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Australia Day Award nominations open

The search is on to find Warrnambool's most dedicated, generous and community-minded people.

And once found, let's reward those people with a nomination for a 2018 Warrnambool Australia Day award. Nominations for the awards are now open.

Categories include Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year, Community Event of the Year and the Local Achiever Award.

Chair of the Warrnambool Australia Day advisory committee, Bron Levett, said that Australia Day was a tremendous community event and the perfect opportunity to recognise those who help make Warrnambool so attractive and liveable.

"We know that cities are enriched by the efforts of devoted people who volunteer their time to improve the wellbeing of those around them," she said.

"Nominating someone for an Australia Day award is a simple yet significant way of showing our appreciation."

As with last year's awards, residents who do not reside in Warrnambool, yet make a significant contribution to the Warrnambool community, will be eligible for the Local Achiever Award.

Nominations close at 5pm on November 24, 2017.

The winners will be announced in the lead-up to Australia Day, with an official ceremony and community celebration to be held at the Warrnambool Botanic Gardens on January 26.

Nitro Circus comes to Warrnambool

World-renowned stunt show Nitro Circus will come to Warrnambool as part of its 2018 world tour.

"The Next Level Tour" includes just eight cities in Australia with the Warrnambool leg to be staged at Reid Oval on April 14, 2018.

"This is a major coup for Warrnambool and a magnificent addition to our event calendar," Warrnambool City Council Visitor Economy Manager David McMahon said.

The circus is led by motocross rider and stunt performer Travis Pastrana and will feature FMX, BMX, scooter and inline riders.

"For me, action sports is all about passion, progression and pushing the limits," Pastrana said.

"We've spent the past 10 years finding the limits of traditional ramps. In order to step up to the next level, we had to be willing to go bigger."

Mr McMahon said having the Nitro Circus come to Warrnambool

confirmed Warrnambool was a serious player in attracting and hosting significant events.

"And these events come with tangible economic outcomes, with thousands of visitors from across Victoria expected to spend the weekend in our city as well as the branding benefits of the national marketing campaign."

It will be a spectacular weekend in Warrnambool for fans of motorsport entertainment. The Nitro Circus coincides with Warrnambool Premier Speedway's season finale, "The Final Shakedown".

Tickets to the Nitro Circus go on sale October 15 at www.nitrocircus.live.

Tickets to Premier Speedway's Final Shakedown are available now at www.premierspeedway.com.au

Walktober – put your best foot forward

October is Walk to School month - a fun and easy way for school kids to build healthy habits for life.

Walking, riding or scooting to school is a great way for kids to get more exercise – research shows they need at least 60 minutes of exercise every day – and it's great for the environment.

Research has shown the benefits of exercise on concentration levels, so they also come to school more alert and ready to learn. Parents can save time by not having to drive into the school precinct and fewer cars on the road near schools also means improved pedestrian safety.

For students who live too far away to walk the entire distance to school, their parents are encouraged to drop them off within walking distance – walking some of the way is ok!

For more information visit www.walktoschool.vic.gov.au.



ACTION AGAINST ICE

Understanding the drug ice

A community forum about the impact of the drug ice will be held on October 17 at the Lighthouse Theatre.

The forum is open to anyone.

“This is an opportunity to get a basic understanding of the drug ice and how it can impact on individuals, families and the community,” forum organiser Russ Goodear said.

“Whether you are a parent, coach, teacher, employer, student – you can get the facts about ice and learn how to start the process to have a conversation about it.”

Mr Goodear said more than 60 per cent of court cases heard in Warrnambool had a link to ice use.

He said the best practice from across the world indicated that a “whole-of-community” approach was needed to effectively help tackle the ice issue.

“Data confirms that the prevalence and use of ice across the Great South Coast is presenting challenges on many levels. “The Great South Coast Ice Challenge aims to help address the ice problem in our region.”

The community driven initiative is focused on education, awareness, action and prevention in order to help stop the impact of ice use.

Topics will include:

- How to start conversations with friends and family about ice
- The impact of ice on a person, a family and the community
- The physical and psychological impact of ice
- The impact of drugs around road trauma, crime and family violence
- Support services and agencies
- The Great South Coast ICE Challenge...Education, Awareness, Action & Prevention Projects
- Questions & Answer Session

The forum will run from 7pm – 9pm. For more information contact Russ Goodear on 0402 127 077 or goodidea@ansoniac.com.au. For more information about the drug ice, visit www.understandice.org.au or www.icechallengegsc.com.

