early spokesperson for women’s rights and equity through education.

Plus there will be free films, history walking tours, blacksmithing demonstrations, family fun and lots to eat and do.

**When:** Saturday 3 September 2016, 10:00am–3:00pm  
**Where:** Erskineville Public School, enter via Bridge Street, Erskineville  
**Cost:** Free  
**Contact:** erkohistoryday@gmail.com  
[https://www.facebook.com/events/1769414606636595/](https://www.facebook.com/events/1769414606636595/)

WAR-TIME STORIES:  
THE ROCKS AS A GARRISON TOWN

**TYPE:** EXHIBITION  
**HOSTED BY:** SYDNEY HARBOUR FORESHORE AUTHORITY

War-time Stories is an exhibition on Sydney’s Rocks community and how the military played an important role in the colony. The exhibition follows the timeline of Dawes Point Battery tracing its significance to the growing settlement. Stories include Australia’s first returned soldier, from the Battle of Waterloo; a NSW Corps Officer who despite reports of a debilitating mental illness was part of the rum rebellion and personally arrested Governor Bligh; and our first female war correspondent who reported for the Catholic Press and served as a nurse in the Boer War. The exhibition delves into the sobering stories of the men serving in World War I and the impact that war had on the community.

**When:** Saturday 6 February to Tuesday 1 November 2016, 10:00am–5:00pm  
**Where:** The Rocks Discovery Museum, Kendall Lane, Sydney  
**Cost:** Free  
**Contact:** rdm@shfa.nsw.gov.au, 02 9240 8680  
[www.therocks.com/whats-on](http://www.therocks.com/whats-on)
COCKATOO ISLAND CONVICT HISTORY TOUR

**TYPE:** WALKING TOUR  
**HOSTED BY:** SYDNEY HARBOUR FEDERATION TRUST

Learn about the fascinating history of Cockatoo Island on a 45-minute guided tour with the Sydney Harbour Federation Trust. Between 1839 and 1869, Cockatoo Island was a convict prison. At its peak it was home to 550 men who built their barracks, forged their own prison bars and constructed Fitzroy Dock. Cockatoo Island, together with 10 other historic convict sites, was inscribed on the World Heritage List in 2010.

Book on the day at Cockatoo Island Visitor Centre.

**When:** Saturday 3 September 2016, 10:30am–2:00pm  
Saturday 10 September 2016, 10:30am–2:15pm  
Tours leave at 10.30am, 11.30am and 1.30pm  
**Where:** Book on the day at Cockatoo Island Visitor Centre,  
Cockatoo Island, Sydney Harbour  
**Cost:** $10 Adults – Kids free  
**Contact:** info@harbourtrust.gov.au, 02 8969 2100  

NEIGHBOURS EXCLUDED:  
THE CHINESE OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA

**TYPE:** TALK/LECTURE  
**HOSTED BY:** THE CHINESE HERITAGE ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA INC.

Living under a virtual apartheid, and excluded from entering Australia under the “White Australia” policy, the Chinese of Papua New Guinea have largely been “neighbours ignored”. To discover more, Dr Kathie Blunt will explore their history and contribution to the development of Papua New Guinea.

**When:** Saturday 3 September 2016, 2:30–3:30pm  
**Where:** Sydney Mechanics’ School of Arts, 280 Pitt Street, Sydney  
**Cost:** $10 General, $8 Members. Light refreshments included.  
**Contact:** dblunt@bigpond.net.au, 0401 209 093
LABOUR’S NEIGHBOURHOODS

TYPE: PANEL DISCUSSION
HOSTED BY: AUSTRALIAN SOCIETY FOR THE STUDY OF LABOUR HISTORY (SYDNEY BRANCH)

Prof Lucy Taksa (Macquarie University), Associate Prof Andrew Moore (Adjunct WSU, author Mr Big of Bankstown), Dr Drew Cottle (Senior Lecturer WSU) and Nadia Wheatley (author, DLitt Sydney) – will discuss ‘neighbours’ from labour movement perspectives. Lucy addresses historical and present fragmentation in inner Sydney; Andrew looks at nostalgia and memory through the role of cars in life stories; Drew takes a critical historical perspective on our regional relationships; Nadia, whose books on inner Sydney include My Place and The House that was Eureka, explores how children’s awareness of home ‘country’ can develop their understanding of history.

When: Saturday 3 September 2016, 4:00–6:00pm
Where: Trades Hall Sydney: Unions NSW, 4 Goulburn Street (entrance on Sussex St), Sydney
Cost: $5
Contact: sydneybranch.asslh@gmail.com, Sue Tracey (Secretary) 0432 154 472; Rosemary Webb (President) 0417 211 094
www.asslh.org.au/branches/sydney/

PADDINGTON RADICAL HISTORY WALKING TOUR

TYPE: WALKING TOUR
HOSTED BY: WOOLLAHRA LIBRARIES

Join staff from Woollahra Libraries to take a journey through Paddington’s radical past. From green bans to dole riots, conscription debates to secret fascist armies, Paddington has a dramatic and often turbulent history of radicalism and popular protest. In this walking tour you’ll visit the sites where sensational, headline-grabbing events took place, and uncover the wilder, more unruly parts of Paddington’s history that are often forgotten or hidden behind the gleaming facades of today’s renovated terraces.

When: Saturday 3 September 2016, 11:00am–1:00pm
Where: Paddington Library, 247 Oxford Street, Paddington
Cost: Free
Contact: localhistory@woollahra.nsw.gov.au
www.woollahra.nsw.gov.au/events
REYNOLDS’ COTTAGES: THERE GOES THE NEIGHBOURHOOD

TYPE: TALK/LECTURE
HOSTED BY: MELISSA HOLMES

Reynolds' Cottages are a row of sandstone cottages in the heart of Sydney’s The Rocks, built in 1829 by convicts alongside a working port and in the shadow of a burgeoning city. The story of its occupants and the neighbourhood reflects the history of The Rocks and Sydney as it transformed from a penal colony to a global city.

From a community of Irish Catholic emancipists, demographic shifts include the immigration boom of goldrush era, overcrowded slums, public housing and heritage tourist precinct. Delivered on site at Reynolds' Cottages, this presentation will utilise the cottages themselves to provide insight into the people who lived there, how they lived and how they co-existed as neighbours.

