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City of Mount Gambier
**SUMMER
HOLIDAY
PROGRAM**

14 December 2024 - 26 January 2025



City of
Mount Gambier

The Green Room

Saturday 14 December - Sunday 9 February

During opening hours @ The Riddoch Arts & Cultural Centre

Open your mind and groove your way into The Green Room, a space of psychedelic discovery driven by the dynamic music posters featured in 'Enjoy this Trip: The Art of Music Posters' exhibition. Explore the techniques of featured poster artists, through engaging activities capturing the essence of a time when music was heard, seen and felt in every colour and swirl.

FREE | Ages 4+ | Bookings not required



Christmas in the Cave

Monday 16 December - Tuesday 24 December

During opening hours @ Mount Gambier Library

'Treats for Santa' Placemat and Pop-Stick Christmas Stars. Drop-in activities for the whole family to enjoy.

FREE | All ages | Bookings not required



Neon Fireworks and Florals

Monday 16 December - Sunday 26 January

During opening hours @ The Riddoch Arts & Cultural Centre

Celebrate summer and the festive season by creating a unique neon floral explosion inspired by artworks in the 'Enjoy this Trip' exhibition. Drop in and visit the making table to create a celebratory artwork with neon coloured pencils and stencils.

FREE | All ages | Bookings not required



Christmas Creations

Monday 16 December @ 10:00am

Mount Gambier Library

Get into the Christmas spirit as we make fun and festive decorations to take home and hang on your Christmas tree.

FREE | Ages 5+ | Bookings essential



15th Birthday Celebrations: Party Hat Craft

Tuesday 17 December @ 10:00am

Mount Gambier Library

Help us to celebrate the Library's 15th Birthday and make a fun party hat!

FREE | All ages | Bookings not required



3D Printing

Tuesday 17 December @ 2:00pm

Mount Gambier Library

Using TinkerCad choose from designs or build your own, brought to life on the 3D Printer!

FREE | Ages 7+ | Bookings not required



Live Painting by Artist Anthony Hamilton

Friday 20 December and Saturday 21 December @ 10:00am - 2:00pm

The Riddoch Arts & Cultural Centre

Watch as local muralist Anthony Hamilton paints an out-of-this-world creation in The Green Room. See how his imaginative image takes shape on the wall using different techniques. *Please note this is an opportunity to see an artist at work, not a hands-on workshop.

FREE | All ages | Bookings not required



Scavenger Hunt

Friday 27 December - Sunday 5 January
During opening hours @ Mount Gambier Library

Explore the Library and Cave Garden/Thugi with a self-guided scavenger hunt, for your chance to win a prize! Suitable for families.

FREE | All ages | Bookings not required



Make Your Own Stickers

Monday 6 January - Sunday 12 January
During opening hours @ Mount Gambier Library

Make your own colourful sticker! Let your imagination run wild as you create a personal design to take home. A self-sufficient activity for children to complete with caregivers.

FREE | All ages | Bookings not required



Pop Art Creation

Monday 6 January - Sunday 26 January
During opening hours @ The Riddoch Arts & Cultural Centre

Create colourful pop art designs by mixing and matching various shades in a grid template. Select the grid of your choice and alternate background and foreground colours for a funky pop art effect.

FREE | All ages | Bookings not required



Outdoor Sensory Play

Monday 6 January @ 10:00am
Cave Garden/Thugi

Stimulate your senses in our outdoor sensory play session. Please dress your child in appropriate clothing – messy play may be included.

FREE | Ages 5 and under | Bookings essential



Under 5's

Tuesday 7 January
Mount Gambier Library
Baby Bounce

11:00am

In this session we encourage lots of face to face play between parents and babies, lots of laughs, giggling and singing.

Storytime

11:30am

Nurture a love for reading, build language and comprehension skills and have fun! Sing some songs and share a story, to be followed by a craft or activity.

FREE | Ages 5 and under | Bookings not required



3D Printing

Tuesday 7 January @ 2:00pm
Mount Gambier Library

Using TinkerCad choose from designs or build your own, brought to life on the 3D Printer!

FREE | Ages 7+ | Bookings not required



D&D Figure Painting

Tuesday 7 January @ 2:00pm
Mount Gambier Library

Discover the art of painting 3D D&D figures! Discover detailing, shading, and highlighting miniatures to bring your characters and monsters to life.

