

2022 FESTIVAL PROGRAM



MESSAGE FROM THE HON. STIRLING HINCHLIFFE MP

Welcome to Capricorn Film Festival a wonderful opportunity to immerse yourself in Yeppoon's local culture and community, and hopefully explore some of the superb tourism experiences on offer here in the Capricorn Region.

The impacts of the pandemic have provided incredible challenges, but thanks to the hard work of Queenslanders our state was one of the first to put in place a COVID Safe Event Framework which paved the way for events such as this one to take place.

The Queensland Government is proud to support Capricorn Film Festival, through Tourism and Events Queensland's Destination Events Program and it is a feature on our It's Live! in Queensland events calendar. Events are an important part of our state's economic recovery from the pandemic because they attract visitors to the region which stimulates the local economy and supports local jobs.

Events are also an important opportunity for communities, friends, families and visitors to come together, creating community pride and reconnecting us.

Congratulations to the event organisers and all those involved in organising this event – may it be a successful one. If you are visiting for the event, I encourage you to make some time to explore the diverse tourism experiences on offer in this beautiful region.



Stirling Hinchliffe

MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR ANDY IRELAND

On behalf of Council, I would like to extend a warm welcome to the Capricorn Film Festival – a fantastic opportunity for filmmakers, aspiring actors and cinema lovers to converge in one place and learn from one another.

It also offers visitors and the wider Livingstone community a chance to immerse themselves in the region's local arts and culture, while taking part in Central Queensland's biggest film event of the year. Livingstone Shire Council is proud to support Capricorn Film Festival, as highlighted in the Capricorn Coast Region Events Strategy 2025, and our Livingstone Community Plan: Towards 2050.

Over 80 events are staged on the Capricorn Coast annually, with major events attracting 125,285 event enthusiasts, contributing an economic impact of \$7.9 million annually into the Livingstone Shire. With its stunning coastline, unique coastal villages and backdrop of the Keppel Group on the shores of the Southern Great Barrier Reef, the Capricorn Coast has a distinct competitive advantage in the areas of coastal lifestyle, wellness, arts, environmental sustainability and water related sports.

Events like the Capricorn Film Festival are an important opportunity for communities, friends, families and visitors to come together, fostering community pride and reconnecting us. I would like to commend and congratulate the event organisers and all those involved in bringing this event to our community – I have no doubt that it will be a success.

If you are visiting for the event, I encourage you to make some time to explore the diverse natural beauty and many tourism experiences our wonderful region has to offer.



Andy Ireland

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WHATS ON

WEDNESDAY 12TH JANUARY 2022

1845-2200	Opening Night Party & QLD Premiere Ithaka	Yeppoon Town Hall
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THURSDAY 13TH JANUARY 2022

1100-1600	CAPS EXPerimental & CQ Shorts	Fig Tree Galleries
1400-1600	Zero Gravity, Australian Premiere	Yeppoon Town Hall
1830-2100	Poetic Darkness & Wash my soul in the rivers flow	Capricorn Caves
1830-2130	Sensory CQ Art in the Dark	Yeppoon

FRIDAY 14TH JANUARY 2022

1100-1600	CAPS EXPerimental & CQ Shorts	Fig Tree Galleries
1400-1600	The Boys who said NO! CQ Premiere	Yeppoon Town Hall
1900-2100	Mutt, QLD Premiere	Yeppoon Town Hall
1830-2130	Sensory CQ Art in the Dark	Yeppoon

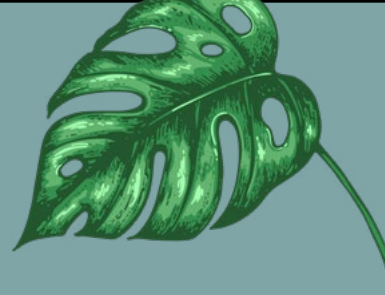
SATURDAY 15TH JANUARY 2022

1000-1200	Filmmaker Masterclasses	Yeppoon Town Hall
1100-1600	CAPS EXPerimental & CQ Shorts	Fig Tree Galleries
1400-1600	When the camera stopped rolling, CQ Premiere	Yeppoon Town Hall
1600-1800	Meet the Wallers, CQ Premiere	Yeppoon Town Hall
1830-2130	Sensory CQ Art in the Dark	Yeppoon
1900-2030	Cinema Memories	Yeppoon Amphitheatre
2030-2200	Filmmaker Networking	Pie Alley Blues

SUNDAY 16TH JANUARY 2022

900-1000	Filmmaker Breakfast	Keppel Bay Sailing Club
1030-1430	Retro Video Gamer Competition	Yeppoon Amphitheatre
1100-1600	CAPS EXPerimental & CQ Shorts	Fig Tree Galleries
1600-1800	CAPS Short Film Competition	Yeppoon Town Hall
1830-2130	Sensory CQ Art in the Dark	Yeppoon

INFORMATION



TICKETS

Tickets for all screenings are available via our website, and box-office, subject to availability. Regular film sessions are \$22 for adults and \$11 for concession with destination events \$44 for adults and \$33 for concessions. Some events are free. Check specific film and event pages for pricing. The box-office will be available 30 minutes prior to each screening for ticket sales accepting cash and EFTPOS.

