

# Blue Mountains Events: Summer

## DATES

## SUMMER EVENT INFORMATION – Updated 25/10/2019

### DECEMBER 2019

- Sat 5 Oct – Sun 1 Dec 2019** **Wendy Tsai: Drawing Kedumba** – Blue Mountains Cultural Centre, 30 Parke Street, Katoomba. Drawing Kedumba is a collection of drawings, video and embroidery documenting the Kedumba River in Katoomba that stretches from the Gully to Katoomba Falls. The exhibition visually maps the landscape and reveals the struggle between historical and natural preservation, and overdevelopment. Cultural Centre Opening Times: 10am - 5pm Mon to Fri, 10am - 4pm Sat/Sun. Gallery Entry: \$5 Adults, \$3 Concession, FREE for children under 16. P: 4780 5410 [www.bluemountainculturalcentre.com.au](http://www.bluemountainculturalcentre.com.au)
- Sat 26 Oct – Sun 1 Dec 2019** **Connections: Art and Collaboration** – Blue Mountains Cultural Centre, 30 Parke Street, Katoomba. Focusing on renowned visual artists Bernard Ollis, Wendy Sharpe, Ann Smith and Ian Smith, this exhibition delves into the intriguing creative relationships essential to the production of collaborative work. The painter and the potter, the drafter and the printer, each artist bringing their individual skills to the table to produce works greater than the sum of the parts. Cultural Centre Opening Times: 10am - 5pm Mon to Fri, 10am - 4pm Sat/Sun. Gallery Entry: \$5 Adults, \$3 Concession, FREE for children under 16. P: 4780 5410 [www.bluemountainculturalcentre.com.au](http://www.bluemountainculturalcentre.com.au)
- Sat 26 Oct – Sun 1 Dec 2019** **Operation Art** – Blue Mountains Cultural Centre, 30 Parke Street, Katoomba. Operation Art is an initiative of the Children's Hospital at Westmead in collaboration with the Department of Education. This state wide visual arts exhibition is comprised of works by students from Kindergarten to Year 10, who created artworks for children in hospital. Cultural Centre Opening Times: 10am - 5pm Mon to Fri, 10am - 4pm Sat/Sun. Gallery Entry: \$5 Adults, \$3 Concession, FREE for children under 16. P: 4780 5410 [www.bluemountainculturalcentre.com.au](http://www.bluemountainculturalcentre.com.au)
- Wed 27 Nov and Tues 3 Dec 2019** **Reel Rock 14** – Mt Vic Flicks, 2a Harley Ave, Mount Victoria. The Reel Rock Film Tour, one of climbing's greatest celebrations, returns this November with a new collection of world premiere films. Time: 7pm – 8.50pm on selected dates only. Entry: \$20 each (+booking fee). Bookings essential. <https://mountvicflicks.com.au/sessions/reel-rock-14/>
- Sat 30 Nov - Sun 22 Dec 2019** **Flora Sensa Exhibition** – Everglades Historic House & Garden, 37 Everglades Avenue, Leura. Flora Sensa is an exhibition of ten textile artists from the Blue Mountains, exploring significant moments when flowers touched their lives. Ranging from weaving, felting and sewing to printmaking and installation, each artist brings their own experiences and skill to create a tapestry of stories. Time: Opening Event Sat 30 Nov, 2pm-4pm. Gallery hours are Wednesday to Sunday, 11am – 3pm. Entry: \$15 Adult, \$10 Concession, \$35 Family, Child under 5 free. Includes entry to the Gallery and the Garden. [www.nationaltrust.org.au/places/everglades-house-gardens/](http://www.nationaltrust.org.au/places/everglades-house-gardens/)

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- Sun 1 Dec 2019**     **Orpheus Strings Orchestra Concert** – Pat Heffernan Hall of Katoomba Public School, Merriwa Street, Katoomba. Bringing vibrant classical music to the Blue Mountains, this concert finishes with an after-show end of year celebration. Time: 3pm. Entry: \$15 Adult, \$10 Concession, Children free with paying adult. [www.orpheusstrings.org](http://www.orpheusstrings.org)
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- Sun 1 Dec 2019**     **An Evening with the Lute Player Hopkinson Smith** – Norman Lindsay Gallery, 14 Norman Lindsay Crescent, Faulconbridge. Come and enjoy a recital with well-known lute player, Hopkinson Smith, inside the Norman Lindsay Gallery. Time: 5pm – 7pm. Entry: \$48.56 per person (includes booking fee). Book through Eventbrite. [www.eventbrite.com.au/e/an-evening-with-the-lute-player-hopkinson-smith-tickets-69517513755](http://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/an-evening-with-the-lute-player-hopkinson-smith-tickets-69517513755)
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- Sun 1 Dec and Sun 8 Dec 2019**     **Santa Arrives by Steam Tram\*** - Valley Heights Locomotive Depot Heritage Museum, 17B Tusculum Road, Valley Heights. Santa arrives under steam\* from the "North Pole" at 11am and 2pm on both Sundays. Join Santa as he heads past the turntable to his throne where he looks forward to meeting every girl and boy! There's plenty of photo opportunities and a free gift for all children. Later enjoy all the museum's great experiences and activities. \*Please note that the steam rides are subject to operational restrictions. Time: 11am and 2pm each Sunday. Museum open 10am until 4pm (last rides 3.30pm). Entry: \$15 Adult, \$13 Concession, \$11 Children (5-16 years), \$45 Family, Child 4 years and under FREE. P: 4751 4638 (leave a message) [valleyheightsrailmuseum.info](http://valleyheightsrailmuseum.info)
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- Fri 6 Dec 2019**     **Catfish (Melbourne): Gigs on Govetts** – Blackheath Bar & Bistro, 35-41 Govetts Leap Road, Blackheath. Catfish is a Gypsy Jazz band with a classic Australian influence. A product of Melbourne's unique jazz scene, the band draws upon influences from the 30's to present day. Intricate, quirky arrangements of borrowed and original material give the band a unique exciting spirit. Time: 7.30pm. FREE Entry however bookings are highly recommended. <https://www.facebook.com/events/1638063019663110>
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- Fri 6 Dec 2019**     **Cinema Under the Stars – The Rocky Horror Picture Show (M)** – Blue Mountains Cultural Centre, 30 Parke Street, Katoomba. Kick back under the stars this summer during the Cultural Centre's courtyard cinema program. Including pop up bar, snacks and prizes for best dressed, come and revisit a selection of classic films from the 70s and 80s on our big outdoor screen. Time: Screenings begin at sundown. Entry: \$8 (\$5 per InSight Member). Tickets available on the door or pre-booked via reception on 4780 5410. [http://bluemountainsculturalcentre.com.au/public\\_programs/cinema/](http://bluemountainsculturalcentre.com.au/public_programs/cinema/)
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**Sat 7 Dec 2019**     **The Mother's Club** – le Salon Grand, Palais Royale, 230 Katoomba St, Katoomba. A one woman show about the rollercoaster ride of motherhood, as performed by Jane Kellaway singer / songwriter / radio and TV presenter. Set in the late 80's/early 90's through to the present day, it explores the journey of dating, falling in love, getting married, falling pregnant and having children over a 25 year period. It will make you laugh, probably make you cry and definitely have you reminiscing. Time: Dinner 6.30pm, Show 7.30pm. Entry: Tickets from \$40.

