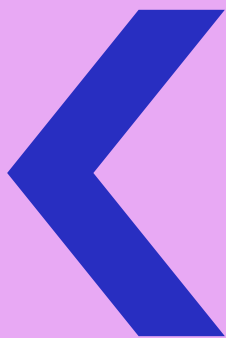




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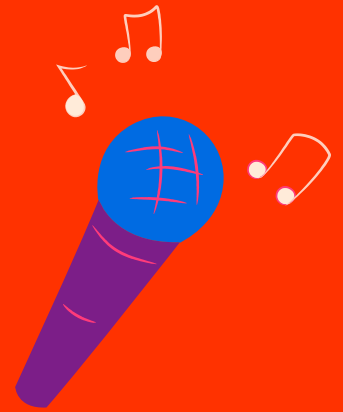
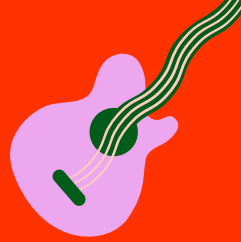


# Community News

Winter 2024



# Open Season



King St has been absolutely buzzing with the energy of Open Season! Our good friends over at The Tivoli brought their much-loved festival back for the fourth year running, and it's been a blast. Over the past month and a half, they've filled their venue with amazing live music acts, delivering show after show of pure fun.

Check out some of the highlights from the program:



Texan post-rock giants, Explosions in the Sky brought their cinematic sounds to The Tivoli's stage, delivering an epic show that had everyone in awe



Local legends, Regurgitator really rocked out at The Tivoli, thrilling a crowd of eager fans. These guys were right at home on stage, and no wonder - this was their seventh performance at the venue since 2008!



We bid a bittersweet farewell to an Australian record label, Elefant Traks. With 18 performances across the night, it was an epic event and the perfect send-off for this iconic Aussie label that has given so much over the past 25 years.

## There's plenty to see and do at Victoria Park

Victoria Park is a treasure trove of fun and relaxation! Imagine spreading out your picnic blanket on a hilltop with breathtaking city views or finding a cosy nook by a waterhole surrounded by trees. With so many hidden picnic spots, it's a paradise for nature lovers.

Need a little zen in your life? Take a leisurely stroll along Victoria Park's 'Go Slow for a Mo' nature wellness trails. The signs will guide you through simple exercises designed to help you unwind, connect with nature, and boost your well-being. So, take a deep breath, slow down, and let the park work its magic on you!

Head to the Victoria Park website to find out more:  
[brisbane.qld.gov.au/victoriapark](https://brisbane.qld.gov.au/victoriapark)



# Last Night: **Blak Day Out**



King St is joining in the festivities with its signature flair — hosting a spectacular street party! Save the date for Saturday 24 August, and don't miss the grand finale event 'Last Night: Blak Day Out'. This free, outdoor extravaganza, presented in partnership with Open Season, The Tivoli, and Blak Social, will showcase electrifying performances by some of the nation's most prestigious Indigenous artists.

## Check out the lineup!



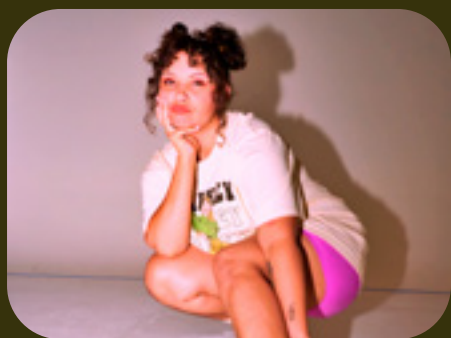
### Emma Donovan

ARIA-nominated, award-winning Indigenous singer and songwriter, Emma Donovan will be closing out her Australian tour and taking to the King St stage as headliner on 24 August.



### 3%

This newly formed hip-hop act, made up of proud First Nations artists Dallas Woods, Nooky and Angus Field, will take to the King St stage on 24 August.



### BADASSMUTHA

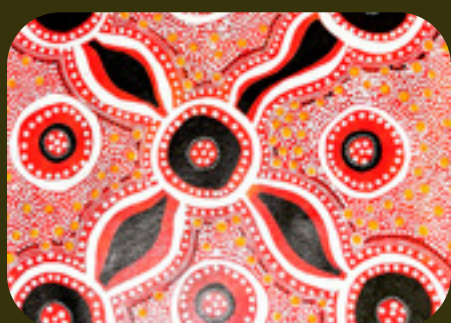
Githabul, Migunberri-Yugumbah woman BADASSMUTHA will bring her eclectic sound, inspired by reggae, alt-pop, soul and funk, to the King St stage on 24 August.