DONATIONS

Donate and support future filmmakers through our DGR Capricorn Film Festival Donation Fund gifts over \$2 are 100% tax deductible for pricing, Donate via capricornfilmfestival.com and support Queensland regional film arts production and education.

BAR

Drinks, snacks and popcorn are available from the first floor bar at the Yeppoon Town Hall. EFTPOS and cash payments accepted.

COVID SAFE EVENT

The festival team are taking every step and precaution to ensure #capfilm-fest2022 is as safe as possible for all attendees, staff and volunteers. The 2022 Capricorn Film Festival is operating under the industry-standard COVID Safe Event Checklist provided by the Queensland Government.

RATINGS

Screenings are Festival Exemption (M15+) except where otherwise indicated.

FESTIVAL PASS

Buy your 2022 Capricorn Film Festival pass and get access to every ticketed screening, event and activity throughout the five day film arts festival.

PRINCIPAL PARTNER LIVINGSTONE SHIRE COUNCIL PROUDLY SUPPORTS LOCAL EVENTS



DAY 1

OPENING NIGHT PARTY



ithaka

Opening Night Party with Filmmaker Q&A

Join us for our opening night celebrations with festivals partners, dignitaries and the filmmakers from *Ithaka*, then dance the night away with hits from local musicians. Price includes canapes and two drinks.

After Julian Assange was arrested at London's Ecuadorian embassy in 2019, his Victoria-based father stepped into the legal, political and media fray. Joined by Julian's fiancée, Stella Moris, 76-year-old Shipton lays out the situation to journalists, often sounding eerily like his detained son. In early 2021, the UK verdict on whether to extradite Julian to America collided with a pandemic and the US presidential election. As the crusade heats up, Shipton battles on, challenging misconceptions with quiet patience and remarkable composure. Filmed over two years across Europe and the UK, this powerful documentary from Lawrence (*Hearts and Bones*, SFF 2019) and Julian's brother/producer Gabriel Shipton (*Emu Runner*, SFF 2019) cleverly encompasses the manifold aspects of a singular campaign. With original music by Brian Eno.

Ben Lawrence's debut documentary *Ghosthunter* (SFF 2018) won the Documentary Australia Foundation Award and was an AACTA nominee. In 2020 he won Best Direction at the Australian Directors' Guild Awards for *Hearts and Bones* (SFF 2019), starring Hugo Weaving.

12th January, 2022

6:45PM – 10:00PM

Yeppoon Town Hall
25 Normanby St, Yeppoon

Adults: \$44
Concession: \$33
Children (Under 12): \$22
Children (Under 5): FREE

YEAR
2021

CLASSIFICATION
M15+

GENRE
Documentary, Biography

DURATION
111 minutes

PRODUCER
Gabriel Shipton, Adrian Devant

DIRECTOR
Ben Lawrence

CAST
John Shipton



DAY 2

CINEMA SESSIONS



zero gravity

Australian Premiere of inspiring story

A diverse group of middle-school students compete in a nationwide tournament to code satellites aboard the International Space Station.

"It was such a pleasure to be involved in this film and to showcase the stories of students coding satellites aboard the ISS. Zero Robotics is an incredible opportunity for students and I love how this film puts a spotlight on three middle-schoolers on their own journey to space!" Cady Coleman, NASA Astronaut

Zero Gravity is a powerful and inspirational story about education, science, and the next generation that follows a diverse group of middle school students who compete in a nationwide competition to code satellites aboard the International Space Station.

Seen through the wondrous eyes of three young innovators and their first-time coach, they each embark on an intimate and personal journey to the final frontier as their team grows from amateur coders to representing California in the ISS Finals Tournament — the culmination of a summer-long adventure that sees their incredible accomplishment performed by astronauts in orbit.