The Lookout Residential Rehabilitation Centre

The Lookout Campaign is beginning to gain momentum in Warrnambool.

Launched by the Western Region Alcohol and Drug Centre (WRAD) and its partners, the campaign aims to establish a 20-bed residential drug rehabilitation facility, known as the Lookout.

The Warrnambool City Council supports the establishment of a facility that will provide people who are dependent on alcohol and other drugs with the best possible chance of overcoming their drug-related problems.

The centre would provide treatment for

clients within the Great South Coast region, which has a population of 120,000 and includes the municipalities of Warrnambool, Moyne, Glenelg, Southern Grampians, Corangamite and Colac-Otway.

A rehabilitation centre not only provides a therapeutic setting where alcohol and drug problems are addressed, it also supports people with the development of skills and strategies they need to improve their lives.

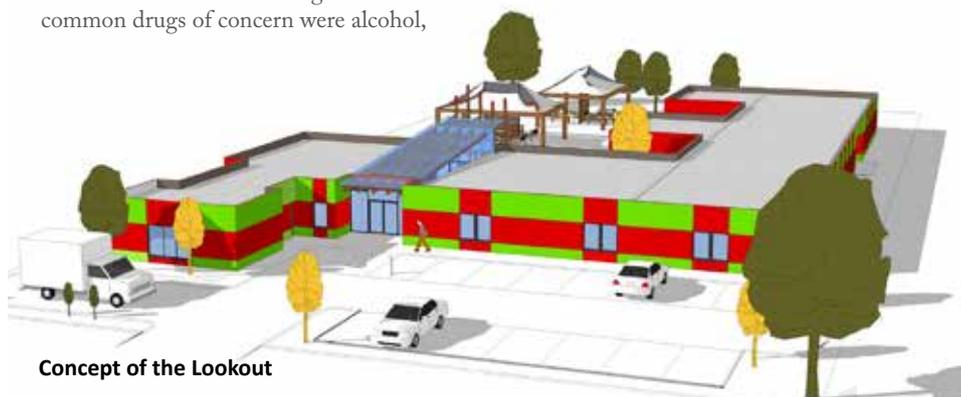
In 2015-2016 more than 660 people received specialist alcohol and other drug treatment in the Great South Coast region. The most common drugs of concern were alcohol,

cannabis and amphetamines with many clients reporting problems with more than one type of substance.

WRAD has pledged \$600,000 to the project and is seeking \$1.1 million in recurrent funding from the Victorian Government and \$600,000 from the community.

To make a donation, visit www.wrad.org.au

A fundraiser showcasing great regional produce will be held on October 26 at the Pavilion from 6.30pm. Tickets are \$85 each. Contact WRAD on 1300 009 723.



Concept of the Lookout



Bird is the word at Flagstaff Hill

Flagstaff Hill's newest attraction is sure to have visitors in a flap.

Australia's most famous turkey, Albert, has taken up residence at the maritime village.

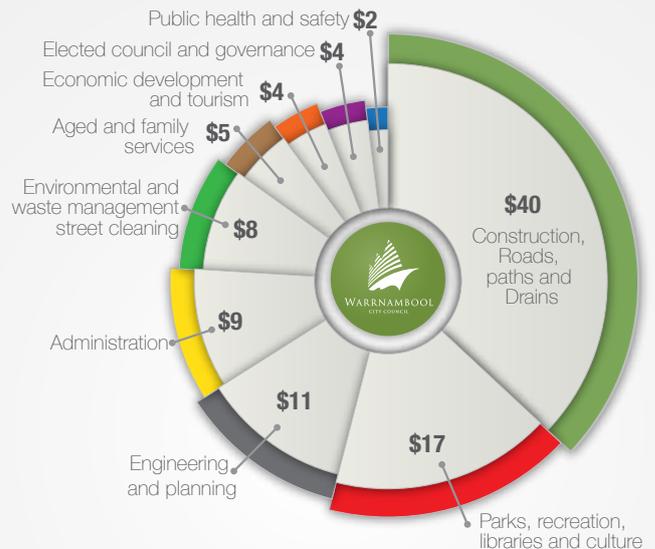
Albert made global headlines when he was apprehended by Warrnambool police officers in a CBD laneway in September, having escaped from his owners' car.

