

PROGRAM AND ACTIVITY GUIDE

OCTOBER - NOVEMBER - DECEMBER
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JAPARA

Inspiring Community Connection

The Heart of Kilsyth



WORKSHOPS



PROGRAMS



FUN FOR KIDS

Be Our Guest at Japara

Whether you're hosting a party, business meeting, workshop, craft group or health and wellbeing class we have the space for you!

Our home, The Kilsyth Community Hub, has a main hall with a large adjoining kitchen and a wide variety of meeting rooms, while across the road, situated in the beautiful Elizabeth Bridge Reserve, indoor and outdoor creative spaces are abundant.

Throughout the week we are a vibrant community hub hosting a large range of events, craft groups, dance classes, singing groups, church groups, exercise classes, business meetings and workshops.

≡ Welcome ≡

Many of our rooms are equipped with digital projectors, laptops, electronic whiteboards and have access to a central courtyard. Our Annex is a standalone building with big, beautiful floor to ceiling windows. Frequently used for yoga and tai chi classes, this space is also perfect for parties and craft groups.

The Early Years Building is very popular for children's parties. With direct access to a fully fenced playground, you can enjoy catching up with your guests whilst your little ones can safely explore the space without escaping!

For more information please contact us at venuehire@japarahouse.com.au



Take the Tour





HELLO!

Get Out in the Garden

Japara Gardening Club

Connect, learn and grow food that goes straight back into the community! Join us for hands-on learning and more than a few laughs while we grow our community fresh produce. Take home food as it is harvested - come to one, come to all - everyone welcome!

Wednesdays and Saturdays - check our Facebook Events for all the details.

Sustainable Gardening

Course Code: 24ENGGARDEN
Saturdays from 12:30 pm - 3:00 pm
2 sessions | \$20 for two sessions



Saturday 19th October

Pests, Disease and Weeds - Eco friendly weed control, identifying weeds and pests and implementing plant health.

Saturday 16th November

Irrigation - Installation of components, waterflow, drip and spray systems.

Repair Cafe

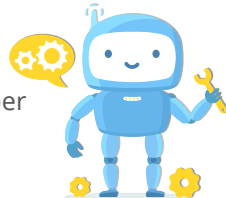
Saturday 2:30 - 4:30 pm once a month

Bring down your broken item to be assessed and hopefully repaired. Come down, grab a cuppa, meet our amazing volunteer fixers and see what how they can help.

Upcoming Dates:

Saturday 21st September
Saturday 26th October

Gold coin donation



Sign up to join the Community Compost Hub.



Kilsyth Festival



Free admission for all ages!

Sunday 24th November - 10:00 am - 4:00 pm
Come down to Elizabeth Bridge Reserve on November 24th, 2024 for the fantastic family-friendly Kilsyth Festival!

Enjoy delicious food from a variety of food trucks, groove to live music performances, participate in a fun drumming workshop, explore vibrant market stalls and be amazed by talented circus entertainers.

With something for everyone, it's an event you won't want to miss. Mark your calendars and bring the whole family for a day of fun and excitement!

Where: Elizabeth Bridge Reserve
49 Durham Road, Kilsyth



We're at the Festival too!

At Japara Bridge House and Gardens

We are super-excited to join the Festival this year alongside our awesome friends from Valley Care and Blacksnake Productions - here's what's in store:

- 🐾 Meet some amazing native animals
- 🐍 Paint a groovy garden snake
- 🌭 Grab a sausage for your lunch
- 🍪 Decorate some tasty cookies
- 👶 Playgroup and Colouring Competition
- 🌿 Plants, Potting and Bushcraft Activities

We're looking forward to a day packed with fun for everyone, and all for just a gold coin donation! Don't miss out - come celebrate with us at the Kilsyth Festival!

👉 Gold Coin Donation

Weekend Wind Down

Friday 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Don't sit in traffic on Friday night! Park the car, walk down after school or day care and wind down at Japara Bridge with a BBQ, music, lawn games and a laugh. Hosted alongside our partners at Valley Care. All welcome.