### The Ancient Bloods

The First Nations, youth transitional band run by Digi Youth Arts will bring their smooth coastal melodies to the King St stage on 24 August.

In addition to the electrifying music, attendees can savour delectable market bites from King St favourites Xin Chao and Fat Dumpling and a variety of entertainment, including a live mural painting, a lively silent disco, and vibrant First Nation Market stalls. With something for everyone, it's the perfect night out!



# Artisan's Latest Exhibitions



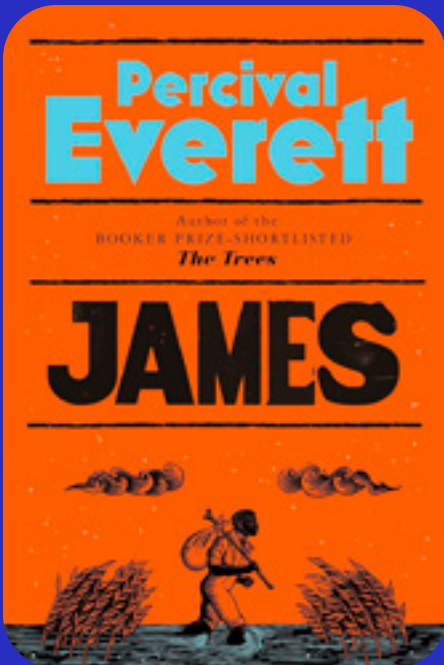
We're so lucky here on King St to have Artisan and their ever-changing art gallery in our beautiful precinct. And we've got some great news as the team is shaking it up again this month with two new exhibition openings.

The main gallery will be transformed from June 22 as 'UNLEASHED' comes to Artisan and shines a spotlight on the next generation of Queensland's most promising craft and design talent.

And our favourite 24/7 gallery over on Machinery St will exhibit outcomes from a series of workshops conducted for the ISEA2024, disability and artisan communities. Stop by the precinct from June 17 onwards to catch these pieces.



## King Street Book Club



King St Book Club is the perfect opportunity for any bookworm to enjoy the great food and wine that King St has to offer and chat with like-minded readers.

In August, the club will be reading *James* by Percival Everett - a powerful reimagining of *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*. Jennifer Stevens of Avid Reader hosts and facilitates each event, inviting everyone to join the engaging discussions.

The August Book Club will be meeting at Fat Dumpling on Tuesday 6 August at 6pm, and you can secure your spot via the King St website or keep up with the book club on Instagram @kingstreetbrisbane @avidreader. We hope to see you there!



# Meet King St:

## Mitchell Pierce, Lead Educator at Guardian Childcare

Guardian Childcare and Education offers exceptional programs for children aged six weeks to six years, fostering learning and discovery through play. We are delighted to have this expansive learning centre right here in the heart of Bowen Hills at King St.

Recently, we had the pleasure of speaking with lead educator Mitchell Pierce about the centre and his experiences on King St.



### What sets Guardian apart from other Childcare centres?

What sets Guardian apart from other childcare centres is their philosophy to promote children's learning. We have a strong focus on learning through play, allowing the children to build strong connections with both educators and their peers as they develop through their social interactions. Working with children means engaging in creative and fun activities. This can range from art-based learning experiences to imaginative play, allowing the children to explore their creativity and curiosity. Learning through play helps build resilience, social interaction/connection, problem-solving skills, and creative ability, all while developing large muscle groups that help them become big movers.

### What's your favourite thing about working with kids?

Children have a unique way of bringing joy and laughter into any situation. Their innocence, humour, and enthusiasm can be incredibly uplifting. They can put a smile on my face every day just by the things they do and say. There is no hiding from the fact that the role can be exhausting and draining; it can push you to your limits, and this has allowed me to have so much personal growth. It challenges you to adapt to different situations and meet the diverse needs of each child. I continue to learn so much from these children every day and love every single one of them. It is all about being patient and empathetic in their learning journey while giving them the tools to display their natural creative abilities.