After being released without charge, despite being considered a flight risk, Albert's owners decided he might be happier in a new environment.

Turkeys would have been a common sight in an 1860s coastal port, so Albert fits right in at Flagstaff Hill.

The village is open daily from 9am – 5pm.

How Warrnambool City Council will allocate each \$100 in 2017-2018



- Construction, roads, paths and drains - \$40
- Parks, recreation, libraries and culture - \$17
- Engineering and planning - \$11
- Administration - \$9
- Environmental and waste management, street cleaning - \$8
- Aged and family services - \$5
- Economic development and tourism - \$4
- Elected council and governance - \$4
- Public health and safety - \$2

Have your say on waste management

How could waste in Warrnambool be better managed?

The Warrnambool City Council is seeking community feedback on its Draft Resource Recovery, Waste Minimisation and Management Strategy.

Topical and relevant issues are addressed such as the introduction of an organic waste collection, becoming a plastic bag free city, landfill bans, waste to energy, radio frequency identification tagging and container deposit legislation.

The draft strategy aims to set the direction for resource recovery and waste management within the municipality. It also paints the picture of waste management in Warrnambool describing the local context, regional, state, federal and global impacts.

The strategy will also help inform the next kerbside collection service and contract which will be advertised by public tender next year.

To have your say on the Draft Resource Recovery, Waste Minimisation and Management Strategy go to www.yoursaywarrnambool.com.au

Once the Strategy has been through the consultation phase and feedback considered, it will be reviewed and submitted to Council for adoption.

Submissions close on October 18, 2017.



Grieve Street playground gets an upgrade

The Grieve Street playground has been freshened up thanks to a \$20,000 allocation from the Small Infrastructure Fund.

The basketball ring now has a larger surrounding court and a new decking platform has been installed.

The existing playground was improved with new equipment including a climbing net and a rocker.

Council's Small Infrastructure Fund provides capital for small-scale, neighbourhood infrastructure which are not always accommodated in the major capital works program.

celebrage! – you're welcome!

The annual Celebrage festival returns this month, providing older residents ample opportunities to try new things, meet new friends and make the most of their life in Warrnambool.

Celebrage will be launched on October 8 at the Warrnambool Art Gallery, with guest speaker Vicki Jellie discussing the important role seniors play in the community and encouraging people to continue to stay active as they age.

The launch will also see the announcement of the 2017 Victorian Senior of the Year nominees. Archie Graham Community Centre Coordinator Ken Radley said that the popularity of the event is increasing year on year.

“Celebrate has been running for a few years now and is becoming very well attended,” he said. “This is great, as it shows that older people in Warrnambool are interested in opportunities to get out and about and enjoy themselves.

“Retirement is when you should spend more time doing the things you enjoy. Or if there is something you've always wanted to start doing, now is a great time.

“While the program is designed for seniors, two ‘seniors’ in Warrnambool can have a 40 year age gap, so we make sure we offer a diverse range of events to cater for different interests and mobility levels.

“Whether you want to enjoy the music of legends like Athol Guy of the Seekers, have a hit of tennis, go on a street-art walk or just have a cuppa and cake in a friendly environment, you will have something to enjoy at Celebrage.”

As part of the state-wide festival, Victorian Seniors Card holders are entitled to free travel on Victorian public transport between October 8 and October 15.

For a full program of events and more information about Celebrage, visit www.warrnambool.vic.gov.au, call 5559 4920 or visit the Archie Graham Community Centre in Timor Street.

Some events have already sold out, so please book as early as possible.



These are just some of the great events happening during Celebrage! For a full listing, visit the Archie Graham Centre in Timor Street, call 5559 4920 or visit www.warrnambool.vic.gov.au/celebrage-festival

Celebrage Seniors Week Launch

Sunday October 8, 2.30pm-4pm
Warrnambool Art Gallery

Free. Acknowledge the nominated Victorian Seniors of the Year for 2017. Wine, cheese and entertainment. Guest speaker- Vikki Jellie (2017 Australian of the Year Local Hero). Bookings at the Archie Graham Centre 5559 4920.

F Project Street Art Walk

Wednesday October 11, 1pm-3pm
Departing the F Project, 224 Timor Street

Free. In and around Warrnambool's CBD and up laneways are many hidden treasures which artists have delighted in leaving for locals to discover. Light refreshments/afternoon tea provided. Walk will depart at 1.30pm.

