

# spotlight

EVENT GUIDE



MAMMA  
MIA!

MARCH - MAY  
2021

## FEATURE EVENT

MAMMA MIA  
19-28 MARCH

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Each time a Friend of the Theatre works they receive a Performance Work Voucher, which is exchanged for tickets to events. Unlimited seats are available in exchange for Performance Work Vouchers on events in Spotlight bearing the blue star symbol. For other events, voucher seats are limited to a total of six seats per performance. Further details as well as membership forms are available from the Box Office.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Theatre programs start promptly at the advertised start time and latecomers will not be admitted until a suitable break in the performance. Smoking is not allowed in any part of the Pilbeam Theatre or other Council venues.

The use of cameras and recording devices during performances is illegal and penalties for infringement of copyright in this way are severe. Please ensure all mobile phones are switched off before entering the auditorium. Crying or fidgety children can be a distraction to other theatregoers and performers, so if you bring your small child to the theatre, please book an aisle seat in case you need to exit the auditorium.

## TICKETING ABBREVIATIONS

<b>A:</b> Adult	<b>S:</b> Student	<b>J:</b> Junior *
<b>C:</b> Concession	<b>FoT:</b> Friend of Theatre	<b>SC:</b> Senior's Card
<b>P:</b> Pensioner	<b>G10+:</b> Group of 10 or more	<b>F:</b> Family

\*Preschool and school age, 3 yrs to 17 yrs. May have additional age restrictions. Please check with the Box Office to confirm eligibility for a particular price category.

## ROCKARIA - THE ELO EXPERIENCE

**WHERE** PILBEAM THEATRE  
**WHEN** SAT 13 FEB. 7.30PM.  
**COST** A \$69, C \$63, G10+ \$63



**R**OCKARIA - The ELO EXPERIENCE is a show that delivers a captivating live concert recreating the unforgettable sound of Jeff Lynne's The Electric Light Orchestra.

During the 1970s and 1980s, ELO released a string of top 10 albums and singles, including two LPs that reached the top of British charts: the disco inspired Discovery (1979) and the science fiction themed concept album Time (1981).

In this show you'll see all the classics performed including Evil Woman, Living Thing, Don't Bring Me Down, Telephone Line, Sweet Talkin Woman, Strange Magic, Do Ya, Rock n Roll is King, Hold On Tight, Roll Over Beethoven, Can't Get it Out Of my Head, Rockaria and many more. Also included are legendary songs by The Traveling Wilburys including Hand With Care, End Of The Line, Last Night, and Wilbury Twist. This is a tribute concert not to be missed.

## BLUEY'S BIG PLAY THE STAGE SHOW

**WHERE** PILBEAM THEATRE  
**WHEN** TUE 16 FEB. 6.30PM.  
WED 17 FEB. 10AM.  
WED 17 FEB. 12PM.  
WED 17 FEB. 2PM.  
**COST** ALL ADULTS + CHILDREN  
1-17YRS \$45.90,  
F(2A+2C) \$167.60,  
G4+ \$41.90EA



**T**his is Bluey's Big Play! And it's really for real life! See Bluey, Bingo, Mum and Dad as you've never seen them before... Join The Heelers in their first live theatre show created just for you with puppetry, live actors and iconic Australian sets. It's a little bit different and a little bit beautiful.

Bluey's Big Play is an original story written by Bluey's creator Joe Brumm with new music created by Brisbane's Beethoven and Bluey composer, Joff Bush. This is an experience you can only take home with you in your memory so please remember to bring that along with your tickets.

Bluey's Big Play is presented by BBC Studios and Andrew Kay in association with QPAC's Out of The Box and Windmill Theatre Co.

**Patron Advice:** Suitable all ages, recommended 2+ years. No prams, strollers or capsules will be permitted inside the Auditorium. If brought to the venue they will be stored outside in the foyer during the performance. The venue takes no responsibility for valuables left in prams etc stored in the foyer.