[www.salongrand.com.au](http://www.salongrand.com.au)

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**Sat 7 Dec 2019**     **The Little Lord Street Band Due (Perth): Gigs on Govetts** – Blackheath Bar & Bistro, 35-41 Govetts Leap Road, Blackheath. Natasha Shanks and James Rogers are The Little Lord Street Band Duo. Their duelling, duetting lead singer dynamic is reminiscent of classic Johnny Cash and June Carter; punctuated by the occasional jaw-dropping emotionally resonant acoustic number. Time: 7.30pm. FREE Entry however bookings are highly recommended.

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**Sat 7 and Sun 8 Dec 2019**     **Ceramic & Print Exhibition and Sale** – Blackheath Art Society Studio, 139a Station Street, Blackheath. Browse and buy from a wide range of ceramics and prints by members of Blackheath Art Society's Clay Hand-building and Printmaking studio groups. Ceramics range from functional to sculptural pieces in a variety of sizes and styles. Prints include abstract and figurative works using linocut, drypoint, collagraph and other techniques, framed and unframed. A great opportunity to buy unique Christmas gifts! Time: 10am – 5pm. FREE entry.

[www.blackheathart.com](http://www.blackheathart.com)

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**Sun 8 Dec 2019**     **Scenic World Makers Market – Summer Edition** – 1 Violet Street, Katoomba. Scenic World is hosting the Makers Market – 2019 Summer Edition to celebrate the talents of Blue Mountains artisans who contribute so much vitality to our region. Held in the Scenic World Skyway Park, the Makers Market will feature more than 20 stalls from local artisans offering local art, photography, jewellery, fashion, homewares and natural beauty products. Come along for live music and face painting, and support local small businesses by picking up one-of-a-kind goods. Time: 10am – 4pm. FREE Entry. [www.scenicworld.com.au/whats-on#events](http://www.scenicworld.com.au/whats-on#events)

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**Wed 11 Dec 2019**     **Morning Melodies: A Very Croony Christmas with Grant Galea** – Blue Mountains Theatre & Community Hub, 104 – 108 Macquarie Road, Springwood. Celebrate the festive season in style with crooner extraordinaire Grant Galea, his mighty band and special guest. Enjoy classics from Bing Crosby to Bobby Darin, Elvis to Sinatra, Dino to De Niro and many more, along with a selection of timeless Christmas songs and a few surprises too! Time: 11am. Entry: All tickets \$20. Includes Devonshire-style morning tea. Tickets can be purchased at the Box Office, on 4723 5050 or online at <http://bluemountainstheatreandhub.com.au/box-office/>

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- Wed 11 Dec 2019**     **A Christmas Carol – Public Reading with Geoff Usher at Katoomba Library** – Katoomba Library, 30 Parke Street, Katoomba. Experience the unique magic of a public reading of Charles Dickens' classic tale, A Christmas Carol. Geoff Usher is a member of the International Dickens Fellowship and the NSW Dickens Society, and brings this beautiful story to life for young and old. Time: 2pm. Entry: Free, but a donation to the Neighbourhood Centre's Christmas Appeal would be appreciated. P: 4780 5750 <https://library.bmcc.nsw.gov.au>
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- Thurs 12 Dec 2019**     **A Christmas Carol – Public Reading with Geoff Usher at Springwood Library** – Springwood Library, 104 Macquarie Road, Springwood. Experience the unique magic of a public reading of Charles Dickens' classic tale, A Christmas Carol. Geoff Usher is a member of the International Dickens Fellowship and the NSW Dickens Society, and brings this beautiful story to life for young and old. Time: 10.30am. Entry: Free, but a donation to the Neighbourhood Centre's Christmas Appeal would be appreciated. P: 4723 5040 <https://library.bmcc.nsw.gov.au>
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- Thurs 12 Dec 2019**     **Springwood Christmas Shopping Night** – Macquarie Road, Springwood. Springwood shops come alive from 5pm with Christmas stalls, children's activities, pop-up Library, a visit from the jolly man in red, carol singing and entertainment from talented local singers and buskers, school groups and community choirs. With shops along Macquarie Road holding competitions and special offers it's the perfect time to blitz the Christmas gift list. [www.springwoodchamber.com.au](http://www.springwoodchamber.com.au)
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- Fri 13 Dec 2019**     **Christmas Shopping Night and Lantern Parade in Leura** – Leura Mall, Leura. Come to Leura to get into the Christmas spirit and do your Christmas late night shopping. From 5.30 until 8pm you can see Santa roaming the Mall or find him at the Christmas Tree, join in with the choir and band, and watch the children's Lantern Parade light up the street. Shops, cafes and restaurants will be open till 8pm. Explore, Unwrap, Discover! Time: 5pm – 8pm. [www.leuravillage.com.au](http://www.leuravillage.com.au)
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- Fri 13 Dec 2019**     **Saije (Bellingen): Gigs on Govetts** – Blackheath Bar & Bistro, 35-41 Govetts Leap Road, Blackheath. Saije is a multi-instrumental folk duo whose soulful harmonies, dynamic guitar-lines and percussive breakdowns breathe life into heartfelt stories. Their song writing typically encourages connection to self, to the earth and to each other, inviting you on a journey from the depths of ancient forests to bustling French markets, weaving threads of Celtic and French gypsy flavours into their songs along the way. Time: 7.30pm. FREE Entry however bookings are highly recommended. <https://www.facebook.com/events/491264468356205>
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**Sat 14 Dec 2019** **Christmas Wollemi Artisan Market** – Blue Mountains Cultural Centre Courtyard, 30 Parke Street, Katoomba. Join us for a special Christmas Wollemi Artisan Market featuring live music, delicious food and a range of stalls from designers, artists and food producers from the Blue Mountains, Sydney and West of the Divide. It is the perfect opportunity to find unique artisan Christmas gifts, perfectly wrapped and ready to place under the tree. Time: 10am – 3pm. FREE Entry. P: 4780 5410 <http://bluemountainculturalcentre.com.au>

