

April School Holidays

Workshops and Events

Book into one of our workshops, or come to a Drop In Event, these school holidays. More workshops are listed over the page. To book visit our website or your local Library branch.

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Collaborative Creations Bird Finger Puppets

Celebrating the *Birds of Australia* STORYBOX being in residence at the Springwood Hub, we are making bird finger puppets for our Collaborative Art Project. Library users are invited to make a bird finger puppet to take home and / or leave on a branch, in the branch.



Learn to paint the Spinebill Honeyeater with Eloise Short.

10.00 - 11.00am | Kindy - Year 6 | \$6

12.00 - 1.15pm | Year 5 - Year 12 | \$6

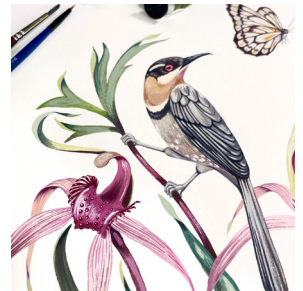
Monday 14th April, Springwood Hub

Tuesday 15th April, Katoomba Library

To celebrate having the *Birds of Australia* STORYBOX at Springwood Hub, we have invited local illustrator Eloise Short to facilitate watercolour painting workshops of a local Blue Mountains bird.

Come and learn how to paint the Spinebill Honeyeater. Eloise will share with you her knowledge of how to draw and paint one of her favourite Blue Mountains birds.

You might recognise Eloise as the illustrator for the wonderful Picture books: *Leonard the Lyrebird*, *Lilah the Lyrebird*, and *The Black Cockatoo with One Feather Blue*.



Wednesday 16 April - 11am to 2pm
For the full program, please visit www.bluemountainslibrary.com.au

Hub Picnic Day

Pack a picnic and enjoy free games, craft and activities at Springwood Hub these school holidays. Visit the *Birds of Australia* STORYBOX in the forecourt of Springwood Hub & the facsimile of Gould's Book of Birds in Springwood Library - final weeks!

Wednesday 16th April | 11am to 2pm | Free - Drop In

Yarn Bird Craft with Naomi Oliver.

10.00-11.15am | Kindy - Year 6 | \$6

Tuesday 22nd April, Katoomba Library

Come and create your own wonderful soft bird sculpture with Naomi Oliver. Be inspired by the wonderful *Birds of Australia* STORYBOX from the Australian Museum, currently visiting the Blue Mountains, and make your own feathered friend.

Naomi will guide you through the technique of folding and cutting your yarn to create your own colourful bird.



Living Stories Writing Workshops presented by WestWords

Across April, join our free creative writing workshops hosted by WestWords and WestLit Libraries. Learn the skills you need to craft a short story and poem in these workshops hosted by professional writers.

Free | Bookings Essential

J.Marahuyo

Tuesday 22 April | Springwood Hub | 10-15 yrs | 10.30am to 12pm

J. Marahuyo is a neurodivergent Filipino-Australian award winning poet residing on Dharug country. She was shortlisted for the Newcastle Poetry Prize 2024, won the Writing NSW- Varuna Fellowship 2024 and won the Living Stories Prize 2024.

Dannielle Viera

Tuesday 22 April | Katoomba Library | 16 +yrs | 2pm to 3.30pm

Dannielle Viera has been involved in the Australian publishing industry for almost 30 years – first as a copywriter and then as an editor, project manager, proofreader and author. In 2021, her first illustrated children's book, *Amazing Grace*, was published by Library For All. In 2023, her debut picture book, *The Leftover Lemon Dilemma*, was published by Loose Parts Press.



Eclectic Bird Collage with Liz & Elissa

10.00 - 11.00 am | Kindy - Year 6 | \$6

Wednesday 23rd April, Springwood Hub

Birds, Birds, Birds! We have all gone a bit bird-brained for birds, whilst the wonderful *Birds of Australia* STORYBOX from The Australian Museum is in residence. The kids' Team, Liz & Elissa, will facilitate this fun eclectic collage workshop, where we will prepare a range of materials: natural bark, a range of painted papers, all of which will add texture to your completed image. Choose from one of our local bird templates, inspired by Erica Wagner and Joanna Bell's picture book *Hope Is The Thing* to get you started, or you can come up with your own design. We are sure you will be impressed by your completed image.