When: Sunday 4 September 2016, 2:00pm–3:30pm
Where: Reynolds' Cottages, 28 Harrington Street, The Rocks, Sydney
Cost: SOLD OUT, waiting list available.
Contact: melzeb@yahoo.com, 0415 307 342
http://reynoldscottages.eventbrite.com.au

THE ROLE OF THE BOTANIC GARDENS IN OUR UNDERSTANDING OF INNOVATIVE GARDENS CREATED SINCE THE 1980s

TYPE: TALK/LECTURE
HOSTED BY: THE ROYAL AUSTRALIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE HISTORY COUNCIL OF NSW

The year 2016 marks 200 years since the establishment of Sydney’s Botanic Gardens and 50 years since landscape design was established as a profession in Australia. Howard Tanner was invited by the State Library of NSW to explore larger innovative gardens created in NSW since the 1980s. Tanner will present an illustrated talk on his findings. Afternoon tea will be served following the talk.

When: Monday 5 September 2016, 2:00–3:00pm
Where: History House, 133 Macquarie Street, Sydney
Cost: $5
Contact: history@rahs.org.au, 02 9247 8001
www.rahs.org.au/events-overview
AUSTRIA AND GERMANY AS NEIGHBOURS

TYPE: TALK/LECTURE
HOSTED BY: WEA SYDNEY

Today Austria and Germany are not only neighbours, but friends and members of the European Union. Both countries share a colourful, but not always peaceful past. The Battle of Königgrätz in 1866 between the Austrian Empire and Bismarck’s Prussia effected Austria’s exclusion from a Prussian dominated Germany. The German unification in 1871 took place under Prussia’s leadership without Austria, which had formed in 1867 a Dual monarchy with Hungary. The assassination of the Austrian Archduke Franz Ferdinand in 1914 and World War I saw Germany and the Austrian-Hungarian Empire as ‘brothers in arms’.

When: Monday 5 September 2016, 2:30–5:30pm
Where: 72 Bathurst Street, Sydney
Cost: $68 General $61 Concession
Contact: info@weasydney.nsw.edu.au, 02 9264 2781
www.weasydney.com.au

DIVERSITY OF WOMEN’S EXPERIENCES AS NEIGHBOURS

TYPE: EXHIBITION
HOSTED BY: JESSIE STREET NATIONAL WOMEN’S LIBRARY

The Jessie Street National Women’s Library presents a small exhibition to illustrate some of the many ways in which women have written about or acted as neighbours, ranging from simple over-the-fence support for each other to working on a national and international scale for the welfare of other women. This exhibition will utilise books, serials and posters from the Library’s collection.

The Ultimo Branch of the City of Sydney Public Library has an excellent collection of books in Chinese for the benefit of the neighbouring Chinese community who use the Centre extensively. Visitors are invited to inspect this collection and a handout will also be available.

When: Monday 5 September to Friday 9 September 2016, 10:00am–3:00pm
Where: Jessie Street National Women’s Library, Ultimo Community Centre, 523-525 Harris Street, Ultimo
Cost: Free
Contact: info@nationalwomenslibrary.org.au, 02 9571 5359
www.nationalwomenslibrary.org.au
BEFORE NEIGHBOURS: SYDNEY HOSPITAL, THE FIRST BUILDING ON MACQUARIE STREET

**TYPE:** EXHIBITION/TOURS  
**HOSTED BY:** LUCY OSBURN-NIGHTINGALE MUSEUM

Visit historic Sydney Hospital, the first building built on Macquarie Street, Sydney. Its foundation stone was laid by Governor Lachlan Macquarie in 1811, and 8 April 2016 marked 200 years of the hospital on this site. The Lucy Osburn-Nightingale Museum offers 1.5-hour tours throughout the day.

**When:** Tuesday 6 September 2016, 10:00am–3:00pm  
**Where:** Sydney Hospital and Sydney Eye Hospital, 1868 Nightingale Wing, First Floor  
8 Macquarie Street, Sydney  
**Cost:** $5  
**Contact:** Sydhosp.museum@sesiahs.health.nsw.gov.au, 02 9382 7427

THE CLAN ASSOCIATIONS OF CHINATOWN

**TYPE:** WALKING TOUR  
**HOSTED BY:** CHINESE-AUSTRALIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Some of the oldest organisations in Australia are the little known clan associations of the Chinese community. For much of Australia’s history Chinese-Australians relied on clan associations based on their villages of origin. Their role included social support and assistance of all kinds, including sending money and the bones of the dead back to the villages of south China.

Join King Fong, a leading member of the Chinese community as he conducts a walking tour of Chinatown and the clan offices while explaining the significance of these clans in the history of Chinatown, the Chinese community and Australia.

**When:** Tuesday 6 September 2016, 11:00am–12:30pm  
**Where:** Chinatown, corner Hay and Dixon Streets, Haymarket  
**Cost:** $15 General, $10 CAHS Members  
**Contact:** contact.cahs@gmail.com, 0412 334 398  
www.chineseaustralianhistory.org
ANN HOWARD - YOU’LL BE SORRY!

**TYPE:** TALK/LECTURE  
**HOSTED BY:** SYDNEY MECHANICS’ SCHOOL OF ARTS

Ann Howard gives a compelling account of the remarkable women who participated in the Services during World War II. Their experiences, both during and after the war, when they were called on to make a further (and to some, an even greater) sacrifice by returning to the home, sparked great changes.

Overcoming resistance and prejudice, together they set the foundation for the Women’s Liberation Movement of the 1970s and for women to have more and ‘be’ more. The stories of these women are recounted with unflagging honesty through interviews, diary notes and supported with poignant photographs and remarkable archival material.

**When:** Tuesday 6 September 2016, 12:30–1:30pm  
**Where:** Mitchell Theatre, Sydney Mechanics’ School of Arts, 280 Pitt Street, Sydney  
**Cost:** Free  
**Contact:** tkc@smsa.org.au, 02 9262 7300  

SHOOTING STARS

**TYPE:** TALK/LECTURE  
**HOSTED BY:** WEA SYDNEY

It is difficult to leave an impression on scholars and students of history if you die before 20 years of age, but there are several examples of young men and women leaving a lasting impression over the centuries. A close look at the lives of eight such shooting stars from different centuries and different cultures will reveal an interesting cross section of outstanding achievements, notorious circumstances and some tragic fates.