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**Sat 14 Dec 2019** **The Artist's Salon: Zohar, Jewellery Sculptor** – Norman Lindsay Gallery, 14 Norman Lindsay Crescent, Faulconbridge. Come and be part of an intimate, exclusive event – enjoy gourmet refreshments; interact with the artists; view amazing works of creativity; converse, discuss, muse with like-minded souls; and take home a beautiful memento of the night! Time: 5pm – 7pm. Entry: \$50 per person + booking fee (book through Eventbrite). [www.nationaltrust.org.au/event/the-artists-salon-a-series-of-creative-interludes/](http://www.nationaltrust.org.au/event/the-artists-salon-a-series-of-creative-interludes/)

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**Sun 15 Dec 2019** **Wentworth Falls Christmas in the Park** – Wilson Park, Wentworth Falls. Holy Trinity Anglican Church invites the community to join them for a Christmas Carol Service in the Park with carols, service, a puppet show for the kids, supper, a sausage sizzle and all kinds of Christmas cheer! BYO chair or rug. FREE Entry. Time: 5pm – 7pm. [www.holytrinityanglican.org.au](http://www.holytrinityanglican.org.au)

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**Sun 15 Dec 2019** **Manus McGuire (Ireland) with Ben Stephenson Live in Concert** – Pigeon Lane at ONE88, 186-188 Katoomba Street, Katoomba. Manus McGuire is an acclaimed Irish fiddle player whose exceptional musical gift became widely recognised in 1970 when he won the prestigious Fiddler of Dooney, an Irish national fiddle competition at age 14. He has performed with Buttons and Bows, Moving Cloud, Brock McGuire Band, and with his brother Seamus McGuire. Time: 6pm – 9pm. Entry: \$25 cash discount pre-sale available from Gallery ONE88 during opening hours, or online \$27.50, or \$30 Cash on the Door (unless Sold Out). [www.stickytickets.com.au/92618](http://www.stickytickets.com.au/92618)

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**Sun 15 Dec 2019** **Blackheath Community Carols** – Blackheath Community Hall and Park. Come along for a family afternoon out and a concert of Carols. The community carols concert features local musicians, choirs and dance groups. P: 4787 8243 [www.blackheathbaps.com](http://www.blackheathbaps.com)

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**Sat 21 Dec 2019**    **Charm of Finches (Melbourne) + Special Guests Breathing Underwater Live in Concert** – Pigeon Lane at ONE88, 186-188 Katoomba Street, Katoomba. Melbourne's angelic sister folk duo, Charm of Finches, are touring their highly anticipated sophomore album 'Your Company'. This genre-defying album is lush with the sisters' spacious string arrangements (cello and violin they play themselves), other worldly piano, a folky banjo and compelling ethereal vocal harmonies. Hailing from Katoomba in the Blue Mountains, vocal trio, Breathing Underwater, has been singing together quite literally since they were small children. Time: Doors open via Beverly Place 6pm. Show starts 7pm. Entry: \$25 cash discount pre-sale available from Gallery ONE88 during opening hours, or online \$27.50, or \$30 Cash on the Door (unless Sold Out).  
[www.stickytickets.com.au/7Q2UF](http://www.stickytickets.com.au/7Q2UF)

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**Tues 31 Dec 2019**    **New Year's Eve Ball – A Night at the Globe** – The Grand Dining Room, The Carrington Hotel, 15 – 47 Katoomba Street, Katoomba. Bring the Revelry to our annual New Year's Eve Ball. With pre-dinner drinks and canapés, 3 course menu and beverages, live music and prizes for best dressed, it is sure to be a night to remember. Accommodation packages available. Time: 7pm – 12.30am. Entry: \$165.00 per person. Bookings essential; call reception on 02 4782 1111 or email at [carrington@thecarrington.com.au](mailto:carrington@thecarrington.com.au)

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**Tues 31 Dec 2019**    **New Year's 5 Course Degustation Dinner & INXS Show** – The Hydro Majestic Hotel, 52-88 Great Western Highway, Medlow Bath. Welcome in the next decade 2020 by travelling back to the glorious 80's with a spectacular tribute to one of the world's greatest bands- INXS. Fronted by the incredible Dellacoma Rio, you will be rocking in the new year as the band takes a journey through all the classic INXS hits, including more than a few interactive surprises! Smart casual dress code applies. Time: 6pm to 9pm (last seating). Entry: \$199 adults, \$159 per teen (13- 17 years), \$95 per child (4 - 12 years), children under 4 complimentary seating.  
[www.hydromajestic.com.au/events/new-years-eve-celebrations](http://www.hydromajestic.com.au/events/new-years-eve-celebrations)

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**Wed 1 – Sat 4  
Jan 2020**

