Enmore Road is rocking

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Inner West Mayor Darcy Byrne (centre) with Deputy Mayor Philippa Scott, CIr Chloe Smith, President of the Newtown-Enmore Precinct Business Community Michael Aiken Texilake, John Wardle from the Live Music Office and local business owners and performers

Special Entertainment Precinct Pilot kicks off on Enmore Road

Iconic Enmore Road is set to thrive for the next three months with the launch of the Special Entertainment Precinct Pilot from 1 September – 30 November 2022, in partnership with the NSW Government.

Last year, Council endorsed a proposal from Mayor Darcy Byrne to make Enmore Road the first Special Entertainment Precinct in NSW, making use of new legislation.

The pilot is the first step in reviving live music and entertainment, activating local businesses and the night time economy, and creating more places for our community to enjoy.

Venues within the precinct are encouraged to provide live entertainment and will have an

extension on both their trading hours and outdoor dining as an incentive to prioritise arts and culture over pokies.

Mayor Byrne said, "Creating a special entertainment precinct along Enmore Road is an acknowledgement of its status as one of Australia's premier entertainment and hospitality destinations – a status that needs to be protected and built upon."

"Giving businesses a real incentive to host gigs, through extended trading hours, is something we've been advocating for years so it's exciting that the pilot is now underway," he said.

In late August, Time Out's annual global survey of the very best of urban life, Enmore Road, "the pumping heart of the Inner West", was named the coolest street in Sydney for 2022.



Join in the Voice to Parliament Referendum

The Inner West will train 1000 local citizens in a civic education program to build awareness about the Uluru Statement from the Heart and the upcoming Referendum on the Voice to Parliament.

The Uluru Statement from the Heart is a powerful call for national action on Indigenous constitutional reform. It invites all Australians to walk together towards a better future by establishing a First Nations Voice to Parliament in the Constitution and a Makarrata Commission to oversee agreement-making and truth-telling.

The upcoming referendum is only a few months away. Now is the time for the Inner West community to step up and educate our neighbours about the Uluru Statement from the Heart and what it truly means.



Festa fun!

Come to Sydney's Premier Italian Street Party, Sunday 30 October, 10am-5pm

One of the largest street festivals in Australia, Norton St Festa is a 1.4km long celebration of Leichhardt, from its days as Sydney's Little Italy to its current incarnation as a multicultural hub in the Inner West.

You can stroll around the 240 stalls eating delicious food and browsing Italian clothing, jewellery and handbags, take in a cooking demonstration from some of Sydney's top Italian chefs and then listen to the Italian singers and musicians playing on the three stages. Or why not amble around Pioneer Park and check out the infamous glamour of Italian cars and motorbikes?

Now in its 35th year, Festa is sponsored by Inner West Council.



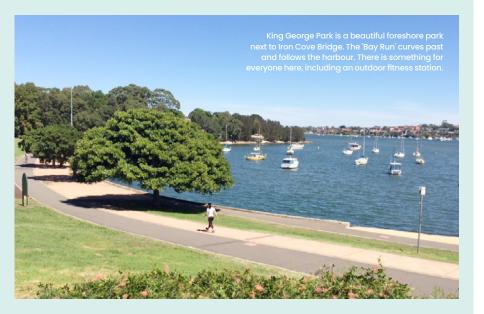
Town halls to become arts and culture venues

Local creators, artists and musicians have told us loud and clear that there's a shortage of artistic space in the Inner West. To combat this, Council unanimously voted to turn all eight of our beautiful Inner West Town Halls into arts and culture venues!

This means that your local Town Hall can be used as a gallery space, studio space, a space for live music, performances and more.

This is just one of the many steps the Inner West is taking to support our creative community and help our vibrant arts scene find a way forward after two years of the pandemic.

The activation will commence later this year – stay tuned!



King George Park upgrade

We have commenced the \$2.1 million upgrade of King George Park in Rozelle.

The sports ground will be upgraded first, followed by a new car park and improved playground. A new sports equipment storage facility will be built.

The sportsground will be returfed and new lighting installed,

the drainage improved and the long jump facility upgraded. There will also be female friendly changerooms constructed as part of this project.

