

# Inspire your world at the library



## JOB SHIFT GOING PRO: SMALL BUSINESS BASICS

**Thurs 15 Oct | Hurstville Library  
11 am-12:30 pm | Ages 16+ | Free**

Thinking about starting your own business? This Small Business Month, join us to learn where to begin, small business essentials, and how LinkedIn Learning can help you build skills at your own pace. This session is designed for beginners, with no prior business experience needed. Library staff will guide you through resources and answer questions to help you feel confident about taking the next step.



## PRIDE BOOK CLUB: QUEER HORROR

**Thurs 29 Oct | Kogarah Library  
6-7 pm | Ages 16+ | Free**

Celebrate queer stories at Pride Book Club! Join us on the last Thursday of the month to share LGBTQIA+ reads, discover new voices, and connect in a warm and welcoming space. Bring your own book, enjoy snacks and drinks, and join the conversation. Everyone is welcome! October's theme is Queer Horror and Dark Fiction



## RPG EXPLORERS: CYBERPUNK ONE-SHOT

**Tues 6 Oct | Kogarah Library  
5-7:30 pm | Ages 16+ | Free**

Learn to play the cinematic Cyberpunk RED RPG system as you chrome up, chip in, and take it to the Edge in a dangerous job in Night City! During this session, you will learn:

- How to use your character sheet.
- The basic rules of Cyberpunk RED.
- How to work as a team in a roleplaying game.

## HISTORICAL MARKERS

Do you know someone or somewhere that makes Georges River special and unique? Every place has a story worth sharing. Help preserve and celebrate our community's history by nominating a site, person, event, or place for a Historical Marker.

Nominations for the 2027 Historical Markers are open now!

Scan the QR code for more information.



## Historical Markers

**2027 Nominations  
Now Open**



# Children and Youth Programs at the library



## ATLAS



STATE LIBRARY NSW

### ATLAS CLUB

**4-5 pm | Ages 5-15 | Free**

Do you love writing, reading or making art? We have the perfect club for you! Atlas is a community for curious kids; join us as we bring the State Library of NSW to you as an Atlas Club Hub! Scan the QR code for session details.



### STEM AND STORIES

**Wed 21 Oct-18 Nov | Hurstville Library**

**4-5 pm | Ages 5-10 | Free**

Who would win a race between a sloth and a snail? How does gravity work? Find the answers to these questions and more in our hands-on Storytime Science workshops series, where we read a book and then explore the science in the story through hands on activities!



### AUSSIE BIRD COUNT AT THE LIBRARY

Birdlife Australia's Aussie Bird Count is a Citizen Scientist project where the public go birdwatching in their local area to help create data about Australia's bird population. This data is used by professional scientists in their work to protect vulnerable species and improve biodiversity all over the country. Join us at Georges River libraries as we get bird brained this October!



### SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

**Mon 28 Sep-Fri 9 Oct | All branches**

Looking for fun activities for your school age kids? We've got something for kids from 5-17 happening at one of our libraries these holidays! Scan the QR code for all the details.



### FANTASY WRITING FOR TEENS

**Thurs 1 Oct | Hurstville Library**

**2-4 pm | Ages 12-17 | \$9**

Ready to wield the magic of storytelling? Join our fantasy writing workshop and step into a world of imagination with award-winning writer, tutor, and copywriter Aylish Dowsett. Explore fantasy worlds, experiment with magic, powers, and fantastical ideas, and combine them to create your own fantasy stories with original creatures, monsters, and characters.

### AUSSIE BIRD COUNT STORY TIME

**Tues 20 Oct | Carss Park**

**Playground**

**10:30-11:15am | 3-5 years | Free**

It's all about birds at this story time at Carss Park to celebrate the Aussie Bird Count! Join us for bird themed stories, songs, craft, and even some bird watching at the Carss Bush Park Playground.

### AUSSIE BIRD COUNT AFTER SCHOOL

**Fri 23 Oct | Penshurst Library**

**4-5 pm | Ages 5-12 | Free**

Ornithologists in training are invited to join us for bird-themed books, craft, and even a spot of birdwatching as part of the Aussie Bird Count.

# Experience something new at the library



## TECH CHAT

See below for dates and locations  
1-2 pm | Ages 16+ | Free

Join practical sessions to spot scams, improve cyber safety, and confidently use MyGov services.

### CYBER SAFETY: CHECKING FOR DATA BREACHES AND STAYING SECURE

Fri 2 Oct | Kogarah Library

### MYGOV BASICS

Fri 16 Oct | Hurstville Library



## ENERGY REBATES INFO SESSION

Thurs 1 Oct | Oatley Library

10:30 am-12:00 pm | Ages 16+ | Free

Learn how to access different energy and utilities rebates that you may be entitled to. This information session is especially relevant for people who hold a concession, healthcare, or pension card, but is open to all. Facilitated by Service NSW, this information session will teach you about a wide range of State Government rebates, discounts and bill support for electricity, gas, and water services.



