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# BOOKING INFORMATION

All Libraries ACT programs and events are FREE.

## BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL

Don't miss out! Reserve your place for all programs and events as soon as possible. If a program is sold out, check again later, as there may be cancellations.



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Please let us know if you cannot attend so we can make the place available for someone else.

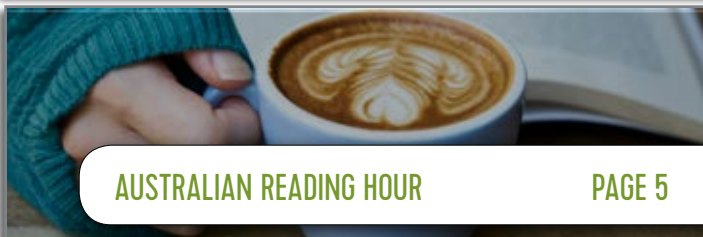
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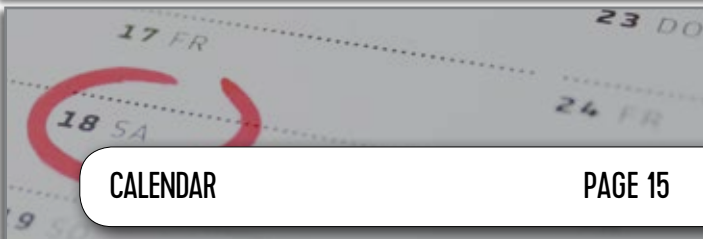
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# FAMILY ACTIVITIES

Adults must stay with their children during all programs.

Ages  
5-8

## LEGO® Brick Club

1 & 2 August, 5 & 6 September | Various locations

Join our Brick Club and interpret a story with LEGO® bricks. Build something amazing!

Ages  
7-12

## Read to Dashi the Story Dog

Wednesdays, 1 August-19 September | Gungahlin

Saturdays, 4 August-22 September | Kippax

Story Dogs is a unique reading support program for children who are reluctant readers or are experiencing difficulties with reading.

Ages  
3-5

## Bilingual Story Times

Do you speak Mandarin, Vietnamese, Hindi, Farsi or Arabic with your children? Do you want to expose your children to languages other than English? Come to one of our special bilingual Story Times:

2 August & 6 September | Gungahlin

Hindi bilingual Story Time

4 August | Gungahlin

Arabic bilingual Story Time

16 August & 20 September | Woden

Mandarin bilingual Story Time

25 August | Belconnen

Vietnamese bilingual Story Time

8 September | Woden

Farsi bilingual Story Time

# FAMILY ACTIVITIES

**NOTE: Bookings for school holiday programs open 14 August.**

All  
ages

## Author talk: Nicole Godwin “Billie”

19 August | Belconenn

In her search for the biggest wave in the ocean, Billie the dolphin saves new friends from huge driftnets, ocean pollution and even whaling. This story draws attention to the human-made perils for dolphins and other marine wildlife, highlighting the urgent need for us to act now to protect and conserve our oceans.

Ages  
3-5

## Canberra Theatre presents: *Josephine Wants to Dance*

4, 5 & 6 September | Various locations

Explore this beautiful picture book through a mini movement and dance workshop. This Australian classic is sure to delight young children and encourage them to be themselves.



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All  
ages

## Gardening with Tracey Bool: Seed sowing and Story Time

15 September | Gungahlin

Join local writer and horticulturalist Tracey Bool and celebrate spring with a garden-themed Story Time and seed planting session with a seasonal gardening Q&A.

Ages  
3-5

## Talk like a pirate day Story Time

19 September | Tuggeranong

Shiver me timbers, it's *International Talk Like a Pirate Day*. Did you know that a pirate's favourite letter is Arrrrr? Come hear stories and sing songs with us, me hearties!

# Celebrate

## CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK

### Find your treasure

18 to 24 August | Various locations

Visit our Gungahlin, Kippax & Erindale branches anytime during opening hours and enjoy some hands-on activities with a special Children's Book Week theme.

For ages 2-12 years

# Australian Reading Hour

## Thursday 20 September 2018

All  
ages

### Jim-jam story slam

19 September | Gungahlin

Get snug in your pyjamas or onesie and join us for a special family Story Time to celebrate the 2018 Australian Reading Hour.

Ages  
16+

### Reading brought to life

22 September | Woden

Fancy a bit of first person narrative? Get into the spirit of the Australian Reading Hour with live readings from a selection of well known fiction books loved by all ages.



