



15 - 24 June 2018



### Mayor's Message

The inner west is the birthplace of multiculturalism in Australia. As well as being home to the Gadigal-Wangal people, the inner west has strong links with Greek and Vietnamese, Portuguese, Italian, and Chinese communities, with communities from Nepal, Sierra Leone, Bangladesh, Pacific Islands and the Philippines also growing.

With more than 69 cultures represented, Open Inner West gives you a unique opportunity to experience all that diversity yourself. All of the activities are organised by local community groups, schools and community organisations, with the support of Council grants.

I hope you enjoy this year's program, and I look forward to seeing you at the events.

Darcy Byrne

Mayor, Inner West



### Open Inner West 15 – 24 June 2018

Discover the talents and creativity of our culturally diverse communities. Share ideas, hospitality, understandings and the humanity connecting us all. Over ten days of celebrations and events, great food, art, children's activities, talks tours and more, there's something for everyone at Open Inner West. For full program details go to: [innerwest.nsw.gov.au/openinnerwest](http://innerwest.nsw.gov.au/openinnerwest)

For more information contact Council's Community Arts Project Officer via phone: 9335 2293 or email: [raffaella.cavadini@innerwest.nsw.gov.au](mailto:raffaella.cavadini@innerwest.nsw.gov.au)



### First Cultures, Land, Culture, Life

Boomalli Aboriginal Artists Co-operative presents the official opening of the Open Inner West Festival, with the exhibition launch and acoustic performance from the much-loved Stiff Gins. Terry Olsen, renowned Aboriginal dancer will also perform. In the lead up to the festival children from local schools will participate in Wiradjuri language workshops with Peta Joy Williams and dance workshops with Terry Olsen. These children will perform at the opening night event.

13 - 15 June Boomalli Aboriginal Artists Co-operative



### Inner West Block Party

School of Rap & Destructive Steps (DSDA) join to present an all ages hip-hop event at Ashfield Town Hall. Featuring Nardean, Tasman Keith and Dobby, open mic session, street dancing showcases, DSDA's 'Innov8tion battle', and performances from high school participants in School of Rap's culture and identity song writing and beat-making workshops.

15 June Ashfield Town Hall



Photo credit: Russell Bastock

### Biryani & Babez

Food, va-va-voom, and some seriously shameless sass wrapped in an evening presented by 2 Boys In Saris and friends. 2 Boys in Saris and their queer family present a night of mouth watering South Asian cuisine, and pants-wetting performances by some of Sydney's most shameless and sassiest queens and kings, and non-binary royalty. \*An adult only event.

15 June The Red Rattler



### Pachamama Festival 2018

Bringing together Latin American and Australian Indigenous films, artists and storytellers to celebrate cultural connections to land and sky. Friday night features live music, video projections and seriously tasty Salvadorean pupusas. Saturday features films, workshops, fair trade markets and a session by Yarn Australia that will take you into deep space. Saturday's program will be in collaboration with Addison Road Street Food Market.

15 - 16 June Addison Road Picture House



### Fijian-Indian & Iranian and Lebanese Community Cooking Class

Culinary Tales is a social enterprise that provides refugees with the opportunity to host their own cooking classes. Chefs teach traditional dishes and share stories of their life and culture. The experience finishes with everyone sitting down together to enjoy these delicious creations.

16 & 23 June Tom Foster Community Centre



### Traditional Chinese performances and ballroom dancing

The NSW Chinese Association present two events: a traditional Chinese Opera and Dance performance, and a Ballroom Dancing morning of waltz, rumba, cha cha, line dancing and new vogue.

16 & 19 June Ashfield Town Hall



### 4th Balkan Bonanza

A feast for all the senses featuring music, dance, food and culture from all over the Balkans. Enjoy live music from Sydney based band - Balkanski Bus - with their toe-tapping, mesmerising and tantalising sounds. Groups from all over Sydney perform breath taking sequences in traditional costumes.

16 June Marrickville Town Hall



### Rhythms, Colours, Flavours of Peru

Come and join us to celebrate Peru's world cup qualification after 37 years! Experience a Marinera workshop, Peru's national dance, enjoy cultural performances, live music, culinary offerings and activities for the kids. Everyone is welcome to this family-friendly event.

