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## NGV Kids on Tour 2022: 120+ regional and metropolitan galleries, libraries and community centres across Victoria to host FREE activities

Various locations and venues | January 2022 | FREE



**15 December 2021: NGV Kids on Tour** returns in 2022 to over 120 venues across regional and metropolitan Victoria to offer FREE artist designed activities, games and workshops easily accessible to families in their local communities. With over 120 venues participating the NGV Kids on Tour 2022 program will reach more families than ever before.

Inspired by the theme 'Art for the whole family' and the NGV Kids exhibition *The Gecko and the Mermaid: Djerrkṇu Yunupinju and Her Sister*, opening at NGV International on 17 December, and coinciding with the annual NGV Kids Summer Festival, held at NGV International 15 – 23 January 2022, the expansive NGV Kids on Tour 2022 program includes:

- **We Are Mermaids with Djerrkṇu Yunupinju** – In this arts and craft activity children will take inspiration from the mermaid story depicted in the bark paintings of Djerrkṇu Yunupinju, a contemporary Yolṇu artist from Yirrkala, North-East Arnhem Land in the Northern Territory whose work is the subject of the NGV Kids exhibition *The Gecko and the Mermaid: Djerrkṇu Yunupinju and Her Sister*. The activity encourages young artists to draw a self-portrait of themselves as a mermaid and create a three-dimensional diorama of an ocean-inspired world where a mermaid would live.
- **Story time with 1, 2, 3 Geckos and Turtles: A Counting Book for Kids** – Venues will host story time sessions for children aged 1 – 6 years old with readings of *1, 2, 3 Geckos and Turtles: A Counting Book for Kids* written by Yolṇu artist Ms. N Yunupinju and her granddaughter Siena Mayutu Wurmarri Stubbs and published in conjunction with *The Gecko and the Mermaid: Djerrkṇu Yunupinju and Her Sister*. The book will take young readers on a counting adventure to Arnhem Land, spotting animals on Country and learning Yolṇu Matha, the language of the Yolṇu people.
- **Collecting Maypal Board Game with Siena Mayutu Wurmarri Stubbs** - Young Yolṇu artist, Siena Mayutu Wurmarri Stubbs, of the Gumatj clan of the Yirritja moiety, has collaborated with the NGV to create a board game inspired by her childhood memories of hunting shellfish, known as maypal in Yolṇu Matha. Children will play a collecting game introducing them to different kinds of maypal and where they live offering an opportunity to learn about Yolṇu culture.
- **Noisy Birds! Dhawuṇṅgu! Dutu' Wäyin Malanyha with Siena Mayutu Wurmarri Stubbs** – In this guessing and drawing game titled 'Who am I?', created by Siena Mayutu Wurmarri Stubbs, children will discover Stubbs' favourite birds from Arnhem Land and learn their names in Yolṇu Matha.
- **Paper Jewels** – Drawing inspiration from the ornate jewellery found on display at the NGV this activity will show families how to create paper necklaces and bracelets using craft materials and adorn them with imagery from jewellery and accessories in the NGV Collection.
- **NGV Teens – Styling a Look with Aurie Indianna** – Melbourne-based fashion stylist and creative director Aurie Indianna has created an activity sheet for teens to learn about becoming a stylist, working behind the scenes of a photo shoot and styling celebrities.
- **NGV Teens – Shooting in the Dark with Tom Blachford** – Melbourne-based photographer Tom Blachford has designed a how to guide for photography enthusiasts to learn his techniques for composing a photograph and transforming an image from day to night using easily accessible apps on a smartphone.

Tony Ellwood AM, Director of the National Gallery of Victoria, said: 'NGV Kids on Tour 2022 will visit over 120 galleries, libraries, paediatric hospitals, neighbourhood houses, migrant resource centres and community organisations reinforcing NGV's commitment to providing access to art and design for all Victorians. The 2022 program features activities inspired by the artworks and stories told in our kids exhibition *The Gecko and the Mermaid: Djerrkju Yunupinju and Her Sister* and offers families across the state an opportunity to learn about Yolŋu culture.'

The Honourable Danny Pearson, Minister for Creative Industries, Victorian Government, said "NGV Kids on Tour shares the best of the NGV kids and teens programs with regional and metropolitan communities across Victoria, allowing a wider public to experience the dynamic programming of the NGV. We're proud that Victorian families, no matter where they live, can learn from Yolŋu culture and enjoy art making activities throughout the January holidays.'

NGV Kids on Tour 2022 runs throughout January 2022 at venues across regional and metropolitan Victoria. NGV Kids Summer Festival runs 15 – 23 January 2022 at NGV International. For further details and participating venues, please visit the NGV website: [NGV.MELBOURNE](https://www.ngv.vic.gov.au)

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**NGV KIDS ON TOUR PROGRAM:** <https://www.ngv.vic.gov.au/kids-on-tour/>

**IMAGES:** [https://www.dropbox.com/sh/g21p6boh1agr44g/AABD5NrSRfbOtECouB\\_lruXa?dl=0](https://www.dropbox.com/sh/g21p6boh1agr44g/AABD5NrSRfbOtECouB_lruXa?dl=0)

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Art making activities at NGV.

