



Thirroul Readers & Writers Festival

Date/Time	Event	Details
Friday 25th 5- 7pm	Children's "PJ and Pizza Party"	Target age: 8-12 years, siblings welcome Children move between a series of stations around the library – directed by library staff. At each station, one of 6 different guests is situated, offering book signings and a simple relevant activity/craft/mini writing activity Book signings with authors
7:30 – 10 pm	Welcome to The Festival A smorgasbord of music and words to start the 2017 Thirroul Readers and Writers Festival!	Welcome from Committee: Welcome to Country given by Richard Davis David Malouf , a Lifetime Ambassador for the Indigenous Literacy Foundation (ILF) will talk about what the Foundation does in remote indigenous communities and our festivals partnership with them <i>Sally Forth</i> – a local 4 part acapella group with a selection of eclectic unaccompanied songs Interval Jeff Apter will launch his new book <i>High Voltage; the life of Angus Young ACDC's Last Man Standing</i>
Saturday 26th 10.30 – 12.30pm	Book Tasting	Words AND food, what more could you want! (An event organized by the Thirroul Librarians)
10.15–11.15	Salt Blood	Michael Adams , the winner of this year's Australian Book Review's <i>Calibre Essay</i> talks about and reads from his essay,
11.30 – 1pm	Sporting Conversations with...	Gideon Haigh author of <i>A Stroke of Genius - Victor Trumper and the shot that changed cricket</i>) and Jeremy Wilshire author of <i>Test of Character; Confessions of Cricket Legends</i>

LUNCH 1pm to 1:45pm

1:45 – 2:45pm	In conversation with...	Catherine McKinnon author of <i>Storyland</i> in conversation with Caroline Baum , author of <i>Only – A Singular Memoir</i>
3:00 – 3:45pm	Who Are You? Part 1	Jeff Apter , author of <i>High Voltage; the life of Angus Young ACDC's Last Man Standing</i> , in conversation with Tim Douglas

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4.00–4.45pm	Who Are You? Part 2	Ashleigh Wilson , author of <i>Brett Whiteley: Art, Life and the Other Thing</i> , in conversation with Tim Douglas
5:00 – 5:45pm	Who Are You? Part 3	Kerrie Davies , author of <i>The Wife's Heart; The Untold Story of Bertha and Henry Lawson</i> , in conversation with Tim Douglas , with Tom Wilkie-Black reading the poems of Henry Lawson
6:00 – 6:30pm	Canapes with the Authors	
6.45pm	Judy Stubbs, (the director of <i>Eklektika</i>) will give a short talk about Madness and how it informs her music (and other things!	
7.30pm	Performance by Eklektika Cabaret Gothique	The Mad Scientist. The Mad Wife in the Attic. The Hunchback Driven Mad by Love. Join Eklektika & Friends as they explore madness in all its guises through their favourite Gothic characters and their unique take on the music of Prince, Sia, Nine Inch Nails, Florence & The Machine, Leonard Cohen, Muse, Neil Finn and more.
Sunday 27th 11:00 – 12pm	'A Writing Life'	Libby Gleeson talks about the difficulties and the struggles writers have to face to make a living in the 21st Century
12:15 – 1:00pm	In conversation with...	Simon Luckhurst , author of <i>Charlie's Wives</i> In conversation with Tim Allen

LUNCH 1:00pm to 2:00

2:00 – 3:30pm	'Writing as Activism' panel discussion chaired by Josie Castle	<p>Simon Luckhurst, author of <i>Eddie's Country – Why Did Eddie Murray Die</i> the story of an Aboriginal death in custody and the repercussions of that death "One of the most important books in my lifetime..." John Pilger);</p> <p>Denise Russell, author of <i>Women, Madness and Medicine</i> and <i>Who Rules the Waves? Piracy, Overfishing and Mining the Oceans</i>;</p> <p>Jane Lymer author of <i>The Phenomenology of Gravidity: Reframing Pregnancy and the Maternal through Merleau-Ponty, Levinas and Derrida</i></p> <p>Keith Horton: <i>Ethical Questions and International NGOs</i></p>
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