Australian Reading Hour

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# TALKS & WORKSHOPS



Author talk: Noel Braun

Ages  
16+

## Living a healthy life with long-term conditions

2 August-6 September | Kippax

Join ACT Health every Thursday for a six week course on how to manage a range of conditions with help from health providers.

Ages  
16+

## My Health Record

3, 15 & 30 August | Various locations

11 September | Tuggeranong

Come to a drop-in information session to learn more about how 'My Health Record' works. Most Australians will have one by the end of 2018.

Ages  
16+

## Ask Legal Aid

7, 8, 16 & 31 August | Various locations

4, 12, 20 & 28 September | Various locations

Do you have a legal problem, or one that could become a legal problem? Come and chat with a Legal Aid lawyer.



# TALKS & WORKSHOPS

Ages  
16+

## Author talk: Noel Braun

9 August | Woden

Follow Noel Braun's journey of self-discovery. In his three books he details his remarkable spiritual journey along the legendary Camino de Santiago.

Ages  
16+

## Author talk: Anthony Hill

10 August | Civic

Meet Canberra novelist Anthony Hill as he discusses his new book *Captain Cook's Apprentice*. Mark the 250 years which have passed since the Endeavour departed England with Captain Cook at the helm.

Ages  
16+

## Gardening with Tracey Bool

11 August | Woden

Join local writer and horticulturalist Tracey Bool and discover how to create wildlife friendly gardens.

Ages  
16+

## Reading right from the start

11 August | Belconnen

It's never too early to start. Find out how reading to your baby even from the moment they are born will lay down strong foundations for learning.

Ages  
16+

## Protecting your treasures: is it still safe to keep?

12 August | Gungahlin

Are the treasures in your collection dangerous? Join Victoria Pearce of *Endangered Heritage* and learn what is safe to keep.

# TALKS & WORKSHOPS

Ages  
16+

## Heraldry and Genealogy research in the ACT

18 August | Civic

Introduction to Family History ACT, the home of the Heraldry & Genealogy Society of Canberra (HAGSOC).

Ages  
16+

## Author talk: Chris Hammer

22 August | Civic

Join Chris Hammer, ACT Book of the Year Award winner and journalist, as he discusses his latest crime thriller *Scrublands*.

Ages  
16+

## The Write Stuff

29 August | Gungahlin

Biff Ward: Writing your family memoir.

26 September | Gungahlin

Shane W. Smith: Developing a concept for your graphic novel and making it work.

Ages  
16+

## Live your best life: Rhiân Williams

3 September | Kippax

Which works better competition or collaboration.

Explore new skills for cooperation and collaboration at home and in the workplace.

Ages  
16+

## Author talk: Zoya Patel

10 September | Woden

Meet Zoya Patel, Canberra based writer/editor and founder of online journal *Feminartsy*, as she presents her debut book *No-Country Woman*.

# TALKS & WORKSHOPS

Ages  
16+

## How to Mummify a Pharaoh

12 September | Gungahlin

What lies beneath Tutankhamun's golden mask? Dive into the archaeology of embalming, sarcophagi and tombs with Dr L.J.M. Owen, author of *Egyptian Enigma*.

Ages  
16+

## Self defence workshop

15 September | Gungahlin

Learn simple, practical and effective self-defense techniques with Mark Paterson.

Ages  
16+

## A body in the library – death by lipstick

19 September | Gungahlin

Find out 'who-done-it!' Join local author Tracey Hawkins for a program full of crime and mystery. Search for clues in the library and solve the puzzle.

Ages  
16+

## Author talk: Wendy Orr

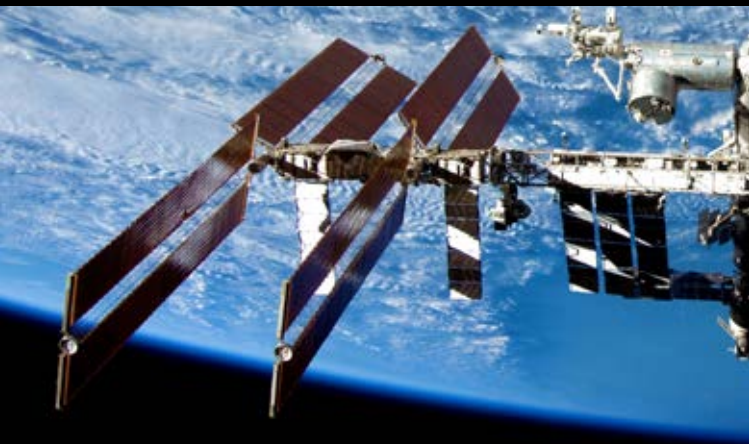
24 September | Woden

Join us for a conversation between writer Wendy Orr (2017 Children's Book of the Year) and Belle Alderman (National Centre for Children's Literature).



