



SHORT STORY COMPETITION

Opens Monday 15 July • Closes Monday 19 August

Budding storytellers, our annual Short Story Competition is here!
An ideal opportunity to showcase your work and have it viewed by published authors.
Categories are: Prep – Year 3, Year 4 - Year 6, and Year 7 - Year 12 and Adult with prizewinners in each. Entries can be submitted in any medium: print, illustration, video, verse, voice or a combination. Entries should be no more than 3000 words for adults, 1500 words for junior and teen, or a 5 minute experience in other formats.
Grab an entry form at your local branch or visit our website for more details.

Welcome IELTS to our eCollection

The International English Language Testing System (IELTS) is the world's most popular English language proficiency test for higher education and global migration, with over three million tests taken in the last year.

Melton City Libraries members now have access to two great online resources for those preparing for their IELTS exam, as well as those who just want to practice.

The Road to IELTS platform offers assistance for those who want to do work experience or training programs, secondary school or are new to an English-speaking country and are looking to take the General Training IELTS test.

Road to IELTS Academic is useful for those who want to take the IELTS Academic test, to study at tertiary level in an English-speaking country.

Access IELTS Online through the eCollections page of our website.

The Melton City Libraries App

The Melton City Libraries App makes it easier than ever to access all the great services your library has to offer.

Place holds, renew loans, pay fines, search the collection and access our eBooks, movies, music and more from your Apple or Android phone or device.

Once you're logged in, the app recreates your library card's barcode, meaning as long as you have your phone or tablet, you won't need your physical card. You can also link and manage your family members' cards on your app.

See a great book, magazine or dvd when you're out and about? The app allows you to scan the barcode to see if it's available through Melton City Libraries.

The Melton City Libraries App is available for free download at the Apple App Store and Google Play.

Movie Streaming with Kanopy

Kanopy offers more than 30,000 of the world's best films, including award-winning documentaries, rare and hard-to-find titles, film festival favorites, indie and classic films, and world cinema with collections from Umbrella Entertainment, Madman Entertainment and thousands of independent filmmakers.

The great news is Kanopy is free with your library card. Each Melton City Libraries member can watch up to 10 movies per calendar month.

Access Kanopy through the eCollections page of our website, or download the Kanopy App from the Apple App Store or Google Play.



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Bookings: www.melton.vic.gov.au/library or 97475300



CITIZENSHIP TEST ASSISTANCE

Saturday 1 June • 1-3pm / Thursday 20 June • 6-8pm • Melton Library Saturday 6 July • 1-3pm / Tuesday 16 July • 6-8pm • Melton Library Saturday 3 August • 1-3pm / Thursday 22 August • 6-8pm • Melton Library

Interactive sessions that will help guide candidates through the Australian Citizenship: Our Common Bond booklet in preparation for sitting the Australian Citizenship Test. Book for one or more sessions. Bookings essential.



GENEALOGY HELP

Every Wednesday • 9am-12pm Melton Library

Join volunteers from the Melton Family History Group in Melton Library's dedicated local and family history research area, and learn how to get started on your family history using free library resources. Bookings not required.



TECH SOS

Tues & Thurs • 11.30am-12.30pm Caroline Springs Library

Tues & Thurs • 2-3pm Melton Library

Is your device confusing you? Come along to a one-on-one session with a librarian for basic troubleshooting and tricky questions. Patience guaranteed! Bookings essential.



ENGLISH CONVERSATION

Tuesdays • 9.30-10.30am Melton Library

Tuesdays • 9.15-11.15am Wednesdays & Fridays • 9.30-11.30am Caroline Springs Library

Informal classes with trained volunteers to improve your English speaking, reading and writing skills. Held during school terms only.



JOB LAB

1st, 3rd & 5th Thursdays • 10am-12pm Caroline Springs Library

2nd & 4th Thursdays • 10am-12pm Melton Library

Free regular sessions to help improve your resume and job seeking skills with the help of a qualified careers advisor.



EURO GAMES

Second Saturday of the month 10am-3pm Melton Library

Eurogames are a type of board game which are thoughtful and social. Games are designed to keep all players involved to the end and rely more on choices than a lucky dice roll. Join in the fun! Ages 14+. Bookings essential.