13th January, 2022

2:00PM – 4:00PM

Yeppoon Town Hall
25 Normanby St, Yeppoon

Adults: \$22
Concession: \$11
Children (Under 12): \$11

YEAR
2021

CLASSIFICATION
General

GENRE
Documentary

DURATION
75 minutes

PRODUCER
Thomas Verrette
Haller Rice

DIRECTOR
Thomas Verrette

EDITOR
Thomas Verrette



Wash my soul in the rivers

Wash my Soul in the Rivers Flow w Q&A

Held in the region's natural wonder the Capricorn Caves, join Chelsea Stutchbury for an emotive journey followed by the premiere screening of *Wash My Soul in the Rivers Flow* with filmmaker Philippa Bateman. Price includes canapés and a drink.

POETIC DARKNESS MUSICAL PERFORMANCE

Poetic Darkness is a fifteen minute emotive musical and lighting performance by regional emerging contemporary vocalist and composer, Chelsea Stutchbury. Chelsea is influenced by dark and cinematic soundtracks of her favourite films and TV shows, her ethereal style and haunting vocals spell stories stemmed from her memories and thoughts, romanticised into heartfelt tracks.

WASH MY SOUL IN THE RIVERS FLOW SYNOPSIS

Wash my soul in the rivers flow is a feature documentary about the lives and love story of Ruby Hunter and Archie Roach, as told, in their own songs and spoken word stories in the 2004 concert *Kura Tungal - Songs from the River*. The country and river Hunter and Roach sing about is the Murray River, and Ngarrindjeri lands in South Australia - Hunter's birthplace and early childhood home, before she was stolen. Seventeen years later, working with Archie Roach, filmmaker Philippa Bateman has crafted a film, which cinematically brings alive the emotional, spiritual and physical reality of Hunter's country, her and Archie's connection to it, as well as the pull of memory and the joy of coming homes.

13th January, 2022

6:30PM – 9:00PM

Capricorn Caves
30 Olsens Caves Rd, The Caves

Adults: \$44
Concession: \$33
Children (Under 12): \$22

YEAR
2021

CLASSIFICATION
PG

GENRE
Musical Documentary

DURATION
89 minutes

PRODUCER
Archie Roach
Kate Hodges
Philippa Bateman

DIRECTOR
Philippa Bateman

WRITER
Philippa Bateman

DAY 3

CINEMA SESSIONS





the boys who said no

CQ Premiere of Powerful Documentary

Oscar-nominated filmmaker Judith Ehrlich tells the story of a mass movement of draft resisters who choose conscience over killing in the Vietnam War and ended the draft.

"This inspiring and long-overdue documentary explores a decisive era in recent American history... an excellent service in memorializing this enduring portrait of America during an earlier time of momentous inner conflict." Emily Mendel, Culture Vulture

Oscar-nominated filmmaker Judith Ehrlich tells the story of a mass movement of draft resisters who choose conscience over killing in the Vietnam War. Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. and folk diva Joan Baez link the racial justice and peace movements.

Joan marries David Harris, founder of "The Resistance" movement and their baby is born while he is in prison for draft resistance

Draft resister, Muhammed Ali plays a prominent role and Daniel Ellsberg of Pentagon Papers fame, inspired by these young people, blows the whistle on an unjust war.

Through dynamic archival footage and compelling interviews with the protagonists, the film chronicles a youth-led movement of nonviolent civil disobedience that ended the draft and helped end the brutal war.

14th January, 2022

2:00PM – 4:00PM

Yeppoon Town Hall
25 Normanby St, Yeppoon

Adults: \$22
Concession: \$11
Children (Under 12): \$11

YEAR
2020

CLASSIFICATION
General

GENRE
Documentary

DURATION
91 minutes

PRODUCER

Christopher Jones
Bill Prince

DIRECTOR
Judith Ehrlich

EDITOR
Scott Walton



mutt

QLD Premiere of Australian Movie

A dark Australian drama about the lengths one woman is willing to go to, in order to save her beloved pet from the pits.

"Directed by Samuel Galloway, Mutt is a dark Australian drama about the emotional baggage that's handed down through generations and the terrifying prospect of taking responsibility for the life of another." Filmink

Set in the eastern suburbs of Melbourne, MUTT follows Odette Harker as she comes to terms with her first pregnancy. She had a rough upbringing, and she now looks to her conservative in-laws for guidance on parenting. But when a robbery occurs at the family's building company, the couple's dog Barney goes missing as well. Dog fighting is prominent in the area, so Odette secretly goes against the families wishes, to infiltrate the dangerous underground world to save her dog from a torturous death.