**Duration:** Approx. 50 minutes (no interval).

## MARY POPPINS JR



**WHERE** PILBEAM THEATRE  
**WHEN** FRI 26 FEB. 7PM  
SAT 27 FEB. 7PM  
**COST** A \$30, C \$25, P/SC \$25,  
FOT \$25, RA \$25, J \$20

**Start off 2021 in style with a fabulous musical treat for the whole family. Support some very talented students from the Rockhampton Grammar Primary School as they bring this well-loved classic to life.**

The young and young at heart will simply love this entertaining show with its famous songs and toe-tapping dance numbers. So Let's Go Fly a Kite and join the RGS Primary students as they Step in Time with Mary Poppins Jr. What a Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious way to begin 2021.

## ONE ACT PLAY FESTIVAL



**WHERE** WALTER REID CULTURAL CENTRE  
**WHEN** FRI 26 FEB. 7.30PM.  
SAT 27 FEB. 7.30PM.  
FRI 5 MAR. 7.30PM.  
SAT 6 MAR. 7.30PM.  
**COST** A \$25, C \$20, J(<17) \$15

**Rockhampton Little Theatre is proud to present a line-up of four one-act comedic plays that promise to have you laughing out loud.**

COVID-safe practices will be adopted, including allocated seating. There will be raffle tickets on sale and lucky door prizes awarded every night. Bar opens half an hour before each show. Suitable for all ages. So, come, enjoy a great night out and support our local community theatre!

## OIL PAINTING CLASSES



**WHERE** WALTER REID CULTURAL CENTRE  
**WHEN** WEEKLY, FRI MORNINGS

**Weekly oil painting classes will resume each Friday morning at the WRCC, Royal QLD Art Society inc Rockhampton Branch Rooms, from February 2021. Suitable for beginner to intermediate standard.** Conducted by artist / tutor Coral Morris. For further information phone Coral on 4928 3878.

## FINCH AND PARROT SALE

**WHERE** ROBERT SCHWARTEN  
PAVILLON ROCKHAMPTON  
SHOWGROUNDS

**WHEN** SUN 7 MAR. 9AM - 12PM.

**COST** \$2. CHILDREN <13YRS FREE



**Parrots, finches, budgerigars, lovebirds, doves, neophemas, quail and more will be on display and for sale at the Rockhampton Finch and Parrot Social Club's annual Expo. Also available for sale will be bird cages, seed and accessories, as well as trade displays.**

## COVID-19 information

With the easing of COVID-19 restrictions, the Pilbeam Theatre is now back to full capacity. However, there are still some regulations we need to follow. When purchasing tickets, you will be asked to provide the names and contact details of all people in your booking group. This is to facilitate contact tracing if the need arises.

We still need to maintain physical distancing in our foyer spaces. Patrons are encouraged to wear a mask while entering and exiting the auditorium, and moving through the foyers. This is not compulsory but recommended by Queensland Health.

Regular cleaning of all surfaces and touch points is still being undertaken, and hand sanitiser is available throughout the building.

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## CHARCOAL PORTRAITS

**WHERE** WALTER REID CULTURAL  
CENTRE

**WHEN** SAT, SUN 13-14 MAR  
8.30AM - 4.30PM

**COST** RQAS MEMBERS \$125  
NON-MEMBERS \$140



**Learn about creating charcoal portraits with artist Tricia Reust. In this two day workshop, Tricia will cover theory of facial features and basic portrait design concepts and explore the portrayal of the human head.**

On the first day, two quarter sheet portrait head studies will be created – one incorporating the theory covered, and the second work exploring using charcoal as a wet underpainting. On the second day, participants will create a larger portrait using charcoal and grey and white pastel. Workshop hosted by Royal Queensland Art Society (RQAS). Some drawing experience would be helpful. Bookings and further information phone Lyn on 0409 059 332.

## SPEEDWAY



**WHERE** ROCKHAMPTON  
SHOWGROUNDS

**WHEN** SAT 20 MAR

**P**rogram features Junior Sedans,  
Modified Sedans and Superstockers.

## pay-your-age

Shows noted as PAY-YOUR-AGE can be seen by patrons aged 26 years and under for just \$1 per year of age. Proof of age will be required.

## MAMMA MIA



**WHERE** PILBEAM THEATRE

**WHEN** FRI 19 MAR. 7:30PM.  
SAT 20 MAR. 7:30PM.  
SUN 21 MAR. 1:30PM.  
FRI 26 MAR. 7:30PM.  
SAT 27 MAR. 7:30PM.  
SUN 28 MAR. 1:30PM.

