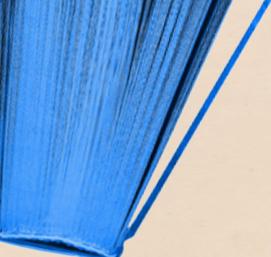


9th Annual



BOOKLOVERS
-FESTIVAL-

SATURDAY 15 JULY – SATURDAY 29 JULY



Celebrating 200 Years: Jane Austen

FESTIVAL LAUNCH: DRESSING JANE

Watsonia Library
Saturday 15 July
2.00pm – 4.00pm

Join us for an afternoon of tea, cucumber sandwiches and perhaps even a glass of something bubbly as we launch our Festival.

Be the first to catch a glimpse of a library all decked out in Georgian finery as we open the costume exhibition *Be Persuaded*. We will find out more about the treasures on show from **Fiona Baverstock**, exhibition curator and historic clothing expert.

Then enjoy a fully costumed One-Act Play presented by **Lise Rogers**. Delve into the world of Georgian clothing and share Jane Austen's love of fashion by spending an hour or so *Getting Dressed with Jane*, from the underwear to the outerwear and beyond!

JANE AUSTEN YOGA

Watsonia Library
Sunday 16 July
1.00pm – 2.00pm

Is there a place for pride and prejudice in yoga? How about sense and sensibility? **Suzanne** from **42 Yoga** will take you on a beguiling yoga journey through your favourite Jane Austen novels. Suitable for yoga beginners and Jane Austen lovers. Wear comfortable clothing and bring your own mat if you have one.

Bookings essential: 15 spaces.



JANE AUSTEN: DISCOURSE AND DEBATE

Watsonia Library

Wednesday 19 July
7.00pm – 8.00pm

Enjoy an evening of scintillating conversation with like-minded Janeites. Debate the merits of Mr Darcy versus Mr Knightley and determine which of Jane's novels is by far the most superior. If you wish, you may choose to have your photo taken with Mr Darcy in front of our green screen (costumes optional).

JANE AUSTEN FILM NIGHT: AN INDOOR CINEMA EXPERIENCE

Watsonia Library

Wednesday 26 July
6.00pm – 8.00pm

It's cold outside so we're bringing the outdoor cinema experience indoors. Bring your best friend, a picnic rug and some snacks and enjoy a cosy evening with Jane. We will provide some delicious chocolate treats.

Bookings essential.

BE PERSUADED: A JANE AUSTEN EXPERIENCE

Watsonia Library

Saturday 15 July to
Saturday 29 July,
opening hours.

This is a not-to-be-missed costume exhibition that features rare original fashion, fashion accessories and ephemera from the 18th century through to the early 19th century. Gowns, boots, bonnets, frocks and parasols will bring Jane Austen to life as we celebrate her 200th anniversary.

For Writers & Illustrators

(AGES 15+)

PITCHING TO PUBLISHERS: WORKSHOP

Mill Park Library
Sunday 16 July
2.00pm – 3.30pm

Rosanna Library
(duplicate session)
Tuesday 25 July
11.00am – 12.30pm

Author, teacher and manuscript assessor

Marie Alafaci presents a workshop designed to give your writing wings. How do you know when your work is ready to pitch? How do publishers make decisions?

Explore these questions and more in this interactive workshop.

Bring a synopsis of your current work and be prepared to start your pitch.

Bookings essential: 15 places available for each session.

A SENSE OF PLACE: WORKSHOP

Watsonia Library
Tuesday 18 July
1.00pm – 3.30pm

In fiction, a strong sense of place is the foundation for the formation of the characters, themes and action of the novel.

Explore how to create convincing, multi-dimensional settings which add to the complexity and spirit of your writing in this collegiate-style writing workshop facilitated by **Lynne Siejka**.

Bookings essential: 15 places available.

WRITING AND ILLUSTRATION FOR CHILDREN: WORKSHOP

Mill Park Library
Part 1 Wednesday 19 July
2.00pm – 3.30pm

Part 2 Wednesday 26 July
2.00pm – 3.30pm

Do you have an idea for a children's book? Come along to this two-part workshop that will help you get that idea out of your head and into print.

Judith Rossell, author, illustrator and teacher, will help you to develop

an action plan to get you started on your journey.

Leave part 1 buzzing with ideas, work on them at home and then return for part 2 to get some feedback.

Judith has written 12 books and illustrated more than 80 titles. Hear about her journey from initial publication right through to the development of her latest award-winning books *Withering-by-Sea* and *Wormwood Mire*.

