**Encore**

Last December, the dancers from Unite Dance Studio took to the stage at Encore Events Centre in Hoppers Crossing to perform for their friends, family and local community in Unite’s annual End Of Year Showcase!

Audience members clapped and cheered as the wonderful performers danced, sang and smiled their hearts out. It was great to see so many dancers of all ages expanding their confidence and enjoying being on stage. Unite Dance Studio is at Saltwater Community Centre on Tuesday and Wednesday nights, with classes for three year olds to adults in a variety of styles. Check the listings inside for more details. “Encore! Encore!” We say!

**Salty Seachange**

Saltwater is changing! We have lovely new neighbours at the Saltwater P-9 College, and on the other side the retail village looks like it’s getting close to completion. There’s also a few changes at the Community Centre, with some brand-new arrivals to our program for 2019, including: The Australian Malay Association, Children & Mothers In Mind, Eat Pray Yoga, Global Organisation for Divinity, Mustard Seed Youth Group, My Ochre Artroom, The Parent Medic Movement, School Panda Language & Art, Shrilekha Indian Art, South Sudanese Action Group and Tai Chi hosted by Wyndham Happy Life Inc. A huge welcome to the community!

Of course, many of our standard bearers are also offering new classes this year, including Unite Dance Studio (pictured right, performing last December at Encore Events). Check out the exciting new courses in the Art Studio, including 2D Animation and Cubist Portraiture, plus a welcome return to ceramics, kids’ courses, drawing & painting, as well as unique Date Nights for those looking to impress someone special. Full listings inside!

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**SERVICES AT SALTWATER**

Community Centre - contact details below

Kindergarten— for enrolments, call 9742 8147

Maternal & Child Health Services—for appointments, call 9742 8148

**Early Years**

**First Time Parents Group**

Meet friendly local parents, talk about your kids and have fun! Share experiences, get advice, give support and make new friends.

**Monday**

**1-4pm**

**Contact: Maternal and Child Health**

**9742 8148**

**www.wyndham.vic.gov.au select ‘Maternal & Child Health Services**

**No cost**

**Maternal & Child Health Services**

Professional nursing support and advice for parents with children from birth to school age.

**By appointment only**

**Contact: Maternal and Child Health**

**9742 8148 wwww.wyndham.vic.gov.au**

**No cost**

**Immunisations**

Free childhood immunisations.

**No appointment required**

**Tuesdays**

**1-2pm**

**5 February**

**5 March**

**9 April**

**Contact: Environmental Health Department 9742 0736**

**www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/Immunisation**

**No cost**

**Kindergarten**

Wyndham City Council Kindergarten Services for 4 year olds.

**Weekly sessions**

**Contact: Kindergarten Services**

**9742 8172**

**Fees apply**

**Pre-School Songs, Stories & Playtime**

Enjoy a fun way to develop early literacy skills in young children aged 1-4 with song, stories, puppets, body movement and more.

**Fridays**

**Session 1**

**9:30-10:00am**

**Session 2**

**10:15-10:45**

**Contact : 8376 5500**

**saltwatercc@wyndham.vic.gov.au**

**No cost**

**Saltwater Chinese Playgroup**

For mums, dads, grandparents and carers with kids aged 0-5years. Come and enjoy rhyme time, story time and activities with other families.

**Wednesdays**

**10am-12:0pm**

**Contact : 8376 5500**

[**saltwatercc@wyndham.vic.gov.au**](mailto:saltwatercc@wyndham.vic.gov.au)

**Booking essential**

**$40 per Term**

**Saltwater Multicultural Playgroup**

From newborn to pre-schoolers they all have different needs and eagerness' to learn. Come and meet other families from local community.

**Thursdays**

**10am-11:30pm**

**Contact : 8376 5500**

[**saltwatercc@wyndham.vic.gov.au**](mailto:saltwatercc@wyndham.vic.gov.au)

**Booking essential**

**$40 per Term**

**Tiny Tutus**

Tiny Tutus is the perfect place for your ballerina to dance, with classes for baby ballerinas as young as 16 months and for princesses up to 5 years of age! Beautiful early childhood ballet lessons, taught by our quality Tiny Tutus trained specialist teachers with Mums and Dads more than welcome to stay and watch!

