



2024

Winter Words



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*Artwork by
Belinda Broughton*

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Book tickets



Adelaide Hills Council is excited to present *Winter Words*, celebrating writing, poetry, storytelling and great conversations.

Knowing, Growing and Eating Edible Wild Native Plants

Neville Bonney will share First Nations history and showcase wild edible plants that can be grown in the Kaurna, Peramangk and Ngarrindjeri country. He will discuss their role in supporting biodiversity and providing food from their nuts, fruits and foliage. The evening will include food tastings. Neville Bonney is a South Australian native plant expert, ethnobotanist and published author.

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Thursday 23 May

Time: 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Cost: \$10 adults, \$5 children 5 to 12 years

Venue: The Summit Community Centre

Movie: The Last Daughter (PG)

Trying to reconcile her fragmented upbringing, an Aboriginal woman searches for the white parents who raised her before she returned to her birth family.

Tuesday 28 May

Time: 1.00 pm - 3.00 pm

Cost: FREE

Venue: The Summit Community Centre

Wednesday 29 May

Time: 1.00 pm - 3.00 pm

Cost: FREE

Venue: Torrens Valley Community Centre

Picture of Joy

Explore what brings joy to your life, led by artist Bethany Neck. Drawing on inspiration from images, words, patterns and colours, you will create a unique design that is personal and meaningful, using your preferred art materials. You will transform a round, square, or A4 piece of watercolour paper into a personalised work of art. Your creation will be a perfect fit for a journal cover.

Saturday 8 June

Time: 9.30 am - 12.30 pm

Cost: \$10

Venue: The Summit Community Centre

What We Write About When We Write About Love

Dave Chapple

A literary exploration of the complexity and paradox of the experience that we call love. Using playful, poetic techniques participants will be exposed to a range of text and work towards their own personal definition.

Wednesday 19 June

Time: 6.00 pm - 8.30 pm

Cost: \$10

Venue: Torrens Valley Community Centre

Poet, Paper, Scissors! *Bronwyn Lovell*

Come along for a practical and playful poetry workshop for all ages and levels of experience. We will employ experimental writing techniques like blackout poetry, cut-ups and collage to create poems from old newspapers and magazines. Participants can work individually or with others. You can take home your creations to frame and hang on the wall.

Saturday 22 June

Time: 1.00 pm - 3.00 pm

Cost: \$10

Venue: Stirling Coventry Library

Finding and Celebrating Your Voice Bianca Stawiarski

Hands-on, one-hour interactive workshop designed to inspire confidence to develop your own individual or collaborative storytelling. Ignite your journey to becoming an author or co-author, celebrating your unique voice and perspectives. Through a series of engaging activities, including guided prompts and reflective exercises, international First Nations author Bianca Stawiarski will inspire you to celebrate and share your voice with the world. Perfect for anyone wanting to soar into their journey as an author.

Wednesday 3 July

Time: 1.00 pm – 2.00 pm

Cost: \$10

Venue: Torrens Valley Community Centre

Thursday 11 July

Time: 1.00 pm – 2.00 pm

Cost: \$10

Venue: Positive Ageing Centre

Writing Art, Writing Life Heather Taylor-Johnson

Most people think ekphrastic poetry is writing about a work of art, but modern ekphrasism uses the artwork as a mere starting point. In this 3-hour workshop, we'll look at examples of traditional and modern ekphrastic poems and discuss the thinking behind them. We'll then take to the gallery and do some writing, where the personal and the everyday will weave its way into the threads of the artwork.

Thursday 4 July

Time: 10.00 am – 1.00 pm

Cost: \$10

Venue: Bridgewater Arts Centre

The Memory Place Caroline Reid

The Memory Place is for anyone who wants to investigate and write creatively about personal or family history. Working from a memento, treasured object or piece of clothing, participants will be guided through a series of writing exercises to draft a poem or short prose piece. Emphasis is on making connections between strands of observation, memory, imagination and adding the element of surprise to your writing. Bring along pen and paper, a treasured object or piece of clothing.

Sunday 7 July

Time: 1.00 pm – 4.00 pm

Cost: \$10

Venue: Stirling Coventry Library

Australian Native Food Plants: Cultural Connection

Join Aunty Daphney and Ranger D as they guide you through the captivating world of Australian Native Food Plants. Delve into the rich history and cultural significance of these plants while indulging in a delightful tasting plate.

Tuesday 16 July

Time: 10.30 am – 12.00 pm

Cost: \$5

Ages: Suitable for anyone aged 8+

Venue: The Summit Community Centre

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Art Workshop: Cultural Connection

Embark on a captivating journey with Aunty Daphney and Ranger D as you learn about symbols and their meanings. You will be encouraged to unleash your creativity by using symbol sheets to create your own story on a small canvas in a relaxed setting, with plenty of opportunity for yarning.

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The Nuts and Bolts of Writing Historical Fiction

Rachael Mead

Whether writing a novel based on real events or telling a fictional story set in the past, every writer of historical fiction wants their work to be captivating and accurate. This 2-hour workshop gives techniques for combining research with a novelist's tools to create characters and settings that are engaging, believable and historically authentic. Learn how to put research to work without overloading your narrative, build convincing historical characters and worlds and write dialogue that's true to your era.

Saturday 20 July

Time: 10.00 am – 12.00 pm

Cost: \$10 adults

Venue: The Summit Community Centre

Welcome Share Dinner

Join us in celebrating cultural diversity in the Hills. All ages and Hills residents are welcome. Bring your favourite dish or one that represents your culture, and don't forget to bring the recipe to exchange with others!

Thursday 8 August

Time: 6.00 pm – 8.00 pm

Cost: FREE

Venue: The Summit Community Centre



Words and Pictures *Julia Wakefield*

Imaginative and practical ways to combine your story with images to create a handmade book.

We all collect photos, some of us write poetry, some of us write prose, and some of us draw and paint. Julia will show a variety of ways that artists and writers have collaborated or worked on their own to produce handmade books that preserve their memories and inspire their readers. She will provide materials and ideas to help you create your own handmade book of memories, with or without a partner. Bring your own stories, poems, photos and found images/objects to add to the mix.

Saturday 10 August

Time: 1.00 pm – 4.00 pm

Cost: \$10

Venue: Stirling Coventry Library



Poetry Slam Workshop

Explore the world of performance poetry where you will have the opportunity to develop, work on and perform a piece of writing in preparation for the Adelaide Hills Poetry Slam!

Thursday 8 August

Thursday 15 August

Thursday 22 August

Time: 6.00 pm – 8.00 pm

Cost: \$10

Venue: The Summit Community Centre

Adelaide Hills Poetry Slam

Contestants have 2 minutes to perform their original poem with no props or costumes. Come along and enjoy this celebration of creativity, self-expression, and the power of the spoken word. Bring a plate of food to share. Wine by the glass available for purchase.

Friday 23 August

Time: 7.00 pm – 9.00 pm

Cost: \$10 contestants, \$10 audience

Venue: The Summit Community Centre



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