### What's your favourite part about coming to work each day?

My favourite part about coming in each day is super simple but something that brings me so much joy and it is interacting with the children. The bonds I have formed with the children in the centre have been so strong and meaningful. The trust and affection that has been developed is what inspires me to come in every day and is so heartwarming. What has set this job apart from any of my other previous employment is that no two days are the same in childcare. The dynamic nature of working with children means there's always something new and different happening, which keeps the job exciting and engaging.

### What has been your biggest achievement at Guardian so far?

What I am most proud of is seeing children that were in my kindergarten group last year move into their schooling lives; having them come back and see me in their school uniforms was amazing to see and, hopefully, I played a positive role for them to take these steps in their schooling journey. This is the most fulfilling part of the role of an educator - seeing children grow and develop over time. Even now moving into the Nursery room, whether it's taking their first steps or learning new skills, being a part of these milestones is immensely gratifying. Knowing that you are helping lay the foundation for a child's future success is a powerful motivator.

### Where is your favourite spot on King St?

I am a sucker for a pastry and good coffee, so there's no better place to go than Kuhl-Cher. Very personable and kind staff who make beautiful coffee that helps get my day started. Go and check them out!

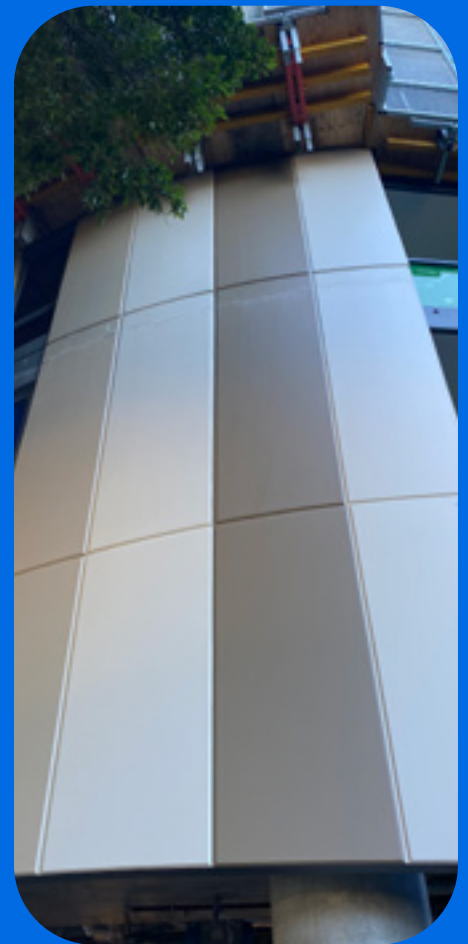


# EXHIBITION QUARTER

## CONSTRUCTION UPDATES:

We're seeing some real action on the Exhibition Quarter build, and it's climbing to impressive heights! It's been non-stop on site, with the team working hard and ticking off milestone after milestone. The lift and stair cores have shot up to levels 13 and 14, the level 8 tower slabs have been poured, and the team is already starting on the level 9 formwork. Down closer to ground level, the all-important party walls are going up on levels 1 and 2, which means these awesome new apartments are taking shape. Here are a few other highlights from the last few months:

- The level 4 car park slabs are being poured as we speak!
- The formwork has been stripped from levels 3 and 4, and the team has set their sights on doing the same for level 5.
- Underslung services are currently being installed on levels 3, 4 and 5
- External facade finishes and balustrades have been installed on levels 1, 2 and 3,| and the perimeter screens have moved to level 3 of the tower.



# Meet the team

## Izaak Jenkins and George Stokes



It's hard to miss King St's newest buildings, but why not meet the team behind the monuments? We caught up with Izaak Jenkins and George Stokes to talk about what they and the team have been up to..

**What are your roles on the team and how long have you been on this project?**

George and I are the Contract Administrators on the project and we have both been involved in this project since Hutchies was awarded the contract for construction in late 2022. Our primary responsibility is to work with local subcontractors and suppliers to create a project team responsible for the delivery of the project. As Contract Administrators, we are responsible for a lot of the early work, so it is satisfying seeing the project progress each day.

**What's your favourite part about coming to work each day?**

Working on construction projects presents a lot of challenges, George and I both enjoy working as a team with the rest of our management crew to overcome these challenges.

**What's your go-to lunch order on King St?**

We can collectively agree our favourite is a steak sandwich from the Jubilee Hotel, but are very much fans of Il Verde and Sushi & Nori.

