

Marrugeku premiere at Broome Civic Centre

Internationally acclaimed Marrugeku's latest dance-theatre production has premiered at the Broome Civic Centre, with further performances tonight and Saturday.

The Shire of Broome and Marrugeku are presenting *Burrgaja Yalirra – Three Short Works* - an evocative triple bill of new solo works exploring the challenges of reciprocity in Australia today.

Through a series of collaborations with Marrugeku Associate Artists Edwin Lee Mulligan, Eric Avery and Miranda Wheen and a team of interdisciplinary artists, *Burrgaja Yalirra (Dancing Forwards)* presents intercultural practice through Indigenous and non-Indigenous contemporary cultures across dance, music and storytelling.

Remaining performances are on Thurs 31 May and Sat 2 June at 7pm with tickets available at www.broomeciviccentre.com.au.



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What's happening in the Shire of Broome?

Wed 30, Thur 31 May – Staircase to the Moon Markets

Town Beach, 5pm-9pm. Browse stalls showcasing handmade products, jewellery, clothing and art. Tempt your palate with a delicious selection of food and beverages before sitting back to soak up the tunes of Broome musicians. Please note that road closures will be in place. Proudly supported by the Shire of Broome.

Thu 31 May – Ordinary Meeting of Council

Shire of Broome Council Chambers, 5pm. An Ordinary Meeting of Council is held on the fourth Thursday of each month. The community is invited to attend, and Public Question Time is held at the start of the meeting. Info on meetings, agendas and minutes, public question time and submitting petitions can be viewed at www.broome.wa.gov.au.

Tues 5 – Thurs 7 Jun - National Native Title Conference

Cable Beach. In its 40th anniversary year, the Kimberley Land Council has been selected as co-convenor of the 2018 National Native Title Conference. The conference will be staged by AIATSIS, together with the KLC, and hosted by Yawuru. The event coincides with the 40th anniversary of the KLC's formation at Noonkanbah – the site of one of the most significant land rights disputes in Australia's history. With over 800 delegates from around the country, the conference is one of Australia's largest gatherings of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the native title sector. For more go to www.klc.org.au.



Stephen Pigram is one of the headline performers for Friday's Broome Reconciliation Festival.

Excitement builds for Reconciliation Festival

National Reconciliation Week 2018 will be celebrated in Broome tomorrow night with a free family and community festival featuring live music and performances, art and more at Male Oval from 4pm to 10.30pm.

The Broome Reconciliation Festival 2018 is presented by the Shire of Broome and Yawuru, with funding support from Healthway.

National Reconciliation Week runs from 27 May to 3 June and aims to help Australians learn more about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures and histories, to share that knowledge and help Australia grow as a nation.

The theme for the Broome Reconciliation Festival 2018 is: "A community celebrating together is a community

growing together," and will feature performances by John Bennett, Stephen Pigram, Yatungal featuring Mervyn Mulardy, StiX and TriX, Seaside Drifters, Lyrical Instinct, Wasamba, St Mary's College Dancers and Studio 34 as well Kimberley Girls, market stalls, food vans and more.

Broome Shire President, Harold Tracey, says the Reconciliation Festival will be an important occasion and he encourages community members of all ages to attend.

"Our aim is to put on a fun festival, while at the same time bringing the community together to celebrate our town's unique cultural heritage," Cr Tracey says.

Workshops to equip Broome event organisers

A series of free workshops in June and July will improve the knowledge and skills of those developing and presenting events in Broome.

Community events contribute significantly to Broome's culture and local economy, and the Shire is partnering with Kimberley Small Business Support and the State Government to present a series of six free *Increasing Local Event Capacity* workshops.

In 2017 the Shire consulted widely with the community to identify opportunities for events in Broome and the needs of those developing and organising them.

Many of Broome's favourite events are put together

by community groups and volunteers, and often by a few experienced members working with several groups across the community.

The workshops aim to help them improve their skills and knowledge so they can coordinate successful events that achieve their goals, whether that be fundraising or to engage with the community.

Topics include planning, strategy, governance, financial management, marketing, and writing and acquitting funding applications:

To find out more head to the Shire website or contact Community Development Officer, Ingrid De Meillon, at (08) 9191 3401 or ingrid.demeillon@broome.wa.gov.au.

YAC providing a voice for young people

Broome's new Youth Advisory Council has met for the first time.

The Shire is seeking to get young people more involved in the future of our town and earlier this year called for nominations for vacancies on the YAC for young people aged 14-24.

The YAC met recently at Town Beach and discussed a range of topics including the Town Beach Project and plans for a nature play and youth space, and tomorrow's Broome Reconciliation Festival where members will participate in a community art project.

The YAC is one of the initiatives identified in the Shire of Broome Youth Framework that guides the Shire's



The new Broome YAC has met for the first time at Town Beach, involvement in youth services. It is delivered by the Shire with funding support from Rio Tinto thanks to a new three-year partnership.