14th January, 2022

7:00PM – 9:00PM

Yeppoon Town Hall
25 Normanby St, Yeppoon

Adults: \$22
Concession: \$11
Children (Under 12): \$11

YEAR
2021

CLASSIFICATION
M15+

GENRE
Drama, Thriller

DURATION
90 minutes

PRODUCER
Erinn Stevenson

DIRECTOR
Samuel Galloway

WRITER
Samuel Galloway



DAY 4

CINEMA SESSIONS



When the camera stopped rolling

CQ Premiere with Filmmaker Q&A

15th January, 2022

2:00PM – 4:00PM

Yeppoon Town Hall
25 Normanby St, Yeppoon

A daughter turns her camera onto the life of her trailblazing filmmaker mother to find troubling shadows behind their stunning images.

“Phenomenal, magnificent “and devastatingly beautiful” Mitzi Goldman Documentary Australia Foundation

Adults: \$22
Concession: \$11
Children (Under 12): \$11

YEAR
2021

CLASSIFICATION
M15+

GENRE
Documentary, Biography

DURATION
75 minutes

PRODUCER
Pat Fisk

DIRECTOR
Jane Castle

WRITER
Jane Castle

The daughter of trailblazing Australian filmmaker, Lili Fraser, tells the epic tale of her mother's extraordinary life, her career and their challenging relationship. Driven by the need to understand and heal from their shared trauma, director / cinematographer Jane Castle digs deep using the rich textures of a stunning, unseen part of Australia's cinematic history. Tenacious, enthusiastic and ambitious, Lili overcame huge systemic and personal obstacles to make over 40 films in her lifetime. But her success came at a cost – the early trauma that drove her also saw her unravel over time. Trapped in a destructive marriage, then battling alcoholism and single parenthood, Lili's trademark determination was pushed to its limits. Deeply moving and searingly honest, *When the Camera Stopped Rolling* reveals both the light and dark of this proto-feminist icon and unique mother-daughter team. The triumphs and turbulence of their careers and their relationship are captured with clarity and compassion, set against a rich tapestry of stunning visuals and sound.





meet the wallers

CQ Premiere of moving family Documentary

A documentary that follows artist Mark Waller and his family over twenty years.

"One of the most moving doco's I've ever seen", Carlos Alperin, BIFF Audience

Mark Waller loves to paint the seascapes around beautiful Lennox Head.

He is a dreamer who sees angels in the street. His obsessive belief that charity begins at home doesn't jibe with his vivacious wife Nicole who wishes she were the charity.

But Mark, the painter often can't see what's in front of him. Nicole suffers depression. Their daughters, Jasmine and Emily babies at the outset and graduates by the end of our story negotiate their parents' issues while juggling their own sibling rivalries.

When Mark is diagnosed with a deadly Melanoma the fault lines in the Waller family erupt with surprising results. Filmed over 20 years, MEET THE WALLERS is a remarkable keyhole into family life, a meditation on art, mortality, philanthropy and happiness.

15th January, 2022

4:00PM – 6:00PM

Yeppoon Town Hall
25 Normanby St, Yeppoon

Adults: \$22
Concession: \$11
Children (Under 12): \$11

YEAR
2021

CLASSIFICATION
M15+

GENRE
Documentary, Biography

DURATION
80 minutes

PRODUCER
Jim Stevens
Gil Scrine

DIRECTOR
Jim Stevens

EDITOR
Mike Craft



RESTART INVESTMENT TO SUSTAIN AND EXPAND RISE FUND, AN AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT INITIATIVE PROUDLY SUPPORTS FILM ARTS EVENTS



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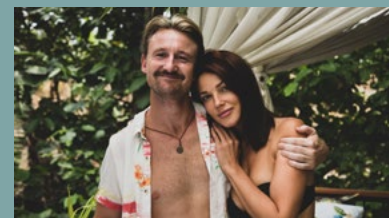
DAYS

CINEMA SESSIONS

caps short film competition

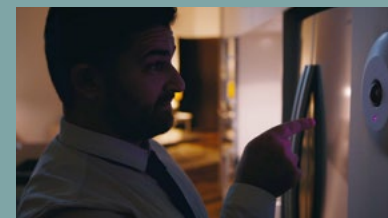
Capricorn Film Festival brings you twelve Queensland and Australian Premieres from Australian and international filmmakers providing thought provoking, socially conscious, family centric journeys, comedic, relationship challenging films.

DATE: 16th January TIME: 4:00PM-6:00PM LOCATION: Yeppoon Town Hall



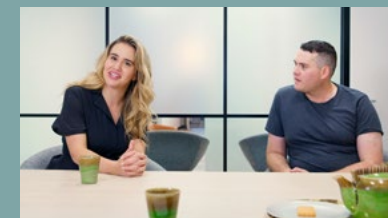
NO HARD FEELING

Rodney's ego is at breaking point and if his best pal Slim can't whip him into shape before his big date tonight, he might lose it.



