



The Gwydir Shire Council would like to invite you or your organisation to facilitate a creative or wellness workshop in the upcoming 'Quirky - Creative and Wellness' festival this coming October Long Weekend.

What is the Quirky Art Festival?

The Quirky Creative and Wellness Festival will feature arts and crafts in the widest sense, workshops to boost your mind, body and soul; as well as talks and seminars on dealing with stress, mental health and wellbeing. The festival will kick off on Saturday 4th of October leading into the long weekend and concluding on Saturday 11th October.

The focus of the festival will be to showcase and celebrate local arts and artists and provide access to new and exciting creative experiences while raising community awareness about mental health issues. The festival will also promote social and emotional wellbeing to the community, encouraging people to maximise their health potential, enhance the coping capacity of communities, families, individuals and increasing mental health recovery.

There will be a vast array of workshops on offer from Millinery to Quilting, Sugar Art to Whip Making. The workshops will be delivered at delightful country venues throughout the whole of Gwydir Shire Council.

The Festival will present a great opportunity to learn new skills or discover your inner creative genius with activities that appeal to all ages throughout the festival. Council will also join forces with Schizophrenia Australia and a number of community groups throughout the shire to provide health and wellbeing events particularly focused on mental health and suicide prevention.

The Role of Council

The Council will be responsible for Event Management charged with the responsibility of administration and promotion of the event. The Council will also provide assistance in locating suitable venue for the creative activity.

Workshop facilitators will set their own fee and be responsible for the course structure and venue management. The Council will be responsible for booking arrangements through its online booking system.

Connected Events

Connected events will include major concert on Saturday 4th October at Cranky Rock in Warialda, exhibitions throughout the Council area, street walk exhibitions and a Gala Day on Saturday 11th October at the Ceramic Break Sculpture Park between Warialda and Bingara where there will be artist markets and entertainment.



If you are interested in running a workshop or being involved in the festival please complete this form and return to gstanderwick@gwydir.nsw.gov.au or visit trybooking.com and search 'Quirky' to complete an online registration form.

Name:

Email:

Phone Number:

Mobile:

Art Form:

Outline of Proposed Workshop:

How long will you need to teach the course (e.g. a few hours/full day/several days):

In helping to find a suitable venue please indicate your requirements (e.g. sink/outdoor/large work tables):

Maximum participants in class:

Minimum:

How much would you like to charge per student (please include cost of materials):

Do you have any other events or activities you/your organisation would like to run in conjunction with the festival?

**For further information contact the Gwydir Visitor Information Centres:
Bingara 02 6724 0066 or Wialda 02 6729 0046. A website will soon be available for more information and a program www.gwydirshire.com/quirkyfestival**



quirky Creative & Wellness festival

4 to 11 October 2014

The festival will commence at Cranky Rock 4 October and close at Ceramic Break Sculpture Park 11 October

A full week to indulge in creativity and wellness!

Creative

workshops

for all ages

and interests

Wellness &

mental health

awareness

programs



"Why fit in when ewe were born to stand out" *Dr Seuss*



Contact us if you would like to hold a workshop

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