Bookings essential: 15 places available.



SELF-PUBLISHING: PANEL DISCUSSION

Watsonia Library
Thursday 20 July
7.00pm – 8.00pm

Want to see your work in print? Don't know how to get started or need some tips for success? Learn from the experts. Our panellists include: author and blogger **Karen Andrews**, Busybird Publishing's **Blaise van Hecke**, **Debbie Lee** from Ingram Spark and CEO from the online publishing platform Tablo, **Ash Davies**.



For Writers & Illustrators

(AGES 15+)

WRITING INSPIRATION AND STORY STARTERS: WORKSHOP

Watsonia Library

Friday 21 July
10.30am – 12.00noon

Tell me a story! Delve into your creative side and join us for a workshop designed for beginner writers. Author, editor and journalist **Suzanne Male** will give you story prompts and ideas to enhance your creativity and evoke inspiration.

Bookings essential: 15 places available.

CATH CROWLEY AND KATE O'DONNELL IN CONVERSATION

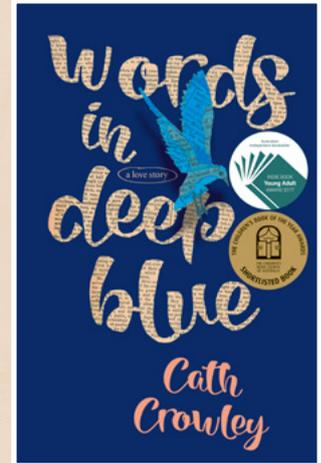
Ivanhoe Library

Sunday 23 July
3.30pm – 4.30pm

Cath Crowley is an award-winning YA author. Her latest novel won the Independent Booksellers Award 2016 and is shortlisted for the CBCA Book of the Year Award. *Take Three Girls*, a book co-written with Fiona Wood and Simmone Howell, is out in September 2017 with Pan Macmillan.

Kate O'Donnell is a young adult author, children's bookseller, editor and children's literature specialist. Her debut YA novel *Untidy Towns* is out in October with University of Queensland Press.

Come along to an intimate conversation between Cath and Kate. They will talk words, book deals, craft, paths to publication, the joys and traumas of writing and the importance of editing. If you love writing, are struggling with a manuscript, or just want a good book recommendation, this is



a conversation you can't miss. Bring your notepad and your questions and get inspired.

Other titles:

Graffiti Moon
Chasing Charlie Duskin
Gracie Faltrain Series

ILLUSTRATION: WORKSHOP

Ivanhoe Library

Thursday 27 July
6.30pm – 8.00pm

Marc McBride is an internationally featured illustrator, perhaps best known for his work on the bestselling *Deltora Quest* series of books for children. In this interactive workshop, Marc will explain the process of making traditional and digital art in detail. He will also guide you as put your artistic skills into practise and do some painting.

Ask him about: getting published, book cover illustration, and creating fantastical creatures.

AN EXCLUSIVE WORKSHOP WITH TONI JORDAN

Watsonia Library

Tuesday 25 July
7.00pm – 8.00pm

In partnership with Bolinda

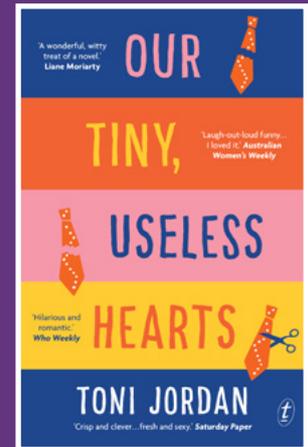
Toni Jordan's debut novel, *Addition*, was an international best-seller long-listed for the Miles Franklin Literary Award. Toni will give this select group some valuable insights into the ways in which conflict can enrich our writing.

In real life, we prefer to live peacefully with kind people, but a novel about a girl who was nice to her parents, good at her job and brushed her teeth is just plain boring! This workshop explores how conflict makes fiction unforgettable, and how

to use conflict to create characters that move and delight readers.

Bring along your notepad and questions.

Bookings essential: limited places available.



Other titles:

Nine Days
Fall Girl
Addition

Discover Something New

DEBUT DAY

Mill Park Library

Saturday 22 July
11.00am – 3.00pm

An event for both readers and writers! This day is jam-packed with goodies. An amazing feature author talk, a variety of new books and emerging talent to explore, door prizes, food trucks – the list goes on!

Mill Park Library is hosting a collection of debut and local authors expo-style with some special guest talks. Why not wander around some author

tables: have a chat, pick up some tips and insights – perhaps you'll discover a new addition to your bedside to-read pile.