FREE | Ages 12-25 | Bookings not required



Collage Posters with Poscas
Wednesday 8 January @ 10:30am
The Riddoch Arts & Cultural Centre

Design your own music poster using collage techniques and bright coloured Posca pens. Flick through magazines, cut, paste and add colour to images to make them pop and form your own unique creation.

FREE | Ages 5+ | Bookings essential



Movie and Popcorn (PG)
Wednesday 8 January @ 2:00pm
Mount Gambier Library

Get cosy as we watch a family movie with popcorn provided. *Due to licensing the movie cannot be named in the program. Please contact the Library for more information.

FREE | All ages | Bookings essential



Under 5's
Thursday 9 January
Mount Gambier Library
Baby Bounce

10:00am

In this session we encourage lots of face to face play between parents and babies, lots of laughs, giggling and singing.

Move and Groove

10:30am

Through songs, dance, and interactive play, this session supports young children and carers to foster early childhood development, whilst having fun!

FREE | Ages 5 and under | Bookings not required



Slime Making
Thursday 9 January @ 2:00pm
Mount Gambier Library

Whether you're a slime enthusiast or a curious beginner, join us for some creative and gooney fun as we experiment and create our own slime.

FREE | Ages 5+ | Bookings essential



Alien Invasion Adventure Room
Friday 10 January @ 10:00am
Mount Gambier Library

Earth is under attack by an alien species and only you have the secret codes to activate the defence systems. Race against time to decrypt the signals and prevent the invasion before the countdown reaches zero!

FREE | Ages 8+ | Bookings essential



Tie Dye
Friday 10 January @ 2:00pm
The Riddoch Arts & Cultural Centre

Join us for a vibrant tie-dye session! Learn techniques to create unique, colourful designs on shirts, scarves, and more. Express your creativity through colour!

Bring your own white item.

FREE | Ages 12-25 | Bookings essential



LEGO Building
Monday 13 January - Sunday 19 January
During opening hours @ Mount Gambier Library

Drop into the Library and construct your own unique LEGO creations. A DIY activity for the whole family to enjoy.

FREE | All ages | Bookings not required



Blue Lake Highland Pipe Band Workshop

Monday 13 January @ 10:00am

Mount Gambier Library

Come and try an introduction to bagpipes and drums with Mount Gambier's RSL Blue Lake Highland Pipe Band. Age is no barrier.

FREE | All ages | Bookings not required



Giant Games Afternoon

Monday 13 January @ 2:00pm

Mount Gambier Library

Pop into the Library for an afternoon of fun for family and friends with giant games including giant snakes and ladders, giant scrabble, giant jenga, giant lego, and more!

FREE | All ages | Bookings not required



Under 5's

Tuesday 14 January

Mount Gambier Library

Baby Bounce

11:00am

In this session we encourage lots of face to face play between parents and babies, lots of laughs, giggling and singing.

Storytime

11:30am

Nurture a love for reading, build language and comprehension skills and have fun! Sing some songs and share a story, to be followed by a craft or activity.

FREE | Ages 5 and under | Bookings not required



Film Screening – School of Rock (PG13)

Tuesday 14 January @ 1:00pm

The Riddoch Arts & Cultural Centre

Follow the misadventures of Dewey Finn, a rocker who poses as a substitute teacher at a prestigious prep school as he teaches his unconventional and overachieving students to play and love rock 'n' roll.

All children under 13 must be accompanied by an adult.

GOLD COIN | All ages | Bookings essential



3D Printing

Tuesday 14 January @ 2:00pm

Mount Gambier Library

Using TinkerCad choose from designs or build your own, brought to life on the 3D Printer!

FREE | Ages 7+ | Bookings not required



UV Bead Creations

Wednesday 15 January @ 10:00am

Mount Gambier Library

Create your own colourful UV bead animals or characters and watch them change colour when exposed to sunlight!

FREE | Ages 8+ | Bookings essential



Screen Printing

Wednesday 15 January @ 2:00pm
The Riddoch Arts & Cultural Centre

Make your mark on tote bags and paper with a unique screen print designed by you. Explore this interesting technique used by artists featured in the 'Enjoy This Trip' exhibition. In this workshop participants will create a custom design and print using silk screens and colourful ink.

\$5 | Ages 10+ | Bookings essential



Under 5's

Thursday 16 January
Mount Gambier Library
Baby Bounce

10:00am

In this session we encourage lots of face to face play between parents and babies, lots of laughs, giggling and singing.

Move and Groove

10:30am

Through songs, dance, and interactive play, this session supports young children and carers to foster early childhood development, whilst having fun!