A body in the library

# NATIONAL SCIENCE WEEK



Ages  
7+

## Dr Graham's explosion tamer

8 & 14 August | Various locations

Join Dr Graham as he tames wild explosions, wrangles fire-bubbles, creates unusual vehicles, and performs awe inspiring feats of boom-tastic curiosity!

Ages  
16+

## The writing of science

13 August | Woden

Engagement with science relies on good communication. Join Prof. Joan Leach from the Australian National Centre for the Public Awareness of Science as she discusses approaches that work.

Ages  
16+

## Ian McHugh: Writing the future – Science fiction and speculation

15 August | Gungahlin

What makes a good science fiction story? What should a good science fiction story do? Bring along writing materials and learn to create SciFi stories that readers will believe.

# Sat 11 – Sun 19 August 2018



Ages  
7+

## Mission to space

16 & 17 August | Various locations

Explore basic concepts of space exploration and help build our LEGO® International Space Station!

Ages  
16+

## The science of writing

20 August | Woden

Local author Lucy Neave discusses the science of writing. How do writers use tools like genre, tropes, voice, ideas and organisation to create new work?

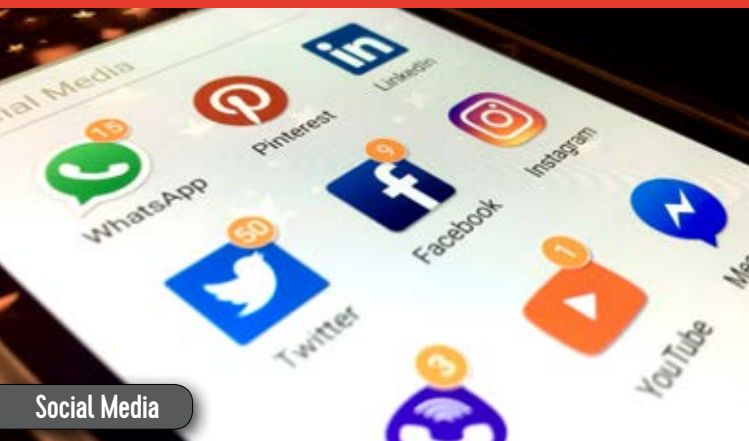
Ages  
16+

## The science of happiness with Rhiân Williams

22 August | Gungahlin

This lecture draws on the most recent scientific research about what makes people happy. It will explore how gratitude, random acts of kindness, the power of attentiveness and focusing on our strengths can transform our lives.

# COMPUTER & TECHNOLOGY SESSIONS



Ages  
16+

## Social Media

3 August & 27 September | Various locations

Come to this introductory session and learn more about social media services like Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.

Ages  
16+

## Skype & FaceTime

28 August | Gungahlin

Learn how to contact friends and family that live near or far using Skype and FaceTime.

Ages  
16+

## Cloud storage

13 August & 17 September | Various locations

What is cloud storage? Discover it's pros and cons, and what services are available.

Ages  
16+

## Digital magazines & newspapers

23 August | Kippax

Discover how to access 100s of magazine titles and newspaper articles for free.

# COMPUTER & TECHNOLOGY SESSIONS

Ages  
16+

## Privacy & security

20 August, 4 & 7 September | Various locations

Keep your online information private. Learn how to protect personal details, keep track of passwords, secure your device, and monitor your use.

Ages  
16+

## eBooks & eAudio

7 August & 10 September | Various locations

Access eBooks and eAudio from the library. Please bring your own Apple or Android device. Please note: this session does not cover eReaders.

Ages  
16+

## Tablet & smartphone basics

25 September | Gungahlin

Learn how to get the most out of your devices.



Tablet & smartphone basics

# COMPUTER & TECHNOLOGY SESSIONS

Ages  
16+

## 1-on-1 Computer & technology sessions

Book a 30 minute session on a simple digital topic of your choice e.g. computer basics, email, eBooks and internet. Ideal for beginners.

