

# Course and Activity Guide

July-December 2021

Where people share, learn and connect

Explore our wide range of short courses, qualification courses, activities, events, MakerSpaces and social groups available at our Eltham, Diamond Creek and Panton Hill sites.



Neighbourhood Houses  
The heart of our community



[livinglearningnillumbik.vic.gov.au](http://livinglearningnillumbik.vic.gov.au)

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NILLUMBİK



## Our short courses and activities vary in duration from one session to year-long activities, such as MakerSpaces and Book Clubs.

Many courses are term-long, some are continuing activities from one term to the next and some courses are offered on a choice of different days, times or venues. Start and end dates vary, so check our website for full and current details.

### Visit our website and book online

Our easy to navigate website has detailed descriptions, dates, times and fees and you can enrol online at a time that's convenient to you. [livinglearningnillumbik.vic.gov.au](http://livinglearningnillumbik.vic.gov.au) You can also book in person or over the phone during office hours: **9433 3744**. If you hold a concession card, many of our courses offer a concession price.



### Enrol early!

Enrolments for term-based courses and activities generally open 6 weeks prior to the start of a term. If we don't get enough enrolments for an activity we may need to cancel it. We will usually do this one week before the start date so book early to avoid disappointment.

## 2021 Term dates

**Term 3:** 12 July - 17 September.  
Enrolments open Tuesday 15 June.

**Term 4:** 4 October - 16 December.  
Enrolments open Monday 6 September.

Enrolment open dates are subject to change.

### Can I book after a course has started?

Depending on the activity, late enrolments may be possible. Check the course description or contact us **9433 3744** or [info.livinglearning@nillumbik.vic.gov.au](mailto:info.livinglearning@nillumbik.vic.gov.au) to enquire.

### Who can participate?

We provide a positive, inclusive and supportive learning environment for everybody, no matter your age, gender, culture or ability. We offer courses and activities for adults, teenagers and children. And you don't have to be a resident of Nillumbik to attend.

### Stay connected

Subscribe to our eNews and follow us on Facebook and Instagram for all the latest news, events and activities at our three centres.

 **LivingLearningNillumbik**

 **@livinglearningnillumbik**

**Not online? We can print or email a list of all our courses and activities, including dates and fees. Just drop into one of our centres or give us a call.**



# Art, craft and clay

## Arts for health

Eltham

Monday, Women's group  
& Thursday, Men's group

**Cost \$115 | 10 sessions**

Increase mental health, well-being, confidence and social connection through art in these friendly supportive groups. No experience necessary.

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## Botanical illustration

Eltham

Thursday and Friday

**Cost \$300 | 10 sessions**

Learn the delicate art of illustrating fruits, flowers and plants. Beginners welcome. No experience necessary.

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## Exploring art styles and mediums

Eltham

Monday

**Cost \$298 | 10 sessions**

Diamond Creek

Wednesday

**Cost \$120 | 5 sessions**

Discover your medium and your style - whether traditional or contemporary. No experience necessary.

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## Japanese ink art

Beginner and intermediate

Eltham

Saturday

**Cost \$55 | 1 day workshop**

Learn the art of traditional Japanese sumie ink painting and calligraphy on washi paper and learn something about Japanese culture along the way.

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## Leadlight and glass art

Eltham

Tuesday and Wednesday

**Cost \$194 | 10 sessions**

Discover the beautiful art of lead lighting and working with glass. But beware - it's addictive!

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## Life drawing co-op

Eltham

Thursday

**Cost \$255 | 10 sessions**

Join this relaxed, friendly group of artists for regular sessions working with a life model.

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## Learn macrame

Diamond Creek

Saturday

**Cost \$54/\$91 | 1-2 sessions**

Create a wall hanging or pot plant holder to proudly hang in your home with the satisfaction of having made it with your own hands in a relaxed and friendly class.

# Art, craft and clay



## Mosaics introduction

Panton Hill

Saturday

**Cost \$91 | 2 sessions**

Learn basic skills, create your first mosaic item and catch the 'mosaic bug' from our experienced tutors.

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## Introduction to clay – NEW!

Eltham

Monday and Thursday

**Cost \$290 | 10 sessions**

Begin your journey with clay and experience new techniques each week that show you the many different ways clay can be used to express your unique creativity.