MINDFULNESS MORNINGS

First Saturday each month • 10-11am Melton Library

Say hello to Saturday mornings and clear your path to peace, focus and contentment. Learn basic meditation methods and meaningful skills for personal practice. LGBQTI+, all abilities & family friendly. Auslan interpreter available upon request. Bookings essential.



CHESS CLUB

Wednesdays fortnightly • 5-7pm Caroline Springs Library

Wednesdays fortnightly • 5-7pm Melton Library

Learn how to play chess, become a better player or challenge an opponent. Chess boards provided, and instruction will be given by a skilled facilitator. Ages 7 - adult.



TECH CIRCLE

Tuesday 4 June • 10.30-11.30am Tuesday 2 July • 10.30-11.30am Tuesday 6 August • 10.30-11.30am Melton Library

Discuss your tech experiences and favourite apps, ask questions and share tips about your smart device over morning tea. BYO device or borrow a library tablet. Ages 18+. Bookings essential.

EID CELEBRATION

Thursday 6 June • 11am-1pm • Caroline Springs Library

Eid al-Fitr is a religious festival celebrated by Muslims that marks the end of Ramadan. Join us for a non-religious celebration open to all with family friendly craft activities and henna tattooing. All ages. Bookings essential.





LET'S PLAY BRIDGE

Fridays weekly • 7 June-30 August 10am-12pm Melton Library

Learnt to play Bridge in the past and need a little encouragement to start again? Melton Bridge Club will be on hand in these sessions to develop your skills. Materials provided. Ages 18+. No booking required.



LEARN YOUR LIBRARY TOURS

Friday 14 June • 10-11am Caroline Springs Library

Wednesday 19 June • 10-11am Melton Library

Join us for a tour of your local library. Find out about the facility and all that the library has to offer. All ages. Bookings essential.



JAPAN: WHAT YOU WON'T HEAR FROM YOUR TRAVEL AGENT

Saturday 15 June • 10.30am–12pm Caroline Springs Library

Learn daily aspects of Japanese life that tourists don't often experience. Grasp how to stay in a love hotel, etiquette for bathing in hot springs, playing pachinko or travelling on the Yamanote line in peak hour. Ages 18+. Bookings essential.



SMART SNACKS

Wednesday 19 June • 6.30-8pm Caroline Springs Library

Diet can play a huge factor in a child's mood, energy, focus and success at school. Join child psychologist Michael and foodie Flip to learn about great snacks for your kids. Bookings essential.

INTERNATIONAL MOVIE TIME!

Tuesday 11 June • Arabic Movie 3.30pm • Caroline Springs Library

Monday 17 June • Arabic Movie 3.30pm • Melton Library

Tuesday 16 July • Japanese Movie 3.30pm • Melton Library

Tuesday 23 July • Japanese Movie 3.30pm • Caroline Springs Library

Tuesday 13 August • Chinese Movie 3.30pm • Caroline Springs Library

Wednesday 21 August • Chinese Movie 3.30pm • Melton Library

Come and enjoy movies from around the world in different languages and we'll supply the free popcorn and refreshments.

Movie titles will be announced closer to the date. All ages. Bookings essential.



SOCIAL SENIORS

Wednesday 12 June, 19 June, 26 June 10am-1pm • Melton Library

Thursday 11 July, 18 July, 25 July 10am-1pm • Caroline Springs Library

Social Seniors workshops help seniors use social media to produce a 'digital story' on their phone or tablet to share. Attendance is required at all three sessions. BYO smart device. Bookings essential.



MINDFULNESS FOR SENIORS

Thursday 13 June • 2-3.30pm Melton Library

Monday 22 July • 10.30am-12pm Caroline Springs Library

Be mindful and creative whilst you colour in a bookmark template which will then be laminated ready to bookmark your next great read. Bookings essential



EUROPE'S CHANGING BORDERS

Saturday 22 June • 2-3.30pm Melton Library

Do you have European ancestors outside the UK? Chris Elmore from the International Settlers Group in the Genealogical Society of Victoria will help you on your family history journey. Bookings essential.



BEING SOCIAL

Tuesday 25 June, 30 July, 27 August 10-11am • Caroline Springs Library

Settling in a new country isn't easy but we can help you adjust. These sessions will cover how to communicate with local authorities, understand financial terms, follow civic laws, connect with social services and more. Ages 18+. Bookings essential.