**When:** Tuesday 6 September 2016, 2:30–4:30pm  
**Where:** 72 Bathurst Street, Sydney  
**Cost:** $35  
**Contact:** info@weasydney.nsw.edu.au, 02 9264 2781  
THE CONVICT’S DAUGHTER

**TYPE:** TALK/LECTURE
**HOSTED BY:** SYDNEY MECHANICS’ SCHOOL OF ARTS

Neighbours did not always get along – but sometimes, perhaps, they got along a little too well. When 15-year-old Mary Ann Gill stole out her bedroom window in 1848 to elope with gentleman settler, James Kinchela, her furious father chased the couple to a local racecourse and then fired two pistols at his daughter’s suitor, only narrowly missing his target. What followed became Australia’s most scandalous abduction trial of the era, as well as an extraordinary story of adventure and misadventure, both in Australia and abroad. Armed with little more than a newspaper clipping, historian Kiera Lindsey has pieced together the compelling story of the eventful life of her great, great, great aunt.

**When:** Thursday 8 September 2016, 12:30–1:30pm
**Where:** Mitchell Theatre, Level 1, Sydney Mechanics’ School of Arts, 280 Pitt Street, Sydney
**Cost:** Free
**Contact:** tkc@smsa.org.au, 02 9262 7300
http://smsa.org.au/events

WHITE AUSTRALIA: HOW DID IT WORK & WHAT DID OUR NEIGHBOURS THINK OF IT?

**TYPE:** TALK/LECTURE
**HOSTED BY:** WEA SYDNEY

The White Australia Policy was one of the first policies established by the newly created Federal Government in 1901 and lasted until 1972; softened through the 1960s by the Coalition Government with the support of the Australian Labor Party until Whitlam gave it the coup de grâce with the support of the Coalition. While the official line was always that it was not racist this was clearly untrue to those who had access to the Confidential instructions not available to the public. Trace its history, how it worked in practice and how it was received by regional countries.

**When:** Thursday 8 September 2016, 2:30–4:30pm
**Where:** 72 Bathurst Street, Sydney
**Cost:** $35
**Contact:** info@weasydney.nsw.edu.au, 02 9264 2781
www.weasydney.com.au
LATE NIGHT LIBRARY:
LETTERS OF COMPLAINT *SOLD OUT*

**TYPE:** COMEDY SHOW  
**HOSTED BY:** CITY OF SYDNEY

Join some of Sydney’s leading comedians as they share the best, worst and most bizarre letters of complaint from the deep recesses of the City of Sydney archives. From a noisy sausage machine, to the bothersome smell of boiling tripe, this Late Night Library event indulges in a long list of comical neighbourly gripes. Settle in to the Customs House Reading Room and rediscover Sydney’s history in the words of those who lived here.

Presented by Creative City Sydney, City of Sydney Library and blackcat productions.

**When:** Thursday 8 September 2016, 8:00–9:00pm  
**Where:** Customs House Library, 31 Alfred Street, Circular Quay, Sydney  
**Cost:** Free  
**Contact:** library@cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au, 02 9265 9333  
https://whatson.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au

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SERBIA’S HONORARY CONSULS IN AUSTRALIA FROM THE 1890s TO THE 1930s: PORTRAIT OF AN EPOCH

**TYPE:** TALK/LECTURE  
**HOSTED BY:** ST LAZARUS SERBIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

Join St Lazarus for an evening of discovery, as they explore the history of friendship between Australia and Serbia, formed in colonial times, evolving as Australia’s colonies achieved nationhood at Federation, and immortalised through alliance on the battlefields of World War I. Uncover the stories of the people who served as honorary consuls of Serbia, mingling with the high society of the colonial (and later state) capitals, as well as some of the Australians who served as medical volunteers with the Serbian Army during World War I, through photographs, newspaper archives, early motion pictures and important documents, including the Treaty of Friendship and Commerce with Serbia from 1880.

**When:** Saturday 10 September 2016, 7:00–8:00pm  
**Where:** St Lazarus Serbian Orthodox Church, 14 Renwick Street, Alexandria  
**Cost:** Free  
**Contact:** mirjanaai@yahoo.com, 0421 971 801  
www.lazarica.org
POIHĀKENA TOURS: STORIES OF MĀORI IN SYDNEY

**TYPE:** WALKING TOUR  
**HOSTED BY:** KOTAHI TOURISM

Award-winning Poihākena tours: stories of Māori in Sydney are based in The Rocks where Māori have lived, loved, traded, visited, worked and died since 1793. On this two-hour walking tour with a Māori guide you will visit the archaeological dig site where ‘greenstone taonga’ (treasured objects) have been revealed. See taonga exhibited at The Rocks Discovery Museum, walk down Māori Lane, experience waiata (Māori song) and hear stories spanning 223 years.

Poihākena tours: stories of Māori in Sydney - winner 2015 National Trust Heritage Award - Tours and Multimedia.

**When:** Saturday 10 September 2016, 11:00am–1:00pm  
**Where:** Tours depart outside 5 Circular Quay West, Campbell’s Cove, The Rocks, Sydney  
**Cost:** $39  
**Contact:** info@kotahitourism.com, 02 4456 4848  
www.kotahitourism.com

COLONIAL LAND GRABS: WILLIAM REYNOLDS AND FRANCIS GREENWAY

**TYPE:** TALK/LECTURE  
**HOSTED BY:** MELISSA HOLMES

Delivered on site at Reynolds’ Cottage, this talk will explore the relationship between neighbours, Francis Greenway and William Reynolds. Reynolds’ Cottages are a row of sandstone cottages in the heart of The Rocks, built by convicts in 1829, not long before the transformation of Sydney from penal colony to global city. Emancipated convicts exploited a brief window of opportunity created by vague land grants kept by a corrupt bureaucracy. The jostling and squabbling between Reynolds and Greenway over legitimacy and boundaries convey the audacity of land grabs and the obsession with waterfront inner city properties that linger to this day.

**When:** Sunday 11 September 2016, 11:00am–1:30pm  
**Where:** Reynolds’ Cottage, 28 Harrington Street, The Rocks  
**Cost:** Free  
**Contact:** melzeb@yahoo.com, 0415 307 342  
http://coloniallandgrabs.eventbrite.com.au
MINDING HER OWN BUSINESS:
COLONIAL BUSINESSWOMAN IN SYDNEY

**TYPE:** TALK/LECTURE  
**HOSTED BY:** CITY OF SYDNEY HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

There are few memorials to colonial businesswomen, but if you know where to look you can find many traces of their presence as you wander the streets of Sydney. From milliners and dressmakers to ironmongers and booksellers; from publicans and boarding-house keepers to butchers and taxidermists; from school teachers to ginger-beer manufacturers, these women have been hidden in the historical record but were visible to their contemporaries. Catherine Bishop brings the stories of these entrepreneurial women to life, with fascinating details of their successes and failures.

