

# Course and Activity Guide

January – June 2022

Where  
people  
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connect

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



Neighbourhood Houses  
The heart of our community



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## 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.



See our website for details of various FREE trial sessions from the start of term 1.

### 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.

## 2022 Term dates

**Term 1:** 28 January - 8 April.  
Enrolments open Monday 6 December

**Term 2:** 26 April - 24 June  
Enrolments open on Monday 28 March.

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.

# 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
- Activity Coordinators
- Walking Group Coordinator

**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)**





# 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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## 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.

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## Sewing basic 101

Panton Hill

**COMING SOON - contact us to register your interest**

Get to know your machine, and learn a variety of skills and knowledge. Participants will make their own tote bag.

## Exploring art styles and mediums

Eltham

Monday or Friday

**Cost \$348/\$298 | 10/9 sessions**

Diamond Creek-NEW!

Wednesday evening or Thursday

**Cost \$210 | 9 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 \$174 | 10 sessions**

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

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## Craft for a cause

Panton Hill

**Cost \$15 per session**

A fun day of demonstrations, craft and show-and-tell. Bring your own project and have some uninterrupted 'you' time.





## 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 \$140 | 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.

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## Mosaics introduction

Panton Hill

Saturday

**Cost \$101 | 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.

## 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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## 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 \$220 | 8 sessions**

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

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## Sewing clothes for beginners

Eltham

Tuesday and Thursday

**Cost \$90 | 6 sessions**

Learn the basics of sewing from a pattern and doing alterations to create your own clothes.

# Dance, music and performing arts

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## **Discovering dance**

Eltham North Town Hall

**Thursday**

**Cost \$76 | 10 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 and Eltham

**Friday and Wednesday**

**Cost \$110 | 10 Sessions**

Re-discover your confidence in this fun and friendly class.

## **Learn guitar – introduction**

Diamond Creek

**Wednesday**

**Cost \$160 | 6 sessions**

For those wanting to learn the basics of guitar playing.

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## **Learn guitar – developing**

Diamond Creek

**Wednesday**

**Cost \$107 | 6 sessions**

Expand on the fundamentals of guitar.





# Children and teens

## Art for kids

Eltham

Tuesday and Thursday

Cost \$174 | 10 sessions

Diamond Creek & Pantan Hill

Wednesday

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

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!

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## Art for teenagers

Eltham

Tuesday and Thursday

Cost \$189 | 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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## Games for teens

Diamond Creek

Tuesday

Cost \$50 | 9 sessions

Have a great time with board games like Dixit, Settlers of Catan and maybe some role playing games.


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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 \$225 | 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 \$68 annual | monthly sessions**

Discuss great books with great people



# Home, cooking 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 \$15 | 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**

Share gardening skills, meet new people and grow fresh food to share.

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## **Punjabi cooking**

Hurstbridge

**Wednesday**

**Cost \$160 | 2 sessions**

Learn how to cook a healthy, North West Indian, vegetarian meal from scratch using authentic ingredients.



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## Discovering dance

Eltham North Town Hall

Thursday

**Cost \$76 | 10 sessions**

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## Red Hat Sparklers

Panton Hill

Thursday monthly

**Cost \$12 annual membership**

This all female group visits a new and interesting place and enjoys lunch together too. One thing is guaranteed - you will have fun!

## Nourishing You Yoga

Panton Hill

Tuesday

**Cost \$137 | 10 sessions**

Join Lauren in this child friendly yoga class to improve your health and wellbeing, postures and movement, breath, body and spatial awareness. Connect to the self and present moment. The session will conclude with a chat and chai.

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## Qi Gong

Panton Hill

Wednesday

**Cost \$62 | 10 sessions**

Release energy blockages and restore balance.

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## Tai Chi

Diamond Creek

Wednesday

**Cost \$171 | 10 sessions**

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

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## Walking group

Diamond Creek

Monday, Wednesday and Friday

**Cost \$45 annual membership**

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

# Health, wellbeing and social



## Cuppa and games

Diamond Creek

Thursday afternoons

Cost **FREE** | Weekly

Drop in for a cuppa and chat and join a card or board game if you feel like it.

# Photography



## Digital photography – intro

Diamond Creek

Tuesday

Cost **\$185** | 6 sessions

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

## Digital photography

Intermediate

Eltham

Tuesday

Cost **\$103** | 4 sessions

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



# 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 **\$160** | 8 Sessions

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

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## Italian – Level 2

Diamond Creek

Tuesday

Cost **\$160** | 8 Sessions

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

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## Italian – Level 3

Diamond Creek

Monday

Cost **\$160** | 11 Sessions

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

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## Italian – Amici

Diamond Creek

Monday

Cost **\$160** | 8 Sessions

Continue to laugh and learn in this structured conversational class.

# Technology

## Computer skills update

Diamond Creek

Thursday

Cost \$77 | 2 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.

Launch your adventure into the world of phones, computers, websites, emails and new friends.

Whether you're looking for help in navigating the online world or already know your way around and would like to help others, the Be Connected program has the resources and people to guide you on your journey.

Living & Learning Nillumbik provides FREE one-on-one digital tutoring at Diamond Creek, Panton Hill, Eltham, Hurstbridge and St Andrews.

Technology and the internet can feel foreign and daunting. Our friendly and supportive tutors can help you learn the basics of using digital devices and engaging with the internet, including:

- how to use your device or laptop
- communicating with family and friends who live far away
- finding new friends who share interests and hobbies
- accessing online services

To participate or volunteer, call 03 9433 3744 or email [info](mailto:livinglearning@nillumbik.vic.gov.au).



Australian Government

**Be Connected**

Every Australian online.



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.

## 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.

## 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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### 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!

Contact us to register for a  
**FREE** come and try session!



# Career pathways and nationally recognised qualifications



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## AGED CARE

### **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.

## 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.

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



## Improve your job prospects and skills through Living & Learning's flexible and affordable Learn Local endorsed training, programs and projects today.

As a Learn Local provider Living & Learning Nillumbik deliver ACFE Board funded pre-accredited training and other programs in a variety of learning topics. Our Learn Local courses for 2022 include a range of exciting new pre-accredited courses including **Community Energy, Digital Skills basics, Intro to Horticulture, Urban Food Gardening, Tools of the Trade for Women – Basic home maintenance skills for women Daily Grind hospitality course, Intro to Community Services and Creative Industries** to help you:

- land your first job
- finish school
- get back to work after long-term unemployment
- change your career
- get into further training or university
- develop social skills and increase confidence

### Enrolments now open for the February intake for:

#### - Digital Essentials Level 1

Learn the basics of various areas of technology, the ways people can use these devices to connect with others and access services over the Internet.

#### - Intro to Horticulture

For people who love gardening and the outdoors, are considering a career in horticulture or who would like an introduction to aspects of working in the industry.

#### - Intro to Community Services

The program will provide introductory level content with a focus on employability skills, professional communication, confidentiality, ethics, disclosure, employment expectations and further pathway opportunities.

For more information please visit our website **[www.livinglearningnillumbik.vic.gov.au](http://www.livinglearningnillumbik.vic.gov.au)** or call us on 9433 3744

# Key dates

## December 2021

6	Enrolments open for Term 1
16	L&LN office close at 1pm for end of year break

## January 2022

11	L&LN office reopens
28	Term 1 starts

## March 2022

28	Enrolments open for Term 2
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## April 2022

8	Last day of Term 1
26	Term 2 starts

## May 2022

9	Neighbourhood House Week
16	National Volunteer Week

## June 2022

13	Enrolments open for Term 3
24	Last day of Term 2



### 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
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*\* Our centres are closed on public holidays*

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