HERBS FOR WINTER

Thursday 27 June • 12-1.30pm Caroline Springs Library

Herbs aren't just for cooking! Learn how to use many home grown herbs to make simple, healthy home remedies. Try some unusual herbal teas too. Ages 15+. Bookings essential.

FUN FERMENTS

Monday 1 July • 2-3.30pm • Melton Library

Learn how to make Kombucha at home with natural herbs and fruit for flavouring! Explore how to use Kombucha to create sourdough buckwheat bread and cashew nut cheese. Ages 15+. Bookings essential.





TECH READY TOURIST

Thursday 27 June • 1-2.30pm Melton Library

Be inspired and pick up some excellent tips when it comes to planning your next holiday online. Learn about apps and websites that can help you travel smarter. Bookings essential.



TRAVEL TALES: COFFEE, MARZIPAN & MELTDOWN

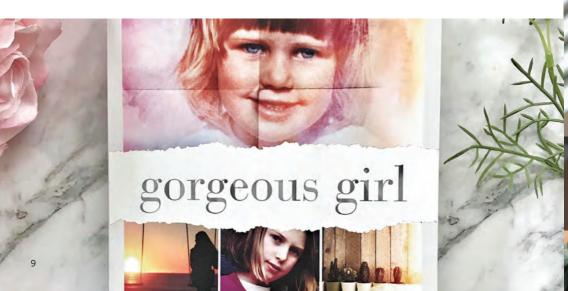
Saturday 29 June • 2-4pm Melton Library

Freelance travel writer Tim Richards recounts his trip by rail and ferry across Europe taking in Hamburg, Copenhagen, Warsaw, Kiev, Chernobyl and more. Hear what to eat, where to go, and how to get there! Ages 18+. Bookings essential.

GORGEOUS GIRL - AUTHOR TALK

Tuesday 23 July • 6.30-7.30pm • Melton Library

Writer Mary K. Pershall details her heart-rending experience of raising a beloved child who couldn't cope with reality and arrives in a maximum-security prison convicted of murder. Ages 18+. Bookings essential.





ABORIGINAL ASTRONOMY

Saturday 10 August • 2-3pm • Melton Library

Astrophysics student and Kamilaroi woman Krystal De Napoli explores 65,000 years of Australian Astronomy, the stories of the First People and how stars are used to navigate, harvest and hunt. Bookings essential.





GET SMART ONLINE: SECURE YOUR MOBILE PHONE

Wednesday 17 July • 6.30-7.30pm Melton Library

Bring your smart phone to this hands-on workshop as we go through common scams and abuses and how you can protect yourself with settings, apps and your behaviour. Bookings essential.



DECLUTTER YOUR LIFE!

Wednesday 24 July • 6-7pm Caroline Springs Library

Thursday 25 July • 6-7pm Melton Library

Ready to simplify your life? The KonMari method focuses on what to keep, making it easier to let go of unnecessary items. Light refreshments provided. Ages 15+. Bookings essential.



CYBERSAFETY 101 FOR SMALL BUSINESS

Thursday 25 July • 6-8pm Melton Library

Business owners (or anyone!) can expect to demystify terminology and learn practical tips on identifying security risks, what the consequences are and how to minimise them. Facilitated by Human Element IT. Bookings essential.



OPEN HOUSE MELBOURNE WEEKEND AT MELTON LIBRARY

Saturday 27 July • 10am-4pm Sunday 28 July • 10am-4pm

Open House Melbourne is coming to Melton! Free up your weekend for the chance to get the inside scoop on Melton Library, featuring its architecture, history, and more. Stay tuned for details closer to the date.



COMEDY NIGHT WITH KIRSTY WEBECK

Friday 23 August • 6-7.30pm • Melton Library

Beat the winter cold with Melbourne's notoriously upbeat comedian Kirsty Webeck, fresh from the Melbourne Comedy Festival Roadshow. Bring the kids and join us for pizza and family-friendly laughs on this special event. All ages. Bookings essential.



CHINESE COOKING WORKSHOP

Monday 26 August • 2-3.30pm Melton Library

Monday 26 August • 6-7.30pm Caroline Springs Library

Learn to prepare a selection of amazing traditional Chinese dishes, and then enjoy a delicious sample. Ages 18+. Bookings essential.



