

COMMUNITY MESSAGE

GREENING OUR CITY

At its meeting on 27 August 2024, Council approved the planting of 2,000 new trees and plants within the City of Ryde over the next 12 months to significantly increase urban tree coverage and address the reduction observed since 2017.

Council staff will develop and implement a detailed planting strategy, including the selection of suitable species, planting locations, and a maintenance plan to ensure the long-term health of the newly planted trees.

The community will be engaged through workshops, education campaigns, and volunteer planting days to foster a sense of ownership and participation in the greening of our City.

Council also resolved to instigate a City of Ryde Community Tree Day and will seek to collaborate with local small

businesses interested in partnering with Council to reduce costs for ratepayers.

SPRING INTO THE LIBRARY

The month of September is all about regeneration and renewal, making it the perfect time to join the library and take advantage of all the free benefits membership brings at City of Ryde's five branches.

When you join the library this month, you'll not only receive a free screen-printed goodies bag to help you kick start your membership, but you'll also go into the draw to win a special spring hamper valued at up to \$200.

And if you're already an existing member, you can refer a friend to join the library and you'll both receive the goodies bag as well as both going into the draw for the spring hamper.

For more details, go to: www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/BestThings

SWAP EXHIBITION

Congratulations to the winners of this year's Sustainable Waste 2 Art Prize (SWAP), announced at a fantastic opening night ceremony at Meadowbank's See Street Gallery on Thursday 5 September.

Peppa Watson won the Junior Category for her piece titled *Zero Waste Hero*, Chelsy-Lee Ordonez De Cross took out the Youth Category for her artwork *Disco-Debris*, while Leanne Cowie was the Open Category winner with *Bowls of Forest Whispers*.

Wendy Richards won the Functional Award with *Banner Remix/Woven Table Mats* and Putney Public School and Marist Sisters College Woolwich won the Schools Participation Awards.

You can see around 80 of the amazing artworks and design objects at See Street Gallery until 19 September, and on Council's website. Go to: ryde.events/SWAP

LIBRARY NEWS

VISA TALK WITH DEPARTMENT OF HOME AFFAIRS (ENGLISH)

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WHEN: Friday 20 September
TIME: 10.00 - 12.00pm
WHERE: Ryde Library



Join us a FREE information session at Ryde Library that will be presented in English in partnership with the Department of Home Affairs and hear the latest updates for 2024.

Book now: www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/VisaTalk

HAVE YOUR SAY

OPEN COMMUNITY CONSULTATIONS

You are invited to have your say about documents, projects and proposals that are currently on public exhibition, or provide feedback on services and concerns that affect the community.

- Denistone Sports Club Site - Future Use (Closes 29 September 2024)
- Planning Proposal - 4 Pittwater Road, Gladesville (Closes 29 September 2024)

Want to find out more?

To find out more about one of the above projects or for information on how to provide feedback, please visit www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/HaveYourSay or call Customer Service on 9952 8222.

EVENTS IN OUR CITY



SWAP EXHIBITION - OPEN NOW

The Sustainable Waste 2 Art Prize (SWAP) is an environmental art competition raising awareness of environmental issues and encouraging positive behaviour change using artworks and design objects made from upcycled waste materials as mediums of communication. View the 80 artworks and design objects in-person or online.

When: Friday 6 September - Thursday 19 September (In-person)
Friday 6 September - Sunday 22 September (Online)

Where: See Street Gallery, Meadowbank or Online

Find out more: ryde.events/SWAP



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RYDE SHINE ABILITY TALENT COMPETITION - APPLICATIONS OPEN

Calling all talents with disability who live, work, study or engage in social activities in the City of Ryde. Join our talent competition which features prizes totalling \$7,500!

Winners will receive: FREE recording sessions/music lessons, three-month contract with Diverse Talent Management and will be invited to perform at Council's events in 2025.

Find out more: www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/RydeShineAbility



GRANNY SMITH FESTIVAL - PROGRAM OUT NOW

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WHEN: Saturday 19 October
TIME: 9.00am - 8.30pm
WHERE: Eastwood shopping precinct and Eastwood Oval

This year's eagerly-awaited Granny Smith Festival Program is out now! Check out the full program now on our website. From live music, food trucks and artisan stalls through to carnival rides plus plenty of family-friendly fun, there's something for everyone at the Granny Smith Festival. Start planning your festival day now!

Find out more: ryde.events/GSF