**Where is the team's favourite spot for an after-work drink?**

The entire team enjoys some wings, drinks and footy at Winghaus.

**What are the biggest differences that you've noticed between Exhibition Quarter and other projects you've worked on?**

Exhibition Quarter is different in the sense that it has specific facilities and functionality designed for rental buildings, and as this is the first build-to-rent project we have worked on, it has been a pleasure to learn about the different style of design.

**How do you think this development will influence future housing developments?**

I think it's no secret that it is very hard to get a rental apartment in Brisbane, and according to recent studies rental vacancies are lower than 1%. EQ1 will offer 443 quality apartments that can help meet this demand. EQ1 also has fantastic common area amenities such as a yoga room, wellness area and podcast rooms that will be a benchmark for the industry.

## Welcome 3Bros Korean Bistro to King St!

In case you missed the news, authentic Korean street food has landed right here on King St thanks to 3Bros! The newly established venue specialises in finger-licking fried chicken, flavoursome bibimbap bowls and their signature dish, fried tofu kimbab. If you haven't yet tried these unique dishes, then consider this your sign to drop in! Let's make the team feel welcome in their new home on King St.



## Common Barbershop's Brand New Look



The wait is over! Common Barbershop has officially reopened with a stunning new look. After several weeks of hard work transforming their shopfront, the team is thrilled with the results and we're delighted to welcome them back to their home on King St.

The grand opening party was a hit, featuring delicious food, refreshing drinks and, of course, fresh coffee, great music, and positive vibes as the team showcased their revamped space. If you haven't visited yet, be sure to check it out!

Follow them on social media at [@common\\_barbershop](https://www.instagram.com/common_barbershop) to stay updated on all the exciting plans they have for the rest of the year.



## Exciting Art Installation to Come on Claw BBQ's Brand New Laneway

Construction is moving along nicely at Claw BBQ, where the outdoor laneway is getting a fantastic new weatherproof roof. We're thrilled to announce that Dylan Bolger, an incredibly talented artist and proud descendant of the Maiawali, Karuwali, Pitta-Pitta and Gomeri peoples, will be installing a stunning piece of art on the newly constructed roof.

Dylan brings a unique blend of art, culture, and technical skill to all his projects, and this one is no exception. As you walk through the space, you'll embark on a journey with his work, discovering hidden narratives that tell a distinctly Brisbane story. Dylan's aim is for each person to develop their own interpretations and connections with his art, keeping the imagery abstract and the story subtly profound, yet striking.

We certainly can't wait to see what he creates in the space! And we don't have too much longer to wait, with construction due to finish in mid-July.





## Looking back at Artisan's Beautiful Mother's Day Market

Artisan's annual Mother's Day Market in May was a blast! We had a fantastic turnout, and our very own Kuhl-Cher cafe provided delicious charcuterie and nibbles. Guests sipped on mimosas while browsing all the gorgeous pieces on display and the whole event was set to soulful, soft jazz music, thanks to the talented students of the Jazz Music Institute. Check out the photos from this amazing day, and make sure to come along and be part of next year's fun!



Fortitude Valley  
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## Fortitude Valley State Secondary College



Fortitude Valley State Secondary College is encouraging students in Years 7-9 to follow their dreams through their weekly Genius Hour class, where teachers support them in pursuing passion projects.

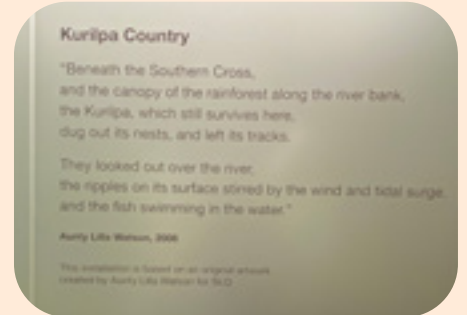
Year 8 student and aspiring entrepreneur, Immy, has taken a big step towards her goal of starting a business in her Genius Hour project for this semester.

After developing a business plan, applying for a business licence, creating a logo, curating a list of potential stall locations, saving up for a machine and creating her product, Immy took the initiative to request to run her stall, 'Midnight's Fairy Floss', at the school's Open Day. The fairy floss stall, offering custom flavours inspired by various lollies, was a major hit, earning Immy over \$150 in profits.