SENIORS MOVIE SCREENINGS

Refreshments served, bookings essential.

Wednesday 28 August • 10.45am-1.30pm Caroline Springs Library

Annie Get Your Gun starring Betty Hutton and Howard Keel.

Thursday 8 August • 1.30-3pm Melton Library

African Queen starring Humphrey Bogart and Katharine Hepburn.



Our Regular Sessions are a great way to explore your interests and make new friends. Bookings are not required for these sessions.

CRAFT AND CHAT

Thursdays • 10am-12pm • Melton Library Fridays • 11am-1pm • Caroline Springs Library Knit, crochet and learn new crafts over a cuppa.

CREATIVE WRITING FOR BEGINNERS

Junior session (ages 6-14): Sundays • 1-2pm • Caroline Springs Library Adult session: Sundays • 2-4pm • Caroline Springs Library Develop your writing skills in an encouraging environment. Share your work with the group, or start something new.

FURO GAMES

2nd Saturday each month Jun 8, Jul 13, Aug 10 • 10am-3pm • Melton Library Thoughtful, social and tactical boardgaming session.

FILM CLUB

2nd Wednesday each month, 12 Jun, 10 Jul, 14 Aug • 3-5pm • Melton Library Watch a film selected by library staff, then discuss it over dinner at a local venue chosen by the group on the night.

MELTON SEWING CIRCLE

Fridays • 10am-2pm • Melton Library Meet new people, work on a project, and enjoy a cuppa.

MELTON WORDSMITHS

Every Wednesday • 11.30am-2pm • Melton Library

A supportive critiquing group for beginning, emerging and established writers. New members welcome. More information: Les Stillman 0407 820 868

NIGHT CRAFTIES

Tuesdays • 6-8pm • Melton Library

Learn to knit, crochet or just be creative in a relaxed setting.

SCRAPBOOKING AND PAPER CRAFT

1st and 3rd Tuesday each month • 4, 18 Jun, 2, 16 Jul, 6, 20 Aug • Melton Library BYO materials to explore paper crafts and scrapbooking.

WEDNESDAY BOOK CLUBS

Third Wednesday each month • 6.30-7.30pm Caroline Springs Library Last Wednesday each month • 6.30-7.30pm • Melton Library

Take a selected book home, then return the following month to discuss. Fees apply. More information: phone (03) 9747 5300 or email libraryevents@melton.vic.gov.au



FANTASY, MYTH, LEGEND JOURNAL WORKSHOPS

Display: 4 June-1 September • Melton Library

Workshops: Tuesdays 30 July, 6 August & Saturday 10 August • 1-4pm • Raglan Cottage

'Mod' your own fantasy journal with bespoke art materials and make distinctive pages to record your ideas. Ages 15+. Bookings essential.



EXHIBITION: DJIWARR

Until Wednesday 19 June • CS Gallery

Photographer Wayne Quilliam presents a series of digital works which draw on textures and tones from nature to depict the female form and seeks to define the body's relationship to land, culture and Mother Earth. The exhibition forms part of Melton City Council's Reconciliation Week 2019 celebrations.



EXHIBITION: FREEDOM

Until Thursday 13 June • Melton Library

Taylor's Hill artist Shanana Kiran presents a series of works focused on exploring physical, mental and spiritual freedom. The abstract works depict her journey of self-discovery – moving from ignorance to conscious awareness of her true identity.

HOME SEWN: MAKERS OF MELTON

Home Sewn: Makers of Melton is an arts program that brings together textile artists, crafters and makers from across our City.

This project is supported by the Victorian Government through Creative Victoria.



HOME

Exhibition: 28 June-11 August • CS Gallery & Melton Library Exhibition opening: Friday 28 June • 6-8pm • CS Gallery

Local artists and makers explore their perceptions of home in this group exhibition of intricate hand-made textile art. Bookings essential for opening.



FLOWER EMBROIDERY

Wed 17 July • 10am-1pm • CS Gallery Mon 22 July • 10am-1pm • Melton Library

Embroider and take home your own flower motif with artist Krishna Dasgupta. Suitable for absolute beginners and for more advanced. All materials will be provided. Ages 18+. Bookings essential.



