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What's on at the gallery

After a swim at Murray Rose Pool, pop by the Woollahra Gallery at Redleaf and browse one of these exciting exhibitions; there's a new one to explore each month.

Admission is free! Bring a friend and enjoy a great day out.

For opening hours over the Christmas and New Year period please visit the gallery website. woollahragallery.com.au





After the Rain. an Inala exhibition.

Haunted Hobart (Bengaluru, India), (detail) by Daniel Press.

29 November – 7 January 2024

After the Rain, an exhibition of works by artists from Inala's assisted studio program is a powerful and beautiful collection of works by creatives living with disability.

Daniel Press' Send-Off features sculptures of colonial monuments, made using 3D scanning and printing technologies.

Untitled. by Jacqueline Field.

10 January – 4 February 2024

An exhibition of abstract artworks

exploring geometric compositions

Double Bay artist Jacqueline Field.

7 February – 3 March 2024

Exhibition of six artists' work,

featuring a diverse range of

mediums including textile,

landscape paintings.

by Ham Darroch, Mark Gowing and

photography and figurative-abstract





painting in progress.

God was laughin' when he made women, (detail) by Marea Reed.

Saturday 17 February 2024

Rockpool Residency: Unseen Worlds A pop-up exhibition and family day at Nielsen Park, led by artist and curator Maya Martin-Westheimer and Floorplan Studios.

Sign up to the gallery enews at woollahragallery.com.au and receive event updates and information on our call-out for expressions of interest for exhibitions in late January.

Artist in Residence – Kate Wallace



Melbourne-based artist Kate Wallace, who creates miniature oil paintings, is our current Artist in Residence.

"As my works are largely informed by my experience of place, I was looking for a space in which to collect visual materials to help influence the direction for my next series of paintings," Kate said.

"Working in this beautiful space has allowed me to solely focus on my practice, while also having the chance to meet people from the local community, which has been a real privilege."

Kate's work will be on display in the Gallery's Reading Room from 29 November – 10 December 2023 during Gallery hours.

Expressions of Interest for our 2024/25 Artist in Residence program are open until 7 January 2024 at woollahragallery.com.au/air



So much more at Paddington Library

Quietly tucked away in the Paddington Town Hall on Oxford Street, and jointly funded by Woollahra Council and the City of Sydney, there's so much more than just books at Paddington Library.

It's the perfect place to study, work or just pop-in to pick up a book or make use of our resources.

Paddington Library offers:

- A sound-proof Quiet Pod, which can be booked for up to two hours

 perfect for podcasting or small group meetings.
- Eight new computers, including two Macs with Adobe Creative Suite software, free to use as part of your library membership.
- Printers, photocopiers and scanners

 with the option to print cheaply and directly from your own device.
- Smart and helpful staff who all love their jobs and are dedicated to our members.



Sound-proof Quiet Pod

Paddington Library also hosts a range of fun events for all ages and interests. In addition to our regular kids programs, there's a weekly tai chi class, regular book clubs and coming up in December there are macramé decoration and gift wrapping workshops. Check our website for event details. **woollahra. nsw.gov.au/Library/whats-on**

Download the Woollahra Libraries app to make a booking or access our collection.

5 new books at Paddington Library

Stop by to pick up a copy and get ready for some holiday reading. Download some great reads, magazines, music or films for free via the Woollahra Libraries App.



Storytellers: Questions, Answers and the Craft of Journalism by Leigh Sales



7 Days of Dinner by Adam Liaw



The House that Joy Built by Holly Ringland



Lola in the Mirror by Trent Dalton



The Bee Sting by Paul Murray



Book a private group tour of the gallery

We're offering free private group tours of the Woollahra Gallery at Redleaf on Wednesdays from 10am-1pm.

Groups of any kind are welcome to book a tour. We are keen to support groups with special needs, including people with a disability or sensory needs, as well as school groups and seniors.

The Gallery's opening hours are: Wednesday 1pm-6pm, Thursday and Friday 10am-6pm, Saturday and Sunday 10am–5pm.