**Life Drawing Summer School** – Norman Lindsay Gallery, 14 Norman Lindsay Crescent, Faulconbridge. Join professional artist and drawing tutor Anthony Cahill in this popular four-day life drawing workshop at the iconic Norman Lindsay Gallery in the Blue Mountains. Cost includes experienced tutor, models, use of easels and morning tea. Suitable for both beginners and more experienced drawers. Time: 9am – 1pm. Entry: \$300 (National Trust members \$270). Bookings essential. P: 4751 1067 E: [nlg@nationaltrust.com.au](mailto:nlg@nationaltrust.com.au)

**Sat 4 Jan 2020**

**The Australian INXS Show** – The Hydro Majestic Hotel, 52-88 Great Western Highway, Medlow Bath. Head back to the glorious 80's with a spectacular tribute to one of the world's greatest bands- INXS. Fronted by the incredible Dellacoma Rio, fans are left in total awe of his nonstop energy throughout the show as the band takes them on a journey through all the classic INXS hits, including more than a few interactive surprises! Time: Dinner commences from 6pm (Wintergarden Restaurant). Show from 8pm – 10pm (Majestic Ballroom). Entry: 3 course dinner and show \$135 per person. General admission – show only \$40 per person (doors open from 7pm). [www.hydomajestic.com.au/events/new-years-eve-celebrations](http://www.hydomajestic.com.au/events/new-years-eve-celebrations)

**Sun 5 – Sun 26  
Jan 2020**

**Winged Garden – An exhibition by printmaker Jane Melville** – Everglades Garden, 37 Everglades Ave, Leura. Insects, Birds and Winged Creatures come to Everglades. They lie hidden amongst the gardens - look closely and you will see them. The Winged Creatures in this exhibition have come to help protect the Birds and Insects and in doing so, these images have their own stories to tell as part of Jan's own ongoing Mythology. Time: Opening Event Sat 4 Jan, 2pm-4pm. Gallery hours are Wednesday to Sunday, 11am – 3pm. Entry: \$15 Adult, \$10 Concession, \$35 Family, Child under 5 free. Includes entry to the Gallery and the Garden. [www.nationaltrust.org.au/places/everglades-house-gardens/](http://www.nationaltrust.org.au/places/everglades-house-gardens/)

**Sat 11 – Sun 26  
Jan 2020**

**The Leura Shakespeare Festival** – Everglades Garden, 37 Everglades Ave, Leura. Held over three weekends the festival is centred around Sport for Jove's repertory season at the sublime Everglades Gardens, Leura. See website for scheduling and tickets closer to the date. [www.sportforjove.com.au](http://www.sportforjove.com.au)

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**Sun 12 Jan 2020** **Museum Open Day** – Valley Heights Rail Museum, 17b Tusculum Road, Valley Heights. Climb on board engines and carriages that showcase over 100 years of railway history across the Mountains. Take the Kids' Quiz" – 10 fascinating questions to answer as you wander the Museum. When home, look up the answers using the 'secret' password and print a certificate with their name on it. Check out the original artworks and two model rooms then grab a hot or cold drink in the café. Reduced entry fees apply as no rides today. Time: 10am – 4pm. Reduced entry fees apply: \$9 Adults, \$8 Concession, \$7 Child (5-16 years), Children under 5 FREE, \$26.50 Family. [valleyheightsrailmuseum.info](http://valleyheightsrailmuseum.info)

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**Fri 17 Jan 2020** **Cinema Under the Stars – Labyrinth (G)** – Blue Mountains Cultural Centre, 30 Parke Street, Katoomba. Kick back under the stars this summer during the Cultural Centre's courtyard cinema program. Including pop up bar, snacks and prizes for best dressed, come and revisit a selection of classic films from the 70s and 80s on our big outdoor screen. Screenings begin at sundown. Time: Screenings begin at sundown. Entry: \$8 (\$5 per InSight Member). Tickets available on the door or pre-booked via reception on 4780 5410. [http://bluemountainculturalcentre.com.au/public\\_programs/cinema/](http://bluemountainculturalcentre.com.au/public_programs/cinema/)

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**Sat 18 Jan 2020** **Lady Luck Festival 2020** - Top of Katoomba Street, Carrington Place and at The Carrington Hotel, 15 – 47 Katoomba Street, Katoomba. The Lady Luck Festival pays tribute to the 1950's culture of Rock-a-Billy, vintage fashion and motor vehicles. BY DAY, think fun, fashion, food and entertainment for the whole family with free admission to bands, market day, hot rod and vintage car show, swing dancing, public dance lesson and a jumping castle for the kids. BY NIGHT, get a babysitter, frock up and rock up to the Lady Luck after party with live music, dance performances and much more. Lady Luck works with the Black Dog institute to help raise money and awareness of depression in Australia. More details to come. [www.ladyluckfestival.com.au](http://www.ladyluckfestival.com.au) E: [events@thecarrington.com.au](mailto:events@thecarrington.com.au) P: 4782 1111

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**Tues 21 & Thurs 23 Jan 2020** **School Holiday Kids Flix** – Blue Mountains Theatre & Community Hub, 104 – 108 Macquarie Road, Springwood. Fun, family friendly movies on the big screen for everyone to enjoy! Session details will be announced closer to the date. Fresh popcorn, drinks and choctops will be available from our snack bar. Time: Films commence at 11am. Entry: All tickets \$7. Tickets can be purchased at the Box Office, on 4723 5050 or online at <http://bluemountainstheatreandhub.com.au/box-office/>

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**Fri 24 Jan 2020** **Wines of the West – Degustation Dinner** – The Ballroom, The Carrington Hotel, 15-47 Katoomba Street, Katoomba. Enjoy a five course degustation dinner with matching wines from 2 of the exhibitors attending the Wines of the West weekend. Time: 7pm. Entry: TBC. Bookings required. P: 4782 1111 Email: [carrington@thecarrington.com.au](mailto:carrington@thecarrington.com.au)