**When:** Sunday 11 September 2016, 2:00–3:45pm  
**Where:** Mitchell Theatre, Level 1, Sydney Mechanics’ School of Arts, 280 Pitt Street, Sydney  
**Cost:** $3 COSHA Members, $5 General  
**Contact:** brooksbevy@iprimus.com.au, 0448 891 981  
[Sydneyhistorical.org.au](http://Sydneyhistorical.org.au)
For much of the 20th century, Australia implemented a ‘White Australia Policy’ and did so with the help of the Dictation Test. However, much confusion about what the dictation test was and its implementation exists as original administrators of the test attempted to keep aspects of its operation a secret. This presentation will outline the origins of the dictation test and explain some of the issues and contradictions of this ‘test’ it was a crime to fail generated.

Dr Michael Williams, Adjunct Fellow WSU, is an historian of the Chinese Diaspora and a founding member of the Chinese Australian Historical Society.

**When:** Thursday 8 September 2016, 6:00–7:00pm

**Where:** Riverwood Library, Cnr Belmore Rd and Roosevelt Ave, Riverwood

**Cost:** Free

**Contact:** library@canterbury.nsw.gov.au, 02 9789 9380

The Australian television soap opera Neighbours, reached a milestone in 2015, celebrating 30 years of broadcast. Dr Liz Giuffre and Dr Sarah Attfield from the University of Technology, Sydney will examine Neighbours as a piece of Australian media history, and how the show featured pioneering ideas of class and gender. Most famously, Kylie Minogue’s Charlene was a female apprentice mechanic – a non-traditional portrayal of gender and class that has arguably not been seen on contemporary Australian television since.

Dr Sarah Attfield is a Scholarly Teaching Fellow in the School of Communication, University of Technology Sydney. Her research is focused on the ways in which working class experience is represented in literature and popular culture, and she has written on working class representation in British, American and Australian television and popular music.

Dr Liz Giuffre is a Lecturer in Communication at the University of Technology Sydney, as well as a freelance arts journalist. Her research interests include popular music, television, genre and screen sound studies. She is a regular contributor to Critical Studies in Television and an enthusiastic member of the International Association for the Study of Popular Music.

The Speaker Connect program is proudly presented by the History Council of NSW.

When: Wednesday 7 September 2016, 6:30pm
Where: Margaret Martin Library, Level 1 Royal Randwick Shopping Centre, 73 Belmore Road, Randwick
Cost: Free
Contact: contactus@randwick.nsw.gov.au, 02 9399 6966
RANDWICK: OUR VICTORIAN NEIGHBOURS

**TYPE: EXHIBITION**
**HOSTED BY: RANDWICK CITY LIBRARY**

In combination with two exciting walking tours, Randwick City Library is hosting an exhibition exploring the Victorian architecture of Randwick. Come along and find out what life was like for Randwick’s Victorian neighbours.

**When:** Thursday 1 September to Friday 30 September 2016, 10:00am-4:00pm
**Where:** Bowen Library, 669 Anzac Parade, Maroubra Junction
**Cost:** Free
**Contact:** contactus@randwick.nsw.gov.au, 02 9314 4888

RANDWICK: OUR VICTORIAN NEIGHBOURS

**TYPE: WALKING TOUR**
**HOSTED BY: RANDWICK CITY LIBRARY**

Join the Randwick local studies team as they explore the Victorian architecture of their beautiful suburb of Randwick. Their walking tour will ramble through the suburb imagining what it was like in the time of the Victorians. Inspired by the local architecture and intriguing local history snippets, join their local time team for a morning of heritage appreciation. Please wear comfortable clothes and shoes and bring water, sunscreen and a hat.

**When:** Sunday 4 September 2016, 9:45am-12:30pm
Sunday 11 September 2016, 9:45am-12:30pm
**Where:** Meet at Alison Park, Alison Road end in Randwick
**Cost:** $15
**Contact:** contactus@randwick.nsw.gov.au, 02 9314 4888
OUR EARLY NEIGHBOURS:
FROM SETTLEMENT TO THE 20TH CENTURY

TYPE: EXHIBITION
HOSTED BY: RANDWICK AND DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Join the Randwick and District Historical Society for a week-long exhibition featuring early documents, photos, artefacts and the history of the early residents of Randwick and surrounds. The display includes the blazer worn by Australia’s first woman Olympian Mina Wylie at the 1912 Olympic Games held in Sweden, and the 1895 fan chart tracing the pedigree of 1890 Melbourne Cup winner, Carbine, back to the 1600s.

When: Monday 5 September to Saturday 10 September 2016, 10:00am–3:00pm
Where: Level 2 Bowen Library, 669 Anzac Parade, Maroubra Junction
Cost: Free
Contact: randwickhistory@gmail.com, 02 9349 3572

BOTANY AND THE BAY:
A GUIDED TOUR OF BOTANY’S FORESHORES

TYPE: GUIDED BUS TOUR
HOSTED BY: CITY OF BOTANY BAY

Can you imagine having a Port and Airport as your neighbours? That is exactly what has happened to the Sydney suburb of Botany. For many years, locals enjoyed the suburb’s relative isolation and made full use of its location on the northern foreshores of Botany Bay. This all changed with the development of Sydney Airport and Port Botany.

Come and discover how these two major transport hubs have impacted and altered the landscape by joining City of Botany Bay for a guided bus tour. Bookings are essential as places are limited. If you cannot make it, look out for the City of Botany Bay’s self-guided walking tour, which will be available to download from www.izi.travel from September 2016.

When: Friday 9 September 2016, 10:00am–12:00pm
Where: Meet at Mascot Library & George Hanna Memorial Museum, 2 Hatfield Street, Mascot
Cost: Free - Bookings are essential
Contact: museum@botanybay.nsw.gov.au, 02 9366 3802
GREEK CAFES & MILK BARS OF AUSTRALIA

TYPE: TALK/LECTURE
HOSTED BY: RANDWICK AND DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

In each suburb and every country town, there was the Greek café or milk bar - open all hours, 7 days a week. Leonard Janiszewski and Effy Alexakis will describe how these family-based food-catering enterprises affected and influenced Australian popular culture. These Greek cafés and milk bars in Australia were a ‘Trojan Horse’ for the Americanisation of the eating, social and cultural habits of Australians and transformed Australian popular culture.