MINI MANDALAS

Wed 31 July • 10am-1pm • Melton Library Wed 7 August • 10am-1pm • CS Gallery

Local artist Samantha Taylor will help you learn or expand your crochet techniques as you start your own minimandala crochet artwork to take home. All materials will be provided. Ages 18+. Bookings essential.

ARE WE THERE YET? A JOURNEY AROUND AUSTRALIA: AN EXHIBITION BY ALISON LESTER

Friday 16 August-16 October • CS Gallery and Melton Library

This exhibition is based on the award winning picture book *Are we there yet?*, written and illustrated by Alison Lester. The book, which won the Children's Book Council of Australia's Picture Book of the Year Award in 2005, tells the story of a family trip around Australia. Told by eight year old Gracie, it is a warm heartfelt story that is based on an actual journey undertaken by Alison and her family.

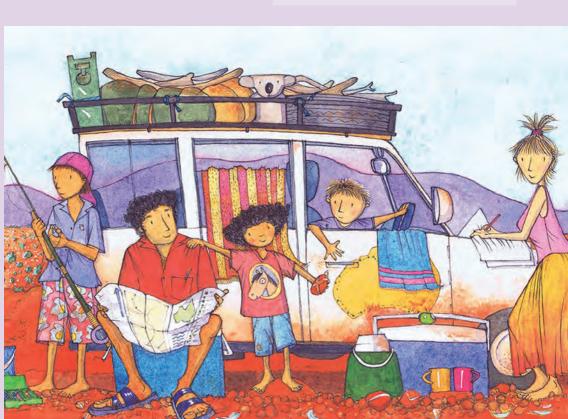
The exhibition at CS Gallery showcases Alison's original illustrations along with preliminary work for the making of this book including: ideas and sketches; page roughs and dummy books; her children's travel journals; family photographs taken

on their journey around Australia – and an all important map! Melton Library will feature a series of prints of the illustrations.

POP UP ARTS CLUB!

Thursdays 22 August-12 September 4-5.30pm • CS Gallery

Embrace Alison Lester's quirky illustrations with performer Cath Meeson. This arts club will take kids on a gallery adventure, using craft, drama, song and costume to provide a new arts experience every week. Attend one or all sessions. Ages 5-12. Bookings essential.





MUSIC STUDIO SESSIONS AT MELTON LIBRARY

Wednesdays • 4-6pm • Melton Library

Love singing, playing, making beats? Join our professional trainers in the studio while you learn the basics, or work on your own recordings. Ages 14-25.



FRIDAY FICTION YA BOOK CLUB

First Friday of every month • 4-5pm Caroline Springs Library

Join our monthly theme-based book club for teens! Grab a hot drink, a seat, and discuss the latest and greatest reads at the library. Hot drinks and snacks provided. Ages 13-18. No bookings required.

ESCAPE THE HOGWARTS LIBRARY!

Monday 8 July • 12.30-2.30pm • Caroline Springs Library

Join our Harry Potter themed escape room! Investigate, crack codes and get clues to ensure your exit. Perfect for a group of friends. Dress-ups welcome, snacks provided. Ages 12+. Bookings essential.





JOEL MCKERROW WRITING WORKSHOP

Wednesday 19 June • 5-7pm • Caroline Springs Library Wednesday 26 June • 5-7pm • Melton Library

Attention budding authors, here's your chance to receive expert guidance from Joel McKerrow, Australia's leading performance poet. Use it to prepare your Melton City Libraries' Short Story Competition entry, opening in July! Ages 10-18. Bookings essential.



TABLE TOP ROLE-PLAYING GAMES

Ages 14+: Fridays • 3.30-5pm Ages 16+: Fridays • 3.30-5pm Caroline Springs Library

Assume the role of a character within an imaginary world across the gaming table.

Defeat enemies, solve puzzles, finish quests and perform heroic deeds one epic encounter at a time.



RESUME REVIEW SERVICE FOR YOUNG ADULTS

Tuesdays • 3.30-5pm Caroline Springs Library

Thurdays • 3.30-5pm • Melton Library

Drop-in for resume and job application help. We offer supportive feedback and advice on how to make your job application stand out. Ages 15-30. Bookings not required.





FAMILY SCIENCE WEEK ACTIVITIES

Monday 12 August • 6-7.30pm • Melton Library Wednesday 14 August • 6-7.30pm • Caroline Springs Library

Sensational science stuff! Come in with your whole family and discover the wonderful world of science. Test yourself and your family during this interactive activity. All ages. Bookings essential.