**Fridays**

**9.15-11:30am**

**Contact : 1300 245 060**

[**www.tinytutus.com.au**](http://www.tinytutus.com.au)

**$50 yearly registration fee which includes your ballerinas gorgeous class tutu**

**Fees apply**

**Hey Dee Ho**

Educational music program for children 6 months to 5years. Parent and child classes, have no more than 12 children. Creating a fun filled interactive 45 minutes musical play date! We have puppets, instruments and so much more.

**Wednesdays**

**10-11pm**

**Contact: Melissa Smile 0457 301 878 heydeehomusicwyndham@gmail.com**

**www.heydeehomusic.com.au**

**Fees apply**

**Free trial Class**

**Kids First Australia**

Therapeutic Playgroup for children 0 –4years and their mothers post family violence.

Tuesdays

**9am-12:30pm**

**Contact: Ilse 0407 441 404**

**etlozek@kidsfirstaustralia.org.au**

**Kids**

**Unite Dance Studio**

At Dance Studio, we provide the highest quality dance tuition to our students, in a safe, positive and supportive learning environment. We're for community, and strive to unite people by making dance accessible for all to enjoy! We offer Jazz, Ballet, Hip Hop, Tap, Contemporary, Lyrical and more.

**Tuesdays**

**Primary Ballet**

4.00 - 4.45pm

**Primary Tap**

4.45 - 5.15pm

**Primary Hip Hop**

5.15 - 6.00pm

**Junior Jazz & Tap**

6.00 - 6.45pm

**Junior Ballet**

6.45 - 7.30pm

**Adult Tap**

7.30 - 8.30pm

**Wednesdays**

**Pre School Ballet**

4.00 - 4.30pm

**Pre School Jazz/Hip Hop** 4.30 - 5.00pm

**Junior Hip Hop**

5.00 - 5.45pm

**Junior Contemporary**

5.45 - 6.30pm

**Stretch & Strengthen**

6.30 - 7.30pm

**Open Contemporary**

7.30 - 9.00pm

For more information

**Contact: Rachel**

**0419375797**

**unite.dance@outlook.com**

**Kangatraining**

A fun, safe, multi award-winning postnatal workout incorporating babywearing, cardio and dance. An amazing way to meet Mums & Bubs in your community

**Mondays**

9:45—10:45am

**Contact: Belinda**

[**belinda.j@kangatraining.com.au**](mailto:belinda.j@kangatraining.com.au)

**First session $5 (includes carrier hire if needed) Term fees apply thereafter**

**School Panda Kids Latin & Ballroom Dance**

Latin and ballroom squad training for children aged 5-16 years to help children to build their confidence physical wellbeing, elegance and resilience

**Saturdays**

**4-5:30pm**

**Contact: Crystal**

**0415 705 258**

**schoolpanda@outlook.com**

**Fees apply**

**Shiamak Davar Bollywood Dance Classes**

Bollywood, Jazz Contemporary & Hip Hop dance for kids, teens and adults.

**Mondays & Fridays**

**5:30 - 9:30pm**

**Contact: Darshan/Vihang**

**0499 888 115**

**www.melbourne@shiamak.com**

**Fees apply**

**Point Cook Dance**

Point Cook Dance classes are serious fun. They love dance, drama and singing and want everyone from the age of 3 through to teenagers to experience the thrill that dance can bring.

**Hip Hop (8 year olds+)**

**Saturdays**

**10 10-11am - Grade 3 Ballet**

**11-11:45am - Grade 3 Tap**

**11:45am -2:30pm Level 2 Combo (Jazz, Ballet and Tap)**

**Contact: Mandy Croker 0416 679 911**

**info@pointcookdance.com.au**

**Fees apply**

**Global Art**

Art and Craft classes for kids 4yo and above transforming the way children learn art through its award-winning international art program. Our courses are designed to be a one-stop shop to develop Drawing, Painting, Colouring, Composition and Craft making abilities.