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- Sat 25 – Sun 26 Jan 2020**    **Wines of the West Festival** – The Carrington Hotel, 15-47 Katoomba Street, Katoomba. Celebrating all the wines from the central west of New South Wales in one place, the Wines of the West festival gives you a chance to meet the makers and find some new favourites. Exclusive access to specials at the cellar doors and free delivery in the Blue Mountains LGA, it is the perfect way to spend your weekend and stock the cellars while support regional and independent business. Entry: \$15. Entry includes 2 days access, tasting booklet, wine tasting glass and tastings from all exhibitors. Time: 11am – 5pm each day. P: 4782 1111 [www.winesofthewest.com.au](http://www.winesofthewest.com.au)
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- Sat 25 Jan – Sun 9 Feb 2020**    **Scenic World Lunar New Year 2020** – 1 Violet Street, Katoomba. Scenic World will be hosting a celebratory two weeks from 25 January–9 February 2020 as we usher in the Year of the Rat. Join us over this festive period for special Asian meal offerings, Lion Dances and ping pong tournaments held daily at 2pm. [www.scenicworld.com.au/whats-on#events](http://www.scenicworld.com.au/whats-on#events)
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- Sun 26 Jan 2020**    **Australia Day with the Australian Gnome Convention** – Glenbrook Park, Glenbrook. Celebrate Australia Day with the flag raising ceremony, market, community and information stalls, free on-stage entertainment, children's rides, and the famous Gnome Convention. Ask anyone in the mountains – it's a country fair with extra flair...Gnomes come from all over to join the fun. FREE Entry. Time: 8am – 3pm. <http://lowerbluemountainsrotary.org.au>
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- Sun 26 Jan 2020**    **Running Wild – Knapsack Lap Race** – Knapsack Park, Barnet Street, Glenbrook. Celebrate Australia Day this year with a bush run with a difference. Competitors run a 5 km circuit around Knapsack Park, as a team relays, pairs relays or solo for three or six hours. Meet a fantastic bunch of like-minded people, as well as enjoy some of the best trails in the Blue Mountains. Time: Race number collection 6.30am. Race starts 7.30am – 1.30pm. See website for entry fees. Registrations essential as no on the day entries. [www.runningwildnsw.com/knapsack-lap-race/](http://www.runningwildnsw.com/knapsack-lap-race/)
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- Sun 26 Jan 2020**    **Museum Special Open Day – Australia Day** – Valley Heights Rail Museum, 17b Tusculum Road, Valley Heights. Enjoy all the Museum's great experiences and activities. Be one of the first to enjoy a new adventure at the museum! After some years of careful major surgery, humble diesel shunting engine X206 will haul the 'Valley Height Mixed' throughout the day. \*(TBC). Ride in a veteran heritage carriage from the 1890s plus enjoy all the Museum's great experiences and activities. Time: 10am – 4pm (last ride 3.30pm\*). \*Please note that the steam rides are subject to operational restrictions. Entry: \$15 Adult, \$13 Concession, \$11 Children (5-16 years), \$45 Family, Child 4 years and under FREE. P: 4751 4638 (leave a message) [valleyheightsrailmuseum.info](http://valleyheightsrailmuseum.info)
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## FEBRUARY 2020