👉 Gold Coin Donation

Final dates for 2024:

25th October | 22nd November



Connect with Others

Crafty Chicks

Tuesdays 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm
Gold coin donation per session

Japara Stitchers

(4th Tuesday of the month)
Tuesday 12:30 pm - 3:00 pm
\$5 per session

Kilsyth Senior Citizens

Tuesdays 10:30 am - 1:00 pm
Join this welcoming group on Tuesdays to chat, share a cuppa and play a game or two.

Gold coin donation per session

Knit and Natter

Mondays 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Creating all manner of fibre wonders, these ladies knit and crochet for charity, for their grand kids and just for the joy of it! Come down and see what they're up to in the Japara Foyer on Monday mornings.

Gold coin donation per session

Sit and Sew

(1st Monday of the month)
Monday 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm
Enjoy a cuppa and a chat while you work on your sewing projects.

\$5 per session

Social Guitar Group

Join a relaxed group of social guitar players. New members welcome.
Mondays 8:00 pm - 9:00 pm

\$5 per session

Japara Bridge Social Walking Group

Wednesdays 10:00 am - 11:00 am
Have a chat and make some new friends while you walk around Elizabeth Bridge Reserve. Meet under the Japara Bridge sign at 49 Durham Road, Kilsyth. Bring your walking shoes, your water bottle and join us for a casual walk around the reserve.

Gold coin donation per session

Montrose Community Cupboard



Montrose Community Cupboard

49 Durham Road, Kilsyth
Free Food Markets & Community Meals
Follow Montrose Community Cupboard (Victoria, Australia) and Japara Neighbourhood House on Facebook.



Walking Photography

Course Code: 24EDCDIGSTOR



Oct 24th - Nov 28th | 6 sessions

Thursdays 10:00 am - 12:00 pm | \$50

Use your digital phone or device to take amazing photos, then use those photos to tell a story. You will:

- Learn tricks to improve your images
- Maximise your camera settings
- Explore lighting and composition
- Use a variety of photo editing apps

Art Fusion



15th Oct - 26th Nov | 6 sessions

Tuesdays 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Experiment with a variety of art mediums and styles in this structured yet flexible art class. Explore, collaborate and expand your artistic horizons.

Full Fee: \$50 | Makerspace Member: \$5

Diamond Art (1 session)



Wed 16th Oct | 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Create stunning sparkling designs with colorful gems. Perfect for all skill levels.

Full Fee: \$5 | Makerspace Member: FREE

Teacup Waterfalls (1 session)



Wed 23rd Oct | 12:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Create a whimsical waterfall using repurposed tea cups, gems and more.

Full Fee: \$5 | Makerspace Member: FREE

Twinkle Jars and Christmas Baubles

4th December | 1 session | \$40

Wednesday 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Fold beautiful butterflies by hand and combine them with LED string lights to make a Christmas-themed Twinkle Jar or a Christmas Bauble. Everything you need is supplied .. just bring your creativity!

Dru Yoga

This graceful form of Yoga is based on soft flowing movements, controlled, directed breathing and visualisation. Sessions are designed for people of all abilities, fitness levels and age groups.

Monday Morning Classes

9:15 am - 10:30 am | \$175

7th Oct - 16th Dec | 10 sessions

Hatha Yoga



Discover balance and serenity with Hatha Yoga. Improve flexibility, strength and mindfulness through guided poses and breath work. Enhance your well-being and embrace a healthier lifestyle. Full term and casual booking options available subject to availability. All levels welcome!

Monday Evening Classes

7th Oct - 16th Dec | 10 sessions

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm | \$157

Wednesday Evening Classes

9th Oct - 11th Dec | 10 sessions

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm | \$157

Casual Fee: \$22 per session

Tai Chi Beginners

Enjoy low impact routines that are excellent for developing your balance and coordination while improving your strength and breathing.

Thursday Morning Classes

10th Oct - 12th Dec | 10 sessions

Thursdays 11:00 am - 12:00 pm | \$150

Thursday Afternoon Classes

10th Oct - 12th Dec | 10 sessions

Thursdays 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm | \$150

Visit our Village

Japara is a not-for-profit organisation dedicated to inspiring community connection through fun and meaningful experiences, safe and inclusive spaces, and supporting individuals, families, groups, and other organisations to grow and thrive.