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**Participating venues**

Venue	Suburb
Ararat 800 OSHC	Ararat
Ararat Gallery TAMA - Textile Art Museum Australia	Ararat
Artists for Kids Culture artsbus	North Melbourne
Arts Centre Warburton	Warburton
Asylum Seeker Resource Centre	Footscray
Avondale Heights Library (Moonee Valley Libraries)	Avondale Heights
Ballan Library	Ballan
Ballarat East Neighbourhood House	Ballarat East
Baw Baw Arts Alliance Inc	Warragul
Benalla Art Gallery	Benalla
Bendigo Art Gallery	Bendigo
Box Hill Library	Box Hill
Braybrook Library	Braybrook
Bridge Road Children's and Community Centre	Strathulloh
Bright Library	Bright
Broadmeadows Library	Broadmeadows
Bubup Wilam	Thomastown
Bulleen Library	Bulleen

Bunjil Place Gallery	Narre Warren
Burrinja Cultural Centre	Upwey
Campaspe Regional Libraries	Echuca
Caroline Springs Library and Learning Hub	Caroline Springs
Carrum Downs Library	Carrum Downs
Central Goldfields Art Gallery	Maryborough
Cockatoo Community House	Cockatoo
Corryong Elyne Mitchell Library	Corryong
Craigieburn Library	Craigieburn
Cranbourne Library	Cranbourne East
Creswick Hub	Creswick
Culture Kite - Bindaas Bollywood	Melbourne
Culture Kite - The Naach Box	Melbourne
Dandenong Library	Dandenong
Darley Neighbourhood House & Learning Centre	Darley
Daylesford Library	Daylesford
Debney Meadows Primary School (Edmund Rice)	Flemington
Deer Park Library	Deer Park
Diamond Valley Library	Greensborough
Doveton Library	Doveton
East Gippsland Art Gallery	Bairnsdale
Emerald Library	Emerald
Endeavour Hills Library	Endeavour Hills
Eynesbury Discovery Centre	Eynesbury
Flemington Library (Moonee Valley Libraries)	Flemington
Footscray Library	Footscray
Frankston Library	Frankston
Fraser Rise Children's and Community Centre	Fraser Rise
Gippsland Art Gallery	Sale
Gladstone Park Community Library	Broadmeadows
Haddon Community Learning Centre	Haddon
Hamilton Art Gallery	Hamilton
Hampton Park Library	Hampton Park
Hastings Library	Hastings
Hawthorn Arts Centre	Hawthorn
Hoppers Crossing Library	Werribee
Horsham Regional Art Gallery	Horsham
Hyphen Gallery Library	Wodonga
Julia Gillard Library Tarneit	Tarneit
Kaiela Arts	Shepparton
Keilor Library	Keilor
Kyabram Library	Kyabram
La Trobe Art Institute	Bendigo
Leopold Community Hub	Leopold
Lerderberg Library	Bacchus Marsh,
Linden New Art	St Kilda
Little Dreamers Australia	St Kilda
Lorne Community House	Lorne
Manor Lakes Library	Manor Lakes

McClelland Sculpture Park and Gallery	Langwarrin
Melton Library & Learning Hub	Melton
Meredith Community Centre	Meredith
Mildura Arts Centre	Mildura
Mill Park Library	Mill Park
Monash Children's Hospital	Clayton
Mooroolbark Community Centre	Mooroolbark
Mornington Library	Mornington
Mt Beauty Library	Mt Beauty
Myrtleford Library	Myrtleford
Niddrie Library (Moonee Valley Libraries)	Niddrie
Nunawading Library	Nunawading
Pakenham Library	Pakenham
Point Cook Library	Point Cook
Portland Arts Centre	Portland
Refugee Migrant Children Centre (RMCC)	Sunshine
Rochester Library	Rochester
Ronald McDonald House Charities North Fitzroy	North Fitzroy
Rosanna Library	Rosanna
Rosebud Library	Rosebud
Rosewall Community Centre	Corio
Sam Merrifield Library (Moonee Valley Libraries)	Moonee Ponds
Seaford Library	Seaford
Somerville Library	Somerville
Springside Children's Children's and Community Centre	Caroline Springs
Springvale Library	Springvale
St Albans Library	St Albans
Sunbury Library, Hume Global Learning Centre Sunbury	Sunbury
Sunshine Library	Sunshine
Swan Hill Regional Art Gallery	Swan Hill
Sydenham Library	Taylor's Lakes
Tallangatta Library and Community Centre	Tallangatta
The Education Institute at Royal Children's Hospital	Parkville
The Memo Healesville	Healesville
The Pines Library (Whitehorse Manningham Library service)	East Doncaster
The Warehouse - Clunes	Clunes
Thomastown Library	Thomastown
Timbertop Children's and Community Centre	Aintree
Trentham Library	Trentham
Tullamarine Library	Broadmeadows
Vermont Library	Vermont South
Wangaratta Art Gallery	Wangaratta
Warrandyte Library	Warrandyte
Warrnambool Art Gallery	Warrnambool
Watsonia Library	Watsonia
Wellsprings For Women	Dandenong
Werribee Library	Werribee
West Footscray Library	West Footscray

West Gippsland Arts Centre	Warragul
Wingate Avenue Community Centre	Ascot Vale
Yarraville Community Centre	Yarraville
Yellow Ladybugs (Online Events)	Reservoir
Yirrkala (Buku-Larrnggay Mulka Centre)	Yirrkala