## AGED CARE INFO SESSION

Wed 21 Oct | Oatley Library

10:30 am-12:00 pm | Ages 16+ | Free

Learn about the new changes to the aged care system in Australia and how they impact you. This information session will teach you about the new changes to the aged care system in Australia, and will be followed by a Q & A section at the end. Services Australia supports Australians by efficiently delivering high-quality, accessible services, payments, and information on behalf of the government.

## HUMANS OF GEORGES RIVER

What makes Georges River special? You do! We're celebrating the people who live, work, and play here — and we want you to be part of it! Inspired by portrait projects like Humans of New York, we are documenting what Georges River looks like today. Through photography, recorded storytelling, and creative displays, we'll showcase the faces, voices, and stories that make Georges River vibrant, diverse, and unique. This is your chance to help shape a living snapshot of our community.

Applications are open so sign up now to be part of Georges River History! Scan the QR code for more information.



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# HUMANS OF GEORGES RIVER.



## MENTAL HEALTH MONTH AT THE LIBRARY

### SELF-CARE BINGO & BOOKS ON PRESCRIPTION

**Thurs 1 - Sat 31 Oct | All Georges River Libraries | Ages 12+ | Free**

Taking small actions to support and tend to our self-care adds up! Care for yourself by selecting one of our carefully curated self-care books to borrow and receive a self-care bingo card and lists of recommend books and programs available through your library that will support your mental health.

### JOB SHIFT: MANAGING STRESS AND BURNOUT

**Sat 3 Oct | Kogarah Library | 11 am-12 pm | Ages 16+ | Free**

Explore how wellbeing can support your career journey. Discover practical strategies to manage stress, prevent burnout, and protect your wellbeing while navigating job searching, career changes, and transitions.

### MINDFUL MOVEMENT

**Multiple Dates in October | Kogarah Library | Multiple Times | Ages 16+ | Free**

Slow down and reconnect with your body with free Mindful Movement Yoga sessions. Enhance your mental and physical wellness through gentle strengthening and stretching movements. No experience required.

### HSC WELLBEING WITH 3 BRIDGES

**Wednesdays 7-28 Oct | Hurstville Library | 3-5 pm | HSC Students | Free**

Looking after yourself during the HSC is just as important to your success as studying. Take a study break and join 3Bridges staff to learn tips and tricks to keep stress at bay and improve your mental wellbeing this Mental Health Month.

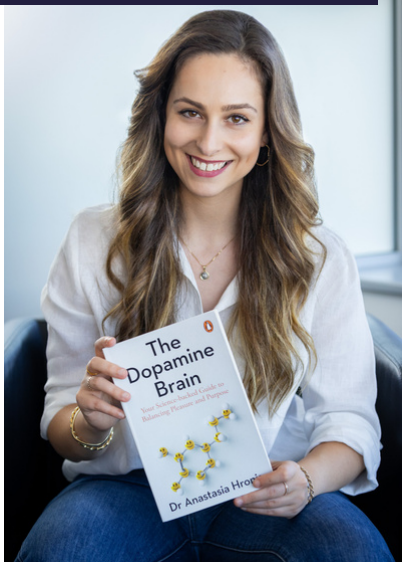
## DR ANASTASIA HRONIS AUTHOR TALK

**Thurs 22 Oct | Kogarah Library**

**6-7 pm | Ages 16+ | Free**

During Mental Health Month, join us for an author talk with Dr. Anastasia Hronis. She will draw on her book, The Dopamine Brain, to explain how everyday activities like social media, shopping, eating, sex, drugs and gambling can powerfully shape our choices, sometimes pulling us away from the life we truly want to live.

She will share practical, evidence-based strategies to recognise dopamine-driven patterns, break unhelpful habits and begin to live with more intention, balance and purpose.



## MEDIA LAB WORKSHOPS

### STORY LAB – DEVELOP YOUR NARRATIVE VOICE

**Saturdays 10-24 Oct | Hurstville Library**

**10:30 am-1:00 pm | Ages 16+ | \$28.50**

Get started on your story development and ideation journey! Led by Rowan Devereux from The Story Mill, in this three-session workshop you'll learn techniques for ideation, story structure, character creation and world-building through guided writing exercises. This program is open to all backgrounds and writing experience levels — no prior creative writing experience needed!

### 3D DESIGN BASICS USING TINKERCAD

**Mon 19 October | Hurstville Library**

**5:30-7:30pm | Ages 16+ | \$9.00**

Bring your ideas to life with 3D design! In this beginner friendly 2-hour workshop, you'll explore the fundamentals of computer-aided design (CAD) using Tinkercad, a free and easy-to-use web app. Whether you're interested in creativity, innovation, or simply learning a new digital skill, discover how easy it can be to create in three dimensions.

## PUBLIC HOLIDAY CLOSURE

All Georges River Libraries will be closed for the Labour Day public holiday on Monday 5 October 2026.

You can return your Georges River Libraries items to any of our locations 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.