### Morning sessions: 10.30am & 11am (30 mins per person)

Belconnen	Tues 14 & 28 Aug, 11 & 25 Sep
Civic	Wed 1, 8, 15 & 22 Aug, 5, 12, 19 & 26 Sep
Dickson	Mon 6 Aug, 3 Sep
Erindale	Tue 28 Aug, 25 Sep
Gungahlin	Tue 7 & 21 Aug, 4 & 18 Sep
Kingston	Fri 10 & 17 Aug, 7, 14 & 21 Sep
Kippax	Thu 9 Aug, 13 Sep
Tuggeranong	Fri 17 Aug, 21 Sep
Woden	Mon 27 Aug, 24 Sep

### Afternoon sessions: 2pm & 2.30pm (30 mins per person)

Belconnen	Tues 21 Aug, 18 Sep
Dickson	Mon 13 & 27 Aug, 10 & 24 Sep
Erindale	Tue 14 Aug, 11 Sep
Gungahlin	Tue 14 Aug, 11 Sep
Kingston	Fri 3 & 24 Aug, 28 Sep
Kippax	Thu 2 & 16 Aug, 6 & 20 Sep
Tuggeranong	Fri 10 & 24 Aug, 14 & 28 Sep
Woden	Mon 6 & 20 Aug, 3 & 17 Sep

#### PLEASE NOTE:

Bookings for 1-on-1 sessions open two weeks before each session time.



# CALENDAR

## AUGUST 2018

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| Wed 1 Aug | LEGO® Brick Club (5–8 years)<br>4–4.45pm   Belconnen                                |
| Wed 1 Aug | Read to Dashi the Story Dog (7-12 years)<br>5.30–6.30pm   Gungahlin                 |
| Thu 2 Aug | Living a healthy life with long-term conditions (adults, 16+)<br>10am–12pm   Kippax |
| Thu 2 Aug | Hindi bilingual Story Time (3-5 years)<br>10.30–11.30am   Gungahlin                 |
| Thu 2 Aug | LEGO® Brick Club (5–8 years)<br>4–4.45pm   Woden                                    |
| Fri 3 Aug | Social Media (adults, 16+)<br>10.30–11.30am   Tuggeranong                           |
| Fri 3 Aug | My Health Record (adults, 16+)<br>10.30–11.30am   Woden                             |
| Sat 4 Aug | Arabic bilingual Story Time (3–5 years)<br>10.30–11.30am   Gungahlin                |
| Sat 4 Aug | Read to Dashi the Story Dog (7-12 years)<br>2–3pm   Kippax                          |
| Tue 7 Aug | Ask Legal Aid (adults, 16+)<br>10.30–11.30am   Gungahlin                            |
| Tue 7 Aug | eBooks & eAudio (adults, 16+)<br>2–3pm   Belconnen                                  |
| Wed 8 Aug | Ask Legal Aid (adults, 16+)<br>10.30–11.30am   Kippax                               |
| Wed 8 Aug | Dr Graham's explosion tamer (7+ years)<br>4–5.15pm   Gungahlin                      |
| Wed 8 Aug | Read to Dashi the Story Dog (7-12 years)<br>5.30–6.30pm   Gungahlin                 |

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## AUGUST 2018

Thu 9 Aug Living a healthy life with long-term conditions (adults, 16+)  
10am–12pm | Kippax

Thu 9 Aug Author talk: Noel Braun (adults, 16+)  
2–3pm | Woden

Fri 10 Aug Author talk: Anthony Hill (adults, 16+)  
10.30–11.30am | Civic

Sat 11 Aug Gardening with Tracey Bool (adults, 16+)  
2–3pm | Woden

Sat 11 Aug Reading right from the start (adults, 16+)  
2–3pm | Belconnen

Sat 11 Aug Read to Dashi the Story Dog (7-12 years)  
2–3pm | Kippax

Sun 12 Aug Protecting your treasures (adults, 16+)  
2–3pm | Gungahlin

Mon 13 Aug Cloud storage (adults, 16+)  
10.30–11.30am | Woden

Mon 13 Aug The writing of science (adults, 16+)  
6–7.30pm | Woden

Tue 14 Aug Dr Graham's explosion tamer (7+ years)  
4–5.15pm | Erindale

Wed 15 Aug My Health Record (adults, 16+)  
10.30–11.30am | Gungahlin

Wed 15 Aug Read to Dashi the Story Dog (7-12 years)  
5.30–6.30pm | Gungahlin

Wed 15 Aug The Write Stuff: Ian McHugh (adults, 16+)  
6–7.45pm | Gungahlin

Thu 16 Aug Living a healthy life with long-term conditions (adults, 16+)  
10am–12pm | Kippax