WELCOME HOME

Peter comes home to his futuristic A.I. Home Unit, who has been over-analysing his life.



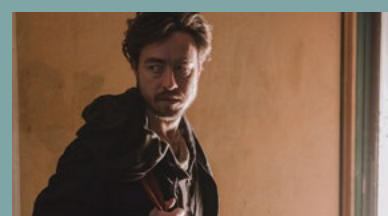
THE DIVORCE

A divorcing couple have managed to split all their assets... except one



FLAT HILL

Nina attempts to stop her sweetheart Parris from taking things too far in his violent revenge on the guy that date-raped her.



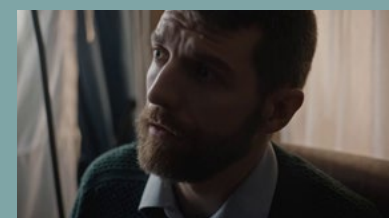
IF I QUIT NOW

Andrew's decision to quit the residential rehab program devastates the loyal teenager he's supposed to be mentoring.



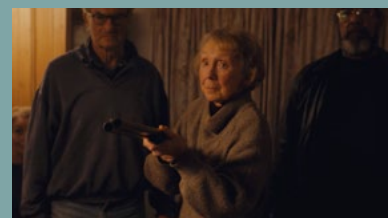
PAPER GEESE

After an unsuccessful goose hunt, a young girl grapples with seeing her father in a new light.



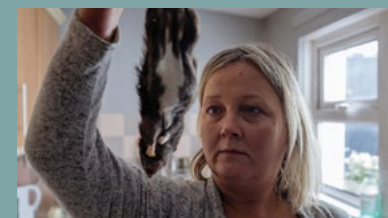
PERFECTION

A terminally ill man tries to record a posthumous message, but his perfectionist wife is hindering his efforts.



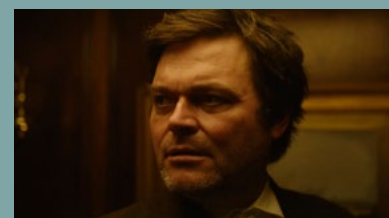
THE EXIT PLAN

In the future, an elderly woman is visited by a government official to check she is complying with the "Exit Plan" policy.



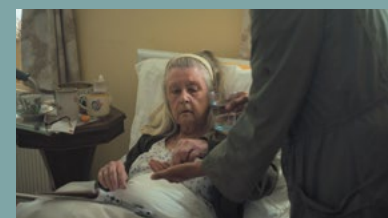
RAT

An agoraphobic woman trapped in a toxic marriage, struggles with a rat problem



BELFAST 1912

Six unlikely souls gather for a seance. When a dark secret is revealed, their reality begins to unravel.



THE CARER

A devoted daughter fights to survive a mental breakdown whilst struggling to care for herself and her mother.



SURVIVERS

Natural selection says that only those who adapt will survive. What if humans have become stupid?

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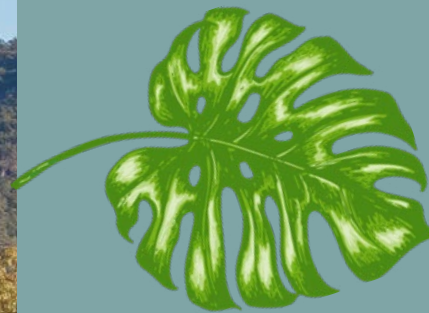


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ONLINE CINEMA

streaming festival dates

CAPS PLAY



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Streaming Australia-wide, CAPS Play brings you a selection of global cinema's most scintillating films available to view right from your couch throughout the festival dates.



THE UGLY TRUTH

FEATURE FILM - 96 MIN

Mona and her family live in an idyllic villa on the outskirts of Berlin. When the attractive daughter of a friend comes to visit, the problems of her family are revealed.



PHIL LIGGETT VOICE OF CYCLING

DOCUMENTARY - 113 MIN

After half a century behind the microphone, Phil Liggett isn't ready to retire just yet, but with the clock is ticking on his career, is Phil an endangered species?



FRIENDS AND STRANGERS

FEATURE FILM - 84 MIN

A surreal comedy-drama that explores displacement, disconnection and ennui in contemporary Australia through the eyes of two upper-middle class millennials.



SOME HAPPY DAY

FEATURE - 74 MIN

A homeless woman in desperate search of a better life meets a social worker with troubles of her own.