**Wednesdays**

**4-5:30pm**

**Thursdays**

**4-5:30pm**

**Contact: Edmund**

**0432513344**

**Edmund@globalartaustralia.com.au**

**Fees apply**

**Madhuban Art Foundation**

The art of Madhubani painting is the traditional style developed in the Mithila region in Bihar, India. Figures from nature and mythology are adapted to suit their style.

**Fridays**

**3:45—4:45pm**

**Contact: Shrilekha**

**0432 395 212**

**Shrilekha.jain@gmail.com**

**Fees apply**

**Health & Wellbeing**

**Wyndham Young Stroke Network**

Share Support Encourage—Informal social meet-up for survivors and carers aged 55 and younger.

No fixed meeting time

**Contact Bob**

**saltwatercc@wyndham.vic.gov.au**

**No cost**

**Weight Watchers**

Join our weekly group meetings and get expert advice from our Coach to get support and inspiration to reach your goal. Share your journey with fellow members and be a part of a positive like-minded group.

**Saturdays**

**8:30 - 10am**

**Contact: 131997 www.weightwatchers.com.au**

**Fees Apply**

***(Special offer for seniors and single parents)***

**Refer to website**

**JKA Karate**

Learn the traditional striking and open hand martial art. First four lessons free.

**Tuesdays**

**4.30-6pm**

**Thursdays**

**4:30-6pm**

**Saturdays**

**5-6:30pm**

**Web: www.jkaaustralia.com**

**Fees apply**

**Aiki Kai Aikido**

Aikido is a modern, non-aggressive Japanese martial art. Effective as a martial art but its essence goes beyond the resolution of physical conflict. Based on a background of rigorous training in traditional Japanese jujutsu, sword and spear techniques. Aikido is a true 'budo' path, in which the keen edge of martial training is utilised as a ‘Way’ to spiritual growth. ***Suitable for all ages and abilities.***

**Wednesdays**

**7:45-9:30pm**

**Saturdays**

**8:15-10am**

**Contact : Andrew Last**

**0405 330 149**

**www.aikido.org.au**

**$70 per annum + annual membership of the National Aikido Federation**

**Beat Factor Drum Group**

Drum workshops/Classes in World Rhythms,

from African, Samba, Calypso, Reggae and many more. Class covers: instrument technique on drums and hand percussion. Easy to follow drum piece arrangement & solo ideas. ***Beginners to Advanced.***

**Tuesdays**

**7-8:30pm**

**Starts January 31**

**Contact: Rod Pilois**

**0411 028 077 beatfactor@internode.on.net**

**All drums and percussion provided.**

**Fees apply**

**Samarpan Theatrical Arts**

Samarpan Theatrical Arts would be conducting Hindi Drama Rehearsals, Team Building activities and Theatre Workshops for all ages.

**1st, 2nd and 3rd Sundays of the month**

**5 - 7pm**

**Contact: Sumitra Puri**

**0402 581 808/Sumitra.Puri@gmail.com**

**Fees apply**

**Education & Training**

**Abacus Training Centre by Sempoasip**

Improves children’s focus and brain concentration by developing both the left and right of the brain.

**Mondays**

**4-5.30pm**

**Wednesdays**

**4.30-6pm**

**Contact : Munita**

**0433 551 979**

**www.facebook.com/sempoaSIPAustralia**

**Fees apply**

**TeKids**

Jedi Junior Robotics class for kids from grade 1 to grade 4. Teach kids to build robots and how to do coding.

**Saturdays**

**10am-12:30pm**

**2-3:30pm**

**1-2pm**

**Contact: Parth Verma**

**0435 023 078/tekidsaustralia@gmail.com**

**Fees apply**

**English Conversation**

Come along and enjoy learning basic English in a friendly environment. This is a free program for non-English speaking adults.

**Tuesdays**

**1-2:30pm**

**Contact : 8376 5500**

[**saltwatercc@wyndham.vic.gov.au**](mailto:saltwatercc@wyndham.vic.gov.au)

**Bookings essential**

**No Cost**

**Computer Skills—Digital Literacy-First Steps**

The course is an introduction to Word Excel and PowerPoint.