When: Saturday 10 September 2016, 2:00–4:00pm
Where: Vonnie Young Auditorium, Bowen Library, 669-673 Anzac Parade, Maroubra
Cost: Free
Contact: randwickhistory@gmail.com, 02 9314 4888
SPEAKER CONNECT TALK

More than just neighbours: Māori in NSW since 1793

TYPE: TALK/LECTURE  
HOSTED BY: ADDISON ROAD COMMUNITY CENTRE

Māori history and heritage in NSW spans 223 years, interwoven with the national narrative of both Australia and New Zealand. With intriguing stories of trade, love, migration, war, visiting Māori Chiefs and archeological discoveries of Māori taonga (treasured objects) in NSW, Hohepa Ruhe's talk gives a Māori perspective to the history of NSW, and connects past to present where one in five Māori now live in Australia.

Hohepa Ruhe is the Director and Co-Founder of Kotahi Tourism - an award winning heritage tourism business offering Māori and Indigenous tours and education programs in Sydney and coastal NSW. Hohepa has worked on tour development, guide training and exhibition interpretation at Te Papa Tongarewa - The Museum of New Zealand and The Rocks Discovery Museum. Hohepa is New Zealand Māori of Ngāpuhi, Tuwharetoa, Ngāti Toa and Ngāti Raukawa, and moved to Australia in 2001.

The Speaker Connect program is proudly presented by the History Council of NSW.

When: Sunday 4 September 2016, 5:00pm  
Where: Addison Road Community Centre, 142 Addison Road, Marrickville  
Cost: Free  
Contact: museum@arcco.org.au, 02 9569 7633  
[www.arcco.org.au](http://www.arcco.org.au)
Deathly Neighbours: the evolution of Sydney’s cemeteries

TYPE: TALK/LECTURE
HOSTED BY: ASHFIELD LIBRARY

From burial ground, to churchyard, to church cemetery and then general cemetery: Sydney’s cemeteries demonstrate the implementation of a 19th century novelty in the colony. The planning and design of Sydney’s cemeteries is an under appreciated aspect of Sydney’s urban history. As Dr Lisa Murray will demonstrate in her talk, health, landscape, moral and religious values all contributed to their design and how individuals treated their friends and neighbours in death.

Dr Lisa Murray is the City Historian at the City of Sydney Council, overseeing a diverse History Program that encompasses local and community history, civic and municipal history, and urban history. Lisa is passionate about making history accessible to the public, and is an award-winning author of planning histories and a regular contributor to debates around public history.

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**When:** Friday 9 September 2016, 11:00am  
**Where:** Council Chambers, Level 6, Ashfield Civic Centre, 260 Liverpool Road  
Ashfield NSW 2131  
**Cost:** Free  
**Contact:** library@ashfield.nsw.gov.au, 02 9716 1800  
NEIGHBOURS: PAST AND PRESENT

TYPE: EXHIBITION
HOSTED BY: INNER WEST COUNCIL - LEICHHARDT LIBRARY

Get to know your lost neighbour! Leichhardt Library is showcasing an exhibition of historic images from the library’s collection. They invite you to share your memories of the iconic, the ordinary the different the historic, the social, the quirky and the elements that have come to pass in the Inner West. Local community and identity is changing in the face of amalgamations and development. So come and pin your memories to a 2D History Pin board and get to know your neighbours and their memories.

When: Thursday 8 September 2016, 6:00–8:00pm (opening night)
Thursday 1 September to Friday 30 September 2016, 9:30am–8:00pm (exhibition)
Where: Leichhardt Library, Piazza Level, Italian Forum, 23 Norton Street, Leichhardt
Cost: Free
Contact: localhistory@lmc.nsw.gov.au, 02 9367 9266

CITY OF CANADA BAY - A CITY OF SUBURBS

TYPE: TALK/LECTURE
HOSTED BY: CITY OF CANADA BAY HERITAGE SOCIETY INC.

Neighbours are a very important part of everyone’s life. Neighbouring suburbs are also a very important part of each individual’s life. In this talk, the City of Canada Bay Heritage Society Inc. will look at the history and diversity of the Canada Bay district and how a community can become a family.

When: Saturday 3 September 2016, 2:00pm–4:00pm
Where: City of Canada Bay Museum, 1 Bent Street, Concord
Cost: Free – donation welcome
Contact: lmichel@tpg.com.au, 02 9744 8528
www.canadabayheritage.asn.au
REDISCOVER ANNANDALE: 
FROM LAND GRANT TO URBAN VILLAGE

TYPE: EXHIBITION  
HOSTED BY: INNER WEST COUNCIL - LEICHHARDT LIBRARY

Discover the stories of the Heritage Streetscapes of this urban village in Sydney’s inner west. Annandale is bounded by Sydney Harbour, Parramatta Road and two creeks. Gas lights, horses and trams adorned the streets. This exhibition draws on Leichhardt Library’s local history collection to present a brief illustrated history of Annandale from colonial Land Grant to a community of over 8,700 residents and churches, temples, civic spaces, schools and diverse businesses.

When: Saturday 3 to Sunday 11 September 2016, 12:00–7:00pm  
Where: Tetch Gallery, 245 Parramatta Road, Annandale NSW 2038  
Cost: Free  
Contact: localhistory@lmc.nsw.gov.au, 02 9367 9266  
www.leichhardt.nsw.gov.au/Library/Local-History

JOURNEY DOWN JOHNSTON STREET, ANNANDALE

TYPE: WALKING TOUR  
HOSTED BY: INNER WEST COUNCIL - LEICHHARDT LIBRARY

Tour guides Jason Chatwin and Amie Zar invite you to come and explore the Heritage Buildings and Grand architecture of Johnston Street, Annandale in a walking tour from The Crescent up to Parramatta Road.

Explore neighbouring architecture from the Gothic revivalist architecture of the Abbey 1881, to the array of maintained and restored Victorian Italianate and Victorian Filigree architecture lining the wide beautiful street. The social history surrounding the Old Annandale Theatre will be explored along with the Goodman’s Building and the Empire Hotel.

