

**Running Deep: An Australian Submarine Life**  
7.30 – 9.30pm  
Full \$22 Conc \$20 Early \$15

Soul City, Williamstown High School, Pasco Street  
Parts or Die followed by a Q&A.  
one strange night, it nearly does. A theatrical retelling of Jayne's memoir beautiful to be real. She will disappear into the culture if it kills her. And at an intense theatre school, and falling in love with a Frenchman too Parts, it seems, has its own plans for Jayne Tuttle. Drawn there from a cloud of grief, she finds herself in a dizzying neighbourhood, studying from conducting top-secret missions to making history commanding the farthest deployment in the history of the Australian submarine service. Moderated by Jeff Maynard  
Comodore Peter Scott deep dives into what it takes to be a Submariner.  
Stay for sea shanties and a beer.  
Pirates Tavern, rear of Nelson Place  
Full \$22 Conc \$20 Early \$15

**Parts or Die: A Performance**  
7.30 – 9.00pm  
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theatre and music for your Saturday night entertainment.  
Willy Lit Fest extends beyond its usual daytime hours  
in 2023. Lit Fest hits your local, bringing literature into

## WILLY LIT FEST LATE

to sit together. BYO snacks, drinks available at the festival bar.  
Seating for Stereo Stories will be general admission, with both theatre-style rows and cabaret-style tables available. Arrive together

**Friday 16 June**  
7.30pm for 8.00pm start  
A Song, A Place, A Time.  
Stereo Stories

Join festival favourites, as the Stereo Stories band celebrates the songs that shape our lives. With special guests Jack Serony, Nick Gadd, Jacinta Parsons, Rijn Collins, Angela Savage, Katherine Kovacic and Willy's own Andy Griffiths and Smoke Dawson.  
Full \$35 Conc \$32



## FEATURED EVENT

willy lit fest  
16–18 June 2023  
CELEBRATING 20 YEARS

Bunurong Country  
Williamstown Town Hall



PROGRAM & TICKETS:  
willylitfest.org.au  
or 9932 4074

## FURTHER WEST IN 2023

To celebrate 20 years of Willy Lit Fest in 2023, we're looking to our neighbouring arts organisations to co-host conversations that reflect our wide-reading community. Reading may be an activity that happens in solitude, but its joy is realised in empathy and conversation.  
From the B&T Nudc Library in Footscray, to the Louis Joel Arts and Community Centre in Altona – everyone is invited to our birthday celebrations.

### WILLY LIT FEST AND LOUIS JOEL ARTS CENTRE

**Tuesday 13 June**  
6.30pm – 7.30pm  
Anam: Memory and Inheritance

A grandson tries to learn the family story. But what kind of story is it? Is it a prison memoir, about the grandfather imprisoned without charge or that by a revolutionary government? Is it an oral history of the grandmother left behind to look after the children? Or is it a love story? A detective tale?  
Andre Dao in conversation  
B&T Nudc Library, Footscray  
No one turned away for lack of funds  
Recommended price \$15  
Supported by the B&T Nudc Library

**Friday 16 June**  
10.00am – 11.30am  
St Mary's Poetry Slam

Under the tutelage of acclaimed spoken word poet **Emilie Zoey Baker**. School have been honing their craft. Their term's hard work culminates in a school-day slam where students will engage and entertain their audience. In writing and performance. St Mary's Primary School

**Thursday 16 June**  
7.00pm – 8.00pm  
Art Heists

In 1986, Picasso's *The Weeping Woman* was stolen from the NGV. Weeks later it was discovered in a train station locker. **Chris Womersley** (*The Diplomat*) is an expert on art heists. With arts critic **Tim Byrne**, Chris will unravel truths stranger than fiction in Melbourne's underground art world.

**Thursday 18 May**  
7.00pm – 8.00pm  
Tickets \$20

Local poetry publishing house **no more poetry salon** Bad Art Mother

**Wednesday 7 June**  
no more poetry salon  
Bad Art Mother

Good mothers are expected to be selfless. Artists are seen as selfish. So what does this mean for a mother with artistic ambitions? Stella-celebrated writers **Edwina Preston** (*Bad Art Mother*) and **Thuy On** (*Decadence*) discuss ambition, practice and motherhood against the backdrop of the Melbourne milieu of Georges and Mirka Mora, Joy Hester, and John and Sunday Reed.

**Thursday 8 June**  
Taxidermy and Fairytales

Rijn Collins's *Fed to Red Birds* makes the macabre beautiful. With **Anna Kate Blair**, Rijn will transport us to the Iceland of fairytales, and share her meditations on taxidermy as a craft.

**Thursday 1 June**  
How much Mary?

Diego Ramirez, Kate O'Boyle, **Mel Deerson** and **Anna Parlane** discuss apartments of Marian art and literature, spanning centuries and continents.

**Friday 16 June**  
Family and Friends  
By invitation to  
St Mary's Primary School

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### FESTIVAL INFORMATION

**Festival Venue**  
Williamstown Town Hall  
104 Ferguson Street  
Williamstown  
Wheelchair access throughout

**How to Buy Tickets**  
**Early Bird**  
Buy early bird tickets before 11.59pm on Friday 26 May 2023

**Online**  
www.willylitfest.org.au

**Phone**  
Hobsons Bay Box Office  
(03) 9932 4074  
Mon-Fri, 9.30am – 4.30pm

**In person is only available at the festival**  
You can buy on the day, but we recommend pre-booking to avoid disappointment

**Terms and Conditions**  
Booking fees may apply. GST included. Entry is only guaranteed with a valid ticket. All bookings are final and there are no refunds or exchanges possible.

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**Getting There**  
**Train**  
Williamstown Line to North Williamstown and a short walk (650 metres)  
**Ferry**  
Southbank to Gem Pier and a pleasant 15-minute walk  
**Parking**  
On-street parking available

**Stay for the Weekend**  
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