AFTER SCHOOLIGANS FOR LIBRARY FUN!

Mondays • 4-5pm Melton Library

Tuesdays • 4-5pm Caroline Springs Library

There will be something different to do every week! It could be art, craft, games, literary or STEM related activities. Ages 5-12. Bookings essential.



ALISON LESTER BOOK WEEK AFTER SCHOOLIGANS!

Monday 19 August • 4-5pm Melton Library

Tuesday 20 August • 4-5pm Caroline Springs Library

Dress as your favourite book character for Book Week as we celebrate Alison Lester's Are We There Yet? exhibition. Ages 5-12. Prizes for best dressed. Bookings essential.

REGULAR PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS

All of our regular preschool sessions are held during school terms, and bookings are not required. For more information please visit our website.



Baby Bounce

Ages 0-12 months

Rhymes, singing, fingerplays, books and an introduction to AUSLAN for ages 0-12 months.

Wednesdays • 10am Caroline Springs Library

Thursdays • 10am Melton Library



Toddler Time

Ages 12-36 months

Share stories, songs, rhymes and movement with your active toddlers, aged 12-36 months.

Tuesdays & Fridays • 10am Caroline Springs

Mondays • 10am Melton Library



Storytime

Ages 3-5 years

An introduction to reading and books for ages 3-5 years. Stories, finger play and craft activities.

Mondays & Thursdays • 10am Caroline Springs

Wednesdays & Fridays • 10am Melton Library



Saturday Storytime

Ages 3-5 years

Storytelling, rhymes and music for children aged 0-5 years and their parents.

Saturdays weekly • 11am Caroline Springs

Saturdays weekly • 11am Melton Library



Family Tales

Ages 0-5 years

Storytelling, rhymes and music for children aged 0-5 years and their parents.

Tuesdays • 10am Eynesbury Discovery Centre



1000 Books Before School

Ages 0-5 years

The 1000 Books Before School program tracks your child's reading progress as you work towards building important literacy skills. Record your reads and celebrate reading milestones.



THE MIGHTY LITTLE PUPPETS SHOW

Thursday 4 July • 10.30-11.30am • Caroline Springs Library Thursday 4 July • 2-3pm • Melton Library

Pick which character's story you most want to see through to the end in this choose your own adventure show! Combines puppetry with the limitless world of improvised storytelling. Ages 5-12. Bookings essential.



TREE ART OR CRAFT

Monday 1 July • 10.30-11.30am Melton Library

Wednesday 3 July • 10.30-11.30am Caroline Springs Library

Be inspired by the beautiful Belonging Tree mural on show at Melton Library & Learning Hub and create your own work of art. Ages 5-12. Bookings essential.



OSMO

Tuesday 2 July • 2-3pm Caroline Springs Library

Thursday 11 July • 2-3pm Melton Library

Try out the awesome OSMO on our iPads, where you'll explore, learn and create with digital games such as Tangram, Words and Masterpiece. Ages 5-12. Bookings essential.



INDIGENOUS ART

Wednesday 10 July • 2-3pm Melton Library

Friday 12 July • 2-3pm Caroline Springs Library

Join us for a hands-on art session to celebrate NAIDOC Week. Ages 5-12. Bookings essential.



MINI MAESTROS

Friday 5 July • Melton Library 10am: 0-2 years • 11am: 3-5 years

Tuesday 9 July • Caroline Springs 10am: 0-2 years • 11am: 3-5 years

Children will be introduced to musical concepts such as beat, rhythm, dynamics, form and notation.

Ages 0-5. Bookings essential.



KINDER DREAMING

Saturday 13 July • 11am-12pm Caroline Springs Library

Saturday 13 July • 11am-12pm Melton Library

An interactive program that introduces ages 0-5 to Australian Indigenous culture through a mixture of art and storytelling, two practices deeply interwoven in Aboriginal culture. Bookings essential



MOVIN' ROUND MELTON

Friday 5 July • 2.30-3.30pm Diggers Rest Community Hall

Monday 8 July • 10.30-11.30am Bridge Road Community Centre

Friday 12 July • 2-3pm Eynesbury Discovery Centre

Craft, games and quirky fun for ages 3-15 years, plus parents. No bookings required.

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