17 June Marrickville Town Hall



### Indigenous Cultural Sharing Workshop

The workshop features Indigenous dance, didge, storytelling and cultural knowledge. Kids can paint a boomerang and everyone is invited to contribute their hand prints to a communal canvas artwork that will be donated to Ashfield Civic Centre. Delivered by Terry Olsen in conjunction with the Gamarada Boys.

18 June Ashfield Town Hall



### Kafe As Poume

This Kitchen installation celebrates identity, culture and community, with free workshops hosted by practitioners in art, textiles and cuisine. Featuring crochet and soft collage by Paula do Prado, Book Binding and Vegetable Stamping by Kim Slew, Spoon-Sweets by Eleni, Eco-textiles by Rosell's Creatures and Persian Tea-Workshops by Ladan.

21 - 24 June Community and Refugee Welcome Centre

The inner west is the centre of Sydney's independent arts scene. Council's Living Arts Team provides a range of programs that encourage participation in arts and cultural activities at all stages of life. For further information visit: [innerwest.nsw.gov.au/arts-and-culture](http://innerwest.nsw.gov.au/arts-and-culture). We'd love to see your photos and comments so please hashtag #OpenInnerWest



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### SSI New Beginnings Festival for Refugee Week

Settlement Services International (SSI) presents a unique celebration of the creative talents and cultural heritage of people from refugee backgrounds. Enjoy a program of activities led by newly arrived artists featuring an art exhibition, arts talks, live performances, creative workshops and delicious food. This festival reflects the warm hospitality extended by Inner West Council to newcomers.

20 - 30 June

Community and  
Refugee Welcome Centre

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### ASYIK - Indonesian Arts & Culture Bazaar

ASYIK presents a one-day festival celebrating Indonesian culture through food, music, dance and people. Experience Indonesian culture through performances by *Suara Indonesia Dance*, local and interstate Indonesian community dance and music groups, special guest artists from Sumatra, kids arts and senior activities as well as an array of food from across the archipelago.

23 June

Addison Road Community Centre

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### Colours of Culture

A photography exhibition featuring a series of portraits by Gerrie Mifsud which showcases and embraces the cultural diversity of the area and greater Sydney region - with a focus on capturing performers in traditional dress. A public program includes talks about the history of their culture and costumes, intimate music and dance performances. Cultures represented include Turkey, Spain, Vietnam, First Nations and more.

20 - 24 June

Chrissie Cotter Gallery

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### Sing Welcome

*'The Solidarity Choir'* Sing Welcome workshops teach songs that promote respect for diversity, language and culture, promote peace and provide an uplifting format for saying 'Welcome'. Participants will learn songs in English and other community languages before pop-up street performances on inner west streets.

23 &amp; 24 June

Newtown Anglican Church Hall /  
Prattan Park Bowling Club

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### Play Bouzouki Yia Mas

A celebration of Greek music over the millennia and its impact on the local community and world stage. The event combines three parts: a presentation by Costa Vasilis - acclaimed Greek Australian bouzouki player and author, a live bouzouki performance by Maki and Tom accompanied by traditional dancing from children of the local Greek dancing school, and a complimentary light lunch including Greek delicacies.

21 June

St Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church Hall

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### Football for fitness

The 7th Multicultural 7 a side Knock Out Football Tournament between culturally and linguistically diverse communities, including refugee and asylum seekers.

The tournament includes a number of matches plus free kids activities such as a jumping castle and football clinics.

24 June

Tempe Recreation Reserve

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Image credit: Belinda Smith Plummer &amp; Smith

### Navigating Culture - The Story of Patyegarang

Inner West Aboriginal community, young and old, are invited to join in creating a public artwork for Patyegarang Place - Marrickville Library. Conceived by artist Belinda Smith and working in collaboration with Professor Jakelin Troy, Nardi Simpson and Joel Davison - workshop participants will experience the story of Patyegarang, share Sydney language and each make their mark for a stunning artwork celebrating Aboriginal stories and culture in the heart of Marrickville.