FILMMAKER SUPPORT

education and networking

**FILMMAKER BREAKFAST
MASTERCLASSES
HAPPY HOUR NETWORKING**



filmmaker support

Join us for series of opportunities with Australian film industry professionals providing support, mentorship and education for regional emerging and established film artists.



FILMMAKERS BREAKFAST

Sunday 16th January 2022
9:00AM – 10:00AM
Clubhouse, Keppel Bay Sailing Club
Cost: \$22

Join us for an intimate meal with our partners, industry personal and filmmakers in attendance to celebrate regional film arts. Includes meal and tea or coffee.



FILMMAKER WORKSHOPS

Saturday 15th January 2022
10:00AM – 12:00PM
Yeppoon Town Hall
Cost: FREE

A series of sessions and masterclasses using artists, filmmakers, actors and film industry professionals.



FILMMAKER NETWORKING

Saturday 15th January 2022
8:30PM – 10:00PM
Pie Alley Blues
Cost: FREE

Join us at Pie Alley Blues to meet and mingle with film industry professionals, regional artists and filmmakers in attendance for a drink or two. Canapes will be provided.



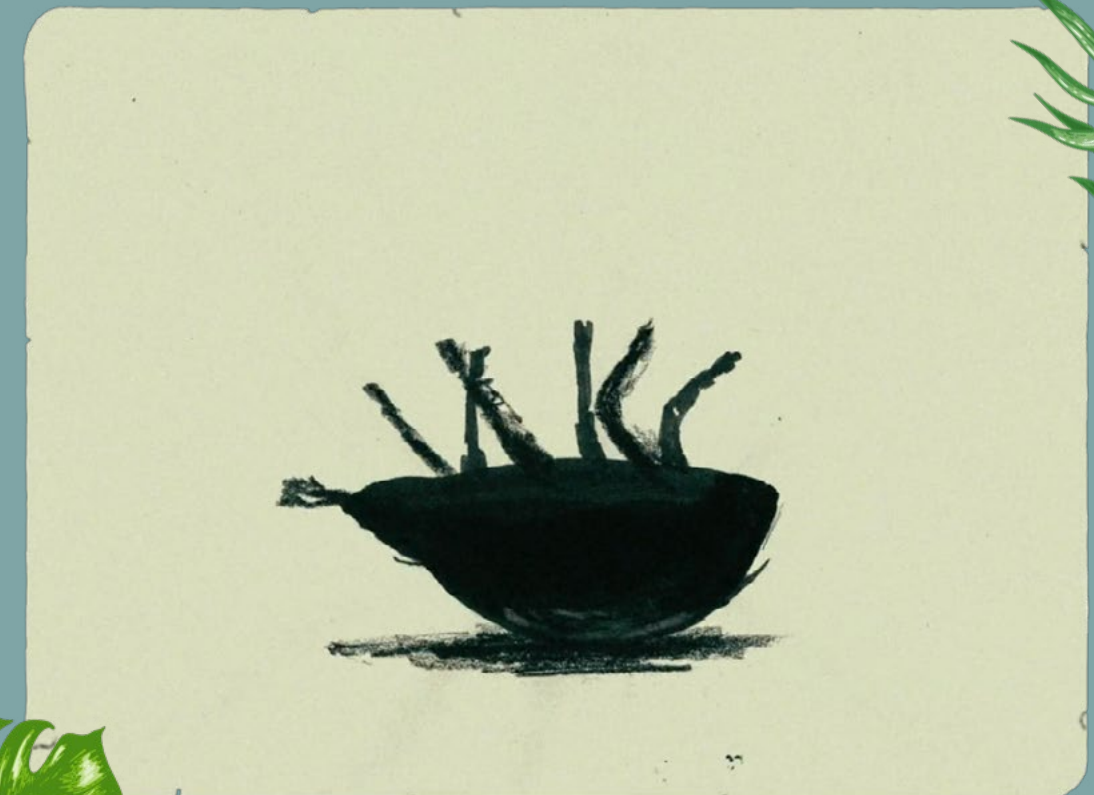
FESTIVAL PASS

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festival passes online now!

OTHERS EVENTS

art experiences

SENSORY CQ ART IN THE DARK
CAPS EXPERIMENTAL & CQ SHORTS
CINEMA MEMORIES
RETRO GAMER COMPETITION



other events

Capricorn Film Festival is offering four activities providing screenings video art pieces from around the globe, specifically created cinema art, a retro gamer competition and a big band performance at Yeppoon amphitheatre.



VIDEO GAMER COMPETITION

Sunday 16th January 2022
10:30AM – 2:30PM
Yeppoon Amphitheatre
Adults: \$22
Concession: \$11

Compete against gamers of all ages in the regions first Video Gamer competition. The retro games tournament includes: Tetris, NBA JAM, Mario Kart and Street Fighter.