Support local and debut talent. Authors will have their books available for sale.

What's happening:

11.00am

Local and debut authors share a snapshot of their story for 5 minutes each.

2.00pm

Moana Hope

DEBUT DAY FEATURE AUTHOR: MOANA HOPE – MY WAY

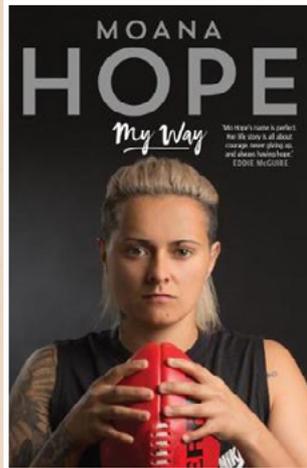
Mill Park Library

Saturday 22 July
2.00pm – 3.00pm

Our Finale for Debut Day will be the talented **Moana Hope**, who plays for the Collingwood Football Club in the AFL Women's competition and was the winner of the team's inaugural leading goal kicker award. One of thirteen children and no fan of dolls or dresses, footy was always her passion, and she would spend hours each day

playing kick-to-kick with her dad and brothers at the local park. A high-flying athlete who is grounded by remarkable selflessness, Moana Hope is an inspiration for women and girls everywhere. *My Way* is her story.

Hear her speak, meet and greet, buy a copy and get it signed!



WIN A READING RETREAT

There's a book in your hand and you're tucked up on a comfy couch, feet warming in front of a pot-belly stove. Across the lake you see from your window, a kangaroo who looks at you quizzically as you take a sip of your favourite beverage.

Could this be a scene from YOUR reading retreat? Yarra Plenty Regional Library, generously supported by the kind folk at **Queenstown Retreat B&B, Smiths Gully**, are offering you the opportunity to WIN an overnight stay for two people, including breakfast provisions.



You will find peace and privacy in this modern, eco-friendly B&B.

To enter, all you need to do is to attend any Booklovers Festival event and fill in a feedback form. The more events you attend, the more chances you'll have to win this perfect opportunity to catch up on your reading.

Murder is easy... or is it?

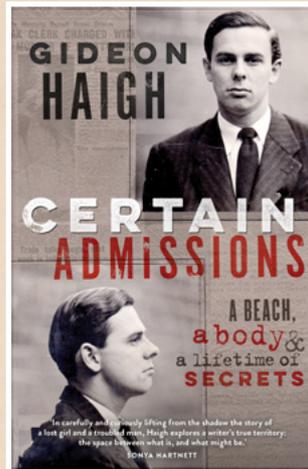
GIDEON HAIGH: CERTAIN ADMISSIONS

Whittlesea Library
Wednesday 19 July
7.00pm – 8.00pm

On a warm evening in December 1949, two young people met by chance under the clocks at Flinders Street railway station. The next morning, one of them was dead.

Gideon Haigh, award-winning author and journalist, will tell the story of how this true crime book *Certain Admissions: A Beach, A Body and a*

Lifetime of Secrets came to be and the secrets he discovered along the way. Winner of the Ned Kelly Award for True Crime.



Gideon is the author of over 30 books.

Other titles:

Stroke of Genius: Victor Trumper and the Shot That Changed Cricket

Ashes to Ashes: How Australia Came Back and England Came Unstuck, 2013-14

The Office: A Hardworking History

MURDER MYSTERY NIGHT: THE GLASS ROOM

Eltham Library
Thursday 27 July
7.00pm – 8.30pm

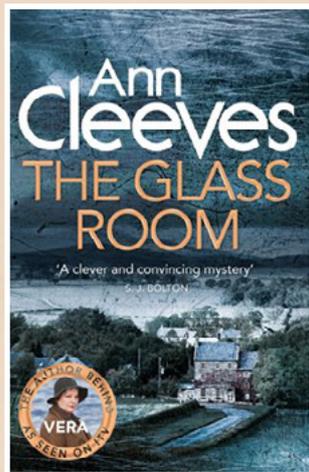
In partnership with Eltham Little Theatre.

Who killed Tony Ferdinand? Eltham Library will become the site of a fictional murder mystery and we need YOU to help us solve it. This murder mystery was created by the well-known UK author **Ann Cleeves**.

Glass of wine and refreshments available.

One keen detective will WIN a prize pack of mystery novels. Books will be available for sale on the night.

Ann Cleeves has written 30 books in 30 years!