Social Tennis Day

Friday October 13, 20 and 27, 12pm-3pm
Warrnambool Indoor Tennis Centre

Free. Come along and enjoy three sets of tennis in a friendly and social environment. Tea and coffee will be provided. Bookings essential at the tennis centre 5562 6539.

The Seekers Story – Athol Guy

Wednesday October 18, 11am-12pm
Lighthouse Theatre

Cost \$10. Relive the hits and take a journey with Athol Guy as he brings you The Seekers Story. Bookings at Lighthouse Theatre 5559 4999.

Seniors Choir 60th Birthday Afternoon Tea

Wednesday October 18, 2pm-4pm
Archie Graham Centre

Free. Warrnambool Senior Citizens is 60 years old! Come along and help us celebrate. All welcome. Bookings essential at Archie Graham Centre 5559 4920.

Are you 65 or over?

Most people are happiest when they can live independently in their own home for as long as they wish, but sometimes a little bit of help can make things a lot easier.

The Federal Government My Aged Care service is your one-stop-shop for aged care services in Australia.

It provides you with information on the different types, eligibility requirements and costs of all the aged care services available to you, and the organisations that provide them.

“Council is the largest provider of in-home aged care services in south-west Victoria,” said Warrnambool City Council Manager Home Support Kevin Ryan.

“We provide support with services such as cleaning, doing laundry, shopping assistance, personal hygiene, attending appointments, lawn mowing, basic home maintenance, meals on wheels, social support, respite and so much more.

“It is our job to help you stay in your own home for as long as you like.”

How to receive Warrnambool City Council home support services

1. Call My Aged Care 1800 200 422
2. Have a home support assessment
3. Select Warrnambool City Council as your provider
4. Sign a service agreement and Care Plan
5. Enjoy living independently and safe in your home, with our help.

If you are already receiving aged care services, you do not have to contact My Aged Care unless your circumstances change. Instead, call the Warrnambool City Council on 5559 4800 and ask to speak with one of our home support specialists.

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Facilities



Sustainable Investment



Participation



Processes & Systems

A focus on sport and recreation

Anyone with an interest in making Warrnambool a better place to be physically active is encouraged to join a focus group and help develop Council's new sport, recreation and physical activity strategy.

The new strategy, known as Active Warrnambool, will help inform Council's planning and provision of sport, recreation and physical activity for the next ten years.

Three focus groups will build on the feedback garnered through the recent W2040 consultation, which saw more than 1200 surveys and 8000 comments submitted regarding what Warrnambool should look like in 20 years.

Much of the feedback related to sport, recreation and physical activity.

Council's Senior Recreation Planner Kim White said that being physically active is one of the best things we can all do to improve our health and wellbeing.

"An important role of Council is to provide facilities that enable people to be active. This can be through the provision of formal facilities such as sports grounds and informal facilities such as walking and cycling trails," she said.

"Whilst it is great to see that the number of residents who are getting enough physical activity has increased over the past four years, one in three residents remain inactive. Determining ways for more residents of all ages and abilities to be more active more regularly will be a key focus of the Strategy.

"Sporting clubs provide opportunities for people to be healthy and active together. They are important contributors to vibrant regional and rural communities and data from VicHealth confirms that club-based participation in our municipality is high, almost twice as high as the state average." The Strategy will look at ways to help clubs to be sustainable for the long-term.

To express your interest in joining a focus group or for further information on Active Warrnambool visit www.warrnambool.vic.gov.au/active-warrnambool-strategy

You're invited to the Great South Coast Regional Assembly

If you have an idea for how the Victorian Government could help unleash the potential of our region, then you are encouraged to attend the 2017 Great South Coast Regional Assembly.

In 2016 the Victorian Government established nine regional partnerships as a new way for communities to directly engage with the government.

The Great South Coast Regional Partnership covers five local government shires including the Warrnambool City Council.