SENSORY CQ: ART IN THE DARK

Thursday 13th – 16th January 2022
6:30PM – 9:30PM
Town Hall, Beaman Park, North Anzac Pde,
Keppel Bay Sailing Club, Appleton Park
Cost: FREE

A visually stimulating and eclectic collection of pop up glow in the dark painted art installations activating key locations strategically along the esplanade and main street (James Street) of Yeppoon.



CAPS EXPERIMENTAL & CQ SHORTS

Thursday 13th – 16th January 2022
11:00AM – 4:00PM
Fig Tree Galleries
Cost: FREE

A series of short form videos projects from international, Australian and Central Queensland artists and filmmakers which fit the narrative of experimental and visual storytelling in nature.

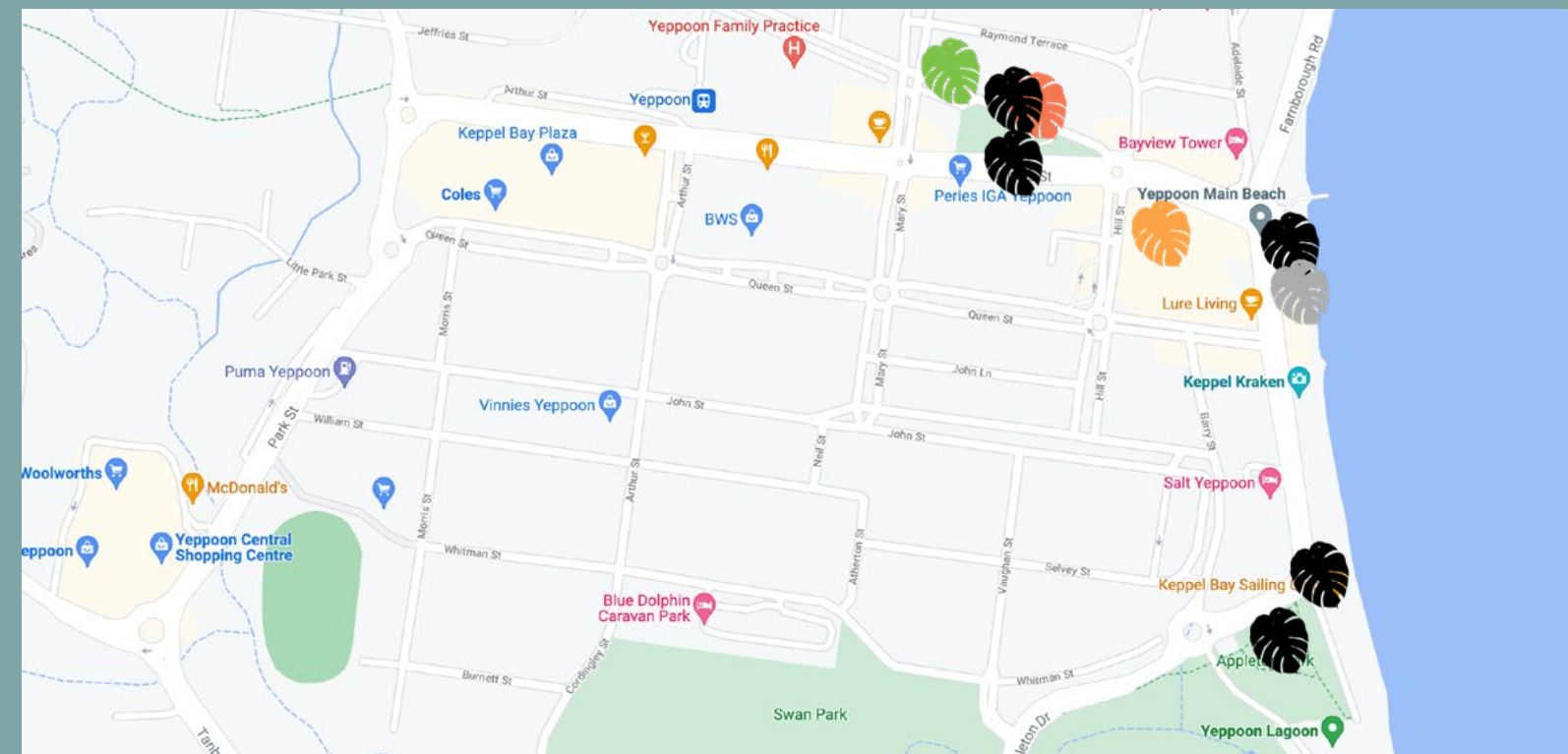


CINEMA MEMORIES

Saturday 15th January 2022
7:00PM – 8:30PM
Yeppoon Amphitheatre
Cost: FREE


Join us for a special night of cinema music and scores as Capricornia Wind Band will take you back to your favourite movie scores with a tribute to the history of cinema.

