

# Queensland's 150th Celebrations – 2009

Official Program **Edition 2**



**Queensland Week 6–13 June 2009.**

Find out what's on inside.

*our people, our places, our stories...*





## Message from the Premier of Queensland

**Our State's 150th birthday party is now in full swing! The streamers have been thrown, the band is playing a second set and latecomers are being ushered in.**

Q150 is a year-long celebration and we are only half way through the program of events. So keep your party hats on. We have a lot more celebrating to do.

Queensland Week, the annual celebration of our State's birth, will run from 6 to 13 June and promises to be a highlight of the year. Queensland Day on 6 June is a special occasion marking the exact day, 150 years ago, when Queen Victoria signed the Letters Patent, which led to the naming of our State.

During Queensland Week, I will be onboard the Q150 Steam Train as it rolls into Mount Isa, disembarking to enjoy the entertainment in the Q150 Shed. These two travelling attractions will unite thousands of Queenslanders in the Q150 celebrations.

Also ahead, our State's top 150 icons, as voted by Queenslanders, will be announced.

And at the end of the year we will celebrate Proclamation Day, the day we officially became known as Queensland. On that day, 10 December, I will be taking the opportunity to thank all Queenslanders for getting behind our 150th birthday celebration.

As you can see, there are still plenty of opportunities left to commemorate our milestone year, so I encourage you to read through this program and discover what's on near you.

2009 is our year. Let's celebrate it.

Anna Bligh MP  
Premier of Queensland

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# What's on around the State in 2009

## Q150 on tour





# Q150 Shed

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**Quintessentially Queensland – that's the best way to describe the Q150 Shed, Queensland's unique entertainment venue for 2009. The Shed will be shearing our coastline and nicking a few rural outposts as it travels the State on two tours.**

Based on the iconic Australian woolshed, it will be drenching our towns in an exhilarating mix of music, performing arts and storytelling to celebrate our State's major milestone.

By night, more than 75 artists, performers, storytellers and bands will be rolling up their sleeves and raising the roof and, if they're lucky, getting their big break.

By day, the Q150 Shed will host educational workshops and exhibitions commemorating our rich history. Everyone is welcome to waltz on in.

## Tour 1

Mount Isa	5-7 June
Cairns	12-14 June
Townsville	18-20 June
Mackay	25-27 June
Rockhampton	1-3 July
Maryborough	10 July

## Tour 2

Caboolture	30-31 October
Blackall	6-8 November
Augathella	14 November
Cherbourg	20-21 November
Warwick	26-28 November
Gold Coast	2-5 December
Brisbane	9-12 December

## Ticket sales

**\$22.75\*** Inclusive of entry to both the 7 O'clock Show/Showtime (Mount Isa) and the Late Night Club

**\$11.50** Late Night Club only

*Ticket prices not inclusive of postage or credit card surcharge if relevant.*

*\*Entry to Late Night Club is subject to availability.*

Book your tickets now for **Tour 1** via [www.q150.qld.gov.au](http://www.q150.qld.gov.au) or phone **1300 762 545**.

**Tour 2** tickets will go on sale in August.

## Get your Q150 Shed tour singlet

Jackie Howe made them famous...

Just by taking your ticket to a selected Bank of Queensland branch or nominated ticket outlet you can pick up your complimentary Q150 Shed tour singlet.\*^

Available from 9 June until stocks run out (collection from Bank of Queensland branches 9.00am-11.00am, Tuesday and Wednesday only and from ticket outlets, during business hours).

\*Selected Bank of Queensland branches – Cairns, Earlville, Townsville, Mackay, West Mackay, Rockhampton, North Rockhampton, Maryborough. Visit [www.q150.qld.gov.au](http://www.q150.qld.gov.au) for a list of ticket outlets.

^You must be 18 years or over to collect a singlet.

## Some performers you can expect to see

### Mount Isa

deep blue



deep blue is the orchestra unleashed. It's fun, dynamic, entertaining and rule-breaking. There is no conductor, no music stands and no stuffy traditions.

### Mackay

Markus Meier



With a new album in the works, festivals lined up and the opportunity to support many established artists, Markus Meier is being recognised as one of the new talents in Australian Country Music.

### The Blast



The Blast is an innovative and exciting four piece band based in Mount Isa. Their show is a spontaneous, high-energy performance centred around soulful vocals and a driving rhythm section.

### Rockhampton

Devoid



Emerging from what could be described as an unforgiving scene, Devoid's music combines hard-hitting guitar riffs and raw melodic vocals.

### Cairns

Carinda Christie



Carinda Christie's strong voice and incredible vocal range, combined with infectious rhythms of acoustic dobros, slide guitars and stomp box will have you wanting more.

### Maryborough

Phil Morgan



Phil started his musical days playing in bands throughout high school. After a number of years off, he started work at a local music shop and rediscovered his love of performing, writing and everything musical. Phil is now a regular performer in venues around the Fraser Coast.

### Townsville

women in docs



From playing to their friends and family in small bars across regional Australia to playing to thousands on festival stages across North America, women in docs are Queensland's favourite girls.



# Q150 Steam Train

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**The locomotives are stoked and so is everyone who has a ticket to ride the Q150 Steam Train!**

Beginning in 1865, and continuing well into the twentieth century, steam trains were a lifeline for people living in rural Queensland. For them, the distinctive hiss and puff of the steam engines heralded the arrival of much-needed supplies: newspapers and mail, farming equipment and parts, and other precious cargo, including loved ones from the city who'd sometimes travel for days to stay with their 'country cousins'.

Just as in bygone days, when the steam train served as a vital connection – sometimes the only connection – between city and country, the Q150 Steam Train will be the connecting thread that brings together Queenslanders throughout the State to celebrate what is unique about their community.

The welcoming ceremony in each location gives the communities of Queensland the opportunity to officially welcome the Q150 Steam Train and its passengers. The short ceremony will be hosted by the Mayor of each region and include a traditional Welcome to Country from that region's Indigenous elder.

As part of the Q150 Steam Train, the Queensland Writers Centre is inviting communities to connect with prominent Queensland authors such as Nick Earls (pictured).

Exploring the themes of time and place from both historical and contemporary perspectives, the Q150 Steam Train will take writers from Townsville to Mount Isa from 2 to 6 June, and from Brisbane to Charleville from 17 to 21 August – stopping in townships along the way for community events.



On each leg of the journey a specially selected student from the previous town will be travelling on the train, to pass on from their community a message of goodwill and highlight their own personal aspirations for the future. A framed copy of their speech will be gifted to the Mayor as a legacy of their visit and will be displayed in a prominent location for all to read.

Travelling as far north as Cairns, out west to Mount Isa and as far south as Wallangarra, the Q150 Steam Train will embark on six memorable journeys between April and August. Local councils have been planning and preparing for months to ensure that passengers arriving in their community are given a Q150 welcome they'll never forget.