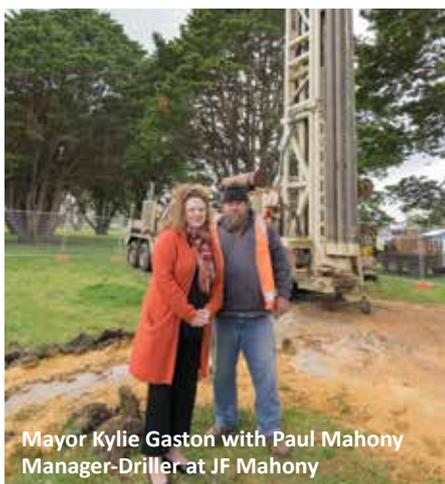
This assembly will build on the 2016 event held in Port Fairy where nearly 200 community members told the State Government about their priorities for the region.

Our community wants to see a strong tourism industry, improved education and opportunities for young people, a safe and healthy community, a growing digital economy, investment in agriculture and food production, improved attraction and retention of people living in the region, and support for renewable energy and innovation.

If you want to have an opportunity to speak directly to the Victorian Government then get involved.

Register to attend the assembly, to be held on October 12 in Portland from 5.30pm - 8.30pm at www.engage.vic.gov.au/great-south-coast/regional-assembly-registration

Or if you can't come to the assembly have your say at www.engage.vic.gov.au/great-south-coast.



Mayor Kylie Gaston with Paul Mahony Manager-Driller at JF Mahony

Full bore at Brierly

A new bore has been drilled at the Brierly Recreation Reserve to provide cost-effective water to playing surfaces.

The bore will draw water from a depth of about 35m into a 100,000 litre storage tank at night when electricity is cheaper.

This, along with the reduced cost of using bore water instead of town water for irrigation, will save Council tens of thousands of dollars annually.

The bore and associated irrigation infrastructure will provide water to the western oval initially, with a view to provide water to the eastern oval as funding becomes available.

The Victorian Government contributed \$100,000 to the \$265,000 project via the Sport and Recreation Victoria Community Sports Infrastructure Fund.

A minute with the Mayor

Council recently led another delegation to our Chinese sister city, Changchun.

The purpose of the trip was to further cement the relationship and friendship between our two cities and, importantly, to help connect more Warrnambool region people to key contacts in China with a view to developing further opportunities in education, tourism and food export.

A moving highlight of the trip was the presentation by Deakin University of a scholarship to a young student from Changchun who now has a chance to complete her undergraduate degree at the Warrnambool campus. This is expected to be the first of an ongoing series of annual scholarships that present the Warrnambool campus to what has the potential to be a large pool of overseas students - and their families. Fu Changyu is so excited to be coming to live here next year and make the most of this opportunity.

In a couple of weeks an important community event is being held - the forum on the drug ice. I encourage everyone to consider going along. We hear a great deal about ice but how much do we really know about it, other than it is dangerous, has the potential to be highly addictive and is



implicated in many of the criminal matters that come before the Warrnambool Court? The forum will be a presentation of facts and I believe a community equipped with the facts about a problem will certainly be more able to deal with it.

Cr Kylie Gaston, Mayor

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A Minute with the Youth Mayor

The past month has been incredibly busy for the Warrnambool Youth Council.

Youth councillors have been busy engaged in our projects including the Drug and Alcohol first aid workshops to be held later in October.

Last month, some councillors met with a representative from Brophy and Headspace to obtain information about the various services offered by the organisation for the region's youth.

This information is vital in some of the presentations that will be made at the workshops. A part of the program will include a video presentation about Brophy, outlining the services that are offered. Also last week, some of our councillors were invited to the First Community Partners Forum regarding the findings of the W2040 community consultation process.

The information from the surveys provided many ways in which Warrnambool can be improved for the future. Finally, the planning for the Warrnambool and Moyne Shire Youth Achiever awards is well under way with forms being distributed to many local organisations that are associated with young people.

On behalf of the Warrnambool Youth Council we wish all students the best as they embark on their Term 4 studies.

Luke Atkinson, Youth Mayor



Visiting us in person

Civic Centre
25 Liebig Street
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Open from 8.30am - 5pm, Mon-Fri.

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Council meetings

Monday October 30
(Annual Meeting)

Monday November 6

5.45pm

Warrnambool Civic Centre, 25 Liebig St

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2017 October Calendar



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**Lineage – Floor talk with
Connor Ovenden**

**Saturday October 7, 1pm – 2pm
Warrnambool Art Gallery**

At this talk, Connor will discuss his approach to creating art for his first solo exhibition and how his work is informed by the strong relationship he has with the women in his family. Connor won the Peter Lucas Memorial Prize, which provides a South West TAFE student with exhibition space and mentoring. Lineage is on display at the gallery from September 29 until November 12.