The sports ground construction is schedule for completion in April, the car park by June and the building works by September 2023.



Summer Hill Community Centre reopens with new services

Summer Hill Community Centre has reopened and is now home to 3Bridges, a not-for-profit organisation which offers a wide range of programs and activities to help people be connected to the community - from Tai Chi and Aboriginal yarning circles, to programs for children and art groups.

The Community Centre is in Darrell Jackson Gardens which is currently undergoing a \$1.18 million upgrade, replacing playground equipment and adding in-ground trampolines, obstacle course and climbing structure, nature play elements, and new plantings, sunshades and landscaping.

We are also upgrading the tennis court and BBQ area, relocating the pergola and installing a new junior cricket wicket, plus other improvements.

Special Entertainment Precinct Pilot kicks off on Enmore Road

Last year I proposed to make our iconic Enmore Road, the first Special Entertainment Precinct in NSW and I am thrilled to say the pilot is on now and will be until 30 November.

During the pilot, businesses in the dedicated zone will be able to host live music or entertainment without having to seek amendment to their consent; licenced venues can serve drinks for an additional 30 minutes; and businesses that have an outdoor dining permit can expand dining trading time to 11pm.

We are encouraging venues within the precinct to take advantage of this and prioritise arts and culture over pokies. We want to see an increasing amount of live performance, rehearsal and exhibitions taking place in bookshops, laundromats and cafes on Enmore Road throughout the pilot.

Throughout the pilot, noise complaints within the precinct area will be managed solely by Inner West Council, and if required, we will utilise Inner West Council's Good Neighbour Policy that brings complainants and venue operators together to mitigate, not litigate noise complaints.

The pilot is the first step in making the Enmore Road Special Entertainment Precinct permanent, and for Council, venues and the community to understand the practical aspects of this.



Vary Eyrne

Mayor, Darcy Byrne Inner West Council



The Spirit of St Peters

Council unveiled the longest street artwork ever painted in the Inner West during EDGE Sydenham.

The Spirit of St Peters by Alex Lehours – located on the corner of Campbell Street and the Princes Highway – is a massive 60 metres long and celebrates some of the industries that existed on the site, including Antoniou Fillo.

Chris and Marina Antoniou opened their small factory in 1969. Antoniou Fillo became a leading producer of Kataifi pastry and filo pastry products for food service, delicatessens and supermarkets across Australia and Asia.



On your bike get cycling in the Inner West

Inner West is a great place to walk and cycle about.

Benefits include reduced congestion on our roads, improved public health and reduced carbon emissions. Plus it's a cost-effective and safe way to travel. Council has a key goal of ensuring people can safely walk, cycle and move around with ease. We have a growing number of cycleways and cycling and walking routes.

Recently, we completed the Livingstone Road Cycleway in Marrickville. The new cycleway links Randall Street and Marrickville Park, and connects with the existing bike link between Marrickville station and Dulwich Hill station. In early 2022, Council unveiled the Lewisham to Newtown Cycle Path, and work on the GreenWay continues, demonstrating Inner West Council's commitment to sustainable and active transport.

Find out more or join a bike user group at innerwest.nsw.gov.au/ WalkingAndCycling Above: Members of the Antoniou family Kristel Moulas, Tonia Aston, Christine Apostoles, Marina Antoniou, Tony Antoniou, Nick Apostoles attended the community celebration

The Spirit of St Peters was commissioned as part of Perfect Match, Council's unique initiative that tackles unwanted graffiti with beautiful art in public spaces, and supported by WestConnex / Transurban for Canal to Creek Public Art Program.

innerwest.nsw.gov.au/PerfectMatch

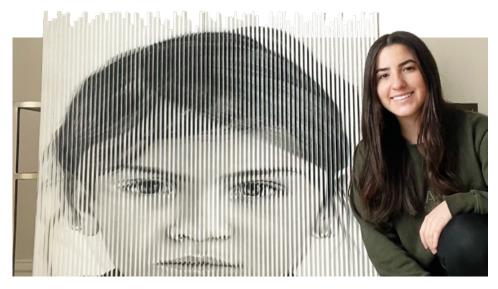


2022 GreenWay Art Prize

The GreenWay Art Prize will be announced on Friday 28 October, at the opening of the exhibition that runs until 13 November at Art Est. Art School and Gallery, Lords Road Leichhardt.