Other titles:

Silent Voices
The Moth Catcher
Cold Earth

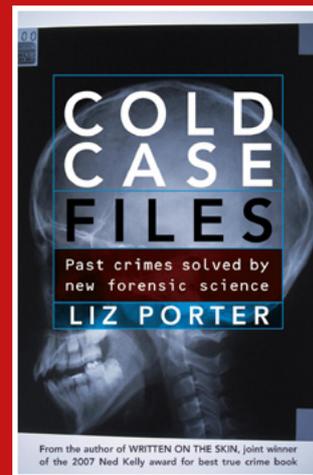
**LIZ PORTER:
COLD CASE FILES**

Mill Park Library
Sunday 23 July
2.00pm – 3.00pm

In partnership with Bolinda

Liz Porter is a true crime author, novelist and freelance journalist best-known for her prize-winning books about 'the real CSI' – the way forensic science is used to solve crime. She is a former award-winning legal affairs reporter for The Sunday Age. The legal system, crime and forensics are recurring themes within her work.

Liz will talk about the challenges of writing true crime, the realities behind TV fiction and entertain you with some true crime stories.



Other titles:

Written On The Skin
Unnatural Order

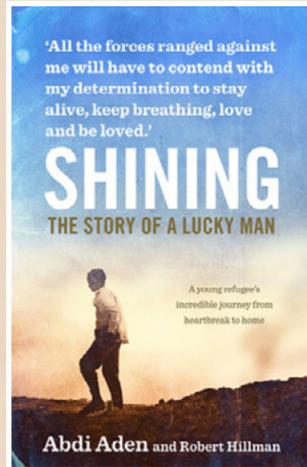
Journey to Australia

ABDI ADEN: SHINING – THE STORY OF A LUCKY MAN

Ivanhoe Library
Monday 17 July
6.30pm – 7.30pm

In partnership with OverDrive

Abdi Aden's world fell apart when he was only a teenager and his home was destroyed in Somalia's vicious civil war. Against the odds, he survived. In fact, he thrived. Abdi became a youth worker and was acknowledged with the 2007 Victorian Refugee Recognition Award.



He was featured in the SBS second series of *Go Back to Where You Came From*.

Be inspired by Abdi and hear more about his book and his journey.

DAVID NYUOL VINCENT: THE BOY WHO WOULDN'T DIE

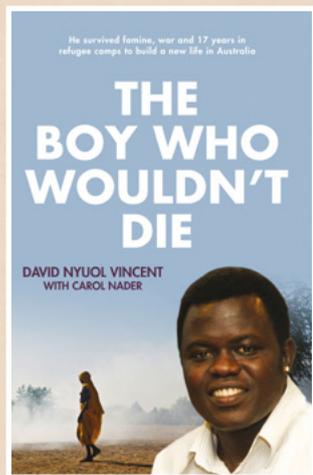
Mill Park Library
Monday 24 July
7.00pm – 8.00pm

In partnership with City of Whittlesea

David Nyuol Vincent was only eight years old when he fled southern Sudan with his father, as war raged in their country. He left behind his distraught mother and sisters, his village and his childhood. For months, David and his father walked across southern Sudan, barefoot, desperately

searching for safety, food and water. David was taken in and trained as a child soldier. Life was a relentless struggle against starvation, air bombings and people determined to kill him and his people, eventually finding his way to Australia.

David's story is the powerful account of a young man's resilience. The story of a boy who refused to die.

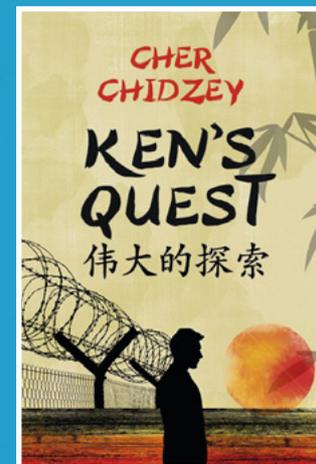


CHER CHIDZEY: KEN'S QUEST

Ivanhoe Library
Tuesday 25 July
6.30pm – 7.30pm

Australian–Asian author **Cher Chidzey** was born into a family of 18 siblings in Singapore and migrated to Australia in 1975.

Today, Cher is coming to discuss her latest work, *Ken's Quest*. This work of fiction is the story of a Chinese migrant's ambition for wealth in Australia. Cher explores the clash of cultures within Australia and the trials of immigrants trying to make their way in another land. It is a terrific and unlikely love story between a fiery, outspoken Australian woman and a conservative Chinese man.