# Lendlease Deep Listening Day

In the interest of acknowledging and understanding First Nations cultural history in Australia, Lendlease recently held a deep listening day for the team. In March the Lendlease Queensland team participated in deep listening and cultural education at Kuril Dhargun (QLD State Library) centred around their current Working Country Exhibition. The exhibition celebrates and tells the truth of First Nations contributions to the Queensland Agricultural Industry. As the developer of part of the RNA Showgrounds, Lendlease seized the opportunity to learn about the history of the area. Led by Serene Fernando (Curator, Truth Telling) and supported by Aunty Flo Watson OAM, the team heard about the hardships and injustices contrasted with the excellence and determination of First Nations people throughout the history of QLD agriculture.



At King St, we place a lot of importance on acknowledging the cultural history and significance of the precinct. We are incredibly fortunate to be able to participate in educational events such as Deep Listening Day to ensure we maintain cultural integrity in all that we do.



## National Reconciliation Week

National Reconciliation Week is a time for all Australians to reflect and learn about the history, culture and achievements of First Nations people in this country.

To commemorate this significant week, Lendlease hosted a lively lunch-and-learn event for the local community at their office. The event commenced with a Welcome to Country by Songwoman Maroochy, who also bestowed a blessing upon the new Lendlease Brisbane corporate office. Following this, the team unveiled pieces from 'Working Country', an exhibition currently on display at the State Library, which depicts the integral roles that Aboriginal stockmen and stockwomen played in establishing Queensland's pastoral industry.

Guest speaker Jordan Eaton, from Lendlease, rounded out the presentations with an engaging speech on the story behind the new office design and its connection to the history of the precinct. Attendees were then treated to a nourishing lunch including some delightful sweet treats from Indigenous catering company FigJam & Co.



# What's coming up at the Brisbane Showgrounds

There are plenty of exciting events coming up at the Brisbane Showgrounds in the coming months. Here are some of our top picks:

## The Taste Festival 12 July - 14 July:

Prepare to indulge in a wonderland of unlimited tastings of magnificent wines, craft spirits and gourmet food.

## Brisbane Tertiary Studies & Careers Expo 13 July- 14 July:

A must-attend event for anyone interested in education, training, or professional career development and employment opportunities.

## EKKA 10-18 August:

It's almost that time of the year again! The EKKA will return to the Brisbane Showgrounds this August to bring the country to the city - now in its 145th year of celebrating all things Queensland. And it's safe to say that we're already planning how many Bertie Beetles we can devour.

We can't wait to feel the EKKA energy spill onto King St. Every August our precinct is bustling with energy as people flood the showground and the surrounding areas and this year will be no different. So mark your calendars and join us for a week of enjoying food, rides and plenty of entertainment for the whole family.



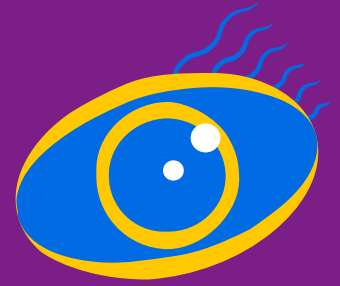
# Rural Discovery Day

Back in May, the Ekka Education team welcomed dozens of school children to the Brisbane Showgrounds to take part in Rural Discovery Day. This fun and educational day took the students through a variety of activities to show them where their food and fibre come from. The kids got their hands dirty with some seed planting, watched some live sheep shearing and even had the chance to milk a cow. And judging from the smiles on their faces, the day was a huge success!



# You on King St

We love seeing you visiting King St! Take a look at what people have been up to - from indulging in delicious food, enjoying incredible events and exploring new exhibitions; there really is something for everyone on King St. Keep tagging us in your photos, [@kingstreetbrisbane](#), so we can see what you get up to and share the fun!



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## Parking offers on King St

Dining out plans with friends on King St? Enjoy two hours free parking in the King St car park after 5pm on weekdays and all weekend (then \$15 flat rate after that). The Monday to Friday early bird offer is \$18\* for the day if you enter between 7am and 9am and exit after 2pm (and before 12am).

Where to find it? Just look out for the kookaburra!





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We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of country throughout Australia, the Turrbal and Jagera people, and recognise their continuing connection to land, waters and community. We pay our respect to them and their cultures and to Elders past and present.

Lendlease Reconciliation Action Plan: [lendlease.com/RAP](http://lendlease.com/RAP)