The prize celebrates the 5.8km urban environmental and sustainable transport corridor in Sydney's Inner West.

greenwayartprize.com.au



Young Creatives Awards

Young local illustrators and writers have been recognised at the Inner West Library and History 2022 Young Creatives Awards.

The winning entries will be displayed in Camperdown's Chrissie Cotter Gallery in early November.

This year's judges were Sydney Morning Herald Best Young Australian Novelist Vivian Pham, winner of the Readings Prize for New Australian Fiction Andrew Pippos, founding director of Scratch Art Space Marrickville Carmel Byrne and exciting young environmental artist Alex Bebbington.

We received 240 entries in the 2022 Young Creatives competition – (a 650 % increase on entries from the inaugural 2017 program)

From Vivian Pham Art Judge

"What an honour to read the richness of observation and complexity of emotion in these stories. I feel so grateful to have been able to participate in the judging process!"

Art Awards winners

12-15 age group - Rohan Willard 16-18 age group - Valentina Guarna 19-24 age group - Augustine Flett

Writing Awards winners

12-15 age group - Victoria Pantelis 16-18 age group - Khanh Ngo 19-24 age group - Jaya Kortegast

For the full list of winners and runners up visit innerwest.nsw.gov.au/yca

Left: Valentina Guarna won the 2022 Young Creatives art award (16-18)

From Carmel

"It's been a privilege to be invited to participate as a judge for the Young Creatives Awards.

The fact that the Inner West Library celebrates both young writers and visual artists, makes an enormous cultural tribute to our young creatives."

Opening night at Chrissie Cotter Gallery is Wednesday 9th Nov at 6pm. Runs until Sunday 13th. Readings of the winning writing on Friday 11th 6pm.

Solar my School

Council's free Solar my School program has supported 25 schools to go solar in the Inner West, most recently Nicholson St Public School, with 17 progressing through to installation. A further two schools are scheduled for installation later in 2022.

By going solar, schools will save money and the environment and support students to learn about clean, locally produced renewable energy.



Pictured: Mayor Darcy Byrne at Nicholson St Public School celebrating the new 28.14kW solar system



Little Italy photographic donation

Our local history archives are now home to one of the most valuable collections of photos documenting the Italo-Australian community's extraordinary contribution to our society over the past 70 years.

The donation was made by La Fiamma ("The Flame") newspaper, which was founded in 1947 and is located in Norton Street Leichhardt.

The collection of 5,000 photographs will be scanned, catalogued and added to the Local History Collection so the community can access this amazing photographic record.

A who's who of the Italian community joined La Fiamma editors and journalists and Inner West Mayor Darcy Byrne at the official handover at Leichhardt Town Hall in August (pictured).

An exhibition of the collection is being planned for the Norton Street Festa and the Haberfield Library, in recognition of their enduring connection to the Italian community.



Garage Sale Trail

The Garage Sale Trail is back in 2022.

Last year, Inner Westies hosted 88 sales, topping the leaderboard in NSW. About 3,500 people participated – meaning an estimated 15.5 tonnes of items were reused.

During the past two COVID years, the Garage Sale Trail introduced online masterclass tutorials. These were so successful, they're being repeated this year.

The 2022 Garage Sale Trail is over two weekends, 12 - 13 November and 19 - 20 November.

Pre-register now at garagesaletrail.com.au, or go to innerwest.nsw.gov.au/ GarageSaleTrail



Moving? Decluttering? It's easy to book a free Clean-up

Council's free booked Clean-up service is a flexible, efficient and environmentally beneficial way to recycle or dispose of unwanted goods. This service is unlimited, allowing residents to get rid of as many unwanted goods as they wish.

Book a free Council Clean-up now by calling **9392 5000**.



Our libraries have something for everyone

Inner West's eight libraries are home to almost over 800,000 items - toys, robots, talking books, musical instruments, films, collections in languages other than English (nine other languages in all) and a wide variety of e-resources, among other things.