**COST** A \$52, P/SC \$48,  
J(3-17) \$37, F(2A+2J) \$155,  
G6+ \$48



**M**amma Mia! Here we go again! In 2020, thousands of theatregoers loved Rockhampton Regional Council's sensational production of Mamma Mia! Unfortunately, the season was cut short due to the COVID-19 pandemic. So due to public demand, we're remounting the show, to give everyone a chance to see it (or see it again!).

Featuring your favourite cast members from the 2020 season, you can experience Mamma Mia! the worldwide hit based on the supergroup's music, produced and performed live on stage here in Rockhampton. The show, which premiered in 1999 and has since become a long running worldwide hit, features Abba hits including Dancing Queen, Knowing me Knowing You, Take a Chance on Me, Money Money Money, SOS, and Mamma Mia, just to name a few.

Set on a Greek island paradise and inspired by the story-telling magic of ABBA's timeless songs, writer Catherine Johnson's heart-warming tale centres around Sophie, a young bride-to-be. On the eve of her wedding, Sophie's quest to discover the identity of her father brings three men from her mother's past back to the island they last visited 20 years ago.

*Produced by Rockhampton Regional Council. Part of the 2021 See It Live Theatre Season.*

## ROCKYNATS

**WHERE** ROCKHAMPTON  
SHOWGROUNDS &  
ROCKHAMPTON CBD

**WHEN** 2-5 APR 2021

**COST** VARIOUS



### **G**et fired up for three days of high-octane automotive awesomeness Over the 2021 Easter weekend!

Set along our iconic Quay, East and Bolsover Streets, combined with our northside and recreation precincts, the city of Rockhampton will take centre stage for a revving-good time at the inaugural Rockynats car festival! Lovers of horsepower, show cars, burnouts and drifting will experience some of the wildest modified cars in the country at the inaugural event kicking off Friday 2 April.

## find us on facebook

Keep up to date with what is happening at the Pilbeam Theatre, see sneak peeks, previews, behind the scenes video of upcoming events and more at our Facebook page.

[www.facebook.com/pilbeamtheatre](http://www.facebook.com/pilbeamtheatre)

## QUEEN BOHEMIAN RHAPSODY

**WHERE** PILBEAM THEATRE

**WHEN** SAT 10 APR. 8PM.

**COST** A \$69.90, C \$64.90,  
G \$59.90, J (10-16) \$49.90



### **F**ollowing a hugely successful 2019 sell-out tour, Queen – Bohemian Rhapsody are returning with a brand-new show in 2021 combining Queens greatest hits and a few of the most popular songs on their albums.

Australian Freddie Mercury impersonator Thomas Crane and his hot band Bohemian Rhapsody bring back to life the visual excitement, sound and stage energy as witnessed at a Queen concert.

## BEN ELTON LIVE



**WHERE** PILBEAM THEATRE  
**WHEN** SUN 11 APR. 7.30PM.  
**COST** FRONT ROW VIP \$175.50,  
VIP HOT SEAT \$155.10,  
ADULT \$71.30

**B**en Elton announced back in 2019 that he would tour Australia in 2020 with a brand-new stand-up show, *Ben Elton Live*. But we all know what happened next. With the country just now opening back up Ben will hit the Pilbeam Theatre stage in April.

Ben Elton exploded onto the comedy scene more than 30 years ago, hosting Channel 4's groundbreaking *Saturday Live*. Since then he has achieved huge success as a stand-up comic, author, playwright, actor and director.

## see it live 2021!

The 2021 See It Live Theatre Season is here! Download the booklet from our website or view it online  
[www.seeitlive.com.au/season2021](http://www.seeitlive.com.au/season2021)

Save money by buying a 'Select and Save' pack of 4, 6 or 8 shows.