**Thursdays**

**9-12pm**

**31 Jan – 4 Apr**

**Contact: Saltwater Community Centre**

**8376 5500 saltwatercc@wyndham.vic.gov.au**

**Bookings essential**

**$40/$25 concession**

**Introduction to MYOB**

Practical hands on course designed to teach computerised accounted package MYOB

* Creating a new data file
* Creating the Chart of accounts
* Entering Sales and Purchases
* Making and receiving payments
* Bank reconciliation
* Creating inventory
* Creating Card Files
* Payroll Module
* Business Activity Statement (BAS)
* Backing up and restoring files

**Thursdays**

**12:30 – 3:30pm**

**31 Jan-4Apr**

**$40/$25 concession**

**$65 for study book &DVD**

**Faith Cultural & Community Groups**

**Justice of Peace**

If you need to get your documents attested, witnessed and certified, please come and see our

friendly Justice of Peace—Patricia Hume.

**Wednesdays**

**12-1pm**

**Contact : Patricia Hume**

**0416 245 121**

**No Cost**

**CWA Point Cook Branch**

Our programme is member led and consists of speakers, demonstrations and fun-raising events. We support many charities mostly in our own area. We offer friendship and support to women in our community.

**Thursdays**

**7pm Monthly**

**(3rd Thurs of very month)**

**Contact: Rosemary Renden**

**0477 777 836**

**Rosemary.redden@icloud.com**

**Membership may apply**

**Mustard Seed Chapel International**

Worship and teaching services

**Thursdays**

**6-10pm**

**Sundays**

**9am – 12pm**

**Contact: Sam Poku-Bonsu**

**0416 881 681**

**No cost**

**Wyndham Happy Life Association**

The Wyndham Chinese Happy Life Association is a non-profit organisation. It promotes Chinese senior residents and other neighbourhoods mental and physical health in the Wyndham City. We have several volunteer teachers and team leaders to teach the community members exercises such as singing, dancing, Tai Chi, square dancing, bowling, cooking, playing table tennis and planting in the garden.

**Wednesdays**

**1-3pm**

**Fridays**

**12 – 4:30pm**

**Contact: Yun Yun**

**0421 899 399**

**yunyun@live.com.au**

**Membership may apply**

**Christ New Creation Fellowship Church**

A non-sectarian, non-denominational, evangelistic and missionary-sending church. Proclaiming salvation, healing, deliverance and the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. We aim to encourage everyone to build a strong relationship with God, and to grow and participate in fulfilling their calling and purpose in the Lord.

**Sundays**

**9am-1pm**

**Contact: Dennis Ferrer**

**0416850191/dennis.ferrer@hotmail.com.au**

**No cost**

**Point Cook Adventist Community Church**

Our programs are extensive, including an inter-generational worship service every Saturday afternoon. Further, we run age-appropriate children’s programs, fundraising concerts, free community dinners, and monthly free community support, such as gardening and household chores.  We regularly run educational programs on parenting, relationships, health, including depression, as well as prophecy seminars.

**Saturdays**

**3-6:30pm**

**Contact: Danijela**

**9395 6399**

**No cost**

**Global Organisation for Divinity Australia**

**Gopa Kuteeram** classes and **Satsang** for adults in Saltwater community centre on last Sunday of every month. This year we are teaching **Ramayanam,** **Bhagavad Gita** and **Bhagavatham**. Classes are offered on a **NO FEE** basis to the participating children.  All classes are conducted in English. Currently we offer classes for children in the school year group from **K – Year 10**.

**Last**

**Sunday of the month**

**4-5:30pm**

**Contact : Vidya**

**0425 770 971**

[**https://godivinity.us3.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=d0820cc2d1e034d17ecb02063&id=00ae637c12**](https://godivinity.us3.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=d0820cc2d1e034d17ecb02063&id=00ae637c12)

**Donations are welcome**

**Australian Malay Foundation**

Provide Malay cultural awareness, youth development, social welfare and assistance for families in the community.