When: Tuesday 6 September 2016, 10:00am–12:30pm  
Where: Meet at The Crescent Mural opposite Federal Park, The Crescent, Annandale  
Cost: Free  
Contact: amiez@lmc.nsw.gov.au, 02 9367 9266
SPECTACLE ISLAND

**TYPE:** TALK/LECTURE  
**HOSTED BY:** INNER WEST COUNCIL – LEICHHARDT LIBRARY

Join us at Leichhardt Library for a history talk by author and Royal Australian Navy Historian, Robert Curran, on the 150–year-old history of Spectacle Island. With ties to the historic Balmain Colliery and its neighbour, Cockatoo Island Robert explores its history and significant people associated with the Island.

**When:** Tuesday 6 September 2016, 6:00–8:00pm  
**Where:** Leichhardt Library, Piazza Level, Italian Forum, 23 Norton Street, Leichhardt  
**Cost:** Free  
**Contact:** localhistory@lmc.nsw.gov.au, 02 9367 9335  

NEIGHBOURS: LEICHHARDT

**TYPE:** WALKING TOUR  
**HOSTED BY:** INNER WEST COUNCIL – LEICHHARDT LIBRARY

Join local historian, Patrick Callaghan, on a walk through the Leichhardt he knew very well growing up in the 1940s, 50s and 60s. Gain an insight into Leichhardt’s multicultural diversity of the 1940s. Hear about the local priest who was awarded an MBE as a chaplain in World War I. See the house where his family lived, learn about their neighbours, and some of the local characters, the lawn mower king, the local SP bookie, the rag and bone man, the ‘Rabbito’ and the clothes prop man. Learn the history of Hawthorne Canal and the ferry service that ran from the canal to the City, cross the canal into Haberfield and more. The tour will start and finish at St Columba’s Church.

**When:** Wednesday 7 September 2016, 10:00am–12:00pm  
**Where:** Meet in the grounds of St Columba and the Holy Souls Church, 213 Elswick Street, Leichhardt  
**Cost:** Free  
**Contact:** localhistory@lmc.nsw.gov.au, 02 9367 9266  
A LOOK OVER TIME

**TYPE:** TALK/LECTURE  
**HOSTED BY:** AUSTRALIAN LEBANESE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Waves of migration from Mt Lebanon to Australia have been occurring since the 1870s, each with its own characteristics. From 1870 to 1943, migrants left a country that was a province of the Ottoman Empire and from 1921 a French Mandate. Those leaving after 1943 migrated from an Independent Lebanon. Later arrivals left a country troubled by a 15-year civil war.

Neighbors and mentors encountered in Australia became their heroes and played a pivotal role in successful settlement. Speakers from the Australian Lebanese Historical Society will talk about their ancestors arrival from Lebanon, each speaker’s ancestors representing one of these distinct waves of migration and will compare the similarities and differences of the experiences of their family’s arrival.

**When:** Saturday 10 September 2016, 2:00–4:00pm  
**Where:** Marrickville Library meeting room at Marrickville Town Hall, 303 Marrickville Road, Marrickville  
**Cost:** $10 (includes afternoon tea)  
**Contact:** mail@alhs.org.au, John 02 9977 6374 or Anthony 02 9130 6344

THE WALK FROM BATTLE BRIDGE TO THE BAY RUN

**TYPE:** WALKING TOUR  
**HOSTED BY:** INNER WEST COUNCIL – LEICHHARDT LIBRARY

This fascinating historical walk will commence at the site of one of the early bridge sites in Sydney, the Parramatta Road bridge over Long Cove Creek. The walk will draw on the history of Hawthorne, the local member, and the eventual transformation of Long Cove Creek to the Hawthorne Canal.

**When:** Sunday 11 September 2016, 10:00am–12:00pm  
**Where:** Meet at Taverners Hill Light Rail Station adjacent to Parramatta Road and the Hawthorne Canal, Leichhardt  
**Cost:** Free  
**Contact:** localhistory@lmc.nsw.gov.au, 02 9367 9266  
www.leichhardt.nsw.gov.au/Library/Local-History
CALLAN PARK TALKS & TOURS

TYPE: TALK/LECTURE AND TOUR
HOSTED BY: FRIENDS OF CALLAN PARK

Hear about the work of Dr Frederic Norton Manning, who travelled to Australia, conducted an international tour of psychiatric institutions and was appointed Medical Superintendent at Gladesville Hospital, all before the age of 30. Learn about his influence on psychiatric care in the late 19th Century and his role in the development of Callan Park. Also hear the amazing history of the first 44 patients who were transferred from overcrowded Gladesville Hospital to Callan Park in 1876 and watched as the asylum was carved out of the stone and built before them. Who were these men? What was their routine?

When: Sunday 11 September 2016, 2:00–4:30pm
Where: NSW Writers’ Centre, Callan Park (enter at Cecily Street gates), Rozelle
Cost: $20, Children under 15 Free
Contact: focp.admin@gmail.com, 0413 733 219
https://www.trybooking.com/MBOU
Sydney: Northern Beaches

FOREST NEighbours: Changing Neighbourhoods of the Forest Area

**Type:** Exhibition and Launch  
**Hosted by:** Northern Beaches Council

Join Northern Beaches Council for the launch of the ‘Forest Neighbours’ historic photographic exhibition and share your memories of the Forest area over morning tea. An exhibition of historic photographs from the Forest area will be on display at Belrose Library. From the Frenchs Forest soldiers’ settlement begun during World War I to the new subdivisions of the 1960s and 1970s, see how the Forest area’s neighbourhoods have evolved over the last century.

**When:** Tuesday 6 September 2016, 10:30am–12:00pm  
Exhibition open Saturday 3 September to Monday 19 September 2016, 10:00am–5:00pm (launch)  
**Where:** Belrose Library, Glenrose Place, off Glen Street, Belrose  
**Cost:** Free - bookings required for morning tea  
**Contact:** library@warringah.nsw.gov.au

North Fort Tunnel Tours

**Type:** Walking Tour  
**Hosted by:** Sydney Harbour Federation Trust

Enjoy the Sydney Harbour Federation Trust’s 90-minute guided tour through World War II tunnels, gun emplacements and more at North Fort. Hear how North Fort contributed to the defence of Sydney, view some of Sydney’s most historic artillery and enjoy magnificent views of the harbour and beyond. Book on the day at the North Head Sanctuary Visitor Centre.

