

Canberra Tree Week

2018 Calendar of events

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Monday 30 April 2018	9am-9.30am	Launch of Canberra Tree Week. John Langford, Grandson of Charles Weston, will launch Canberra Tree Week 2018 at the English Gardens, Yarralumla. Tara Cheyne MLA will be accepting the Weston Family Papers on behalf of the ACT Heritage Library. RSVP required www.tccs.act.gov.au
	10am-11am	Guided walk of the English Gardens , Yarralumla hosted by Friends of ACT Trees. The English Gardens are located in Weston Park, adjacent to the Yarralumla Gallery.
	10.30am-11.30am	Tree Week themed story time. Erindale Library. Story time is a session full of tree themed stories, rhymes and songs suitable for 3-5 year old children and their parents/carers.
Tuesday 1 May 2018	10.30am-11.30am	Tree Week themed story time. Tuggeranong and Kingston Library. Story time is a session full of tree themed stories, rhymes and songs suitable for 3-5 year old children and their parents/carers.
	2pm-3pm	Trees of Significance at the National Arboretum. Join an Arboretum guide and explore some of the most significant trees from around the world, planted at the Arboretum. Hear about their cultural, spiritual, historical and economical importance. The walk is approximately 2km return, and requires a reasonable level of fitness. Please bring water, wear covered sturdy shoes and be sun smart. Meet at the Village Centre.
Wednesday 2 May 2018	9am	STEP into Plein Air Art Workshop. To celebrate Canberra Tree Week, bring your chair, easel, sketchbook, paints, pencils or charcoal to Southern Tablelands Ecosystems Park (STEP – Forest 20), at the National Arboretum Canberra for a morning of art, native plant appreciation and good company. This year STEP is very pleased to partner with NatureArtLab for this event and will welcome NatureArtLab tutor Megan Spiers who will demonstrate how to paint a eucalypt. This is a free event and morning tea will be provided, but numbers are limited and bookings are essential, email: info@step.asn.au . Meet at the Village Centre, National Arboretum Canberra at 9am. (STEP is an easy 5 minute walk from the Arboretum carpark).
	10.30am-11.30am	Tree Week themed story time. Kippax, Belconnen and Woden Library. Story time is a session full of tree themed stories, rhymes and songs suitable for 3-5 year old children and their parents/carers.
	1pm-2.30pm	Arboretum Trees at the Australian National University. Free guided walk with Jan Morgan and University Arborist Melinda Walker. This walk looks at mature examples of species planted at the National Arboretum Canberra, within the grounds of University House and the private gardens of the Vice Chancellors residence. Meet at the front of the Vice Chancellors residence on Mills Road– limited parking in driveway. Booking essential to melinda.walker@anu.edu.au or 6125 8969.
	6.30pm	Friends of ACT Trees dinner with special guest speaker Alan Brown presenting ‘Domestication of Radiata Pine’, hosted by Friends of ACT Trees. Weston Creek Labor Club. Cost: \$5 for members, \$10 for non members. Meal from the bistro at your own cost. Please indicate your intentions to attend to scholto@infinite.net.au
Thursday 3 May 2018	10.30am-11.30am	Tree Week themed story time. Dickson, Gungahlin and Woden Library. Story time is a session full of tree themed stories, rhymes and songs suitable for 3-5 year old children and their parents/carers.
	2.30pm-3.30pm	Scar Trees and Indigenous Plants. Discover the cultural significance of trees to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. Presented by Adam Shipp from Yurbay. at the Kippax Library.

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Friday 4 May 2018	10.30am- 11.30am	Tree themed story time. Dickson Library. Story time is a session full of tree themed stories, rhymes and songs suitable for 3-5 year old children and their parents/carers.
	12.30pm- 5.30pm	Canberra Tree Week Symposium , Australian National Botanical Gardens theatrette, Acton. Topics include Canberra's Urban Forest: life and death situations, Tree Happenings at the Yarralumla Nursery, how Canberra's Urban Forest can Protect us from Climate Change and Data-driven Urban Forest Management. To register and view the full symposium proceedings visit www.tccs.act.gov.au
Saturday 5 May 2018	8am- 4.30pm	ACT Tree Climbing Championships – Australian National Botanic Gardens, Eucalypt lawn. A tree climbing competition consisting of 5 events across the day including work climb, secured footlock, speed climb, throwline and aerial rescue. A great spectator sport for the whole family. For more information visit Australian Capital Tree Community (ACTC) Climbing Championships Facebook page.
	10.30am- 11.30am	Tree themed story time. Erindale Library. Story time is a session full of tree themed stories, rhymes and songs suitable for 3-5 year old children and their parents/carers.
	11.30am	Free hugs at the Arboretum! Let's see how many trees we can hug in preparation for next year's attempt to break the Guinness World Record. The inaugural HUG A TREE DAY will bring people together to celebrate the life of Adam Burgess- former curator of the Arboretum and share in his passion for trees. To register go to- www.stickytickets.com.au/NationalArboretumCanberra .
	2pm-3pm	Join a leisurely walk through Forest 20, the location of the southern tablelands regional botanic garden at the National Arboretum Canberra. Be introduced to 16 species of local eucalypts and several other species of trees local to Canberra, together with more than 150 species of understory shrubs, herbs and grasses. This is a free event, meet at the Village Centre, National Arboretum Canberra. (Forest 20 is an easy 5 minute walk from the Village Centre).
Sunday 6 May 2017	9am-3pm	ACT Tree Climbing Championships grand final & awards – Australian National Botanic Gardens, Eucalypt lawn. A tree climbing competition consisting of 5 events across the day including work climb, secured footlock, speed climb, throwline and aerial rescue. A great spectator sport for the whole family. For more information visit Australian Capital Tree Community (ACTC) Climbing Championships Facebook page.
	9am- 11.30am	Tree Week Bird Walk at the Pinnacle. Free guided walk. Meet at the Dungowan Street gate to the Pinnacle Nature Reserve Hawker. Dress appropriately for the conditions and bring water and binoculars (if you have them). Numbers are limited so please email convenor@fotpin.org.au or call John on 0405 331 405 to register. All ages welcome.
	9.30am- 11.30am	Westbourne Woods - Trees in the Urban Landscape free guided walk. Meet at the gates to Royal Canberra Golf Club in Bentham Street Yarralumla. Wear sensible shoes/clothes and bring a hat.
	10am- 12 noon	Ranger Guided Walk with Brandan Galpin – Bendora Arboretum. Meet at the Bendora Arboretum car park, Mt Franklin Road, Namadgi National Park. Wear sturdy shoes & warm clothes. Places are limited so please register your interest through https://www.facebook.com/EnvironPlan/ . Queries on the day to Namadgi Visitor Centre 02) 6207 2900. A map of the area can be found at http://www.environment.act.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0012/518988/Namadgi-Brief-Guidev22013.pdf
	2pm- 3.30pm	Arboretum trees at the Australian National University. Free guided walk with Jan Morgan. Lindsay Pryor and beyond looks at interesting species from the Arboretum growing along the Lindsay Pryor walk and surrounding area. Meet at the Sullivan's Creek car park. bookings essential to melinda.walker@anu.edu.au or 6125 8969.
Everyday	9am-4pm	Avenues of Honour Photographic Exhibition by Sarah Wood. In the Village Centre, 21 April to 28 May 2018. Inspired by her grandfather who fought at Gallipoli, Sarah a professional photographer and horticulturalist, embarked on a journey to capture these images.

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