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## Pottery for beginners and beyond

Eltham

Tuesday or Wednesday

**Cost \$255 | 10 sessions**

Explore basic throwing, hand-building, glazing and decorating skills in our well-equipped clay studio.

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## Sewing clothes for beginners

Eltham

Thursday

**Cost \$90 | 6 sessions**

Learn the basics of making a skirt based on your own measurements in this fun and interactive class for sewing machine beginners.

## Watercolour painting - Perspective, Proportion and Placement

Eltham

Saturday

**Cost \$143 | 3 sessions**

Discover different aspects of this beautiful medium and improve your technique.

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## Watercolour for beginners

Panton Hill

Mondays

**Cost \$202 | 8 sessions**

Learn watercolour techniques, colour theory and drawing skills in this 8 week course.

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## Creativity unleashed

Panton Hill

**Cost \$45 | 2 hour workshop**

You'll discover where to find inspiration and explore practical ways to enhance and harness your creative energy, while mapping your goals and plans for success.



# Dance, music and performing arts

## Discovering dance

Eltham North Town Hall

Thursday

Cost \$66 | 9 sessions

Explore different dance styles/techniques.

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## Harp Co-Op

Diamond Creek

Thursday

Cost \$77 | Once a month

Practice harp skills with other enthusiasts.

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## Drama for seniors

Diamond Creek

Friday

Cost \$110 | 10 Sessions

Eltham

Tuesday

Cost \$98 | 9 Sessions

Mime, puppets, improvisation, confidence, creativity, socialising and above all, fun!

## Learn guitar – introduction

Diamond Creek

Wednesday

Cost \$150 | 6 sessions

For those wanting to learn the basics of guitar playing.

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## Learn guitar – beginner

Diamond Creek

Wednesday

Cost \$100 | 6 sessions

Expand on the fundamentals of guitar.





# Children and teens

## Art for kids

Eltham

Tuesday and Thursday

Cost \$186 | 10 sessions

Diamond Creek & Pantan Hill

Friday

Cost \$100 | 5 sessions

For children who enjoy art, are curious and imaginative, and who want to develop techniques and skills.

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## Earthmender fiction – NEW!

Pantan Hill

Thursday

Cost \$157 | 6 sessions

This course will help you to understand Earthmender Fiction whilst learning how to effectively create these sorts of stories for the media of your choice. Let's raise some awareness!

## Art for teenagers

Eltham

Tuesday and Thursday

Cost \$202 | 10 sessions

A friendly and supportive class with peers who share an interest in art and who want to develop their skills or projects in the medium and style of their choice.

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## School holiday activities

Eltham / Diamond Creek /  
Pantan Hill

Drama, art, clay and other holiday activities for kids.

See our website for details in the lead up to the holidays.



# Books and writing



## **Creative writing – Beginners**

Diamond Creek

Tuesday

**Cost \$212 | 8 sessions**

Develop skills and routines to help you perfect the craft of writing.

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## **Second Wednesday book club**

Eltham

Wednesday

**Cost \$46 annual | monthly sessions**

Discuss great books with great people

# Home and gardening



## **Building and renovating seminar**

Eltham

**Saturday**

**Cost \$85 | 1 workshop**

Expert advice and step by step guide to successfully navigating your way through the building and renovation process.

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## **Galloping gardeners**

Diamond Creek

**Thursday**

**Cost \$12 | 8 sessions**

Tour a local garden with likeminded group members and share tips, knowledge, and possibly even cuttings.

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## **Community garden group**

Panton Hill and Eltham

**Cost FREE | Weekly**

Whether you are an experienced gardener or absolute beginner, everyone is welcome to join this group. Share gardening skills, meet new people and grow fresh food to share.



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## Discovering dance

Eltham North Town Hall

Thursday

Cost \$44 | 6 sessions

Explore different dance styles/ techniques.

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## Qi Gong

Panton Hill

Tuesday

Cost \$62 | 10 sessions

Release energy blockages and restore balance.

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## Tai Chi

Diamond Creek

Wednesday

Cost \$154 | 9 sessions

Improve balance, coordination, strength and flexibility. Beginners welcome.

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## Walking group

Diamond Creek

Monday, Wednesday and Friday

Cost \$44 | Weekly

Looking for founding members for a new social walking group - a great opportunity to get out and about and stay fit.