event locations



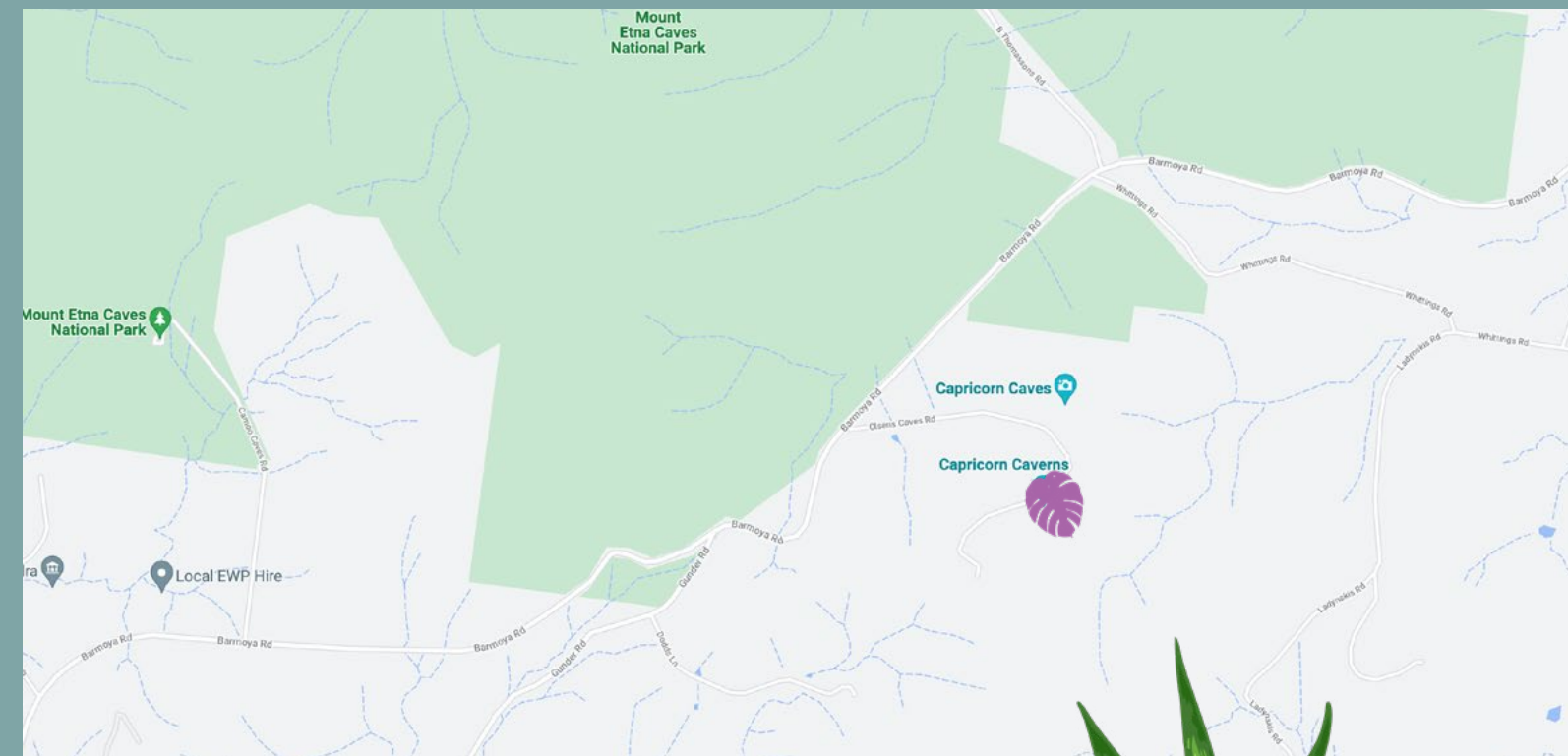

Yeppoon Town Hall
25 Normanby Street
Yeppoon QLD 4703


Fig Tree Galleries
31-35 Normanby Street
Yeppoon QLD 4703


Pie Alley Blues
14 Normanby Street
Yeppoon QLD 4703


Sensory CQ
James Street to Anzac
Parade Yeppoon QLD


Yeppoon Amphitheatre
Anzac Parade
Yeppoon QLD 4703




Capricorn Caves
30 Olsens Caves Rd
The Caves QLD 4702



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