



INAUGURAL ART LIVE: ON TOUR EVENT SET TO ROCK DUBBO REGION

The National Gallery of Australia's (NGA) first *Art Live: On Tour* youth event will take over the Western Plains Cultural Centre (WPCC) for one night on Friday 12 April 2024.

As the sun sets on the WPCC, young people aged between 15 – 25 years old will witness the centre transform into a thriving scene of live music with a free sausage sizzle and drink, and a hands-on First Nations arts experience.

The after dark event will allow attendees to explore the National Gallery of Australia's exhibition *The 4th Indigenous Art Triennial: Ceremony*, take part in a clay pod making workshop with K/Gamilaroi artist Penny Evans and listen to the electrifying beats of local artists ELVE, The Crew and Riley & Ah-See.

National Gallery of Australia Program Convenor, Young People, Mary Kendell said The Gallery is thrilled to hold their first satellite youth event

Art Live: On Tour at the WPCC.

“*Art Live* is a festival-type event that combines artists, ideas, exhibitions, music, and creative experiences, exclusively for young audiences aged 15 to 25. *Art Live* is developed by the National Gallery Youth Council, a group of young arts advocates from around Australia who lead programming for young people at the National Gallery.

“With *Art Live: On Tour*, we want to invite young people from Dubbo and the surrounding regions to kickstart celebrations for Youth Week with us. This event offers an engaging platform to interact with *The 4th Indigenous Art Triennial: Ceremony*, participate in a clay pod making workshop with K/Gamilaroi artist Penny Evans, and consider ways that we can all be responsible for caring for Country. It's also an opportunity to connect with peers, celebrate youth talent, and enjoy a safe space for creative exploration and expression.”

“We're thrilled to partner with the Western Plains Cultural Centre to bring *Art Live* to the young people of Dubbo, made possible with the support of Learning & Digital patron Tim Fairfax AC,” Ms Kendell said.

WPCC Cultural Development Coordinator Jessica Moore said securing the inaugural *Art Live: On Tour* event was a real win for not just the region's youth, but for the Dubbo Region as a whole.

“We are extremely excited to be hosting the first *Art Live: On Tour* youth event. It is a fantastic way for young people to experience the amazing First Nations artwork featured in *The 4th Indigenous Art Triennial: Ceremony* in a casual and fun atmosphere. We expect a big turnout, so book your tickets now,” Ms Moore said.

Art Live: On Tour will be held at the WPCC on Friday 12 April from 6pm to 9pm. It is exclusively for people aged between 15 – 25 and entry is free, however bookings are essential.

To secure your tickets, head to www.123tix.com.au/events/42675/art-live-on-tour .

This is a vape, smoking and alcohol-free event.

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