**Get onboard the Q150 Steam Train!**  
**Tickets are still available, phone 1800 QLD 150 (1800 753 150) or visit a Travel Train booking office.**

Join your local community at the train station as it arrives in your town (see timetable at a glance).

## Timetable at a glance

Date	Region	Arrival Departure
<b>Sector 1</b>		
Tue 14 Apr	Roma Street (Plat.10)	Dep. 0930
	Gympie	Arr. 1440
Wed 15 Apr	Gympie	Dep. 0900
	Bundaberg	Arr. 1455
Sat 18 Apr	Bundaberg	Dep. 0830
	Gladstone	Arr. 1230
Sun 19 Apr	Gladstone	Dep. 1245
	Rockhampton	Arr. 1500
<b>Sector 2</b>		
Tue 28 Apr	Rockhampton	Dep. 0845
	Emerald	Arr. 1600
Wed 29 Apr	Emerald	Dep. 1000
	Barcaldine	Arr. 1735
Thu 30 Apr	Barcaldine	Dep. 0840
	Longreach	Arr. 1100
Sun 3 May	Longreach	Dep. 1000
	Winton	Arr. 1415
<b>Sector 3</b>		
Sun 24 May	Mackay	Arr. 1600
Wed 27 May	Mackay	Dep. 0830
	Proserpine	Arr. 1055
Thu 28 May	Proserpine	Dep. 0900
	Ayr	Arr. 1220
Fri 29 May	Ayr	Dep. 0750
	Townsville	Arr. 0920
<b>Sector 4</b>		
Tue 2 Jun	Townsville	Dep. 1000
	Charters Towers	Arr. 1400
Wed 3 Jun	Charters Towers	Dep. 0730
	Hughenden	Arr. 1350
Thu 4 Jun	Hughenden	Dep. 0700
	Richmond	Arr. 0930 Dep. 0945
	Julia Creek	Arr. 1310 Dep. 1340
	Cloncurry	Arr. 1730
Fri 5 Jun	Cloncurry	Dep. 0915
	Mount Isa	Arr. 1445
Mon 8 Jun	Mount Isa	Dep. 0800
<b>Sector 5</b>		
Wed 24 Jun	Ingham	Arr. 1000 Dep. 1103
	Innisfail	Arr. 1450
Thu 25 Jun	Innisfail	Dep. 1145
	Gordonvale	Arr. 1332
	Gordonvale	Dep. 1402
	Cairns	Arr. 1442
Fri 26 Jun	Cairns	Dep. 1145
	Mareeba	Arr. 1515
Sat 27 Jun	Mareeba	Dep. 1015
<b>Sector 6</b>		
Mon 17 Aug	Toowoomba	Arr. 1430
Tue 18 Aug	Toowoomba	Dep. 0845
	Chinchilla	Arr. 1400
Wed 19 Aug	Chinchilla	Dep. 0845
	Roma	Arr. 1430
Thu 20 Aug	Roma	Dep. 1000
	Charleville	Arr. 1730
Fri 21 Aug	Charleville	Dep. 0800
	Quilpie	Arr. 1440
Sat 22 Aug	Quilpie	Dep. 0930
Fri 28 Aug	Stanthorpe	Arr. 1445
Sun 30 Aug	Warwick	Dep. 0830
	Ipswich	Arr. 1540



# Q150

## FILM FESTIVAL

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The touring Q150 Film Festival features films made in Queensland or by Queenslanders. It will tour to 10 communities, stopping for two nights in each town.

### Q150 Film Festival tour

Bowen	25–26 September	Sunshine Coast	6–7 November
Normanton	2–3 October	Toowoomba	13–14 November
Weipa	9–10 October	Warner Bros. Movie World	20–21 November
Biloela	23–24 October	Brisbane	27–28 November
Roma	30–31 October	Gold Coast	4–5 December

### Some films you can expect to see

#### Happy Feet



Queensland-born filmmaker George Miller directs this Academy Award-winning family movie about a little penguin who stays true to his beliefs to pursue his tap-dancing dreams. Featuring the vocal talents of superstars Nicole Kidman, Robin Williams, Hugh Jackman, Elijah Wood and the late Steve Irwin.

#### Bloody Footy

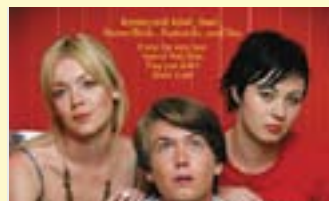
Dean Chircop's multi-award-winning short film follows a young boy eager to break away from his Italian soccer-loving heritage and play AFL, much to his father's distress. Both funny and meaningful, the film was funded by the Pacific Film and Television Commission and went on to screen at film festivals around the world (including Robert De Niro's Tribeca Film Festival, Berlin Film Festival and the Cairo International Film Festival for Children).

#### One Man's Instrument

Acclaimed Queensland animator Max Bannah directs this animated short film exploring the transient nature of man and the environment through the tale of a farmer and his bananas. Bannah

received the prestigious Kinetone award for his distinguished contribution to the Queensland film and television industry.

#### 48 Shades



Adapted from Nick Earls' widely praised coming-of-age novel *48 Shades of Brown*, the film version depicts all the pleasures and pressures of Brisbane's share-house culture with a winning combination of gentleness, humour and grace. Schoolboy Dan is sent to live with his young aunt in suburban Brisbane and soon discovers love and relationships, alcohol, and what it means to transition to adulthood.

#### Nim's Island



Anything can happen on *Nim's Island*, a magical place ruled by a young girl's imagination....*Nim's Island* used the picturesque sandy beaches of the

Gold Coast and the pristine rainforests of Hinchinbrook Island to bring the book-based paradise to life. Gold Coast-based Academy Award winner, John Cox (Best Visual Effects, *Babe* 1995) was the animatronics supervisor, creating a life-size sea lion and sea turtle for the production.

#### All Men Are Liars



A riotous comedy starring Toni Pearen (*Australia's Funniest Home Videos*) and John Jarratt (*Wolf Creek*) set in small-town Queensland. After Elvis-infatuated Barry sells his wife's piano, she leaves him and it's up to their resourceful son, Mick, to bring the two back together. Echoing *Some Like It Hot*, Mick joins an all-girl rock band disguised as a diminutive female guitar player but romantic sparks soon fly between him and their sexy lead-singer.

#### Auntie Maggie and Womba Wakgun

Based on actual events which occurred in Brisbane in the fifties, Leah Purcell's short film depicts a woman struggling to feed her three boys on the army pension. Her solution to the problem soon becomes ensnared in problems that will bring her fame.

## Q150 Film Festival Workshop

The Q150 Film Festival Workshop incorporates two specially designed, hands-on activities. These activities will build film appreciation through exciting and unique moviemaking experiences.

**Activity one: Q150 Quick Flick**  
Participants: school students  
Duration: two hours  
When: Friday afternoon

**Overview:** The Q150 Quick Flick involves students from each of the 10 locations producing a 150-second short film exploring either the past or future 150 years of their community.

