

JANUARY NEWS FROM YOUR LIBRARY



We turn 185 this year!

In November, the Melbourne Athenaeum will reach the amazing milestone of 185 years of operation. We think that such a milestone is worthy of a whole year of celebrations!

We are inviting members to join Committee, staff and special guest at the Library on **Friday 9 February** when we will launch our 185th over drinks and nibbles.

Throughout the year, we will provide details of different events and projects relating to the anniversary before our formal celebration over afternoon tea on 12 November.

Member launch

6pm - 7pm, Friday 9 February Free, but please register for catering purposes through the Library or this link: <u>https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1167454</u>



2024 Events

We are looking forward to providing members and guests with another great year of events.

We already have some great events booked in, including:

 > a very special three-part performance by the Affinity Quartet in July, August and November
> three events to celebrate the 10th anniversary of Rare Book Week in July
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> performances arising from playwrights in residence

Changes

There will be some key changes to events this year.

Member access

To ensure members can get tickets for the most popular events, we are only going to offer tickets to members and your guests. If your guests are making their own bookings, they will be asked to provide your name.



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Non-Member ticket increase

Despite rising costs, we are continuing to offer free tickets to members. However, we will increase the cost for non-member tickets to \$20.

Of course, if your guests become members (the cost of five events for full members and even better value for concession members!), their event tickets will be free. New members can join <u>here</u>

Keep an eye on our e-news for event details each month, with our first event detailed below.



Margret RoadKnight unplugged

We are thrilled to present members and guests with the opportunity to hear legendary Australian singer, Margret RoadKnight, on 16 February.

Margret is going to sing songs and tell stories reflecting her 60 years on the acoustic music scene, both in Australia and around the globe.

Doors open at 5.30pm Performance begins 6.00pm \$20 Non-Members Free for members Book through the Library or this link: https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1167020

Member Suggestions

Our member suggestion box is always available to members if you have an idea to improve your library.

And Aubrey who puts together our social media posts, is keen to get suggestions from members. If there's a story or book you'd like to share, let us know!

Contact us at library@melbourneathenaeum.org.au