**Sundays**

**1—4pm**

**Contact: Haji Rashid**

**0468 712 755**

**muhammadrashid09@yahoo.com**

**No cost**

**During 2019, Wyndham City is pleased to be offering more than 15 FREE training sessions to support local volunteers, residents and community organisations in Wyndham. The Volunteer & Community Group Training calendar offers a suite of topics, ranging from governance in community groups, to planning an event, or attracting new volunteers. Training is free of charge and available to Wyndham residents, volunteers and community organisations. Please note session dates and times may be subject to change.**

**View at** [**www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/volunteering**](http://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/volunteering) **- Volunteer and Community Group training. Please note, registration opens 4** **weeks prior to each session.**

**Wyndham City is developing a new five-year Volunteering Strategy. Contributions to the first phase consultation are closed for review. We are currently preparing for the second phase consultation.**

**Public workshops are being held on:**

Tuesday 26th February 2019 – 6pm to 8.30pm at Wyndham Civic Centre, Werribee

or

Thursday 28th February 2019 – 9.30am to 12 noon at Encore Events Centre, Hoppers Crossing

**weeks prior to each session.**

**Art**

**Saltwater Art Studio** is evolving! Over the last couple of months the studio has transitioned into an artist-led space, that is, a space in which the artists accessing it are now working together collectively to develop and run it. Along with the established offerings that Saltwater Art Studio has become known for (it’s ceramics, painting, and youth offerings), there will also be a variety of short-term and one-off activities to fill out the schedule, which will change each quarter. For more information visit our new website and be sure to ‘like’ and follow us on Facebook and Instagram for news updates and weekly doses of creative inspiration!

**Open Studio**

Not enough space to paint or create at home? Open Studios is for anyone to come and work on their own projects in a studio environment. In addition to regular Open Studio on Fridays, "Paint and Friends" will offer opportunities to connect as a group and enjoy excursions or other organised activities.

**Tuesdays**

**9am-12pm**

**Fridays**

**9am-3:30pm**

**Contact:8376 5500**

**saltwatercc@wyndham.vic.gov.au**

**No cost**

**Life Drawing**

A monthly life drawing session with professional life models and a tutor on hand if needed. Adults only.

**Every 3rd Friday of the month**

**To book any of the sessions please go to www.saltwatersrtstudio.net**

**$25 per session**

**Date Night Taster**

Are you up for some arty fun? Try out new creative activities with a Date Night Taster! Bring a date or grab a mate and come for a fun night getting your art on! Sessions include watercolour, colour pencils, ceramics and even wheel throwing.

2nd Friday of the month

**Pottery wheels**

With Nandita Nadkarni

Feb 9

3-6pm

**Watercolour Painting—’Try it Out’**

With David Becerra

March 8

6:30-9pm

**Ceramics—Tea for Two**

With Carolyn Warren-Langford

April 12

6:30-9pm

**To book any of the sessions please go to www.saltwatersrtstudio.net**

Fees apply

**Wheel Throwing**

This Adult Course is for beginners to develop skills to create work on the potter's wheel.

As there are only 4 students in the class, personal attention will be given to master the wheel throwing technique and pursue your own artistic creation.

All skill levels are accommodated and welcome. This is an enjoyable and social class

**Jan** 30-**Feb** 28 & **Mar** 16-30

**Wednesdays**

**6:30-9pm**

**Thursdays**

6:30- 9pm

**Saturdays**

9:30am - 12:00pm

**Instructor: Nandita Nadkarni**

**0432 266 229**

**ozceramicsonline.com.au**

**For more info visit www.saltwaterartstudio.net**

**To book any of the sessions please go to www.saltwatersrtstudio.net**

**Fees apply**

**Watercolour Painting**

The students will build a solid foundation in water-soluble techniques and their correct use and application. This is a fun and informative hands on class!