**Activity two: Q150 public filmmaking demonstration**

Participants: community members  
Duration: two hours  
When: Saturday morning

**Overview:** The Q150 public filmmaking demonstration enables interested community members to participate in the post production process. Footage will be edited live on a display screen. Special effects such as chroma keying will also be demonstrated.



# Q150 arts projects

## Rock Show

presented by QPAC

A ground-breaking collaboration between one of Australia's most exciting creative talents, Gavin Webber and international rock-electronic band Regurgitator. *Rock Show* is an assault on the senses as dance, theatre and a rock concert merge into a catharsis of explosive movement, thrashing guitars and keyboards.

*Rock Show* will preview at the beautiful Empire Theatre, Toowoomba on 18 November, then open at Playhouse, QPAC Brisbane from 25 to 28 November.

Playhouse, QPAC

25–28 November, 7.30pm

28 November, 4.00pm (matinee)

Tickets \$32–\$43

## Regurgitator



Regurgitator emerged from Brisbane's thriving independent music scenes in 1994. In the past 15 years they have toured all over Australia, New Zealand, Japan, UK, Europe, USA, Hong Kong and more recently China, Laos and Vietnam. Never compromising or shying away from the unusual, the untried, or any genre that infects their creative sensibility, Regurgitator find themselves extending the vitality of their live performances to new and exciting levels.

## Gavin Webber



Gavin Webber worked with Meryl Tarkand's Australian Dance Theatre from 1993 to 1998, then moved to Brussels and worked with Wim Vandekeybus and Ultima Vez for three years. From 2005 to 2009 he was Artistic Director of Dancenorth and created *Nightcave*, *gravity feed*, *underneath*, *Underground*, *roadkill* and *Remember Me*. He has toured extensively in Australia, Asia and Europe.

## The School of Arts

presented by Queensland Theatre Company and QPAC

A fond remembrance, *The School of Arts* is a story of small-town country life and the unintentional chaos caused by a motley band of travelling players.

As the 1967 referendum to include Australia's Indigenous population in the national census is about to take place, a touring theatre troupe is preparing to perform *Hamlet* at the local School of Arts.

But when troupe leader Byron Savage decides to spice up the performance with a loaded gun and is wounded in the process, he sparks a chain of events that turns the evening into a maelstrom of burlesque and vaudeville.

Bille Brown's wonderfully comic new play is a tribute to an extraordinary time in Queensland's cultural life that inspired many of our State's leading artists, including the playwright himself.

## The School of Arts tour

Playhouse QPAC	13 July–1 August
Blackwater Civic Centre	4 August
Rockhampton Pilbeam Theatre	6 August
Biloela Cultural Centre	8 August
Mundubbera Shire Hall	11 August
Chinchilla Cultural Centre	13 August
Warwick Town Hall	15 August

## Storylines – Q150 digital stories

presented by State Library of Queensland

The State Library of Queensland presents *Storylines*, which captures Queensland's unique stories and shares them with the world. These snapshots document and celebrate Queensland's distinctive identity – from State-shapers to everyday champions, from iconic locations to neighbourhood memories.

Created by both professional filmmakers and members of the community, digital stories are personal narratives. Stories are told by combining images, music, spoken narrative and video.

Queenslanders can view the *Storylines* digital stories at [www.qldstories.slq.qld.gov.au](http://www.qldstories.slq.qld.gov.au)

## At Our Table

presented by State Library of Queensland

What does Queensland taste like?

Be a guest *At Our Table* as Queensland celebrates its rich food history and traditions with events in 10 unique locations across the State.

Join chefs, cultural leaders, speakers and local identities when *At Our Table* maps a culturally diverse food trail across Queensland to discover each region's distinct flavour – a taste of the outback in Longreach, a farmer's garden in Toowoomba or a community feast in Mackay bringing together the South Sea Islander and Maltese food traditions. Events will also occur in Cairns, Darnley Island, Normanton, Ingham, Noosa, Stradbroke Island and the Granite Belt.



Visit [www.q150.qld.gov.au](http://www.q150.qld.gov.au) for more information and to share your own food history.

## Dirty Apple

presented by Opera Queensland



"I heard a rumour ..."

Ben and his friends learn one of life's hardest lessons when they set out to discredit their teacher on the internet. Revenge isn't so sweet as the rumour mill works overtime, and this tight group of friends turn on each other as they struggle to deal with the fallout. Who is to blame for this tragedy and who will 'fess up?

A talented cast of 18 young singers will bring to life this moving piece of musical theatre about choice and consequence.

**Powerhouse Theatre, Brisbane**  
Seven performances only  
18–25 July

## Hidden Republic

Queensland Music Festival 2009 will launch spectacularly into life with the largest concert ever to be performed on Thursday Island – *Hidden Republic*.

Since the stunning national response to *murundak* in 2006, The Black Arm

Band is increasingly sought after on the international stage.

Uplifting and confronting, its music renders an intimate portrait of contemporary Indigenous life.

Twenty-five of Australia's leading singers, songwriters, musicians and performers will be backed by 33 members of the Queensland Youth Symphony to create an exhilarating concert in the heart of the Torres Strait.

This free landmark event will be webcast live to Reddcliff Place.

The Queensland Government is proud to support *Hidden Republic* as part of the Q150 celebrations.



## Queensland Stories

by Bungabura Productions

Bungabura Productions will present a range of activities in Brisbane to celebrate the works and contribution of Leah Purcell, an accomplished Indigenous film, television and theatre actor, singer, director and playwright, originally from Murgon, Queensland.

## Activities include

- Screening of the short film *Auntie Maggie and the Womba Wakgun*, directed by Leah Purcell and written by Angelina Hurley as part of the Q150 Film Festival.
- A public reading by director, Leah Purcell, of her new theatre project *Seven Deadly Gins*, written by Yvette Walker.
- A public performance of a work by the Aboriginal Centre for Performing Arts graduating students for 2009, directed and co-written by Leah Purcell.







# Queensland Week

6–13 June 2009

Queensland Week is celebrated across the State each year. The week centres around Queensland Day on 6 June, which commemorates the day that Queen Victoria signed the Letters Patent separating Queensland from the colony of New South Wales.

This year it's our 150th anniversary, and there's no better time than 2009 to reflect on what it means to be a Queenslanders.

We have some of the world's best beaches in our backyard...we don't

have to travel very far to see one of the seven natural wonders of the world...we wear togs and love our backyard barbies...we're home to some of the world's best and brightest stars...

We're a smart lot too, after all we started the Royal Flying Doctor Service... we celebrate our heritage, but we always have an eye to the future.

There's something for everyone in the Queensland Week calendar.

**So, come on Queensland! It's our State. Celebrate.**

## Queensland Week calendar

### Queensland Day, 6 June

Commemorating the day that Queen Victoria signed the Letters Patent in 1859 separating Queensland from the colony of New South Wales.