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Bay Street, Double Bay upgrade

Work is well underway on the Bay Street upgrade. We've upgraded drains, installed numerous ramps for prams and wheelchairs, added new landscaping and canopy cover and now paving is being laid.

When we're done, walking, cycling and public transport will be easier and more enjoyable ways to access the harbour front. Upgrades to the Double Bay Ferry Wharf are also in progress.

This project is wholly funded by a grant from the NSW Government's Public Spaces Legacy Program.



Emerald City Kickball Tournament, a 2023/24 Placemaking Grant recipient

\$236,000 in funding awarded through our Grants Program

We are proud to support 54 local projects, run by individuals, schools, community organisations and businesses through this year's Grants Program.

There are projects which help reduce isolation in the community, connect local businesses, inclusive community sport and health

initiatives; and we're supporting local unity groups to install rooftop solar, reduce single-use plastics and plant habitat gardens.

See the full list of projects we're supporting at: woollahra.nsw.gov.au/grants

Our next round of grants will open in April 2024.



Mayor's Message

I'm honoured to be the new Mayor of Woollahra and I look forward to representing our wonderful community.

We're pleased to be supporting and hosting a range of great events in the lead up to the festive season, from gift wrapping workshops, carols, Christmas markets, festive story times, and the popular Chanukah by the Bay. For a full list of events visit:

woollahra.nsw.gov.au/festive

Our waste and recycling services will continue during the holiday season. Our Customer Service Centre and offices will be closed from 4.30pm on Friday 22 December until 8.00am on Tuesday 2 January. During this holiday period you can contact us via our website, the Woollahra App or by calling 9391 7000.

From everyone at Woollahra Council, I'd like to wish you all the very best for the festive season.

Councillor Richard Shields Mavor of Woollahra



We're updating our Significant

Tree Register and want to know which trees in our local area should be added to acknowledge their heritage value and protect them into the future. We'd love your feedback before 31 January 2024.

Go to: yoursay.woollahra. nsw.gov.au/trees

Proudly funded by the NSW Government in association with Woollahra Council.

Discover the Double Bay Tree Trail

This summer, explore the foreshores and suburban streets of Double Bay and learn more about our magnificent trees.

Our 2km tree trail starts at Redleaf Beach and Blackburn Gardens, winds through Double Bay, along Ocean Avenue, finishing in Edgecliff.



Most of the 18 trees along the trail have signs to help you find your way and tell you more about each tree. woollahra.nsw.gov.au/treetrail

Kauri Pine, Blackburn Gardens



Andrew from Rose Bay has installed solar and saved money on power bills.

Switch to renewable energy

Do you want to do more to fight climate change and protect the environment? The most impactful thing you can do is to start using renewable energy.

If you're able to, installing rooftop solar is the best way to go. If you rent or live in an apartment building, sign up to a GreenPower renewable energy contract - which can be as simple as phoning your electricity provider and switching plans.

Read more at woollahra.nsw.gov.au/goelectric

Summer fun at the library

Woollahra Libraries are running an exciting events program for kids and young people this summer.

Join authors Antonia Pesenti and Hilary Bell and complete a fun craft activity (ages 6-12), enjoy some air hockey (ages 10 and up), sports themed craft and games and much more!

Kids can also kick their reading goals with our Summer Reading Challenge. Visit a Woollahra Library to join the challenge and go into the draw to win a book voucher and other major prizes!

Read more: woollahra.nsw.gov.au/schoolholidays

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Plan ahead for a fun and safe New Year's Eve

For information on New Year's Eve fireworks vantage points, local road closures and traffic management information, visit: **woollahra.nsw.gov.au/nye**



Bellevue hill 2023

The faces behind some of Bellevue Hill's most popular businesses.

Bellevue Hill 2023: shop local this festive season

During 2023 we've been celebrating everything that's wonderful about Bellevue Hill (which shares postcode 2023) – including the dynamic small businesses which make the area the place to be. Let's support our wonderful small business owners by shopping and dining locally this festive season.

Acknowledgement of Country

Woollahra Council acknowledges that we are on the land of the Gadigal and Birrabirragal people, the Traditional Custodians of the land. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

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