

# Citizen Science – Speaking with the River Workshop Series

## Weaving Nyangbal yarns of the Richmond River

This special program is part of the Citizen Science workshop series being presented in conjunction with the “*Speaking with the River*” exhibition currently showing at Northern Rivers Community Gallery (NRCG) in Ballina. This interactive workshop series offers community the opportunity to explore different ways of sensing and knowing the Richmond River.

In a special family focused school holiday program, local weavers Tania Marlowe and Deb Cole from Jugan Dandii will teach hand weaving techniques and riverside Nyangbal yarns. Participants will learn about introduced and natural fibres of the local area and how they can be prepared and used to make a small sample fish trap.

Tania and Deb will demonstrate and use a variety of local endemic and native fibres, with some introduced fibres, to adapt to a contemporary version of a fish trap or small sample fish trap woven form. This technique may lend itself to exploration of other basketry forms including food gathering bags. This riverside workshop is a unique opportunity for community of all ages to connect to country with Auntie Tania and her riverside yarns, sharing local Nyangbal Culture of the Ballina Shire.

**Facilitator:** Tania Marlowe + Deb Cole – (Jugan Dandii)

The workshop will be held on **Thursday 15 April** 10.30am to 1pm at Missingham Park, Ballina, near the skate park. Bookings essential to secure your place.

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Places are limited and bookings essential to secure a place. [BOOKING LINK](#)

*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 2.30pm. For further information contact the Gallery on telephone 02 6681 0530 **[www.nrcgballina.com.au](http://www.nrcgballina.com.au)***

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### ***EVENT URL's***

1. **Gallery Weblink:** <https://www.nrcgballina.com.au/v1/creative-learning/kids-workshops/653-citizen-science-5>
2. **Booking Link:** <https://www.trybooking.com/BQDDR>

A group of people, including children and adults, are gathered around a table and on the floor, working on a craft project. They are using natural materials like straw and twigs to create a large, circular, woven structure. The setting appears to be an outdoor or semi-outdoor area with a brick wall in the background.