#### Greenfest

[www.greenfest.com.au](http://www.greenfest.com.au)  
5–7 June

#### The Dreaming – Australia's International Indigenous Festival

[www.thedreamingfestival.com](http://www.thedreamingfestival.com)  
5–8 June

#### Queensland Day Citizenship Ceremony

[www.queenslandweek.qld.gov.au](http://www.queenslandweek.qld.gov.au)  
6 June

#### Creative Generation – State Schools Onstage

Brisbane Entertainment Centre, Boondall  
6 June

#### Open day at Government House

Paddington  
[www.govhouse.qld.gov.au](http://www.govhouse.qld.gov.au)  
6 June

#### Cooktown Re-enactment Committee costume ball

Cooktown Shire Hall, Cooktown  
6 June

#### Queensland Week Gun Salute

[www.visitsouthbank.com.au](http://www.visitsouthbank.com.au)  
6 June

#### Queensland pipe band championships and Queensland solo piping/solo drumming championships

[www.ipswichthistle.com](http://www.ipswichthistle.com)  
6 June

#### Toowoomba Hospital's 150th birthday

Toowoomba Hospital, Toowoomba  
6 June

#### Boots'n Bulldust Festival

Nanango Showgrounds  
6–7 June

#### Stitches of the Heart – an exhibition exploring Greek embroidery in Queensland

Fortitude Valley  
6–8 June

#### RACQ Big BBQ

[www.queenslandweek.qld.gov.au](http://www.queenslandweek.qld.gov.au)  
7 June

#### Comedy Fix

[www.queenslandweek.qld.gov.au](http://www.queenslandweek.qld.gov.au)  
7 June

#### Queensland Day at Templin Museum

Templin Museum, Templin  
7 June

#### Friends of Toowong Cemetery's Q150 Heritage Festival

Toowong Cemetery  
[www.cemetery.org.au](http://www.cemetery.org.au)  
7 June

#### Old Government House opening

QUT, Gardens Point  
7–8 June

#### 25 Down by Richard Jordan

Winner of the 2008/09 Queensland Premier's Drama Award  
[www.qldtheatreco.com.au](http://www.qldtheatreco.com.au)  
8 June–4 July

#### Suncorp Queenslanders of the Year announcement

[www.queenslandweek.qld.gov.au](http://www.queenslandweek.qld.gov.au)  
9 June

#### Q150 commemorative stamps released

[www.q150.qld.gov.au](http://www.q150.qld.gov.au)  
9 June

#### Top 150 Queensland icons announcement

[www.q150.qld.gov.au](http://www.q150.qld.gov.au)  
10 June

#### Queensland Greats announcement

[www.queenslandweek.qld.gov.au](http://www.queenslandweek.qld.gov.au)  
11 June

#### Police Induction Spectacular

Queensland Police Academy, Oxley  
[www.police.qld.gov.au](http://www.police.qld.gov.au)  
12 June

#### Queenslanders' Cruise

Kookaburra River Queens, Brisbane  
[www.kookaburriverqueens.com](http://www.kookaburriverqueens.com)  
13 June

#### South Bank's Regional Flavours

[www.visitsouthbank.com.au](http://www.visitsouthbank.com.au)  
13 June

#### Dent to Dunk 100th anniversary cruising rally and yacht race

Airlie Beach  
[www.apyc.yachting.org.au](http://www.apyc.yachting.org.au)  
13–23 June



## Queensland Day in Mount Isa

**Saturday 6 June 2009**  
**[www.q150.qld.gov.au](http://www.q150.qld.gov.au)**

Q150 will celebrate Queensland Day in Mount Isa, where the Q150 Shed and Q150 Steam Train will come together for a weekend of celebrations.

The Mount Isa Recreation Park, a Q150 Legacy Infrastructure Project, will officially open on the morning of Queensland Day. The Mount Isa celebrations are being termed 'Mega Day Out', and will bring the community together – more than 5000 are expected to attend.



## Comedy Fix

**Sunday 7 June 2009, 7.30pm**  
Suncorp Piazza, The Parklands, South Bank  
**[www.queenslandweek.qld.gov.au](http://www.queenslandweek.qld.gov.au)**

Queenslanders love a good laugh and like all Australians, they like to laugh at themselves. The Queensland Week Comedy Fix will bring together some of our best comedic talent, including Esk born and bred The Kransky Sisters and Australia's favourite funny trio, Tripod (and their infamous 'song in an hour'). Come along for a night of stand-up and satire that looks at the comical side of life in Queensland. And best of all, it's free.

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## Queensland Day Citizenship Ceremony

**Saturday 6 June 2009, 11.30am**  
Suncorp Piazza, The Parklands, South Bank  
**[www.queenslandweek.qld.gov.au](http://www.queenslandweek.qld.gov.au)**

2009 marks the 150th anniversary of Queensland's declaration as a State and is also the 60th anniversary of Australian citizenship.

Some of Australia's newest citizens have chosen Queensland Day to make a pledge of commitment to their newly adopted State and nation. All Queenslanders are invited to celebrate the spirit of Queensland, our values, freedom and way of life at this free event.

## Q150 commemorative stamps

**Available from 9 June 2009** (first day of release)  
**[www.q150.qld.gov.au](http://www.q150.qld.gov.au)**  
**[www.auspost.com.au](http://www.auspost.com.au)**

Two commemorative stamps will be released in 2009 marking the 150th anniversary of Queensland, and celebrating the State's history and achievements, and the diversity of its regions and natural beauty.

The exclusive stamps, developed by Australia Post in partnership with Q150, will be available for purchase from participating Australia Post outlets from Tuesday 9 June.

## Old Government House opening

**7–8 June 2009**  
QUT, Gardens Point  
**[www.ogh.qut.edu.au](http://www.ogh.qut.edu.au)**

A special feature of Queensland's 150th anniversary celebrations and Queensland Week is the opening of Old Government House by the Premier on Sunday 7 June.

Old Government House, situated on QUT's Gardens Point campus in the heart of Brisbane's CBD and overlooking the City Botanic Gardens, was the first civic building of the Colony of Queensland. It was designed by the colonial architect Charles Tiffin and built by Joshua Jeays in 1862.

The House was the official residence of Queensland's first eleven Governors. It later became the first home of The University of Queensland and then the headquarters of the National Trust. QUT assumed responsibility for Old Government House in 2002 and has worked closely with the Queensland Government (through the Public Works Department) and the National Trust to achieve the restoration of this truly iconic place.

Old Government House is now ready to be reopened by QUT as a Museum, and will include interactive displays to engage visitors with stories of the building and those who lived there. A special feature of the House will be a gallery dedicated to the permanent exhibition of the work of the distinguished Australian and Queensland artist, William Robinson.

