

## Meet Naomi Roberts - new Principal at Dance for Life



Renowned American dancer Martha Graham once said 'Dance is the hidden language of the soul'. For 17 years Blackheathen Angela Corkeron has inspired over 2000 students to tap into their soul as they've learnt the art, and sport, of dance. Now she's welcomed Naomi Roberts (pictured at right) to take over the running of her well-established school, while she continues on as head teacher and mentor. Naomi has been teaching and dancing professionally, both nationally and internationally, and is looking forward to training more local teachers as Dance for Life and her dance school NA Dance Company, in Sydney and Wentworth Falls, increase opportunities for dance locally. Naomi is classically trained but has a sneaky love for Acro and Cheerleading!

## New Kitchen Garden and Community Women's Circle at Sacred Heart

A community meeting is being held at 11am on Sat 28 May on the grounds of the Sacred Heart Parish to look at starting an organic Kitchen Garden to create meals for those in need. Ph. Brian on 0401 768 688. There are also plans for a Community Women's Circle on Friday mornings from 10-12. Guided meditation, creative arts and writing activities, and a friendly cuppa. Register your interest to 8843 2545 or email [sally.butler@ccss.org.au](mailto:sally.butler@ccss.org.au)



Naomi Roberts and Angela Corkeron of Dance for Life are proud to support Blackheath's Local Community News and provide creative programs for the community

[danceforlife.net.au](http://danceforlife.net.au)  
[nadanceco.com.au](http://nadanceco.com.au)

## District Events in April/May

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### Lemon Twist Lesbian Mountains Meetup

2pm-4pm FREE Join in the fun and meet new people at this monthly Saturday social gathering on the last Saturday of the month at the Hub, 125 Wentworth St. Call 4787 7770 for more info.

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### Blackheath History Forum: Deirdre O'Connell on 'Harlem Nights'

4pm Author Deirdre O'Connell in conversation with fellow historian Hannah Forsyth about 'Harlem Nights: The Secret History of Australia's Jazz Age'. \$12 includes glass wine at Gardner's Inn. A Gleebooks event.

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### Blue Mountains Creative Arts Network Open Day

12.30-4pm FREE. Join fellow creative spirits for this inspiring and lively event supported by BANC. No need to book! Gallery H 227 Chifley Rd Dargan

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### Rhodo Community Markets

8.30am - 1pm Local stallholders and Rotary Barbeque. An eclectic mix of goods including hand-made and home-grown. Blackheath Community Hall and Gardens, Great Western Highway

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### Go with the Flow Art Therapy group

10.15 - 12.30 Come and connect with others through creativity and having fun. Run by registered art therapist Sue. No artistic skills needed! 125 Wentworth St, Blackheath. Bookings essential. Contact Sue Wildman 0438 830 390

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### Art Play on Wednesday - Art Play on Saturday

10am to 12 noon A series of fun, creative and social art workshops. Every Wednesday during school term. First Saturday of each month. Bookings essential: Contact Lindena Robb for more information 0410 310 205

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### Bushfire safety for new residents

10 am to 12 noon An essential introduction to staying safe with BANC's popular HUFF (Heads Up For Fire) program. Trigger points. Fire Plan. RFS Inspection Bates Hall. Bookings: Liz Barclay HUFF Coordinator 47877770

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### Fridays at 125

5pm to 7pm Join your community for a relaxed and enjoyable evening of music, dancing, games and pizza. A great way to make new friends and wind down from the week. Blackheath Hub 125 Wentworth St. No bookings necessary.

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### Mountains Marketeers - Blackheath Craft Markets

9am-3pm Every Saturday and 1st and 4th Sunday of the month at Blackheath-Mt Victoria RSL Sub-Branch, 2 Bundarra St. Bookings and enquiries to Rahim Isa on 0409 339473

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### Blackheath Community Farm Landcare Group

1.30-4.30pm Be part of #GenerationRestoration! Fall in love with the bush and learn how to protect it in enjoyable company with Blackheath Community Farm's Landcare Group. Ph. Lis on 0407 437 553

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### Amaroo Equine program 'Calm, Confident Boys'

Under 13s 10am to 11am, Over 13s 12pm to 1pm Saturdays during school terms. Experiential learning where participants develop new insight and learn new skills via relational experiences with horses. Bookings Bel 0407 063 915

## District Events in May

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### The Vegetable Plot

An award-winning group of musicians, storytellers, & singers who have sprung from the underground on a radical mission: to get kids & families to fall in love with vegetables! Blackheath Community Hall Ph. 0409042869

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### Mothers' Day Celebrations

Spoil your Mum with a special Mother's Day High Tea or Lunch at the Boiler House - Hydro Majestic Hotel, Medlow Bath

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### Markets: Blackheath Growers Market & Crafty Beggars Markets

8am to 12 noon Growers Market at Blackheath Community Hall and Crafty Beggars Markets at White Church Hall, 125 Wentworth St Blackheath.