FREE | Ages 5 and under | Bookings not required



Little Bang Science Fair

Thursday 16 January @ 2:00pm
Mount Gambier Library

Investigate and hypothesise with a range of table-top science experiments to explore.

FREE | Ages 7 and under | Bookings essential



Game On

Friday 17 January @ 2:00pm
Mount Gambier Library

Join us for an epic Super Smash Bros. competition! Showcase your skills, battle your friends, and climb the ranks to become the ultimate champion. All skill levels welcome.

FREE | Ages 12-25 | Bookings not required



Handprint Fish

Monday 20 January - Sunday 26 January
During opening hours @ Mount Gambier Library

Use paper and creativity to turn your handprints into vibrant ocean creatures.

A self-sufficient activity for children to complete with caregivers.

FREE | All ages | Bookings not required



Loose Parts Play

Monday 20 January @ 10:00am
Mount Gambier Library

Get curious and creative! Use a variety of natural and recycled materials with endless opportunities to play.

FREE | Ages 7 and under | Bookings not required



Pop-stick Weaving Workshop

Monday 20 January @ 2:00pm
Mount Gambier Library

Learn the art of pop-stick weaving with colourful wool, to create a decoration to take home.

FREE | Ages 5+ | Bookings essential



Summer Reading Club (SRC) Finale Party

Tuesday 21 January @ 10:30am

Blast off to the SRC finale party at Valley Lake/Ketla Malpi, with the chance to win a major prize! For SRC members – sign up before it's too late!

FREE | All ages | Bookings essential via Library



3D Printing

Tuesday 21 January @ 2:00pm

Mount Gambier Library

Using TinkerCad choose from designs or build your own, brought to life on the 3D Printer!

FREE | Ages 7+ | Bookings not required



Epic Headliners: Typography

Wednesday 22 January @ 10:30am

The Riddoch Arts & Cultural Centre

Experiment with different ways to draw lettering and fonts inspired by the music posters featured in 'Enjoy This Trip' exhibition. Participants will create their own name poster after learning different typography techniques.

FREE | Ages 5+ | Bookings essential



Paper Bag Stars

Wednesday 22 January @ 2:00pm

Mount Gambier Library

Create beautiful, eco-friendly paper bag stars! Learn folding, cutting, and decorating techniques to craft stunning, 3D star decorations perfect for any occasion or space.

FREE | Ages 12-25 | Bookings essential



Under 5's

Thursday 23 January

Mount Gambier Library

Baby Bounce

10:00am

In this session we encourage lots of face to face play between parents and babies, lots of laughs, giggling and singing.

Move and Groove

10:30am

Through songs, dance, and interactive play, this session supports young children and carers to foster early childhood development, whilst having fun!

FREE | Ages 5 and under | Bookings not required



Make Your Own Fidget Toy

Thursday 23 January @ 2:00pm

Mount Gambier Library

Build a custom fidget toy that's perfect for keeping your hands busy and your mind focused.

FREE | Ages 8+ | Bookings essential



Children's Author - Susea Spray 'A Big Blue Boat'

Friday 24 January @ 10:00am

Mount Gambier Library

Seas are calm, winds gently blowing, when a Big Blue Boat and her Captain head out for a day's sail. The winds strengthen and the sea starts to rollick and frolic. What are the Big Blue Boat and her brave Captain going to do? Will they find a safe harbour in time? Join author Susea Spray for a reading of 'A Big Blue Boat', with activities and craft.

FREE | Ages 5+ | Bookings essential



Mount Gambier Library Summer Reading Club Out of this World

9 December 2024 – 19 January 2025

Sign up for Summer Reading Club and dive into an out of this world adventure for your chance to:

DISCOVER the hidden magic wand in the Library each day.

CONQUER the weekly challenge cards.

BLAST OFF to the finale party on 21 January 2025 at Valley Lake/Ketla Malpi.

4 CLUB AGE GROUPS: 0-5 / 6-9 / 10-13 / 14+

Weekly and major prizes to be won!

For more information check out our website and drop into the Library to register!



Important things to note

- Bookings essential for all sessions (unless stated otherwise). January programs, bookings open 30 December.
- Bookings can be made by contacting the individual venue as below or scan the QR code.
- Our school holiday sessions are very popular and usually book out. If you have booked in and can no longer attend please call to cancel so another child can enjoy.
- Parents and guardians must remain with children under the age of 12 during sessions.

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