**When:** Sunday 4 September 2016, 10:30am–3:30pm; Sunday 11 September 2016, 10:30am–3:30pm; Tours leave at 1:30am, 11:30am, 1:00pm and 2:00pm.  
**Where:** North Head Sanctuary Visitor Centre, North Fort, North Head Scenic Drive, Manly  
**Cost:** $7 Adult, $5 Child/Concession, $20 family (two adults and up to three concessions)  
**Contact:** info@harbourtrust.gov.au, 02 8969 2100  
NORTHERN LIGHT - PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITION

TYPE: EXHIBITION
HOSTED BY: MANLY ART GALLERY & MUSEUM

With a focus on contemporary photo media, Manly Art Gallery & Museum presents recent photographic works from pre-eminent and emerging artists living on Sydney’s Northern Beaches. Artists Cameron Bloom, James Brickwood, Tim Hixson, Sally Mayman, Trent Mitchell, Cade Turner and Louise Whelan reflect on environment, culture and identity through local, national and international ‘lenses’. Northern Light provides an opportunity to discuss the photographic image as fine art and other current issues surrounding the medium. Curated by Ross Heathcote and part of the 2016 Manly Arts Festival.

When: Friday 9 September to Sunday 23 October 2016, 10:00am–5:00pm
Where: Manly Art Gallery & Museum, West Esplanade Reserve, Manly
Cost: Free
Contact: katherine.roberts@manly.nsw.gov.au, 02 9976 1421

MANLY: ART FROM THE VAULT

TYPE: EXHIBITION
HOSTED BY: MANLY ART GALLERY & MUSEUM

As part of the 2016 Manly Arts Festival, Manly Art Gallery & Museum draws on its extensive collection of paintings, photographs, ceramics and museum objects to reveal Manly in a new light and to showcase recent key acquisitions that reflect its vibrant culture, history and beaches, including works by artists such as Ethel Carrick-Fox, Conrad Martens, Nancy Kilgour, Stephen Lees and Anne Zahalka.

When: Friday 9 September to Sunday 27 November 2016, 10:00am–5:00pm
Where: Manly Art Gallery & Museum, West Esplanade Reserve, Manly NSW 2095
Cost: Free
Contact: artgallery@manly.nsw.gov.au 02 9976 1421
Sydney: Northern Suburbs

NEIGHBOURS NEAR AND FAR: IMMIGRATION AND MIGRANT COMMUNITIES IN AUSTRALIA

TYPE: EXHIBITION
HOSTED BY: THE AUSTRALIAN HISTORY MUSEUM, MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY

The Australian History Museum at Macquarie University will host this exhibition from September - December 2016. The exhibition looks at migrant communities in Australian history, their experiences in Australia and the sharing of customs with their neighbours. It also examines immigration in Australia and relations with neighbouring countries.

Special opening hours during History Week are:
Monday-Thursday 8:30am–4:00pm;
Friday 8:30am–1:00pm;
Saturday 9:00am–1:00pm;
closed Sunday.

When: Monday 5 September to Saturday 10 September 2016
Where: Australian History Museum, Level 1 Building W6A,
Macquarie University, North Ryde
Cost: Free
Contact: jane.thogersen@mq.edu.au, 02 9850 8870
THE SISTERS OF ST JOSEPH:
EDUCATIONAL ENDEAVOURS AT NORTH SYDNEY

TYPE: EXHIBITION
HOSTED BY: MARY MACKILLOP PLACE MUSEUM

This exhibition will cover themes that are of local historical significance and that celebrate the heritage of early pioneer Sisters of St Joseph in educational initiatives on the lower North Shore. Key developments in the formation of the site as a teacher-training centre are highlighted through audio and video presentations. The Heritage Walkway follows the theme in unfolding the history of the site and its significant heritage buildings.

When: Friday 1 April to Sunday 11 December 2016, 10:00am–4:00pm
Where: Mary Mackillop Place, 7–11 Mount Street, North Sydney
Cost: $10 Adult $8 Concession. Heritage Walkway free
Contact: mackillop@sosj.org.au, 02 8912 4896
www.marymackillopplace.org.au

TARONGA ZOO SOUNVENIRS AND VIEWS

TYPE: EXHIBITION
HOSTED BY: MOSMAN LIBRARY SERVICES

Join Mosman Library as they celebrate 100 years of their neighbour Taronga Zoo in postcards, guide books and souvenirs.

When: Thursday 1 September to Tuesday 1 November 2016, 10:00am–4:00pm
Where: Barry O’Keefe Library, 605 Military Road, Mosman
Cost: Free
Contact: d.braye@mosman.nsw.gov.au, 02 9978 4091
HEADLAND PARK TUNNELS AND GUNNERS TOUR

TYPE: WALKING TOUR
HOSTED BY: SYDNEY HARBOUR FEDERATION TRUST

Join Sydney Harbour Federation Trust as they take you through two fortifications dating back to the 1870s, one of which has rarely been open to the public. Hear about the role this commanding harbour location played in the defence of Sydney during World War II.

In addition to historic and underground fortifications with gun emplacements protecting the harbour, you will also walk through beautiful bushland with magnificent harbour views, which now hosts artists, cafes, restaurants and businesses, with plenty of open space to explore.

Advance bookings are essential.

When: Sunday 4 September 2016, 1:30–2:45pm
Where: Georges Head Lookout, off Suakin Drive, Mosman
Cost: $8 Adult, $5 Child/Concession, $20 family (two adults and up to three concessions)
Contact: info@harbourtrust.gov.au, 02 8969 2100

THE GREAT NORTH ROAD: ITS NEIGHBOURS AND ITS EFFECTS

TYPE: TALK/LECTURE
HOSTED BY: CONVICT TRAIL PROJECT INC.

This illustrated talk discusses the neighbours of the Great North Road when surveyed, the effects of the road on the subsequent settlement patterns and the influence of the road on some family settlement and marriage patterns along its length. Also discussed will be the contribution the Great North Road made to communications and the establishment of neighbourhoods. How did its construction from 1826 to 1836 affect your neighbourhood? Join the Convict Trail Project as they celebrate 190 years since construction began.
COMMUNITY EVENTS

**A MODEL FOR OTHERS: THE STORY OF ST THOMAS’ CEMETERY AND REST PARK**

**TYPE:** EXHIBITION  
**HOSTED BY:** STANTON LIBRARY / NORTH SYDNEY COUNCIL

This exhibition launch commemorates St Thomas’ Cemetery - the first European burial ground north of Sydney Harbour when it was established in 1845. The cemetery served the local Anglican congregation but also came to accommodate many other historically significant figures – particularly as an unofficial maritime cemetery. The site became a Rest Park in the 1970s. The launch also marks the 30th anniversary of Sexton’s Cottage Museum opened in the laying out room of the original Cottage in 1986. The exhibition explores the Victorian and Edwardian ‘way of death’ and features a reproduction mourning dress and vintage mourning jewellery. There will be music and a guided tour of surviving monuments.