**Free to attend
www.thewag.com.au**

Celebrage

**Sunday October 8 – Sunday October 18
Various locations**

Celebrage is a range of events and activities which promote positive ageing within the community and active living. Many of the events are free or offered at an affordable price and are aimed at encouraging people to try a range of different activities. See page 5 for more information or visit www.warrnambool.vic.gov.au/celebrage-festival

WAG guided tour

**Saturday October 14, 1pm – 1.45pm
Warrnambool Art Gallery**

Join WAG Curator of Collections, Agostina Hawkins, for a free guided tour of our permanent collection exhibitions: Collection: 1886 to Now and the Joseph Archibald Gallery.

**Free to attend
www.thewag.com.au**

**Sunday music: Sonia Gellart and
students**

**Sunday October 22, 1pm – 2pm
Warrnambool Art Gallery**

Join expert local piano teacher Sonia Gellart and her students as they perform a number of vibrant piano pieces amongst the Warrnambool Art Gallery's permanent collection.

**Free to attend
www.thewag.com.au**

**Australian Local Government
Women's Association Victorian
Conference**

**Friday October 13 – Sunday October 15
Various Locations**

The Australian Local Government Women's Association Victorian Conference will feature philanthropist, businesswoman and past vice-president of the Western Bulldogs Football Club, Susan Alberti AC. The conference will explore the themes of resilience, strength and empowerment.

www.wonderfulwarrnambool.com.au

**South West Regatta - come and
try day**

**Sunday October 15, 10am – 12.30pm
Proudfoots Boathouse**

Looking for a fun fitness activity you can enjoy with your friends? Captain a St Ayles Skiff or a whaleboat in the South West Regatta. Bring your crew down and see if rowing is for you. All equipment provided and no rowing experience is necessary.

**Free to attend
www.warrnambool.vic.gov.au**

Community ice forum

**Tuesday October 17, 7pm – 9pm
Lighthouse Theatre**

Get a basic understanding of the drug ice and learn how we all have a role to play in reducing the impact it is having on our community. More information on page 3. Free to attend. Gold coin donation requested.

**For more information contact Russ
Goodear, 0402 127 077 or [goodidea@
ansonics.com.au](mailto:goodidea@ansonics.com.au)**

Powercor Tour De Depot

**Sunday October 15
Lake Pertobe**

Enjoy a day out of cycling, entertainment and community spirit with the whole family around Lake Pertobe. The event includes a 20km time trial, 5km or 10km community ride for all ages and abilities and a free community festival including markets, food vendors and loads of kids activities. 100 per cent of funds raised, including all entry fees, are donated to the 2017 charity partner, Leila Rose Foundation. Register www.tourdedepot.com.au



Coming soon to

**LIGHTHOUSE
THEATRE**

Dylan-esque – The Bob Dylan Story

Saturday October 14, 8pm

The two-hour narrated concert leads audiences through the unforgettable songs and milestone events that shaped Bob Dylan, one of the world's most influential artists.

Athol Guy – The Seekers Story

**Presented by Celebrage and the Archie
Graham Centre**

Wednesday October 18, 11am

The Seekers Story is a personal experience, taking in Athol's earliest musical moments

leading up to the unmistakable Seekers sound and their international success.

Melbourne Symphony Orchestra

Thursday October 19, 8pm

In this special concert, British clarinet virtuoso Michael Collins returns to play with and conduct the orchestra in a riveting series of works, including the dynamic Ornamental Air, written for him especially by MSO Composer in Residence Elena Kats-Chernin.

Exposing Edith

Morning Music

Tuesday October 24, 11am

French chanson meets contemporary as this performance charts the tragic life, loves and

losses of arguably France's greatest singer of all time, Edith Piaf.

Damien Leith

Parting Glass

Friday October 27, 8pm

The show which incorporates both a play and a musical concert of classic Irish songs is set in an Irish pub and sees Damien take on the character role of an Irish father as he chats with the audience about his son Daniel who lives in Australia.

The Rhythms of Ireland

10th Anniversary Tour

Saturday October 28, 8pm

The Rhythms of Ireland returns with their awe-inspiring and innovative production to Australia.