CESSNOCK - 21 APRIL

EXPRESS • EMPOWER • GET LOUD!

Join us for a range of fun, inclusive activities

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Scan the QR code or visit: www.cessnock.nsw.gov.au/YW2024 for more information on events, booking, transport and accessibility.

YOUTH WEEK 2024 is proudly presented by NSW Government and Cessnock City Council.







ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

INCLUSIVITY AND ACCESSIBILITY

Cessnock City Council acknowledges that within its local government area boundaries are the Traditional Lands of the Wonnarua people, the Awabakal people, and the Darkinjung people.

We acknowledge these Aboriginal peoples as the traditional custodians of the land on which our offices and operations are located, and pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

We also acknowledge all other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who now live within the Cessnock Local Government Area.



The Youth Week Planning Group welcomes all young people of different abilities, backgrounds and communities to participate in the 2024 Youth Week Program.

All events welcome the LGBTQIA+ community, their families and allies.

If you would like more information on inclusion and accessibility, contact Cessnock Youth Centre & Outreach Service (CYCOS) on (02) 4993 4355 or youthcentre@cessnock.nsw.gov.au.



MAYORS MESSAGE

I am pleased to support the Youth Week 2024 program. This is an initiative that celebrates the passions, creativity, interests and diversity of young people living, working and studying in our LGA.



Investing in our young people is investing in our future,

and we are committed to providing opportunities to grow, learn, and thrive. The theme for this year's Youth Week is "EXPRESS. EMPOWER. GET LOUD!". Through art, music, sports, events and community projects, we can empower our young people to express themselves, get loud and participate in a range of activities across our community.

I am inspired by the resilience and determination of our youth, and I believe that this year's Youth Week will be an amazing opportunity for them to shine. So let's join together, support each other, and make the most of this exciting program. Thank you, and I wish everyone a fantastic Youth Week 2024!

Cr Jay Suvaal, Cessnock City Mayor

ABOUT YOUTH WEEK 2024

Youth Week 2024 is officially taking place from 11 – 21 April 2024, however this year we are going BIG, running events from the 8 April right through to 24 April, with a whole bunch of cool things to get involved with during this time!

There are events to suit all abilities and interests from locations across the Local Government Area (LGA).

This program was created in consultation with the 2024 Cessnock Youth Ambassadors as well as young people living, working or studying in our community. The young people contributed their time, creativity and resources to help create a diverse program. Thank you to all young people involved, and all organisations that contributed to planning and hosting events.

#YouthWeek2024 #YouthWeekCessnock



8 APRIL

BIG BREAKFAST FREE before school breakfast for High School Students. **From 8am | Cessnock High School**

10 APRIL



BE YOUR OWN BOSS

Students from local high schools will be supported to attend an entrepreneur workshop where they learn how to start and manage their own business.

9.30am - 12.30pm | Kurri Kurri Community Centre



11 APRIL

BIG BREAKFAST FREE before school breakfast for High School Students.

From 8am | Mount View High School



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11 APRIL



MY SCHOOL RULES

Local High Schools fielding teams of 4 year 10 students to take part in a series of creative culinary challenges in a competition focusing on the slow food ethos, Good, Clean and Fair.

8.30am - 3pm | Mount View High School



11 APRIL



SOFT PLAY FOR YOUNG PARENTS

Step into our Adventure Play Room – A world of endless fun for your little ones! Let them explore, climb and slide whilst making new friends in a safe environment.

10am - 12pm | PCYC Cessnock



12 APRIL



FREE before school breakfast for High School Students.

From 7.30am | Kurri Kurri High School



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12 APRIL



UNITES CESSNOCK SKATE JAM

Scoot, Skate and Ride at the PCYC skate jam! Shred the park with your mates and get around some free games and giveaways. Open to all levels of skill and experience! Aboriginal Art Facilitated by TAFE NSW and games available if Skating isn't your thing.

4pm - 8pm | UNITES

5pm - 7pm | Skate Jam



15 APRIL

17 APRIL



TANTRUM

PLAY IN A DAY BY TANTRUM YOUTH THEATRE

Put the drama back in to school holidays! Join Tantrum's professional teaching artists to create and perform a new play – in just six hours!

8.30am - 3.30pm | Cessnock Youth Centre

Friends and family, join us at 3pm as we debut our play!

16 APRIL



TRIVIA AND BINGO WITH TIMBERLINA

Come and enjoy a night of fun and laughter playing Bingo and Trivia with the fabulous Timberlina. LGBTIQA+ friendly event. Families welcome.

4pm - 6pm | Kurri Kurri Community Centre

THE CENTRE @ KURRI KURRI

IT'S KNOT HARD: MACRAME WITH REBECCA Unleash your creativity and create something macrame-zing! Bookings essential.

10am - 11.30am | Kurri Kurri Library

1.30pm - 3pm | Cessnock Library



17 APRIL



ACRYLIC PAINT POURING

Use acrylic paints to create beautiful flowing designs of vibrant colours and patterns on a canvas.

1pm - 2.30pm | PACC Makers Space



18 APRIL



JEWELLERY MAKING: STAINLESS STEEL BRACELET

Join Marieke from Celtic Stag Gifts as she shows you how to create your own stainless steel bracelet! Bookings essential.

10am - 11.30am | Cessnock Library

1pm - 2.30pm | Kurri Kurri Library



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WEAVING WITH BADAGARANG

Badagarang have created a workshop for young people to develop their knowledge about Aboriginal Culture with an engaging hands on experience through weaving. All materials provided. Bookings essential.

1pm - 3pm | PACC Makers Space

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19 APRIL



SPORTS 4 FUN

Join our Sports 4 Fun program for kids. Play at your own pace in a fun space. Futsal, Pickleball, Tennis, Music, Games, Competitions and Prizes.

9am - 11am | Club Evolve



20 APRIL

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HUNTLEE CINEMA IN THE PARK

Gather your community and come along to enjoy a family movie on the giant outdoor screen at the Huntlee District Park. Bring a picnic, a rug, a chair or relax into one of our complementary bean bags and enjoy the show.

From 6.30pm. Movie from sundown Huntlee Park



18 APRIL



FUNSPACE

This youth week you can join headspace Cessnock for a day of fun as we run a variety of activities including arts and crafts, games and more.

Headspace Cessnock,

122 Vincent Street, Cessnock



19 APRIL



'FROM THE BESTIARY OF IMAGINATION' -ILLUSTRATION WORKSHOP WITH IMAGINATURALISTS

Come on a journey of art and imagination to create a new and unique creature. Bookings essential.

10.30am - 12pm | Kurri Kurri Library

2pm - 3.30pm | Cessnock Library



23 APRIL



ANIMAL CARE STUDIES TASTER

TAFE Animal Care Management Head Teacher, Annie Taylor will provide a small variety of different companion animals and give demonstrations on animal health, handling and husbandry – opportunity for supervised student interaction.

9.30am - 1pm | Kurri Kurri TAFE



24 APRIL



COLOURS AND LETTERS

Playstate presents Colours and Letters, an introduction to street art lettering, colour theory and aerosol art. From the page to the wall, learn how to structure letters, pick colours and take that to the wall.



10am - 12pm | Cessnock Youth Centre