<b>19-28 Mar</b>	Mamma Mia!
<b>30 Apr</b>	Melbourne Comedy Festival Roadshow
<b>28 May</b>	Grace Under Pressure
<b>26 Jun</b>	Margaret Fulton - The Musical
<b>17 July</b>	Women in Voice
<b>22 July</b>	Carmen
<b>7 Aug</b>	Tutus on Tour
<b>14 Sept</b>	A Midsummer Night's Dream



## GENE & JUDY

**WHERE** PILBEAM THEATRE  
**WHEN** MON 19 APR. 11AM.  
**COST** A \$20, P \$18, FOT \$19,  
G 10+P \$17  
TRANSACTION FEES MAY APPLY



**In one brilliant song and dance spectacular, our April Morning Melodies, GENE & JUDY brings together the extraordinary talents of the legendary Gene Kelly and Judy Garland in a spellbinding concert dedicated to these magnificent stars of Hollywood and Broadway's golden age of musicals.**

Step back in time as we take you on a musical journey through the life, music and dance of Gene Kelly and Judy Garland with songs like Me and My Gal, Be a Clown, Get Happy, Somewhere Over the Rainbow, Singin' in the Rain, I Love a Piano, Almost Like Being in Love and more! With powerhouse vocals, stunning tap dancing and fabulous costumes, and featuring some of the most beloved songs from their three movies together as well as songs from their own films and TV Shows, GENE & JUDY is pure entertainment bliss!

COVID 19 regulations may prevent us from providing our usual morning tea with these shows. Please check with the venue a few days before the show to confirm.

Morning Melodies is presented by Rockhampton Regional Council, Bolsover Radiology and Brumby's Allenstown / Gracemere / Parkhurst.



## MELBOURNE COMEDY FESTIVAL ROADSHOW

**WHERE** PILBEAM THEATRE  
**WHEN** FRI 30 APR. 7.30PM.  
**COST** A \$45, C \$41, FOT \$41



**Australia's favourite comedy convoy can't wait to tour Australia once again! Join the Melbourne International Comedy Festival Roadshow in 2021 as it rolls across the country to home deliver the Comedy Festival vibe to every crack and crevice of Australia.**

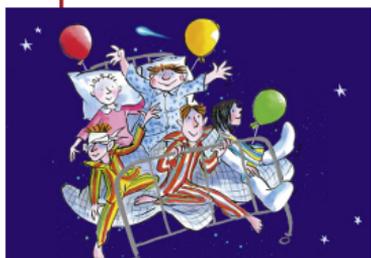
From Bega to Broome, Townsville to Traralgon, we're criss-crossing the country taking in more than 80 destinations along the way. More than any year before, our comedians are champing at the bit to break out from the barriers, shake off the seclusion and roll out the laughs.

With an all killer, no filler line-up of Australian stars and talented newcomers, buckle in for a night of stand-up, sketch, satire, silliness and song to satisfy all your comedy cravings!

**Patron Advice:** For mature audiences. Adult themes and coarse language.

*Presented by Rockhampton Regional Council. Part of the 2021 See It Live Theatre Season.*

## THE MIDNIGHT GANG



**WHERE** PILBEAM THEATRE

**WHEN** TUE 25 MAY. 6:30PM.  
SCHOOL PERFORMANCES  
WED 26 MAY. 10AM.  
WED 26 MAY. 12PM.

**COST** A \$19, C \$15.  
SCHOOL GROUP  
DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE

**A play by Maryam Master, based on the best-selling book by David Walliams. Twelve year old Tom unexpectedly finds himself lonely and lost in the children's ward of St Crook's Hospital, away from his family and at the mercy of evil Matron.**

Tom feels like he'll never leave, but his fellow young patients have other ideas. They might be stuck in hospital, but their imaginations can take them anywhere as *The Midnight Gang*. Each night when the clock strikes midnight, *The Midnight Gang* go on a series of amazing journeys as they turn the hospital into the places they've always wanted to go and make dreams come true.

The team behind *The 13-, 26-, 52-, 78- and 91-Storey Treehouses*, and *Billionaire Boy* bring David Walliams' best-selling book to life on stage in a celebration of friendship, love and the power of the imagination for children aged 6-12 and their families.

*The Midnight Gang* by David Walliams, published by HarperCollins Publishers Ltd. Illustrations © Tony Ross 2016 / Lettering of author's name © Quentin Blake, 2010 / Licensed by HarperCollins Publishers Ltd. Presented by Rockhampton Regional Council.

