

TWEED REGIONAL MUSEUM

Annual Program 2025



Tweed Regional Museum acknowledges the Ngandawal and Minyungbal speaking people of the Bundjalung Country, in particular the Goodjinburra, Tul gi gin and Moorung Moobah clans, as the traditional owners and custodians of the land and waters on which the Museum sits. We recognise continuing connection to Country and pay our respect to elders past and present, and all those who share their stories and collaborate with us in our projects and spaces. The Museum is committed to truth telling and to listening deeply to Story, knowledge and culture. We pay our respect to the continuing and evolving culture of all First Nations people.

Uncle Franc Krasna at his Six Seasons activation at the Street Party
Photo: Dave Kan



WELCOME

Our 2025 program is an exciting offering of experiences, designed to spark curiosity and capture your imagination.

The exhibition lineup features blockbuster *How To Draw A Dinosaur*, which is continuing until May. This exhibition is a twist on the traditional presentation of dinosaurs in museums and leaves space for the creative minds of nine artists to interpret. You're also invited to join in the fun, with daily interactive experiences plus special bookable workshops and programs lead by artists Phoebe Paradise and Matthew Aberline.

From July, *Speak Easy* explores the remarkable history of human connection, tracing the bold ideas and technological breakthroughs that shaped modern communication. Each innovation once seemed impossible but ultimately transformed the way we connect. This beautifully crafted exhibition will take you back through history, from signals sent through the air to voices carried across oceans. Learning programs will use the Museum collection to delve into the exciting world of codebreaking.

Summer in 2025 brings a special cultural experience, with *The Wiiyaan*. This Aboriginal-led exhibition is the culmination of a two-year animation project between the Museum, Aboriginal Elders, community, and the animators of *Bluey*, Ludo Studios.

Our Museum on Wheels will once again be bringing cultural experiences to unexpected places around the Northern Rivers for its third year on the road. This year, we're excited to be working closely with the education sector to bring the Museum directly to regional schools and education facilities, as well as all your favourite places, events and festivals.

The Tweed Regional Museum Street Party has quickly become one of the most loved fixtures in the community's calendar. Last year we welcomed over 6,000 punters to party with us and we are looking forward to bringing it back in 2025. Sponsorship and donation enquiries are always welcome to support this fantastic community event, with more information available on our website.

I'd like to thank you for your participation and support of the Museum. See you in the Museum soon, we're so excited to make 2025 our best year yet!

Molly Green
Museum Director



SUPPORT US

Tweed Regional Museum creates connections, inspires wonder and supports learning through a year-round program of innovative exhibitions, programs and educational experiences.



Make a donation to the Museum here!
museum.tweed.nsw.gov.au/make-donation

Donations are always tax-deductible. You can also partner your business with us, leave a bequest or contribute significant cultural gifts to the Collection. Email us or visit us in person to discuss the many ways in which you can give.

Your support will enable us to continue to collect, preserve and share the Tweed's unique cultural and natural heritage for current and future generations to experience.



Annual Street Party
 Photos: Dave Kan & Bec Taylor

Featuring
CRAIG WALSH
PHOEBE PARADISE
MATTHEW ABERLINE
CHAYNE HULTREN
CHRISTINE MELLOR
ANDY FRAZER
LIDA XING
MICHAEL STIEGLER
KIRSTEN DEVITT

HOW TO DRAW A DINOSAUR

Step into a world where imagination meets science in *How to Draw a Dinosaur*—an exhilarating new exhibition that explores the fascinating relationship between art, science, and the mysteries of pre-historic creatures.

This exhibition is a dynamic playground for your own creativity, where the boundaries between fact and artistic interpretation blur, and the past comes alive in vivid detail. See real fossils, explore the science behind why we think dinosaurs look the way they do, experience breathtaking artworks by local and internationally acclaimed artists, and create your own dinosaur in our interactive rainbow room.

How to Draw a Dinosaur is a celebration of creativity, curiosity, and the unending quest to understand the prehistoric past. Whether you're an aspiring artist, a dinosaur lover, or simply someone eager to see how art and science collide, this exhibit invites you to engage with the past in a totally new and exciting way.

Until 19 July 2025

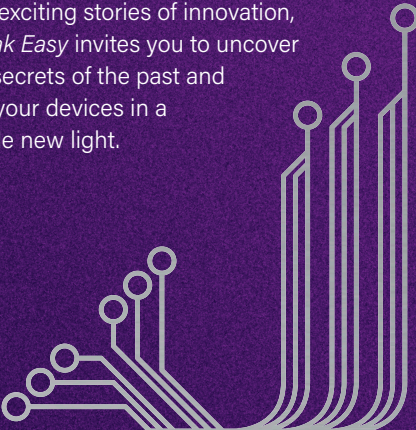


SPEAK EASY

29 July - 22 November

Speak Easy uncovers the remarkable breakthroughs that shaped how we connect today.

