



OCTOBER NEWS FROM YOUR LIBRARY

A night of magical musical realism

La Descarga and the Electropical Orchestra will play a musical tribute to Nobel Prize-winning author Gabriel García Márquez in the library on Friday 20 October.

Magical Musical Realism with La Descarga: The musical landscapes that inspired Nobel Prize winner Gabriel Garcia Marquez's literary



work promises to be a mesmerising musical tribute to the Latin American literary genius.

Immerse yourself in the vibrant rhythms of Colombian music and be transported to the ethereal landscapes of Marquez's literary masterpieces, where reality and fantasy intertwine.

La Descarga's shows combine colour, upbeat tropical rhythms and psychedelic sounds with a deep tradition, and they have performed at many of Australia's most-loved festivals.

Details

Friday 20 October

Doors open 5.30pm, performance from 6pm

Free for members, \$12 non-members

[Book here](#)





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Peninsula Summer Music Festival launch



Members are invited to the program launch of the Peninsula Summer Music Festival 2024, featuring a short performance by harpist Emily Granger, on October 4 in the library.

This is a casual, stand-up event with limited capacity, and bookings are essential.

Now in its 17th year, the Peninsula Summer Music Festival offers a diverse program of classical and contemporary music events in the vibrant and beautiful venues of the Mornington Peninsula, from wineries with stunning views to quaint churches and the spectacular hot springs. The festival will run from 1-8 January 2024 and more information can be found [here](#)

Details

Wednesday 4 October

Launch from 6-7pm

Free event

[Book here](#)



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Win tickets to Elvis: A Musical Revolution



Photo by Ken Leanfore

Get your blue suede shoes ready. The new musical authorised by Elvis Presley Enterprises opens in the Athenaeum Theatre in October – and we have five double passes for members to win for the 7.30pm performance on Thursday 2 November.

Featuring over 40 hit songs including *Hound Dog*, *Jailhouse Rock*, *Suspicious Minds* and more, [Elvis: A Musical Revolution](#) is a high-energy production that celebrates the life of Grammy award-winning superstar Elvis Presley.

To be in the running for the tickets, send your name, phone number and preferred email address to library@melbournethenaeum.org.au or call 9650 3100 to be added to the list. Entries must be received by Friday 13 October. Winners will be notified.



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Almost booked out – Affinity Quartet

You will need to be quick to snap up the last few remaining tickets for perennial library favourite the Affinity Quartet, which is performing on Friday 6 October.

The acclaimed quartet will perform a new repertoire that they have been working on since the Melbourne International String



Quartet Competition - works by Mozart, Haydn, Beethoven, Mendelssohn and Janacek. Affinity Quartet recently won the Grand Prize, Audience Prize and String Quartet First Prize at the Melbourne International Chamber Music Competition.

Details

Friday 6 October

Doors open 5.30pm, performance from 6pm

Free for members, \$12 non-members

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Declan Furber Gillick play reading

After being our 2022 Playwright in residence, we are proud to present a reading by Declan Furber Gillick, a multi-disciplinary artist from Mparntwe (Alice Springs) and a proud Arrernte man.

Declan's play Jacky was recently performed by the Melbourne Theatre Company.

Details

Friday 27 October

Doors open 5.30pm, performance from 6pm

Free for members, \$12 non-members

Book here <https://www.trybooking.com/CMAXE>



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Seniors Festival tours

The library will be busier than usual from Monday 2 October to Saturday 7 October as we host some Seniors Festival tours.

The festival is a terrific opportunity for people to learn about the fascinating history of our library, and the tours are always very popular.

We thank our members for your patience if the library is more hectic than usual.

**Victorian
Seniors
Festival
2023**



2023 events

We still have some fabulous events for members to wrap up 2023, so pop these dates in your diaries and check the eNews or our website for booking information.

- Friday 1 December - Flinders Quartet's Zoe Knighton (pictured) in a solo celloist performance
- Saturday 16 December - Author Peter Beilharz and former Chain singer and guitarist Phil Manning to discuss Peter's new book, *Chain's Toward the Blues*



Tickets go on sale six weeks before each event and members will always get the details first. Why not book into the Bistrot d'Orsay for dinner and take advantage of the 10% discount available to members?