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- Sat 1 Feb 2020**     **The Artist's Salon: Owen Thompson, artist** – Norman Lindsay Gallery, 14 Norman Lindsay Crescent, Faulconbridge. Come and be part of an intimate, exclusive event – enjoy gourmet refreshments; interact with the artists; view amazing works of creativity; converse, discuss, muse with like-minded souls; and take home a beautiful memento of the night! Time: 5pm – 7pm. Entry: \$50 per person + booking fee (book through Eventbrite).  
[www.nationaltrust.org.au/event/the-artists-salon-a-series-of-creative-interludes/](http://www.nationaltrust.org.au/event/the-artists-salon-a-series-of-creative-interludes/)
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- Sat 1 Feb 2020**     **The Great Art Deco Ball** – The Carrington Hotel, 15-47 Katoomba Street, Katoomba. Dress up for this lavish 1920's Grand Ball at the Carrington Hotel, inclusive of a three course dinner and a three hour beverage package. Be transported back in time and enjoy a wonderful night of entertainment by the Greg Poppleton in the Grand Dining Room. Time: 7pm. Entry: \$145 per person. Bookings essential. E: [reservations@thecarrington.com.au](mailto:reservations@thecarrington.com.au) P: 4782 1111  
[www.thecarrington.com.au](http://www.thecarrington.com.au)
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- Sat 1 – Sun 2 Feb 2020**     **History Talk with Paul Innes** – The Carrington Hotel, 15 – 47 Katoomba Street, Katoomba. Hear stories and see photos from the 1920's, including a Royal Visit, Ma Weston's opinions of 'misbehaving' flappers, a 1923 menu and evening dance selection, Hotel bottle prices, a cheeky proposal, those visiting Frenchmen, a murder mystery filmed at the Carrington and more. Time: 11:00am OR 2:00pm Saturday and Sunday. Entry: \$10.00 (payment on the day). Limited spaces available. P: 0402 483 599 E: [info@bluemtnshistorytours.com.au](mailto:info@bluemtnshistorytours.com.au)
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- Sat 1 – Sun 2 Feb 2020**     **The Cavalcade of History and Fashion** – The Carrington Hotel, 15 – 47 Katoomba Street, Katoomba. Take a step back in time to the fabulous fashion of the Roaring Twenties with 'The Cavalcade of History and Fashion'. The exhibition will include wonderfully beaded evening gowns, stylish day wear, iconic coats and cloaks, unique wedding gowns and motoring accessories from the 20s. Exhibition: 9am – 4pm. Floor talk daily at 1pm Saturday and 12 noon Sunday in the Ballroom. FREE Entry. P: 4782 1111 E: [events@thecarrington.com.au](mailto:events@thecarrington.com.au)  
[www.thecarrington.com.au](http://www.thecarrington.com.au)
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- Fri 7 – Sun 9 Feb 2020**     **Blue Mountains Ukulele Festival** – Carrington Hotel, Katoomba Street, Katoomba. It may be on the other side of the world from Hawaii, but for 3 days each year Katoomba transforms into the Ukulele capital of the world during the Blue Mountains Ukulele Festival. There's busking in the streets, Hawaiian shirts galore and around 6,000 happy visitors. The fun starts on Friday night with an all in strum in the Baroque room at the Carrington Hotel. All are welcome to the performances and FREE workshops all day Saturday (from 9.30am until late) and then more performances and FREE strum along session on Sunday (from 9.30am) – bring your ukulele!  
[www.bluemugs.com.au](http://www.bluemugs.com.au)
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- Sat 8 Feb 2020**     **Amanda Palmer: There will be no Intermission** – Blue Mountains Theatre, 104-108 Macquarie Road, Springwood. The unapologetic frontwoman of The Dresden Dolls brings her critically acclaimed one-woman show Down Under and will perform her most intimate concert of this Australian tour at Blue Mountains Theatre. Time: 8pm. Entry: Tickets \$85 A-Reserve, \$75 B-Reserve. A \$3.30 Booking fee (for service & handling) also applies per transaction. <http://bluemountainstheatreandhub.com.au/box-office/>
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- Sun 9 Feb 2020**     **Museum Special Open Day – 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday for Steam Loco 5711** – Valley Heights Rail Museum, 17b Tusculum Road, Valley Heights. See huge steam loco 5711 'up close and personal' now it's spruced up for the 90th anniversary of first entering service. Enjoy photo exhibitions and an extremely rare cab visit to inspect this mighty beast from the driver's view. Take a 20 minute ride\* on the heritage listed 1891 Sydney Steam Tram. Enjoy all the Museum's great experiences and activities. Time: 10am – 4pm (last ride 3.30pm\*). \*Please note that the steam rides are subject to operational restrictions. Entry: \$15 Adult, \$13 Concession, \$11 Children (5-16 years), \$45 Family, Child 4 years and under FREE. P: 4751 4638 (leave a message) [valleyheightsrailmuseum.info](http://valleyheightsrailmuseum.info)
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- Wed 12 Feb 2020**     **Morning Melodies: Swinging Sixties Show** – Blue Mountains Theatre & Community Hub, 104 – 108 Macquarie Road, Springwood. A spectacular nostalgic journey through the exciting sounds and moods of the 1960s. Includes faithful renditions of classic songs from the Beatles, The Rolling Stones, The Monkees, The Easybeats, Dusty Springfield and many more. Time: 11am. Entry: All tickets \$20. Includes Devonshire-style morning tea. Tickets can be purchased at the Box Office, on 4723 5050 or online at <http://bluemountainstheatreandhub.com.au/box-office/>
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- Fri 14 Feb 2020**     **Be My Baby... Boomer Valentine!** – le Salon Grand, Palais Royale, 230 Katoomba St, Katoomba. The original satirical comedy and music extravaganza that blasts the bell-bottoms off the Baby Boomers generation. Blending fabulous Baby Boomers' era hit songs, especially from the '60s and '70s with a cavalcade of Baby Boomer craziness, wrapped in politically incorrect humour with Baby Boomer stars of yesterday and today. Time: Dinner 6.30pm, Show 7.30pm. Entry: Tickets from \$40. [www.salongrand.com.au](http://www.salongrand.com.au)
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**Fri 14 Feb 2020**    **The Tequila Mockingbird Orchestra (Canada) + Le Hot Club de Katoomba Trio** – Baroque Room, 15 Katoomba Street, Katoomba (entry via Carrington Hotel driveway). The Tequila Mockingbird Orchestra are a collection of musicians, linked by common sonic journeys and familial ties. From ballads and sing-alongs to high-energy dance parties, they have spent years telling their stories with guitars and violins, with accordions and bass, with melodies and music makers gleaned from their wanderings. They are supported by local act Le Hot Club de Katoomba trio. Time: Doors open 7pm. Show starts 8pm. Entry: \$20 tickets available from The Carrington Hotel Reception, or \$21.50 with booking fee online, or \$25 at the door (cash only) unless sold out.  
[www.stickytickets.com.au/4J83K](http://www.stickytickets.com.au/4J83K)

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**Fri 14 Feb 2020**    **Vince Jones & The Astral Orchestra: Van Morrison's Masterpieces** – Blue Mountains Theatre & Community Hub, 104 – 108 Macquarie Road, Springwood. Australia's foremost jazz vocalist and interpreter Vince Jones leads a celebration of the legendary rock musician Van Morrisons greatest albums: *Moondance* and *Astral Weeks*. Time: 8pm. Entry: \$69 Adult, \$66 Concession. Includes complimentary glass of sparkling wine. Tickets can be purchased at the Box Office, on 4723 5050 or online at <http://bluemountainstheatreandhub.com.au/box-office/>

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**Sat 15 Feb 2020**    **The Strides with James Greening** – le Salon Grand, Palais Royale, 230 Katoomba St, Katoomba. Nine-piece act "The Strides" are a force for Reggae music in oz and worldwide. Fronted by roots man Ras Roni from Barbados via London, Fijian MC LTL GZeus and Sierra Leonian ragga powerhouse Blaka C, The Strides deliver a musical experience that is as explosive as it is authentic. Time: 8pm. Entry: Various, see website for more details. [www.salongrand.com.au](http://www.salongrand.com.au)

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**Sat 15 Feb 2020**    **Memorys Of Woodford - Marion Memory, Music Mistress, And Muse: A talk by Kate O'Neill** – Woodford Academy, 90-92 Great Western Highway, Woodford. The archives of the Woodford Academy provides a dramatic and tragic story of the life and death of Ellen Marian Memory, the daughter of Florence Nightingale Murphy who eloped as a 16yr old Woolloomooloo schoolgirl with the dashing Arthur Memory, a 22-year-old English salesman whose later desertion provided sensationalist copy for the 1896 English and colonial newspapers. Time: 1pm – 2pm. Entry: \$10 Adults, \$8 Seniors/ Students (5-15yrs), \$25 Family (2 adults, 2 children), Child under 5 FREE. Entry includes museum entry, talk & guided museum tour.  
[www.nationaltrust.org.au/places/woodford-academy](http://www.nationaltrust.org.au/places/woodford-academy)