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### Disaster resilience training: chainsaw crosscut & weed managem't

10-11th or 12-13 May at Bell/Clarence/Dargan; 24-25th or 26-27 May Mt Tomah/Berambing/Bilpin/Kurra Hts; Maintain chainsaws - Trim and cut felled trees. Enquiries/bookings to [resilience@habitat.org.au](mailto:resilience@habitat.org.au)

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### Yamayarra Aboriginal Accidental Counsellor

9am - 3pm Killibinbin Native Nursery, 283 Chifley Rd, Dargan. Learn to 'Recognise, Respond and Refer'. Build confidence to support First Nations peoples in distress or experiencing a crisis Enquiries/Bookings 0428 305 120

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### The Keepers: Red Dirt Black Soul Blues and Classics

7pm

As noted by a totally unqualified commentator: 'Better than nothing'. Blackheath Golf & Community Club. \$10. Bookings essential to 4787 8406

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### Leaving - The Art of Dying

9.30-1pm A creative and knowledge-based workshop to assist you in preparing for your own death or processing the death of a loved one. Blackheath Hub, 125 Wentworth St Bookings: 0437 877 232

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### Introduction to Drypoint Etching

Sat 21 & Sun 22 May. - Taking inspiration from your garden or the surrounding environment of the Blue Mountains Members \$140 / Non-Members \$180 Bookings to: [workshops@blackheathart.com](mailto:workshops@blackheathart.com) 139a Station Street, Blackheath

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### Songwriting Masterclass with Glenn Skuthorpe

2 - 4pm Nhunggabarra, Kooma man and singer-songwriter Glenn Skuthorpe performed with the massed choir of Bulgamada in Aug 2019. Come and hear his stories up close and personal. Bookings to [christinewheeler55@gmail.com](mailto:christinewheeler55@gmail.com)

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### Family Art

Noon - 1.30 Children under 12 and their parents are invited to express their creativity together in a joyful and messy art workshop. Presbyterian Hall, 125 Wentworth St. Bookings essential: 0404 288 487 Text only.

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### Popes Glen Bushcare Group

9am-12noon Meet at the shelter below the shower block at Blackheath Caravan Park. Great way to meet like-minded friends. For more info contact [alanlane388@gmail.com](mailto:alanlane388@gmail.com)

All details are correct at time of printing.

Please contact event organisers to confirm details.

Send events to [events@thebigfix.org](mailto:events@thebigfix.org) or phone Lis on 0407 437 553

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## Blackheath writer Michele Fermanis-Winward's new book 'These Weighted Months' now @Gleebooks

It's the story of lockdown in the Mountains, of discovering edible weeds, of a family emergency and a rush interstate ... then being prevented from returning home for five months, living in one tiny room in inner city Melbourne and finding solace in nature.

## Reach Recovery Program

**From 31 May Tuesdays 10am-12 noon**  
FREE Morning tea provided.

A 9-week psycho-educational wellbeing group to help those with depression or bipolar manage their illness and stay well. Designed by the Black Dog Institute. Phone 8843 2500 or email@ccss.org.au

## Cuppa's Together - 9.30 Wednesdays

Fairtrade morning tea, Swap Table, Street Plant Library, Vinnies assistance, and games of chess and scrabble until 12 noon. 167 Wentworth St (in church hall). All welcome.

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### Mark Tedeschi QC talking about his book Missing, Presumed Dead

4pm at Gardner's Inn, GWH  
\$20 (\$17 concession) Mark will be in conversation with crime author Michael Duffy. Tickets from Gleebooks 4787 6340 or [www.gleebooks.com.au/blackheath](http://www.gleebooks.com.au/blackheath)

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### Plant Propagation Workshop at Cliff View Community Farm

10am-11.30am  
Learn how to save money and increase your food-growing capacity at this workshop. Contact Lyndall Crompton on [lyndall2013@gmail.com](mailto:lyndall2013@gmail.com)

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### Faery4 Create magical faery doors

10am-12 noon - Channel the ethereal as you craft a door for the sprites in your garden. Blackheath Hub 125 Wentworth St. Bookings: 0424 230 114 Free

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### Improve anxiety and resilience in your child

9-30am-12.30pm Blackheath Community Hall. Bookings: [linda@thriveservices.org.au](mailto:linda@thriveservices.org.au)

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