Every text, call, and video stream is built on a history of bold ideas and groundbreaking discoveries, many of which seemed impossible at the time. Signals sent through the air, voices carried across oceans, cables hidden beneath the sea; each step brought us closer to the powerful technology we now take for granted. With interactive displays, hands on codebreaking experiences, and exciting stories of innovation, *Speak Easy* invites you to uncover the secrets of the past and see your devices in a whole new light.



THE WIIYAAN



The Wiiyaan, are an unbroken line of origin, the Ancestors of the Tweed Bundjalung.

This exhibition brings to life cultural storyline artworks by local Aboriginal knowledge holders. Step through a world of paintings that have been transformed into immersive projection, soundscapes and sculpture.

This project has been initiated and led by the local Tweed Bundjalung Aboriginal community to share cultural stories — some for the first time. It is the culmination of a two year animation project between the Museum, local Elders, Community and Ludo Studios.

From 9 December

PROGRAMS

Follow the QR code to see
what's on and to book.

museum.tweed.nsw.gov.au/whats-on



UP LATE

Experience the Museum after dark in our Up Late series. Throughout the year, stay up late and join us for a curated program of special activities, workshops, food trucks, live music and more. Each one is unique and highlights a different part of the exhibition. Keep up to date via our socials to see when our next Up Late is scheduled.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN

There's always extra fun to be had at the Museum during school holidays. Every Tuesday and Thursday join us for a new adventure designed to spark imagination and creativity. Workshops are just \$5 per child.

MINI MUSEUM EXPLORERS

Ages 3+
10–10:30am every Thursday during NSW school term time.

Join us for a playful morning for little ones to explore the Museum through song, stories and soft play. This is a free program. Bookings are not required.

MoW at Splendour
Photo: Bec Taylor

MUSEUM ON WHEELS

Our Museum on Wheels (or, MoW) enables the community to have better access to the Museum's exciting programs, popping up all over the Tweed and beyond. Expect to see us in unexpected places with workshops, exhibitions and activities, so keep a lookout!

Want the MoW at your next event, festival, market or special location? Get in touch! Hiring the MoW makes a difference with all funds going to Museum programs. When you choose the MoW, you'll be directly supporting culture in the Tweed.

WORKSHOPS AND TOURS

Delve behind the scenes, hear insights into some of the stories behind the displayed objects and meet exhibition artists with our workshops and tours, scheduled throughout the year. Curator-led tours are also available for groups of up to 15 people during 10 am – 4 pm Tuesday to Friday. Bookings are by request only and subject to availability.

LAND LIFE CULTURE

Our permanent exhibition Land | Life | Culture tells the story of our part of the world from 360 million years ago to today.

The exhibition features important Indigenous cultural knowledge associated with key locations around the Tweed contributed by members of the local Aboriginal community as well as information on Tweed's biodiversity. There's something for everyone to discover, whether it be crystals, thunder eggs, volcanoes or snails!

The exhibition is drawn from the wider Museum Collection, which includes over 150,000 images and 15,000 objects. You can explore Land | Life | Culture, or the rest of our Collection online anytime by following the QR code below.



museum.tweed.nsw.gov.au/land-life-culture

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LEARN

We welcome groups of all ages and learning levels for enriching learning experiences at both our Murwillumbah and Tweed Heads Learning Site.

Tweed Regional Museum offers a range of exciting education programs and group bookings. Curriculum-based or flexible visits are available for school excursions to the Museum, as well as our Boyds' Shed experience at Tweed Heads.

We also welcome home schoolers, special interest groups and development opportunities for corporate staff.

Send an enquiry via the booking form on our website for more information on how to plan your Museum experience.



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School students visiting Game On!
Photo: Sally Singh

Volunteering at Tweed Regional Museum has been an incredibly fulfilling experience for me. It has given me the opportunity to contribute to my community, engage with visitors, and promote the rich history and culture of the Tweed.

Patrick Egan



YOUR MUSEUM

AMBASSADORS

Ambassadors are a vital part of Museum life. They support daily operations and work closely with staff to deliver a range of exciting programs, share history and undertake special interest projects. If you love connecting with people and would like to support the Museum, send us an email or visit the website for more information.

SOCIALS

To stay up to date with Museum news, events and opportunities, follow us on Instagram and Facebook or visit our website.
[@TweedRegionalMuseum](https://www.tweedregionalmuseum.com.au)

FEEDBACK

Get in contact! Do you have a potential donation to the Collection, a research query or some feedback from your visit? Email us at trm@tweed.nsw.gov.au

VENUE

Would you like to host your next event at the Museum? Get in touch! We have spaces in Murwillumbah, Tweed Heads or anywhere with the Museum on Wheels which are sure to make your next event one to remember.

SHOP

Museum shops are the best kind of shops! Take home a slice of Museum goodness from our selection of products inspired by our exhibitions, collection and local makers. By shopping with us you are supporting local and are always sure to find something special.

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