**Mondays**

7-9pm

Mar 18- Apr 22

$240 or $50 per drop in casual class

 Instructor : David Becerra

[david.becerra@jasco.com.au](mailto:david.becerra@jasco.com.au)

For more info visit **www.saltwaterartstudio.net**

**To book any of the sessions please go to www.saltwatersrtstudio.net**

 Fees apply

**Handbuilding with Clay**

Ceramic Skills four week course: A variety of Handbuilding with Clay short courses ranging from making tea and cake plate sets and planters to sculpture classes, without using the pottery wheel! The three main basic hand building methods of pinch pots, coiling and slab work and various decorating techniques will be taught in each short course

**Tuesdays**

7 - 9:30pm

**Feb** 12**—Mar** 5

**Mar** 12 **–Apr** 2

**Thursdays**

10:30am—1pm

**Feb** 14**—Mar** 7

**Mar** 14**—Apr** 4

**Children’s Playing with Clay**

Hand forming with clay expands kids' imagination while improving their fine-motor skills, confidence and creative problem solving by providing a creative alternative to express themselves.

**Wednesdays**

4 - 5:30pm

**Feb** 13**—Apr** 3

**Sunday Ceramics**

Masterclass ranging from developing new techniques to sculpture classes, without using the pottery wheel!

**Sundays**

11—4pm

10 Mar & 12 May

**Casual Clay**

A casual drop in session to work on your own projects in a studio environment.

 Tuesdays

7:30-9:30pm

Feb 12– June 25

 Thursdays

11am -1pm

Feb 14—June 27

**Carolyn Warren-Langford**

[**claysanctuaryinfo@gmail.com**](mailto:claysanctuaryinfo@gmail.com)

**For more info visit www.saltwaterartstudio.net**

**To book any of the sessions please go to www.saltwatersrtstudio.net**

**Fees Apply**

**2d Animation Course**

Students will get an introduction to 2d animation. You will learn about the principles of animation as well as how to use Toom Boom Essentials.

Bring a Drawing Tablet if you have one or alternatively laptops will be available to use

USB Stick or external hard drive for saving your work.

 Tuesdays

4-6pm

Feb 12– Apr 2

$320

**Instructor : Nick Shepherd**

[**dabura666au@yahoo.com**](mailto:dabura666au@yahoo.com)

**For more info visit www.saltwaterartstudio.net**

**To book any of the sessions please go to www.saltwatersrtstudio.net**

**Fees Apply**

**Self Portrait Cubist Style**

Students will be introduced to how to break down an image to create an abstract cubist self-portrait. This workshop will run over three days where we will start with photographic images (a print out of themselves bought with them), then move into a charcoal drawing, watercolor and finally an acrylic painting.

**School Holidays**

**April** 8,9 &10

**July** 1,2 & 3

10am-12pm

$250 for 3 days Materials included

 Instructor : Rosemarie Reber

rosereber69@gmail.com

For more info visit **www.saltwaterartstudio.net**

**To book any of the sessions please go to www.saltwatersrtstudio.net**

 Fees Apply

**Pencils Drawing—Graphite, Watercolor and coloured pencils**

In these relaxed and fun weekly classes learn how to draw from start to finish using a variety of pencil types: including graphite, watercolour and coloured pencils. Creating art helps reduce stress and anxiety, while fostering productivity, creativity, connection and confidence.

**Mondays**

7-9pm

**Feb** 4—**Mar** 11

$220

**Instruction : Michelle Ripari**

**Contact 0402 818 891**

**Website : https://michelleripariart.com**

**For more info visit www.saltwaterartstudio.net**

**To book any of the sessions please go to www.saltwatersrtstudio.net**

**Fees apply**

**Kids Art—Inky Thumb**

Children will focus on drawing, mark making, painting, ink and collage, experimenting with a range of mediums. Students complete a minimum of three larger artworks as well as a variety of smaller pieces plus warmup exercises. Each student’s individual art techniques and abilities will be celebrated.

Ages 6-12

**Tuesdays**

4-5:30pm

**Feb** 12-**Apr** 2

$295

Instruction: Lindsey Giroux

For more info visit **www.saltwaterartstudio.net**

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