The public is invited to Old Government House open days on Sunday 7 June (2.00–5.00pm) and on the Queen's birthday holiday, Monday 8 June (10.00am–4.00pm).





## RACQ Big BBQ

**Sunday 7 June 2009, 10.30am–3.30pm**

Roma Street Parkland

[www.queenslandweek.qld.gov.au](http://www.queenslandweek.qld.gov.au)

Come and celebrate Queensland Week at the 2009 RACQ Big BBQ. Roma Street Parkland will be buzzing with a jam-packed program of free, family-friendly entertainment, workshops, activities, a free sausage sizzle...and we've invited our friends Dora the Explorer and SpongeBob SquarePants just for the kids!

Entertainment will showcase the diversity of Queensland communities and will include workshops by Flipside Circus and performances by London and Fenton, Popcorn Pirates, Fre Agentz, Flipside Circus, Peter May's Magic Happens Illusion Show, and Whoa Tilly!, a family cabaret show presented by Barbara Fordham. There's no better way to celebrate Queensland Week than with an iconic Queensland barbecue – and the bigger the barbecue, the better. Entry is free and travel by public transport is recommended.

**Sponsored by RACQ, Network Ten, 4KQ, TransLink and ourbrisbane.com**



## Announcement of the Suncorp Queenslanders of the Year

**Tuesday 9 June 2009**

[www.queenslandweek.qld.gov.au](http://www.queenslandweek.qld.gov.au)

The Suncorp Queenslanders of the Year Awards have celebrated outstanding Queenslanders since 1981. The awards are the State's highest citizenship honour and annually recognise Queenslanders who have made a significant contribution to our State and local communities. Each winner will receive a \$2000 grant to help them continue their invaluable work within their chosen field or the community.

**Sponsored by Suncorp, Network Ten and 4KQ**

## South Bank's Regional Flavours

**Saturday 13 June 2009, 10.00am–3.00pm**

The Parklands, South Bank

[www.visitsouthbank.com.au](http://www.visitsouthbank.com.au)

South Bank's Regional Flavours provides Brisbane residents with a unique opportunity to experience a selection of fine wine and tantalising, fresh produce sourced from the award-winning growing regions in the South-East.



## Greenfest

**5–7 June 2009**

Brisbane Botanic Gardens

[www.greenfest.com.au](http://www.greenfest.com.au)

Commencing on World Environment Day, Greenfest brings together exhibitors, music, speakers and films.

Greenfest will celebrate Queensland Day on Saturday 6 June with a free concert and program of activities that caters to all ages and includes more than 200 exhibitors, 60 bands and 50 speakers.

Brisbane's and Queensland's 150th birthdays will be celebrated across the three days by helping shape the ideas and networks for a greener future. Entry is free to all areas and performances.

## 25 Down by Richard Jordan Queensland Premier's Drama Award Winner

**8 June–4 July 2009**

Bille Brown Studio, Queensland Theatre Company, 78 Montague Rd, South Brisbane

[www.qldtheatreco.com.au](http://www.qldtheatreco.com.au)

James is 25, fresh out of art school and utterly lost. His best friend Emma is stuck in a dead-end job, might be pregnant, and thinks she's in love with James. The trouble is James is gay. Then again, there's always the married man with the comb-over at Emma's work... Simon and Gary are also looking to James for love. But James reckons Simon is just a kid and Gary's old enough to be his father. Everyone obsesses about passing life's use-by date as they drift through the coffee shops, bars and apartments of Brisbane.

Richard Jordan's award-winning new play is a heartfelt slice of sex in our very own city. Forget about Generation X – this is all about Generation Why?

Director: Jon Halpin, Designer: Bruce McKinven, Sound Designer: David Montgomery

Cast: Brad Ashwood, Julian Curtis, Kathryn Marquet, Daniel Mulvahill, Liam Nunan, Hugh Parker, Steven Tandy

## Queensland Week Gun Salute

**Saturday 6 June 2009, 11.00am, 12.00pm**

**1.00pm and 2.00pm**

Cultural Forecourt,

The Parklands, South Bank

[www.visitsouthbank.com.au](http://www.visitsouthbank.com.au)

Victoria Barracks Historical Society's military re-enactment unit will fire its four 1850s bronze, muzzle-loaded cannons in salute to Queensland Day.

The Society that administers "A" Battery, Queensland Permanent artillery, circa 1896, has fired the Queensland Day Gun Salute for 15 years. The Battery uses four 1850s bronze, smooth bore, muzzle loaded cannons for the 'Fire for Joy', firing in quick succession from the right flank. The guns were the ordnance of Number 2 Battery (Ipswich) of the Queensland Volunteer Artillery from 1870. Two barrels were cast in 1850 and are named Julius and Caesar. The second pair, cast in 1855, are named Marc and Antony.



## The Dreaming – Australia's International Indigenous Festival

5–8 June 2009

Woodford

[www.thedreamingfestival.com](http://www.thedreamingfestival.com)

The Dreaming is a vibrant, exciting and culturally-valuable event, showcasing Indigenous arts from across the country and around the world.

The festival will feature film and literature, performing arts, new media and digital technologies, food and wine fare, comedy, ceremony, exhibitions, performance artists, physical theatre, visual arts, craft workshops, music program, street performers, musicals and a youth program.



## Announcement of the Queensland Greats

Thursday 11 June 2009

[www.queenslandweek.qld.gov.au](http://www.queenslandweek.qld.gov.au)

The Queensland Greats Awards honour individuals and institutions whose long-term or lifetime achievements have played a significant role in the history and development of Queensland.

Since the awards began in 2001, 40 Queenslanders and three Queensland institutions have been named Queensland Greats. Each has been recognised with a commemorative plaque that is proudly displayed at Roma Street Parkland.

This year's Queensland Greats will be recognised alongside previous recipients such as World War I veteran Ted Smout OAM, rugby league coach Wayne Bennett OAM, former Queensland Governor Leneen Forde AC and the Royal Flying Doctor Service.

**Sponsored by Network Ten and 4KQ**

*Premier Anna Bligh with 2008 Queensland Great, Pearl Duncan*

## Creative Generation – State Schools Onstage

Saturday 6 June 2009, 7.00pm

Brisbane Entertainment Centre, Boondall

[www.ticketek.com.au](http://www.ticketek.com.au) or call 132 849

Join in Queensland's 150th anniversary celebrations and be part of history as Queensland's biggest variety show takes to the stage at the Brisbane Entertainment Centre.

In a captivating two-hour show, Creative Generation – State Schools Onstage will tell the stories of our great State and share the dreams of our next generation through all forms of music and dance.

With a cast of more than 2500 state school students, joined on stage by internationally acclaimed Queensland performance artists, Creative Generation – State Schools Onstage 2009 is your chance to witness one of the year's most spectacular events.

The cast includes acclaimed Queensland artists Lee Kernaghan, 2008 *So You Think You Can Dance* winner Jack Chambers and 2008 *Australian Idol* finalist Chrislyn Hamilton.

