

Media Release



Northern Rivers Community Gallery & Ignite Studios

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Creative Art Programs for Kids Re-Ignited at the Northern Rivers Community Gallery

After a three-month hiatus between delivering programs and switching to online learning, the Northern Rivers Community Gallery (NRCG) is happy to announce the recommencement of the Bright Sparks Creative Kids Art programs at Ignite Studios.

Our popular **Art Station School Holiday Art program** will be running in the second week of the upcoming school holidays on Wednesday 15 July – Thursday 16 July, delivering two exciting days of creative arts workshops. Learn how to paint with Narelle Bretherton or delve into the world of mixed-media collage with Karma Barnes. Due to ongoing Covid-19 restrictions, our normal holiday program has changed to one 3-hour art session from 10am – 1pm each day, with a maximum of 10 participants allowed per session.

On Wednesday 29 July in the second week of Term 3, our anticipated **Bright Sparks After-School Art program** will also recommence, focusing on the 'Art of Nature' with facilitator Cara MacLeod. Students will be introduced to making art with nature and learn how to create botanical inks, natural handmade brushes and plant dyed paper and create individual artworks from plant rubbings and printing with plants. Classes will be every Wednesday 4pm – 5.30pm, starting 29 July – 23 September.

NRCG has worked with the Ballina Shire Council to develop a Covid-19 Safety Plan to comply with all current Public Health Orders outlined by the NSW Government, to ensure the safety of participants who attend workshops at Ignite Studios. You can find our Covid-19 Safety plan outline on our website: https://www.nrcgballina.com.au/v1/about/covid-safety-plan

Payment is essential to guarantee a place and once full, bookings will be closed. All materials are included in each program. **Please note** - due to limited places and to ensure social distancing, we cannot book in children under the age of eight.

All classes are held at Ignite Studios, located 60 Crane Street, Ballina. Book online via the Gallery website **nrcgballina.com.au** or phone 02 6681 0530.

The Northern Rivers Community Gallery is located at 44 Cherry Street Ballina and is open Wednesday to Friday from 10am until 4pm and weekends from 9.30am until 12.30 pm commencing 24 June. For further information contact the Gallery on telephone 02 6681 0530 or visit www.nrcgballina.com

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Image 1: Art of Nature with Cara MacLeod, Term 3 Bright Sparks After-School Art Program (Image Stock Photo)



Image 2: Painting at Ignite Studios - Art Station School Holiday Art Program 15-16 July; Image Ben Wyeth