New additions include VOX books – stunning picture books with a permanent reader attached. Press 'play' and the book tells you its story.

Council's Collection Library officers process over 60,000 new hard copy items alone each year.

The libraries also host more than 1,300 events each year, which are attended by up to 70,000 people.

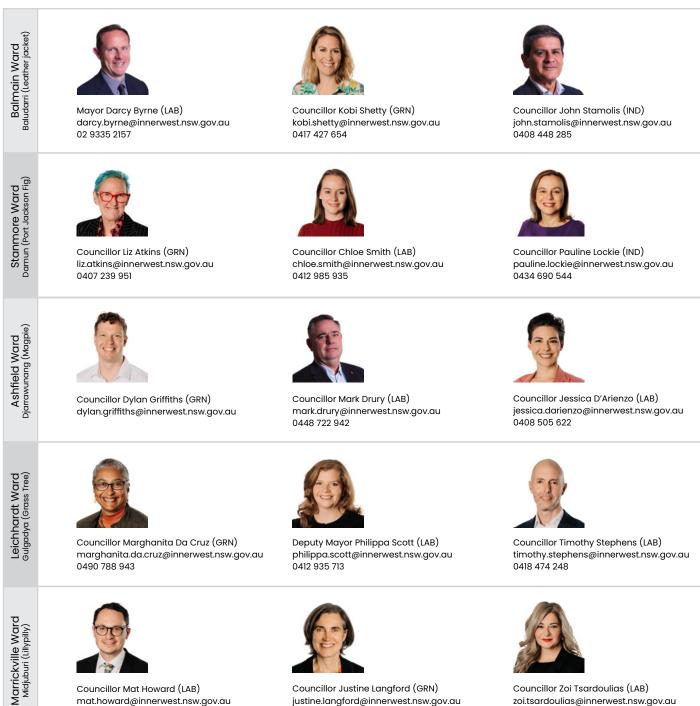
Last financial year, Inner West libraries eight libraries had 837,119 visits and loaned 900,909 items.

Almost half of all Inner West residents are members. If you're not one of them, join up now.

Go to innerwest.nsw.gov.au/ Libraries

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Ashfield Aquatic Centre

Dawn Fraser Baths, Balmain Fanny Durack Aquatic Centre

Petersham Leichhardt Park Aquatic Centre Water Play Park

Illawarra Road, Marrickville South

Heaps Mad showcase for Mental Health Month

Everyone invited to perform at an open mic afternoon. Marrickville Library and Pavillion, Thursday 27 October, 4pm – 7pm. innerwest.nsw.gov.au/MentalHealthMonth

Next Local Matters Forum and Customer Service Stall

Local Matters Forum

Leichhardt/ Gulgadya ward

Leichhardt Town Hall, Tuesday 11 October, 6pm – 7.30pm

Customer Service Stall

Summer Hill Plaza, Saturday 5 November, 9.30am – 1.30pm

For more information visit innerwest.nsw.gov.au/CommunityEngagement

Right: Damun / Stanmore ward Councillors Pauline Lockie, Liz Atkins and Chloe Smith at the Newtown Customer Service Stall in August.



Marrickville Music Festival

Saturday 19 November, 11am to 4pm Marrickville Road and surrounding laneways

Celebrate Marrickville's colourful culture with a day of free live music and entertainment on the main street.

One of the largest suburbs in Sydney's Inner West, Marrickville boasts a mighty reputation for creativity, culinary prowess and diverse cultural experiences. Marrickville Music Festival will bring together local creatives with shoppers, dancers and diners to highlight the unique offering Marrickville provides to the Inner West and Sydney more broadly.

Marrickville Music Festival will showcase the creative destination that is Marrickville. Where creative work, developed in local warehouses, shopfronts and home studios, will spill out onto the main street of Marrickville. Marrickville Music Festival is an opportunity for creative participation by all members of the community, supporting and witnessing the creative work made on local streets. Find out more at innerwest.nsw. gov.au/MarrickvilleMusicFestival

Planning a street party?

Summer street parties could soon be on the agenda, especially around Christmas.

To make sure you leave enough time to gain necessary approvals, book in your street party now.

innerwest.nsw.gov.au/ StreetParties



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