**Sponsored by Queensland University of Technology, Network Ten and The Courier-Mail**



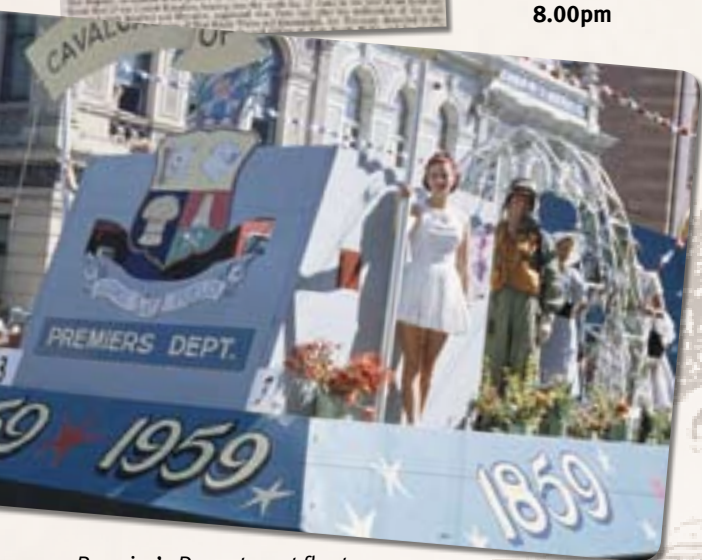




Queensland's first Governor,  
Sir George Bowen



Princess Alexandra  
tours Queensland  
for centenary  
celebrations in 1959



Premier's Department float,  
1959 centenary celebrations

# Proclamation Day

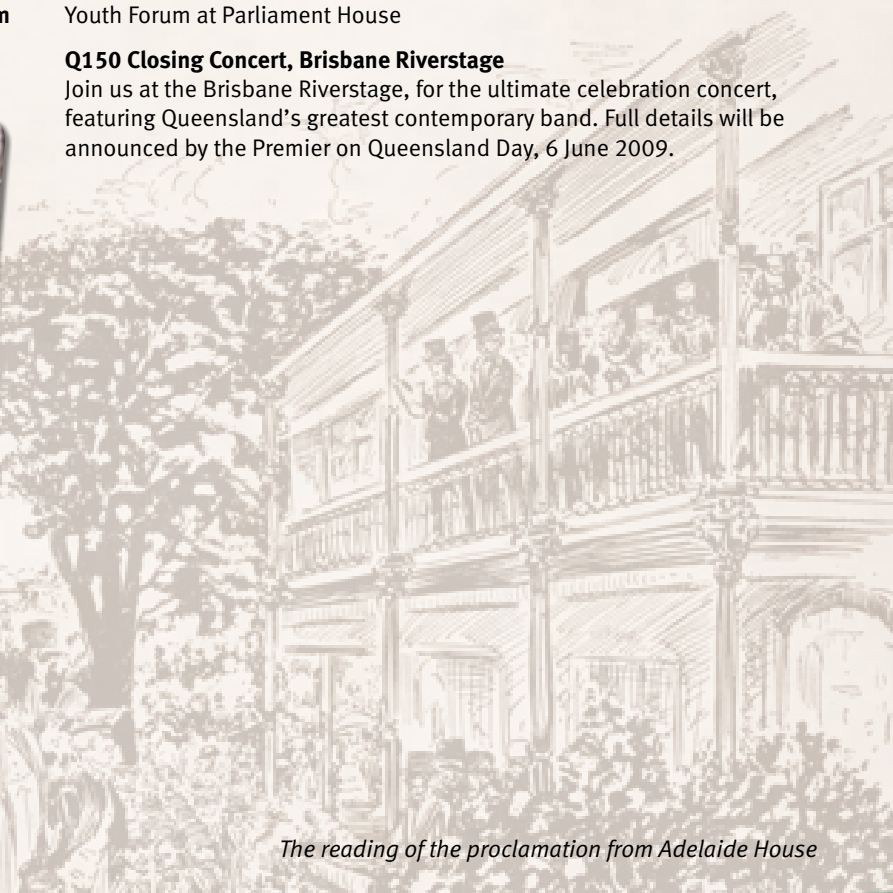
Proclamation Day, 10 December 2009, will mark 150 years since the historic reading in Brisbane of the Letters Patent, signed by Queen Victoria on 6 June 1859, declaring Queensland a separate colony to New South Wales

Queensland's first Governor, Sir George Ferguson Bowen, accompanied by his wife Lady Diamantina Bowen, witnessed the reading of the Proclamation from the balcony of Adelaide House, now the Deanery of St John's Cathedral in Ann Street, Brisbane.

Proclamation Day will culminate the year of celebrations across the State and recognise the contribution and support of all Queenslanders towards the Q150 celebrations.

## Proclamation Day program

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|------------------------|--|
| <b>6.30am</b>          | Flotilla of craft leaves Moreton Bay and commences journey up the Brisbane River   |
| <b>7.00am–8.30am</b>   | Barbecue breakfast on the lawns of Newstead House open to the public to view the display of craft as they pass on their way to the Botanical Gardens   |
| <b>9.00am–9.30am</b>   | Re-enactment of Governor Bowen's arrival at the Botanical Gardens  |
| <b>9.30am–10.00am</b>  | Procession to the Deanery at St John's Cathedral   |
| <b>10.00am–10.15am</b> | Bells to ring throughout the State in readiness for the reading of the Proclamation  |
| <b>10.20am–10.40am</b> | Re-enactment of the reading of the Proclamation as witnessed by Governor Sir George and Lady Bowen   |
| <b>11.00am–12.30pm</b> | Service of Celebration/Thanksgiving at St John's Cathedral   |
| <b>1.00pm–4.00pm</b>   | Youth Forum at Parliament House  |
| <b>8.00pm</b>          | <b>Q150 Closing Concert, Brisbane Riverstage</b><br>Join us at the Brisbane Riverstage, for the ultimate celebration concert, featuring Queensland's greatest contemporary band. Full details will be announced by the Premier on Queensland Day, 6 June 2009. |



The reading of the proclamation from Adelaide House



## Queensland Mosaics

The creative genius of individual artists and collaborative groups across Queensland has been applied to artworks that reflect their communities' past and vision for the future. Their work is part of a collaborative Q150 mosaic art piece project between state and local government.

A kaleidoscope of tiles has recently been returned to the Q150 office by Queensland's councils so the final mosaic artwork can be curated by Sam Di Mauro from Griffith University's Queensland College of Arts.

Di Mauro and his design team have the challenge of compiling a mosaic from 150 tiles that reach deep into the psyche of Queensland communities and that will result in a meaningful visual display marking Queensland's 150th anniversary celebrations for all Queenslanders.