# CALENDAR

## AUGUST 2018

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| Thu 16 Aug                 | Mandarin bilingual Story Time (3–5 years)<br>10.30–11.30am   Woden                 |
| Thu 16 Aug                 | Ask Legal Aid (adults, 16+)<br>1–2pm   Woden                                       |
| Thu 16 Aug                 | Mission to space (7+ years)<br>3.45–4.45pm   Belconnen                             |
| Fri 17 Aug                 | Mission to space (7+ years)<br>3.45–4.45pm   Woden                                 |
| Sat 18 Aug –<br>Fri 24 Aug | Children’s Book Week: Find Your Treasure (2–12 years)<br>Opening hours   Erindale  |
| Sat 18 Aug –<br>Fri 24 Aug | Children’s Book Week: Find Your Treasure (2–12 years)<br>Opening hours   Kippax    |
| Sat 18 Aug –<br>Fri 24 Aug | Children’s Book Week: Find Your Treasure (2–12 years)<br>Opening hours   Gungahlin |
| Sat 18 Aug                 | Heraldry and Genealogy: research in the ACT (adults, 16+)<br>10.30–11.30am   Civic |
| Sat 18 Aug                 | Read to Dashi the Story Dog (7-12 years)<br>2–3pm   Kippax                         |
| Sun 19 Aug                 | Author talk: Nicole Godwin “Billie” (all ages)<br>2–3pm   Belconnen                |
| Mon 20 Aug                 | Privacy & security (adults, 16+)<br>10.30–11.30am   Dickson                        |
| Mon 20 Aug                 | The science of writing (adults, 16+)<br>6–7.30pm   Woden                           |
| Wed 22 Aug                 | Author talk: Chris Hammer (adults, 16+)<br>2–3pm   Civic                           |
| Wed 22 Aug                 | Read to Dashi the Story Dog (7-12 years)<br>5.30–6.30pm   Gungahlin                |

# CALENDAR

## AUGUST 2018

Wed 22 Aug Live your best life: The science of happiness (adults, 16+)  
6–7pm | Gungahlin

Thu 23 Aug Living a healthy life with long-term conditions (adults, 16+)  
10am–12pm | Kippax

Thu 23 Aug Digital magazines & newspapers (adults, 16+)  
10.30–11.30am | Kippax

Sat 25 Aug Vietnamese bilingual Story Time (3–5 years)  
10.30–11.30am | Belconnen

Sat 25 Aug Read to Dashi the Story Dog (7-12 years)  
2–3pm | Kippax

Tue 28 Aug Skype & FaceTime (adults, 16+)  
10.30–11.30am | Gungahlin

Wed 29 Aug Read to Dashi the Story Dog (7-12 years)  
5.30–6.30pm | Gungahlin

Wed 29 Aug The Write Stuff: Biff Ward (adults, 16+)  
6–7.45pm | Gungahlin

Thu 30 Aug Living a healthy life with long-term conditions (adults, 16+)  
10am–12pm | Kippax

Thu 30 Aug My Health Record (adults, 16+)  
10.30–11.30am | Kippax

Fri 31 Aug Ask Legal Aid (adults, 16+)  
1–2pm | Civic

## SEPTEMBER 2018

Sat 1 Sep Read to Dashi the Story Dog (7-12 years)  
2–3pm | Kippax

Mon 3 Sep Live your best life: From competition to collaboration (16+)  
10.30–11.30am | Kippax

# CALENDAR

## SEPTEMBER 2018

Tue 4 Sep Canberra Theatre: *Josephine Loves to Dance* (3–5 years)  
10.30–11.30am | Kippax

Tue 4 Sep Ask Legal Aid (adults, 16+)  
10.30–11.30am | Gungahlin

Tues 4 Sep Privacy & security (adults, 16+)  
2–3pm | Belconnen

Wed 5 Sep Canberra Theatre: *Josephine Loves to Dance* (3–5 years)  
10.30–11.30am | Civic

Wed 5 Sep LEGO® Brick Club (5–8 years)  
4–4.45pm | Belconnen

Wed 5 Sep Read to Dashi the Story Dog (7-12 years)  
5.30–6.30pm | Gungahlin

Thu 6 Sep Living a healthy life with long-term conditions (adults, 16+)  
10am–12pm | Kippax