**When:** Tuesday 6 September 2016, 3:00–5:00pm  
**Where:** Sextons Cottage Museum, St Thomas Rest Park, 250 West Street, Crows Nest  
**Cost:** Free – Bookings are essential  
**Contact:** library@northsydney.nsw.gov.au, 02 9936 8400  
www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au

When: Sunday 4 September 2016, 3:00–4:00pm  
Where: Hornsby Shire Library, 22-48 George Street, Hornsby  
Entry via Hunter lane between Florence and Burdett streets  
Cost: Free  
Contact: convicttrail@bigpond.com, 02 9489 3603  
www.greatnorthroad.com.au
AT THAT POINT IN TIME: WILLOWBY’S SPOKEN HISTORY

**TYPE:** TALK/LECTURE  
**HOSTED BY:** WILLOWBY CITY COUNCIL

Willoughby City Library Services’ oral history collection encompasses over 100 interviews spanning nearly 40 years; reminiscences dating back to the late 19th century. This collection is a rich and invaluable resource covering all aspects of life in Willoughby.

In this very special talk at Chatswood Library on The Concourse, Willoughby’s Local Studies team present some highlights from this historical treasure trove. ‘At That Point in Time: Willoughby’s Spoken History’ is the history of Willoughby, told by those that have lived it for over a century. Join us for a rare opportunity to delve inside this unique and fascinating collection.

**When:** Wednesday 7 September 2016, 12:30–1:30pm  
**Where:** Chatswood Library, Lower ground, The Concourse, 409 Victoria Avenue, Chatswood  
**Cost:** Free  
**Contact:** library@willoughby.nsw.gov.au; 02 9777 7900  

AUTHOR TALK BY LOUISE WILSON: A FRAGRANT MEMORY

**TYPE:** TALK/LECTURE  
**HOSTED BY:** STANTON LIBRARY

When Margaret Flockton arrived in Sydney from England in 1888, her new neighbourhood of Lavender Bay, overlooking beautiful Sydney Harbour, had a profound effect on her art. Having established her reputation as a fine lithographer, Margaret began working with Joseph Maiden in 1901 as his outstanding scientific botanical artist at Sydney’s Royal Botanic Garden. Yet after she died in 1953, her reputation died with her, until the Botanic Garden championed her work 50 years later. Thousands of people now attend the annual exhibition of the Margaret Flockton Award. Discover this remarkable woman, her family and her work in Louise Wilson’s talk about her latest book, *A Fragrant Memory.*
**A VERY CLOSE COMMUNITY: EXPLORING NORTH SYDNEY’S BANK, EUROKA AND UNION STREET PRECINCT**

**TYPE:** WALKING TOUR  
**HOSTED BY:** STANTON LIBRARY / NORTH SYDNEY COUNCIL

This walking tour, led by North Sydney Council Historian, Dr Ian Hoskins, will traverse the Union / Bank Street Conservation area of McMahons Point where humble working class housing rubs shoulders with larger dwellings built on the Euroka Estate that surrounded the grandest home of all, ‘Graythwaite’. Largely intact as a built landscape of the late 19th and early 20th centuries, it provides a fascinating insight into the diversity of North Sydney.

There will be steep streets to negotiate. The walk begins at Don Bank Cottage at 6 Napier Street North Sydney and ends on Union Street near Blues Point Road. Both start and finish are close to North Sydney Train Station. Places are limited and bookings are essential.

**When:** Friday 9 September 2016, 10:00am–12:30pm  
**Where:** Meet at Don Bank Cottage, 6 Napier Street, North Sydney  
**Cost:** Free – Bookings essential  
**Contact:** library@northsydney.nsw.gov.au, 02 9936 8406  
THE PEOPLE OF WILLOUGHBY:
REFLECTIONS ON HOW A COMMUNITY HAS GROWN AND DEVELOPED OVER 150 YEARS

TYPE: EXHIBITION
HOSTED BY: WILLOUGHBY CITY LIBRARY SERVICES

In 1865 there were approximately 400 people living in the Willoughby area; 150 years later the populace increased to 76,354. Changes in transport, accessibility, industries, societal influences and migration have delivered continuing changes in the community profile.

Willoughby City Library Services presents an exhibition that examines these changes by providing context and colour to the ongoing process of community relations in the past, present and for the future. Community organisations were formed, services provided and the social and commercial activities of the locals changed. By examining the local demographics discover the changes that have produced a modern and varied community. This exhibition will run from 9 September 2016 to 1 January 2017.

When: Friday 9 September 2016 to Sunday 1 January 2017, 9:00am–9:00pm
Where: Chatswood Library, Lower Ground, The Concourse, 408 Victoria Avenue, Chatswood
Cost: Free
Contact: library@willoughby.nsw.gov.au, 02 9777 7900
NEIGHBOURS OF LAVENDER BAY

TYPE: WALKING TOUR  
HOSTED BY: STANTON LIBRARY

Join Stanton Library’s Local History Librarian on a journey from Milsons Point to Lavender Bay, taking in North Sydney’s most iconic neighbours - the Sydney Harbour Bridge, North Sydney Olympic Pool and Luna Park.

Discover the fascinating connection between these icons before strolling around Lavender Bay to Wendy’s Secret Garden, one of Sydney’s most beautiful “guerrilla gardens”. Discover Wendy’s inspiration behind the garden and its journey to becoming a protected community treasure. After a brief stop to enjoy the garden the group will makes its way up the garden’s enchanting shady paths to emerge at Clark Park, before strolling to historic Bradfield Park and concluding at Milsons Point Station.

When: Saturday 10 September 2016, 10:00-11:45am  
Where: Meet at the Luna Park face, 1 Olympic Drive, Milsons Point  
Cost: Free  
Contact: library@northsydney.nsw.gov.au, 02 9936 8400  
www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au