The mosaic will be permanently displayed at the RNA Showgrounds and unveiled at the Ekka in Brisbane this year. Images of individual art pieces and the stories behind the artwork will also be available as part of an online exhibition.

*Mosaic shape created by Queensland artist Elise Parups*

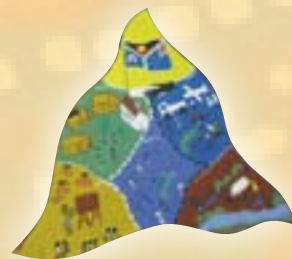


Townsville  
'future'

## Examples of the contributions that will make up the art piece



Hope Island 'past'



Hope Island 'future'



Mornington Island 'past'



Mornington Island 'future'



Bulloo 'past'



Bulloo 'future'



Richmond 'past'



Richmond 'future'



Burdekin 'past'



Burdekin 'future'





## Q150 icons

**The people, places, stories or other aspects of Queensland that have defined the State we live in.**

Queenslanders have been voting for their favourite State icons in an online poll that closed on 30 April. Categories included sporting legends, influential artists, State-shapers, locations, natural attractions, structures and engineering feats, festivals and events, innovations and inventions, defining moments and typically Queensland icons.

What will make the top 150?

The top 150 Queensland icons will be announced by the Premier, at an iconic Queensland location, during Queensland Week on 10 June 2009.

**Visit [www.q150.qld.gov.au](http://www.q150.qld.gov.au) to find out more about your favourite Queensland icons.**

*From top to bottom, left to right: Expo '88 (defining moments), Australian Stockman's Hall of Fame (locations), Surf lifesavers (State-shapers), Story Bridge (structures and engineering feats), Carnarvon Gorge (natural attractions), Royal Flying Doctor Service (inventions/innovations)*

## Q150 business breakfasts

**Presented by**



The second business breakfast will gather business representatives from across South East Queensland to recognise the achievements and progression of businesses and their people over the past 150 years.

### **BREAKFAST #2**

**Friday 17 July 2009**

7.00am–9.00am

Hillstone, St Lucia

### **Theme**

Business and sport – a partnership

Matthew Hayden and Lisa Curry-Kenny AO MBE will discuss the platform of sport into business. Hayden is the author of two successful cookbooks and Curry-Kenny now runs the Curry Kenny Group of Companies, which includes property development, aviation and health and fitness books. Both will talk candidly about the successes, the pitfalls and the hard times, ultimately showcasing why they chose Queensland as the number one place to do business.



### **Keynote speakers**

Retired cricketing legend, Matthew Hayden



Former Australian champion swimmer,  
Lisa Curry-Kenny AO MBE



### **Entertainment**

Torres Strait Islander songstress,  
Christine Anu



## Made in Queensland: A New History

Published to commemorate Queensland's 150 years as a separate colony and later a State, *Made in Queensland: A New History* captures the defining moments of Queensland's rich history and is a compelling exploration of who we are and how we got there.

Extensively researched and generously illustrated with more than 90 images, *Made in Queensland: A New History* reveals the true spirit of its people, celebrating the extraordinary diversity of its landscape along with the breadth of its intellectual and physical resources.

The book is a collaboration between three historians, Professor Ross Fitzgerald, Dr Lyndon Megarrity and David Symons, and it offers a fresh and lively perspective on the social, political and economic history of Queensland with a strong focus on the State's identity.

*Made in Queensland: A New History* is published by The University of Queensland Press. It is available in a limited edition hardcover for \$59.95 and paperback for \$45.00 from all good bookstores.



*It's not every day a new orchid is created in honour of a birthday and a showy moth orchid (Doritaenopsis Bribie Q150) at that. It was prepared by Bribie Island Orchid Society for the Q150 Easter Orchid Show – a Q150 community funding recipient.*

## Q150 Community Funding Program

After three rounds of funding, more than \$4 million has been distributed to more than 500 groups for activities and projects that reflect the unique culture, heritage and aspirations of our diverse communities.

From Stanthorpe to Weipa to Cloncurry to Mackay, Q150 community funding was granted for projects such as regional histories (DVDs, books and CDs), community celebrations and festivals, photographic exhibitions and murals.

## Legacy Infrastructure Project openings

Queensland Government funding of \$100 million has been distributed to communities throughout the State to create infrastructure projects that will form a lasting reminder of the 150th celebrations.



### Southport Broadwater Parklands

The \$36 million Southport Broadwater Parklands redevelopment will breathe new life into existing parklands and public amenities along the Southport foreshore creating new spaces for family fun, recreation and events.

Stage one of the joint Queensland Government and Gold Coast City Council project will reconnect the Southport Central Business District with the Broadwater.

A pier will extend 100 metres into the Broadwater while huge lawns will cater to events including the Gold Coast Airport Marathon and Carols by Candlelight. A public stage and large outdoor movie screen, walkways, bridges and a boulevard of fig trees perfect for farmers' markets and picnics are just some more of the ways the project will enhance Southport's foreshore. Q150's very own Film Festival will be held at the Southport Broadwater Parklands in November.

The project is scheduled to open in late 2009. The Queensland Government has committed \$16 million to the project, the biggest investment under the Legacy Infrastructure Program.





# Calendar of events

## June

### State Education Week

[www.education.qld.gov.au](http://www.education.qld.gov.au)  
1–6 June

### Warm my Heart Exhibition – tribute to Jackie Howe

Warwick Art Gallery, Warwick  
[www.warwickartgallery.com.au](http://www.warwickartgallery.com.au)  
1 June–6 July

### Q150 Steam Train arrives

Townsville, 2 June  
Charters Towers, 2 June  
Hughenden, 3 June  
Richmond, 4 June  
Julia Creek, 4 June  
Cloncurry, 4 June  
Mount Isa, 5 June

### Mabo Day

3 June

### Eco Walk on Flinders Opening

Hughenden  
3 June

### Triumph in the Tropics: Selling Queensland

Queensland Museum  
[www.southbank.qm.qld.gov.au](http://www.southbank.qm.qld.gov.au)  
3 June

### Triumph in the Tropics: Selling Queensland

The University of Queensland Art Museum, St Lucia, Brisbane  
[www.artmuseum.uq.edu.au](http://www.artmuseum.uq.edu.au)  
until 12 July

### Q150 Shed

Mount Isa, 5–7 June  
Cairns, 12–14 June  
Townsville, 18–20 June  
Mackay, 25–27 June

### Queensland Week

See page 8 to find out what's on.  
6–13 June

### Richlands State School 75th Celebration Day

13 June

### Millmerran Historical Society 'Q150 and More'

Historical Society and Museum  
[www.millmerran.net.au](http://www.millmerran.net.au)  
14 June

### Everton Park State School 75th anniversary

18–21 June

### Laura Dance Festival, Laura

[www.laurafestival.tv](http://www.laurafestival.tv)  
19–21 June

### Mount Isa Show

Buchanan Park, Mount Isa  
19–21 June

### Buderim's Big Bash

Buderim  
19–21 June

### On Our Selection – a play based on stories by Steele Rudd

Pavilion Theatre, Beenleigh  
[www.phoenixensemble.com.au](http://www.phoenixensemble.com.au)  
19 June–11 July

### Cecil Plains Q150 Celebrations

Recreational Grounds  
20 June

### Ipswich Baptist Church 150th anniversary

21 June

### Shanghai Week in Queensland

Brisbane  
[www.premiers.qld.gov.au](http://www.premiers.qld.gov.au)  
24–30 June  
A week of activities to celebrate the 20th anniversary of Queensland's and Shanghai's Sister State relationship. Cultural activities include a performance by the Shanghai Philharmonic Orchestra, exhibitions on China, public lectures and Chinese cuisine week.