22 June

Addison Road Community Centre

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### Arraial do BRACCA (Brazilian Country Festival)

A typical Brazilian country harvest festival, reflecting rural life in Brazil and Portuguese speaking countries (Portugal, Macau, Goa, East Timor, Angola and Mozambique).

A multicultural festival for all ages produced by volunteers to share traditional aspects of the June Festival such as dance, games, food and typical music. Traditionally the festival is the welcoming of the rain and is also known as São João or Festa Junina.

24 June

Sydney Portugal Community Club

## More Information and Booking Details:

#### 01. First Cultures, Land, Culture, Life

Boomalli Aboriginal Artists Co-operative  
55-59 Flood St, Leichhardt  
Wednesday 13 - Friday 15 June, 5pm  
Booking info: Free, no bookings required  
Contact: Kyra Kum-Sing/Laura Jones, 02 9560 2541,  
boomallartgallery@gmail.com  
Website: boomalli.com.au

#### 02. Inner West Block Party Ashfield Town Hall

Ashfield Town Hall  
260 Liverpool Rd, Ashfield  
Friday 15 June, 5-8:30pm  
Booking info: Free, no bookings required  
Contact: Joel Rapaport, 0408 406 524,  
joel@schoolofrap.com.au  
Website: schoolofrap.com.au

#### 03. Biryani & Babez

The Red Rattler  
6 Faversham St, Marrickville  
Friday 15 June, 7pm-midnight  
Check 2 Boys in Saris Facebook for further information  
Booking info: \$30+ Booking Fee (includes food)  
Contact: Muhammad Ali Qureshi, 0415 147 257,  
twoboysinsaris@hotmail.com  
Website: facebook.com/2boysinsaris  
Special thanks: This project is supported by the NSW Government through Create NSW and administered by The Red Rattler.

#### 04. Pachamama Festival 2018

Addison Road Picture House  
124 Addison Rd, Marrickville  
Friday 15 - Saturday 16 June,  
Various times, please check website for full program  
Booking info: \$10 (does not include food)  
Contact: Mark Taylor, 0405 116 183,  
mark@sydneylatinofilmfestival.org  
Website: pachamamafestival.com  
Special thanks: Addison Road Community Centre Organisation

#### 05. Fijian-Indian & Iranian and Lebanese

Community Cooking Class  
Tom Foster Community Centre  
11-13 Darley St, Newtown  
Saturday 16 and Saturday 23 June, 11am-2pm  
Booking info: culinarytales.com.au, \$20 per person  
Contact: Anna Wang, 0401 126 953, or Rohan 0431 373 157,  
info@culinarytales.com.au  
Website: culinarytales.com.au

#### 06. Traditional Chinese performances and ballroom dancing

Ashfield Town Hall  
260 Liverpool Rd, Ashfield  
Saturday 16 June (Chinese Opera: 1-4pm)  
Tuesday 19 June (Ballroom Dancing: 9am-12 midday)  
Booking info: Free, no bookings required  
Contact: Lin Lin, 0424 551 740,  
merry0505@gmail.com

#### 07. 4th Balkan Bonanza

Marrickville Town Hall  
303 Marrickville Rd, Marrickville  
Saturday 16 June, 5-10pm  
Booking info: Free, no bookings required  
Contact: Yorgo Kaporis, 0412 861 187,  
ykaporis@bigpond.net.au

#### 08. Rhythms, Colours, Flavours of Perú

Marrickville Town Hall  
303 Marrickville Rd Marrickville  
Sunday 17 June, 12-5pm  
Booking info: Tickets available at the door, \$5,  
16's and under free  
Contact: Lidia Luna, 0413 437 767, lidsluna@gmail.com  
Website: www.rcf.org.au  
Special thanks: Carlos Encina & Daneli Lopez from NSW SLASA

#### 09. Indigenous Cultural Sharing Workshop

Ashfield Town Hall  
260 Liverpool Rd, Ashfield  
Monday 18 June, 3-4:30pm  
Booking info: \$2.00 entry fee. For group bookings please call Jakalene, individual bookings not necessary.  
Contact: Jakalene, 0403 513 756,  
Special thanks: Jakalene - Event Coordination; Terry Olsen - Event Facilitation; Rozelle Neighbourhood Centre - Grant Administrator