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## morning melodies

Join us for some fabulous shows in our 2021 Morning Melodies season. All shows start at 11am. Please note that due to COVID 19 restrictions, we may not be able to provide our usual morning tea at Morning Melodies. Please check with the venue a few days before the event.

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| <b>8 Feb</b>  | Dustier Than Ever - In Honour of Slim |
| <b>19 Apr</b> | Gene & Judy                           |
| <b>14 Jun</b> | The Best of Bubl                      |
| <b>23 Aug</b> | Belladiva - The Skylark Tour          |
| <b>8 Nov</b>  | Bloom sings Nicks, King & Ronstadt    |
| <b>13 Dec</b> | Home for Christmas with Darren Coggan |



## GRACE UNDER PRESSURE

**WHERE** PILBEAM THEATRE  
**WHEN** FRI 28 MAY. 7:30 PM.  
**COST** A \$45, C \$41, FOT \$41,  
26 YRS AND UNDER  
PAY-YOUR-AGE



**H**Health professionals are with us when we're born, and they're with us when we die. They devote their lives to caring for us, but how do we care for them?

Can a doctor or nurse give a patient the best possible care if he or she hasn't slept for days? What if they're also being bullied or sexually harassed at work? What if they complain about having to work excessive hours, but are told to stop whinging and suck it up? How do they cope with the pressure?

Based on hours of in-depth interviews with doctors and nurses about their experiences of training and working in hospitals, Grace Under Pressure is a surprising, intimate, and deeply moving theatre experience that reveals these hidden stories of health professionals in their own words. Ranging from wildly funny to utterly heartbreaking, the stories within Grace Under Pressure will leave no audience member unaffected. Beautifully staged and disarmingly performed, Grace Under Pressure is a truly unique theatre experience.

*By David Williams & Paul Dwyer. In collaboration with The Sydney Art & Health Collective. Part of the 2021 See It Live Theatre Season.*

## A TASTE OF IRELAND

**WHERE** PILBEAM THEATRE  
**WHEN** SAT 29 MAY. 7:30PM.  
**COST** VIP \$89.90, A \$74.90,  
C \$69.90, J \$59.90, FOT  
\$64.90, G10+ \$64.90



**H**ot off its premiere New York City run in 2020 and with over 120 shows in 2019 across Australia and New Zealand, A Taste of Ireland - The Irish Music & Dance Sensation finally returns down under.

With revamped classics like Danny Boy and Tell Me Ma, the show's live, energetic blend of well-known tunes, jaw-dropping acapella tap battles, world-class dancing, melodic folk music mash-ups and craic galore transports you through the story of Ireland's tumultuous history, complimented by stunning production and lighting.

Starring dancers from the West End's Lord of the Dance, Riverdance, & Gaelforce Dance alongside a treasure trove of Irish Dancing World Champions, 'A Taste of Ireland' delivers the very best talent in the nation.

Experience one of the most prominent Irish Dance shows in the world today. With all new sets, costumes, tunes and effects, we promise you haven't seen anything like this year's show! With tours lined up in the USA, Canada and the UK, don't miss your chance to see 'A Taste of Ireland' in 2021.

# events calendar

FEBRUARY

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<b>16-17</b>	Bluey's Big Play	PT
<b>26-27</b>	Mary Poppins Jr	PT
<b>26-6 MAR</b>	One Act Play Festival	WRCC

MARCH

<b>7</b>	Finch and Parrot Sale	RSG
<b>13-14</b>	Charcoal Painting Workshop	WRCC
<b>20</b>	Speedway	RSG
<b>19-28</b>	Mamma Mia!	PT

APRIL

<b>2-5</b>	Rockynats	O
<b>10</b>	Queen Bohemian Rhapsody	PT
<b>11</b>	Ben Elton Live	PT
<b>19</b>	Morning Melodies	PT
<b>30</b>	Melbourne Comedy Festival Roadshow	PT

MAY

<b>25-26</b>	The Midnight Gang	PT
<b>28</b>	Grace Under Pressure	PT
<b>29</b>	A Taste of Ireland	PT

**PT:** Pilbeam Theatre      **WRCC:** Walter Reid Cultural Centre  
**RSG:** Rockhampton Showgrounds      **HV:** Heritage Village  
**O:** Other Venue

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