Thu 6 Sep Canberra Theatre: *Josephine Loves to Dance* (3–5 years)  
10.30–11.30am | Tuggeranong

Thu 6 Sep Hindi bilingual Story Time (3–5 years)  
10.30–11.30am | Gungahlin

Thu 6 Sep LEGO® Brick Club (5–8 years)  
4–4.45pm | Woden

Fri 7 Sep Privacy & security (adults, 16+)  
10.30–11.30am | Tuggeranong

Sat 8 Sep Farsi bilingual Story Time (3–5 years)  
10.30–11.30am | Woden

Sat 8 Sep Read to Dashi the Story Dog (7-12 years)  
2–3pm | Kippax

Mon 10 Sep eBooks & eAudio (adults, 16+)  
10.30–11.30am | Woden

# CALENDAR

## SEPTEMBER 2018

Mon 10 Sep	Author talk: Zoya Patel (adults, 16+) 6.30–7.30pm   Woden
Tue 11 Sep	My Health Record (adults, 16+) 10.30–11.30am   Tuggeranong
Wed 12 Sep	Ask Legal Aid (adults, 16+) 10.30–11.30am   Kippax
Wed 12 Sep	Read to Dashi the Story Dog (7-12 years) 5.30–6.30pm   Gungahlin
Wed 12 Sep	How to Mummify a Pharaoh (adults, 16+) 6.30–7.30pm   Gungahlin
Sat 15 Sep	Gardening with Tracey Bool: Seed sowing & Story Time (3+) 2–3pm   Gungahlin
Sat 15 Sep	Self defence workshop (adult, 16+) 2–3pm   Gungahlin
Sat 15 Sep	Read to Dashi the Story Dog (7-12 years) 2–3pm   Kippax
Mon 17 Sep	Cloud storage (adults, 16+) 10.30–11.30am   Dickson
Wed 19 Sep	Talk like a pirate Story Time (3–5 years) 10.30–11.30am   Tuggeranong
Wed 19 Sep	Read to Dashi the Story Dog (7-12 years) 5.30–6.30pm   Gungahlin
Wed 19 Sep	A body in the library – death by lipstick (adult, 16+) 6–7.30pm   Gungahlin
Wed 19 Sep	Australian Reading Hour: Jim-jam story slam (all ages) 6.30–7.30pm   Gungahlin
Thu 20 Sep	Mandarin bilingual Story Time (3–5 years) 10.30–11.30am   Woden

# CALENDAR

## SEPTEMBER 2018

Thu 20 Sep	Ask Legal Aid (adults, 16+) 1–2pm   Woden
Sat 22 Sep	Australian Reading Hour: Reading brought to life (16+) 2–3pm   Woden
Sat 22 Sep	Read to Dashi the Story Dog (7-12 years) 2–3pm   Kippax
Mon 24 Sep	Author talk: Wendy Orr (10+) 6.30–7.30pm   Woden
Tue 25 Sep	Tablet & smartphone basics (adults, 16+) 10.30–11.30am   Gungahlin
Wed 26 Sep	The Write Stuff: Shane W. Smith (adults, 16+) 6–7.45pm   Gungahlin
Thu 27 Sep	Social Media (adults, 16+) 10.30–11.30am   Kippax
Fri 28 Sep	Ask Legal Aid (adults, 16+) 1–2pm   Civic

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- Belconnen Library  
Chandler St
- Civic Library  
Civic Square, London Cct
- Dickson Library  
Dickson shops (off Antill St)
- Erindale Library  
McBryde Cres, Wanniasa
- Gungahlin Library  
Hibberson St
- Kingston Library  
Giles St
- Kippax Library  
Hardwick Cres, Holt
- Tuggeranong Library  
Cowlshaw St
- Woden Library  
Corinna St
- ACT Heritage Library  
(upstairs Woden Library)

## OPENING HOURS

Monday - Friday: 10:00am-5:30pm\*

\* Branches open until 8:00pm:

Woden (Mon) • Gungahlin (Wed) • Dickson (Fri)

\* Branches closed: Kingston (Wed)

Saturday: 10:00am-4:00pm • Sunday: 12:00-4:00pm\*



\* Branches closed (Sun):

Civic • Erindale • Kingston • Kippax • ACT Heritage Library

## IMPORTANT NOTICE:

Due to important building works, limited services will be offered at our Dickson branch until further notice. Apologies for any inconvenience. Please visit our website for updates and more information.

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