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## Sourdough bread making

Panton Hill/ Online

Contact us for cost and dates

Learn to create delicious sourdough bread in your own kitchen.

# Languages



Whether you are travelling or want to learn a new language, you will discover something about the culture as well as vocabulary in these structured, fun and friendly classes

## Italian – Level 1

Diamond Creek

Tuesday

Cost \$152 | 8 Sessions

Learn from scratch in this structured, social and fun environment.

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## Italian – Level 2

Diamond Creek

Tuesday

Cost \$152 | 8 Sessions

Continue to expand your grammar and spelling in a relaxed environment.

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## Italian – Level 3

Diamond Creek

Monday

Cost \$152 | 8 Sessions

Continue to expand your vocab, grammar and spelling in a relaxed environment.

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## Italian – Amici

Diamond Creek

Monday

Cost \$152 | 8 Sessions

Continue to laugh and learn in this structured conversational class.

# Photography



## Digital photography – intro

Eltham

Tuesday

Cost \$185 | 6 sessions

Get to know your camera and the basics of great image making.

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## Digital photography

Intermediate

Eltham

Tuesday

Cost \$103 | 4 sessions

Take your camera to the next level and add more techniques to make stunning images.



# Technology

## Computer skills update (term 4 only)

Diamond Creek

Thursday

Cost \$154 | 4 Sessions

Refresh and expand your skills with Word, Excel and Powerpoint.



## Be Connected – Free to over 50s

Learn how to go online  
with your phone, laptop  
or tablet.

Volunteer digital mentors provide one on one or group tutoring to build your skills and confidence.

Sessions available at a variety of times at Panton Hill, Diamond Creek, Eltham, Hurstbridge and St Andrews.

Phone 9433 3744 for more information.



Australian Government

**Be Connected**

Every Australian online.



# Career pathways and nationally recognised qualifications

## AGED CARE

### Opening doors into Aged Care

The program provides an overview of what is required to gain employment in the aged care sector as well as the tasks involved with the different roles of aged care workers. It offers hands on learning experiences, networking opportunities, and support to identify education and employment pathways in the aged care industry.

There are no specific pre-requisites for this course.

### CHC33015 Certificate III in Individual Support (Ageing, Home and Community)

In this course, you will learn how to provide support and direct care for clients in residential aged care, home or community settings. You'll gain an insight into the aged care and home and community care sector and undertake a supervised work placement where you get to put your skills into practice.

Enquire now at  
9433 3747 or  
[info.livinglearning@  
nillumbik.vic.gov.au](mailto:info.livinglearning@nillumbik.vic.gov.au)  
for future intake.

## EARLY CHILDHOOD

### CHC30113 Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care

Become a qualified assistant in the early childhood field. It is now mandatory for all workers in the field of Early Childhood Education and Care to have the Certificate III as a minimum qualification. On successful completion of this Certificate students have the option to enrol in the Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care, also offered by Living & Learning Nillumbik.

No previous experience or qualifications are required.

### CHC50113 Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care

This qualification course is suitable for those wanting to take on higher levels of responsibility and leadership in an early childhood service. This course is suitable for people already working in the industry and wishing to further their career or people wishing to enter the sector. This is a self-paced with monthly workshops, and fortnightly study support sessions delivered by our experienced trainers and assessors. Students have access to a variety of resources and Learner Guides which are available via our online Learner Portal.

No previous experience or qualifications are required.



## Diamond Creek centre

### Sew Social

Thursday evenings, fortnightly

A creative, social group who get together to share skills, sew and make. Beginners welcome.

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### Yarn and Needle

Tuesday afternoons

Yarn while you work with yarn! Knitting, crochet or any other needle projects, beginners most welcome.

**MakerSpaces are flexible and affordable and generally run the whole year without break, except for public holidays.**

**Join for a low annual membership fee and come when it suits you, as often as you like.**



## Eltham centre

### Clay

Tuesday and Thursday

Join other potters in our well-equipped clay studio.

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### Leadlight and Glass Art

Wednesday or Friday

Share skills and ideas while working independently in our well-equipped studio.

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### Scrapbooking and Paper Crafts

Wednesday

An opportunity to share and learn in the company of others who love working with paper.

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### Studio Arts

Tuesday

Share the studio in the company of others while working on your art projects.