#### 10. Kafe As Pousse

Community and Refugee Welcome Centre  
504 Wharf Rd, Lilyfield  
Thursday 21 - Sunday 24 June, various times  
Booking info: Free, bookings required  
Contact: Eleni Christou, kafeaspousse@gmail.com  
Website: kafeaspousse.com  
Special thanks: To workshop hosts and Natalie Tsirimokos

#### 11. SSI New Beginnings Festival for Refugee Week

Community and Refugee Welcome Centre  
504 Wharf Rd, Lilyfield  
Wednesday 20 - Saturday 30 June,  
Wednesday 20 June, 11am-3pm,  
Sunday 24 June, 11am-4pm  
Booking info: Free, no bookings required except  
Art exhibition - by appointment  
Contact: Moones Mansoubi, 0488 680 397,  
mmansoubi@ssi.org.au / Carolina Triana,  
0435 865 084, c triana@ssi.org.au  
Website: newbeginningsfestival.com.au

#### 12. Colours of Culture

Chrissie Cotter Gallery  
Pidcock St, Camperdown  
Wednesday 20 - Sunday 24 June,  
Wednesday 20 June, 6-8pm (Opening night)  
Exhibition open Thursday 21 - Sunday 24 June, 11am-4pm  
Booking info: Free, no bookings required  
Contact: Maria Mitar, 0430 242 071, geriemifud.com.au  
Website: gwccs.org.au

#### 13. Play Bouzouki Yia Mas

St Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church Hall  
203-207 Livingstone Rd, Marrickville  
Thursday 21 June, 9:30am-1:30pm  
Booking info: Free, no bookings required  
Contact: Jim, 02 9516 2188, admin@gwccs.org.au  
Website: gwccs.org.au

#### 14. Navigating Culture - The Story of Patyegarang

Addison Road Community Centre (ARCCO)  
142 Addison Rd, Marrickville  
Friday 22 June, 10:30am-2:30pm  
Booking info: Email for information and bookings  
Contact: Deborah Lennis, 02 9392 5755,  
Deborah.Lennis@innerwest.nsw.gov.au

#### 15. ASYIK - Indonesian Arts & Culture Bazaar

Addison Road Community Centre  
142 Addison Rd, Marrickville  
Saturday 23 June, 11am-4pm  
Booking info: Free, no bookings required  
Contact: Alfira O'Sullivan 0415 431 453 / Murtala,  
0451 173 830, info@suaraindonesiadance.com.au  
Website: suaraindonesiadance.com.au  
facebook.com/suaraindonesiadance Instagram: suaraindonesiadance

#### 16. Sing Welcome

Newtown Anglican Church Hall  
189 Church St, Newtown / Prattan Park Bowling Club,  
42 Arthur St, Ashfield  
Saturday 23 June, Newtown Anglican Church Hall, 1-5pm  
Sunday 24 June, Prattan Park Bowling Club, 1-5pm  
Booking info: Free, bookings required via Try booking  
Contact: Chantal, 0416 227 324  
Website: solidaritychoir.wordpress.com/  
facebook.com/solidarity.choir/

#### 17. Football for fitness "7th Multi-Cultural 7 a Side Knock-Out Football Tournament 2018"

Tempe Recreation Reserve  
Holbeach Ave, Tempe  
Sunday 24 June, 7am-7pm  
Booking info: Free, no bookings required  
Contact: Jebin Dhoj SHAHI, 0423 678 074,  
info@multiculturalfootball.com  
Website: multiculturalfootball.com

#### 18. Arraial do BRACCA (Brazilian Country Festival)

Sydney Portugal Community Club (SPCCL)  
100 Marrickville Rd, Marrickville  
Sunday 24 June, 10am-8pm  
Booking info: \$7 (does not include food)  
Contact: Douglas Aguiar (Events Director),  
0449 124 825, events@bracca.org  
Website: bracca.org  
Special thanks: Braza Churrascaria