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- Sat 15 and Sun 16 Feb 2020** **Pastels: variations on landscape workshop with Gaele Rogers Perazzo** – Blackheath Art Society, 139a Station Street, Blackheath. This two-day workshop will guide you through the technique of creating pastel paintings that capture the distinct lighting or atmospheric effects brought about by different seasons, weather conditions or times of day. Working from photos, you will create two very different images of the same scene. Time: 10am – 4pm. Entry: \$180 (discounts apply for BAS members). Book online at [www.blackheathart.com/forms](http://www.blackheathart.com/forms). Closing date for registrations: Friday 31 January 2020. Enquiries: [workshops@blackheathart.com](mailto:workshops@blackheathart.com) or contact Jo Chipperfield on 0418 633 923
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- Sat 22 Feb 2020** **Spanish Luncheon** – Everglades Historic House & Garden, 37 Everglades Avenue, Leura. Enjoy a sumptuous home-cooked three-course Spanish luncheon prepared by the expert chefs of the Friends of Everglades. Afterwards, stroll through the gorgeous gardens and gaze on views over the World Heritage-Listed Blue Mountains National Park. BYO, Adults Only. Time: 12.30pm – 4pm. Entry: \$50 Adult (\$45 National Trust Member). Bookings required. [www.trybooking.com/557029](http://www.trybooking.com/557029) Enquiries 0410 312 827 or via email [friendsofeverglades@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofeverglades@gmail.com)
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- Sat 22 Feb 2020** **Stephen Cummings (The Sports) at Baroque Room Blue Mountains** – Baroque Room, 15 Katoomba Street, Katoomba (entry via Carrington Hotel driveway). Iconic performer, songwriter & performer Stephen Cummings - took his bow to Australian audiences during his farewell tour at the start of 2019. Cummings was supposed to have retired after he finished touring his albums, 'Prisoner of Love', and 50 song collection, but he grew bored of the down time and has decided to perform a limited number of acoustic shows from February to May 2020. Time: Doors open 7pm. Show starts 8pm. Entry: \$30 tickets available from The Carrington Hotel Reception, or \$32.50 with booking fee online, or \$35 at the door (cash only) unless sold out. [www.stickytickets.com.au/4AY4F](http://www.stickytickets.com.au/4AY4F)
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- Sun 23 Feb 2020** **Special Open Day – Celebrate the Roaring 20's – 100 Years On** – Valley Heights Rail Museum, 17b Tusculum Road, Valley Heights. 'Trains Trams & Ts' Celebrate the Roaring 20s with old cars, jazz band, period dress competition & more (details TBC – see website). Plus, enjoy all the museum's great experiences and activities. Climb on board engines and carriages that showcase over 100 years of railway history across the Mountains. Take a 20 minute ride\* on the heritage listed 1891 Sydney Steam Tram. Check out the original artworks and two model rooms then grab a drink or snack in the café. Time: 10am – 4pm (last ride 3.30pm\*). \*Please note that the steam rides are subject to operational restrictions. Entry: \$15 Adult, \$13 Concession, \$11 Children (5-16 years), \$45 Family, Child 4 years and under FREE. P: 4751 4638 (leave a message) [valleyheightsrailmuseum.info](http://valleyheightsrailmuseum.info)
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- Sun 23 Feb 2020** **Running Wild – Wentworth Falls Trail Run** – Start at Fairmont Resort & Spa, Wentworth Falls. Arguably the most stunning short course race in this annual series of runs, Runners negotiate numerous trails in and around the Wentworth Falls area. The majority of this course is on single trail and includes lots of stairs. Runners are rewarded with some of the most magnificent views of the Blue Mountains National Park. Time: Registration 6.30am. Start 7.30am. See website for entry fees. Registrations essential as no on the day entries.  
[www.runningwildnsw.com/wentworth-falls/](http://www.runningwildnsw.com/wentworth-falls/)
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- Fri 28 Feb 2020** **Ian Moss 'Matchbook 30' Tour - Solo & Acoustic** – Blue Mountains Theatre & Community Hub, 104 – 108 Macquarie Road, Springwood. Ian Moss takes his iconic album 'Matchbook' on a special solo tour, to commemorate the albums' 30th anniversary. Time: 8pm. Entry: \$63.80. Tickets can be purchased at the Box Office, on 4723 5050 or online at  
<http://bluemountainstheatreandhub.com.au/box-office/>
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- Sat 29 Feb 2020** **Jazz in the Garden** – Norman Lindsay Gallery, 14 Norman Lindsay Crescent, Faulconbridge. Experience this ever popular live Jazz in the Garden celebrating the birthday of one of Australia's finest artists, Norman Lindsay. Bring a picnic and enjoy an evening of Jazz in the grounds of the home where he lived for 57 years and where he created most of his artwork. Enjoy the extraordinary talents of the iconic jazz band Galapagos Duck. Time: From 5pm – 9pm. Entry: TBA. Bookings through Eventbrite. P: 4751 1067 E: [nlg@nationaltrust.com.au](mailto:nlg@nationaltrust.com.au)
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- Sat 29 Feb 2020** **Feelin' Groovy** – le Salon Grand, Palais Royale, 230 Katoomba St, Katoomba. The 60's Music Extravaganza! Feelin' Groovy – Cool River's Tribute to the 60's Music Show – engages audiences of all ages with timeless classic hit songs from the 60's decade. From 1960 – 1969, it includes songs from the Summer of Love, Motown, the British Invasion and Swinging London plus a few perennial Aussie favourites! Time: Dinner 6.30pm, Show 7.30pm. Entry: Tickets from \$40.  
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## Regular Happenings and Open Days