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### Sewing and Repurposing

Monday

Join this fun and environmentally-friendly Makerspace as you repurpose fabric items into new things.

Creative, social spaces  
where makers share skills, ideas,  
inspiration, friendship and  
the joy of making.

## Panton Hill centre

### Art

Monday

Draw, paint, pastel and be inspired and motivated by others in the group.

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### Crafty Cats

Wednesday

Knit, sew, crochet, patchwork: this group is for yarn and fabric crafters.

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### Just Xmas

Thursday monthly

Create and craft gifts and decoration for Christmas – all year round elves!

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### Mosaics

Friday

Design and develop practical and decorative mosaic creations in a social environment.

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### Needle Natter

Tuesday

Natter while you knit, stitch, crochet, cross stitch, embroider and more.

MakerSpaces are more affordable because they are coordinated by volunteers and the operating costs are covered by a larger membership base.

For some MakerSpaces with limited room space this means that you are not guaranteed a spot in every session.

Do you have  
a great idea for  
a MakerSpace?  
Let us know!



# diversARTy 2021

**Our diversARTy end-of-year art exhibition will be back this year and we can't wait to see all the amazing art created at Living & Learning over 2021.**

Each year Living & Learning Nillumbik hold an exhibition at the Eltham Library Community Gallery which showcases the work of our current participants and tutors and celebrates the diversity of activities, abilities and people who come together to share, learn and connect at Living & Learning Nillumbik.

Anyone who has participated or tutored in a Living & Learning Nillumbik visual arts, textiles or crafts course, co-op or MakerSpace in 2021 can enter. The exhibition is organised by a team of volunteers.



**When:** Friday 19 November to Sunday 12 December 2021

**Where:** Eltham Library Community Gallery, Panther Place, Eltham

**Opening hours:** Monday to Thursday 10am-8.30pm, Friday to Saturday 10am-5pm, Sunday 1-5pm.

**Exhibition Opening:** Saturday 20 November 2021 2pm-3pm

**Announcement of award winners:** Thursday 9 December 2021

## Exhibition categories

- diversARTy 2021 – 2D individual
- diversARTy 2021 – 3D individual
- Group artwork
- Leadlight (window display only)

**Entries open: 17 August 2021**

For more information or to enter diversARTy please visit our website

[www.livinglearningnillumbik.vic.gov.au/Get-involved/diversARTy](http://www.livinglearningnillumbik.vic.gov.au/Get-involved/diversARTy)



# Opportunities/Become involved

**Over 1.5 million Victorians volunteer their time, skills and experience in one way or another make a huge contribution to our local communities. Those who volunteer are generally happier, healthier and live longer.**

Every week we have over 40 volunteers complete 150 hours of their time across our 3 centres to support our activities. We have a range of tasks and roles that are filled by volunteers, including Makerspace Coordinators, Tutors, Community Gardeners, Admin and General Support.

There are many ways you can become involved in our Neighbourhood Houses:

- Advisory Committee
- tutors (community program) and trainers (accredited and pre-accredited program)
- propose a workshop, course or activity
- volunteer

Current volunteer positions available

- Community Gardener
- Neighbourhood House Support
- Be Connected Digital Mentors

If you would like to get involved and have some time to give please visit our website for further information [www.livinglearningnillumbik.vic.gov.au/Get-involved](http://www.livinglearningnillumbik.vic.gov.au/Get-involved)



# Key dates

June 2021	
15	Enrolments open for Term 3
July 2021	
12	Term 3 starts
August 2021	
17	Entries for diversARTy open
September 2021	
1-8	Adult Learning Week
6	Enrolments open for Term 4
17	Last day Term 3

October 2021	
4	Term 4 starts
November 2021	
20	diversARTy exhibition opens
December 2021	
6	Enrolments open for Term 1 2022
16	Last day of Term 4
January 2022	
28	Term 1 starts



## Diamond Creek

119 Cowin Street

Reception open\*

Monday 9am-12pm  
Wednesday 9am-3pm  
Thursday 9am-3pm



## Eltham

739 Main Road

Reception open\*

Mon 9am-12pm  
Tuesday-Friday 9am-3pm



## Panton Hill

18 Bishops Road

Reception open\*

Tuesday 9am – 3pm

\* Our centres are closed on public holidays

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