Introduction to Tools for Women



Code: 24ENGWTOOLS | 3 sessions | \$60

Sat 2nd Nov - 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Mon 4th Nov - 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Mon 11th Nov - 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Build your confidence and skills while you make new friends in this inclusive introduction to tools. Learn how to use hand and power-tools in a supportive, fun environment while building your own deck chair - perfect for summer with a cold beverage and good book! All equipment and tools will be supplied. No experience necessary - just bring your enthusiasm!

Japanese Menu - Healthy Cooking



Code: 24ENGHCA | 2 sessions | \$50

Wed 9th Oct - 9:30 am - 2:30 pm

Sat 12th Oct - 9:30 am - 2:30 pm

Come for the cooking, stay for the fun, and leave with new skills and delicious dishes to impress your friends! We'll kick things off with a miso starter, learn the secrets behind perfect sushi as we create a variety of sushi rolls, then finish off with delicious dessert that's sure to delight!



JAPARA DANCE PARTY INCLUSIVE DISCOS

Saturdays from 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Inclusive discos for ages 18+ open to people with disability, parents, carers, siblings and friends. Support workers and care givers attend free.

\$15 gives you access to both sessions.

Dates: 5th October | 23rd November

STREET ART WORKSHOPS

Create Your Own Zine Workshop

8th October | 1 session | \$65

Tuesday 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Create your own zine using a range of mixed media techniques including collage, markers, watercolour and more.

Full Fee: \$65 | Makerspace Member: \$10

Freehand Art Workshop

12th November | 1 session | \$65

Tuesday 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Explore freehand spray painting techniques and create your own design on a large board to keep.

Full Fee: \$65 | Makerspace Member: \$10

NEW



FOR ARTISTS AGED 12-17 YEARS

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES



Childcare Service

Mon, Tues, Wed and Fri
9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Families can opt to book their child in for between two and five hours within these session times. We charge \$15.00 per hour with eligible families receiving CCS (Government rebate) off this fee.

Our programs are run by qualified staff with experience in all age groups and service styles. Activities are planned based on the current needs and interests of the group in line with the Early Years Learning Framework.

We offer permanent and casual positions. Visit our website for more information.



Junior Lab

Low cost family fun for ages 1 - 5 years
Thursdays 10:00 am - 11:00 am
17th Oct - 5th Dec | 8 sessions

Join us at Japara for a fabulous series of fun, interactive, hands-on sessions where children can explore science and art in a self-led open play space. Activities are designed to support and encourage flexible and creative problem solving using everyday situations to build skills and work with others. Parent or carer must attend.

Per term: \$16 | Makerspace Member: FREE

Coming Soon

After School Fun!

Keep your eyes on our socials for some upcoming after school programs for primary school aged kids at Japara.



Bookaburra Storytime

Wednesday mornings at Japara
Time: 9:15 am - 10:00 am weekly

Bookaburra Storytime stories, singing, rhymes, a craft activity and lots of fun. No booking required. This program promotes the importance of early years literacy in our community. For ages 0-5 years.



Art After School!

Primary School Aged Kids

Tuesdays 4:15 pm - 5:15 pm
15th Oct - 3rd Dec | 7 sessions

Join us in the Makerspace to explore basic drawing and painting techniques in our Art After School program. Kids will use their new artistic skills to create their own amazing works of art!

Full Fee: \$70 | Maker Space Member: \$10



Hire the Japara Bridge House and Gardens for your Private Function

A great space for children's parties which also gives you access to Elizabeth Bridge Reserve playground located approximately 30 metres from the house itself.

You will have exclusive access to the the Bridge House, which includes two toilets, a large room with tables and chairs that is great for catering and games. The house has a brand new kitchen with oven, cook top, microwave, dishwasher and fridge. The front room is a lounge area with couches and fresh carpet for any of your party guests who need some quiet time.

For all venue hire inquiries including information on pricing and availability email: venuehire@japarahouse.com.au



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Book into a Program or Activity

Use the QR code to visit us at www.japarahouse.com.au, then:



1. Choose from all available programs
2. Complete our online enrolment form

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Hours of Operation

Monday - Thursday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Japara gratefully acknowledges the support of our funding bodies and peak organisations. We are a Learn Local provider.