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| Every Weekend.                                                                                                   | For the market enthusiast, every weekend in the Blue Mountains offers a different market to explore. Everything from organic foods, local art and craft to collectibles and clothes, there is a treasure to find for every avid market explorer. Ask for the Markets List at the Blue Mountains Visitor Information Centres.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Open first Sunday of every month (except January).                                                               | <b>Wascoe Siding</b> – Grahame Street, Blaxland. You are invited to bring family and friends to picnic in the grounds and enjoy a train ride on these miniature locomotives. Time: 10am – 4pm. Cost: \$4 per train ride. <a href="http://www.infoblue-mountains.net.au/rail/wascoe/">www.infoblue-mountains.net.au/rail/wascoe/</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Normally open second and forth Sunday of every month with some special open days – see website for actual dates. | <b>Valley Heights Locomotive Depot Heritage Museum Open Days</b> - Valley Heights Locomotive Depot Heritage Museum, Tusculum Rd, Valley Heights. Explore the oldest remaining roundhouse in NSW and take a short ride on a steam train or tram. Examine the exhibits of the historic locomotives, memorabilia, and more to learn about the history of the railways in the Mountains and on the Western Line. Time: 10am – 4pm (Last rides 3.30pm). Entry: Adult: \$15, Concession: \$13, Child (5-15): \$11, Children 4 and under: FREE, Family: \$45 <a href="http://www.infoblue-mountains.net.au/locodepot/index.shtml">www.infoblue-mountains.net.au/locodepot/index.shtml</a> |
| Open Thursday to Sunday.                                                                                         | <b>Braemar House &amp; Gallery</b> – Braemar House, 104 Macquarie Road, Springwood. Showcasing changing exhibitions of various mediums from both emerging and established artists work in one of Springwood's most historic buildings. Time: 10am – 4pm. FREE Admission. <a href="http://bluemountainculturalcentre.com.au/braemar-gallery/">http://bluemountainculturalcentre.com.au/braemar-gallery/</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Open third Saturday of every month.<br><b>(Closed December 2019 and January 2020).</b>                           | <b>Woodford Academy</b> – 90-92 Great Western Highway, Woodford. This historic property dates back to the 1830s. Time: 10am – 4pm or by appointment for groups of 10 or more (subject to availability). Cost: Adult: \$10, Seniors/Students (5-15 years): \$8, Family \$25, Child under 5 years FREE. Optional Guided Tours included with Museum entry (subject to availability). P: 4758 8743<br>E: <a href="mailto:woodfordacademy@gmail.com">woodfordacademy@gmail.com</a><br><a href="http://www.nationaltrust.org.au/places/woodford-academy/">www.nationaltrust.org.au/places/woodford-academy/</a>                                                                          |
| Open last Sunday of the month (except December). See website for more details.                                   | <b>Historic Tarella Cottage Museum</b> – 99-101 Blaxland Road, Wentworth Falls. Built in the 1890s, this cottage museum is a hidden treasure filled with a wonderful collection of memorabilia of the late 19th and early 20th centuries. Homemade refreshments available for purchase. Time: 10am – 3pm. Entry: Adults \$5, Child \$2. (Cash only.) Groups welcome throughout the year by prior arrangement.<br>P: 4757 3824 <a href="http://www.bluemountainhistory.com">www.bluemountainhistory.com</a>                                                                                                                                                                         |

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| During regular opening hours.                                                  | <b>Board Games at the Libraries</b> – Katoomba, Springwood and Blaxland Library Branches. Board games are available at all three of our full-time branches. Come and join in the fun, play an old favourite or try out something new. All ages and levels of ability welcome. Time: Check Library website for opening hours of each branch. FREE Entry.<br><a href="https://library.bmcc.nsw.gov.au">https://library.bmcc.nsw.gov.au</a>                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Every Saturday.                                                                | <b>Saturday Chess at Katoomba Library</b> – 30 Parke St, Katoomba. Come and join in the fun and sociable atmosphere of Saturday Chess. Both friendly and tournament style chess available all day. All ages and levels of ability welcome. Time: 11am – 3pm. FREE Entry. P: 4780 5750                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Last Sunday of each month, Feb to Nov.                                         | <b>Blue Mountains Radio Players</b> – Palais Royale, 230 Katoomba Street, Katoomba. Performances are before a live audience, using mainly scripts transcribed from original performances of the 1930s, 1940s and 1950s. The repertoire includes plays from long-running drama series such as ‘Suspense’, ‘Escape’ and ‘Quiet, Please!’; episodes from the comedy series Easy Aces and Life of Riley; and crimes solved by Sherlock Holmes and more. Time: 2.30pm. P: 4784 6300 <a href="https://sites.google.com/site/bmradioplayers/performances">https://sites.google.com/site/bmradioplayers/performances</a> |
| Last Sunday of each month, May to Oct.                                         | <b>Art of Lunch</b> – Select Venues in the Greater Blue Mountains. The Art of Lunch is a signature event created by Earthly Delights Events designed as a feast for all the senses. Each venue offers a different theme, with a carefully matched menu, exhibition and performance. Time: 12pm. Entry: \$89 per person.<br><a href="http://artoflunch.com.au/">http://artoflunch.com.au/</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Open daily (Closed Christmas Day).                                             | <b>Blue Mountains Heritage Centre</b> , Blackheath – End of Govetts Leap Road, Blackheath. New exhibition every month. FREE Entry. Time: 9am – 4.30pm.<br>P: 4787 8877 <a href="http://www.nationalparks.nsw.gov.au/things-to-do/Visitor-centres/Blue-Mountains-Heritage-Centre">www.nationalparks.nsw.gov.au/things-to-do/Visitor-centres/Blue-Mountains-Heritage-Centre</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Saturday afternoons on selected dates, August to October                       | <b>Blackheath History Forum</b> – Blackheath Public School Hall, Corner of Great Western Highway and Leichhardt Street, Blackheath. The Blackheath History Forum is open to anyone interested in understanding Australian history in both its national and global contexts. Time: Doors open 3.30pm, Talks start 4pm. Entry: \$5 (free to those 18 and under). Refreshments available for a small additional charge of \$2-\$5.<br><a href="https://blackheathhistoryforum.org.au/">https://blackheathhistoryforum.org.au/</a>                                                                                   |
| Open weekends, public & school holidays. Closed Christmas Day and Good Friday. | <b>Mount Victoria &amp; District Historical Society Museum</b> – Located at the back of Mount Victoria Railway Station. Opening in 1868, this Heritage Listed sandstone station is now a museum full to the brim with memorabilia of early history and old ways of living, farming and working in the upper mountains. Time: 12noon – 3pm. Entry: \$5 Adult, \$1 Child. Donations Welcome. <a href="http://mountvictoriamuseum.info/">http://mountvictoriamuseum.info/</a>                                                                                                                                       |

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