Other titles:

The House of 99 Closed Doors

Let your tastebuds inspire your next read...

TEA READS

Rosanna Library

Tuesday 18 July
2.00pm – 3.00pm

Ivanhoe Library

Monday 24 July
2.00pm – 3.00pm

Tea and books are a perfect match! Sample and explore a range of specialty teas generously provided by **Yarra Valley Tea Co.** and discover a new book. Library staff will share book recommendations to accompany that perfect cup of chocky chai, Earl Grey or African red.

RECIPES FOR BABIES AND TODDLERS

Whittlesea Library

Tuesday 18 July
11.00am – 12.00noon

Amie Harper is a nutritionist and author of two cookbooks featuring healthy, easy-to-make recipes for feeding your infant, toddler and the whole family.

Amie will discuss her books and her journey to publication. She will also give you some ideas for plating up a creative variety of meals for your baby or toddler, so that

they may grow up to be healthy, happy and excited about food. There will be time for your questions at the end of the session.



Other titles:

Baby Pip Eats

BOOK TASTING

Lalor Library

Saturday 22 July
2.00pm – 3.00pm

Listen to readings from some of our favourite novels while you taste small samples of the foods that make the books sing.

'It was 2.00 p.m, too early for wine but not for chocolate.'

- **Andrea Hurst**
Always with You



ITALIAN STREET FOOD

Diamond Valley Library
Thursday 20 July
2.00pm – 3.00pm

Author **Paola Bacchia** will tantalise your tastebuds with a talk and demonstration from her cookbook *Italian Street Food – Recipes from Italy's Hidden Bars and Laneways*.

There are 85 recipes in Paola's book that take you through the daily life of locals who love to cook and eat on the street. All of the recipes, food styling and photography, and the majority of the street photography in the book are Paola's. Find out more about her culinary journey

and perhaps get a few tips for your next Italian feast.



Booklovers Finale

LITERARY NILLUMBIK CELEBRATION

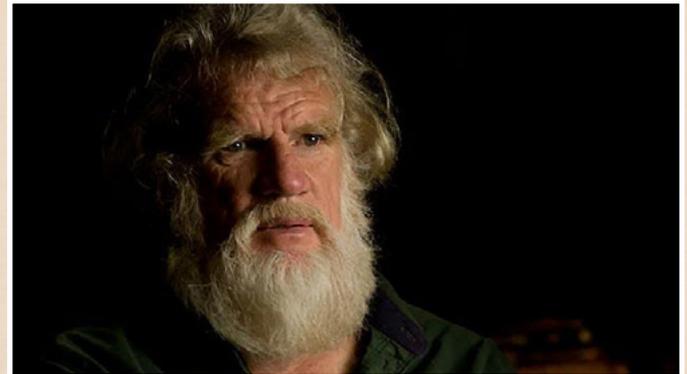
Eltham Library Community Gallery

Saturday 29 July
1.00pm – 3.30pm

Poets, writers and readers unite to celebrate literature in Nillumbik. This final event for our Booklovers Festival will launch the new Literary Nillumbik anthology of award-winning writing, which includes the winning stories and poems from the Alan Marshall Short Story Award and Nillumbik Ekphrasis Poetry Award.

The anthology will be launched by Nillumbik Shire Mayor, Cr Peter Clarke. The event will also include insight into the judging process from Alan Marshall Short Story Award Judge, **Bruce Pascoe**, and Nillumbik Ekphrasis Poetry Award Judge, **Helen Lucas** as well as music, readings and light refreshments.

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Telephone 9459 6171

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4-6 Ibbottson Street
Watsonia 3087
Telephone 9435 2397

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Panther Place
Eltham 3095
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WEDNESDAY

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Bookings essential

**Jane Austen Indoor
Cinema**
● Watsonia Library, 6.00pm
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THURSDAY**FRIDAY****SATURDAY****SUNDAY****15****LAUNCH: Dressing Jane**

● Watsonia Library, 2.00pm

Be Persuaded Costume Exhibition continues through Festival during opening hours,

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Self-Publishing: Panel Discussion

● Watsonia Library, 7.00pm

21**Writing Inspiration and Story Starters** (Workshop)● Watsonia Library, 10.30am
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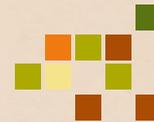
27**Illustration** (Workshop)▲ Ivanhoe Library, 6.30pm
Bookings essential**Murder Mystery Night**

● Eltham Library, 7.00pm

28**29****FINALE: Literary Nillumbik Celebration**

● Eltham Library, 1.00pm





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