### Q150 Steam Train arrives

Ingham, 24 June  
Innisfail, 24 June  
Cairns, 25 June  
Mareeba, 26 June

### Through Isis Eyes – Childers State School musical

Isis Cultural Centre  
24–25 June

### Capture Queensland – Q150 photo competition

[www.dip.qld.gov.au/q150](http://www.dip.qld.gov.au/q150)  
Currently open, entries close 30 June

The Department of Infrastructure and Planning invites you to capture your favourite part of Queensland – the people, places, buildings and local landmarks that mean something special. Budding photographers can submit their photos under two categories – Iconic Queensland infrastructure and My Queensland – what makes my part of Queensland special. There are prizes to be won, with finalists' photographs displayed in the Queensland Government Pavilion at this year's Ekka.

### Q150 commemorative coin

Bank of Queensland, in partnership with Q150, APN Australian Publishing and Quest Community Newspapers, will be offering Queenslanders the chance to win a Q150 commemorative coin. Look out for an entry form in your local Quest or APN newspaper, then take your entry to your nearest Bank of Queensland branch for your chance to win!

June–July



## July

### Q150 Shed

Rockhampton, 1–3 July  
Maryborough, 10 July

### Life on a gold field

Queensland Museum  
[www.southbank.qm.qld.gov.au](http://www.southbank.qm.qld.gov.au)  
1 July

### Wide Bay Australia International Airshow 2009

Bundaberg Airport  
[www.widebayairshow.com.au](http://www.widebayairshow.com.au)  
3–5 July

### Gold Coast Airport Marathon

Broadwater Parklands, Southport  
[www.goldcoastmarathon.com.au](http://www.goldcoastmarathon.com.au)  
5 July

### National NAIDOC Week

[www.naidoc.org.au](http://www.naidoc.org.au)  
5–12 July

### International Conference on the Inclusive Museum

[www.museum-conference.com](http://www.museum-conference.com)  
8 July

### Queensland Home Garden Expo

[www.homegardenexpo.com.au](http://www.homegardenexpo.com.au)  
10 July

### Fujitsu V8 SuperCar Series

Townsville  
[www.v8supercars.com.au](http://www.v8supercars.com.au)  
10–12 July

### Community Garden Party

Newstead House, Brisbane  
[www.newsteadhouse.com.au](http://www.newsteadhouse.com.au)  
11 July

### Mackay Festival of Arts

[www.festivalmackay.org.au](http://www.festivalmackay.org.au)  
11–25 July

### The School of Arts

Playhouse, QPAC  
13 July–1 August

### State of Origin – Game 3

Suncorp Stadium  
[www.stateoforigin.com.au](http://www.stateoforigin.com.au)  
15 July

The annual State of Origin Rugby League series between Queensland and New South Wales is one of the most anticipated sporting events in Australia. Queensland Rugby League fans still talk about Queensland belting NSW 20 points to 10 in the very first State of Origin game in front of a packed Lang Park in 1980. Queensland dominated the series for much of the 1980s, NSW not winning a series until 1985. Let's hope Queensland wraps up the series for Queensland's 150th.





## August

### Q150 Business Breakfast

Hillstone, St Lucia  
17 July

### Queensland Music Festival

www.qmf.org.au  
17 July–1 August

### 'Yumi cam wan pies' – Celebrating Australian South Sea Islanders

Mackay  
18 July

### Dirty Apple

Powerhouse Theatre, Brisbane  
18–25 July

### Voices of Queensland 150

Queensland Museum Theatre,  
South Brisbane  
www.forumcommunicators.asn.au  
18 July

### National Lamington Day

21 July

### Queensland Resources Expo 2009

Rockhampton Showgrounds  
www.qldresourcesexpo.com.au  
21–23 July

### Stretch 'N' the Truth

Moranbah Civic Centre  
www.qmf.org.au  
23 July

### The Michael Nyman Band and Willie Barton

www.qmf.org.au  
Rockhampton Civic Centre  
24 July  
QPAC Brisbane  
25 July  
Townsville Civic Theatre  
30 July

### Opera at Jimbour, featuring the Noonan family

Jimbour House Ampitheatre  
www.qmf.org.au  
25 July

### Music in the Streets

Riverside Twilight Markets,  
Rockhampton  
www.qmf.org.au  
25 July

### Cannot Buy My Soul

Brisbane Riverstage  
www.qmf.org.au  
1 August

Kev Carmody, Paul Kelly, Bernard  
Fanning, John Butler, Clare  
Bowditch, Tex Perkins, The Herd,  
The Drones and many more join  
forces in a special twilight concert  
at Brisbane Riverstage to celebrate  
legendary Australian singer  
songwriter Kev Carmody.

### Laid in Earth

Endeavour Park, Cooktown  
www.qmf.org.au  
1 August

### Queensland at Home

Majestic Theatre, Pomona  
Brisbane Powerhouse  
www.qmf.org.au  
1–2 August  
A time capsule of vintage film,  
photos and audio with live  
music by Topology. Queensland  
At Home intertwines  
contemporary music with  
footage and oral histories from  
State Library of Queensland  
archives dating back to the early  
twentieth century. These are  
woven together with projected  
visuals to create an evocative  
portrait of life in Queensland.

### Ambiwerra Festival

Corinda  
www.ambiwerra.com.au  
2 August

### The School of Arts

Blackwater Civic Centre, 4 August  
Rockhampton Pilbeam Theatre,  
6 August  
Biloela Cultural Centre, 8 August  
Mundubbera Shire Council,  
11 August  
Chinchilla Cultural Centre,  
13 August  
Warwick Town Hall, 15 August

### Tracks and trails:

#### Opening up Queensland

Queensland Museum  
www.southbank.qm.qld.gov.au  
5 August

#### Ekka

RNA Showgrounds, Brisbane  
6–15 August

#### Policing Queensland 1859–2009

Police Pavilion at the Ekka  
6–15 August

### Mount Isa Rotary Rodeo

Buchanan Park, Mount Isa  
www.isarodeo.com.au  
7–9 August

### Queensland in 1859 Conference

Commissariat Store,  
William Street, Brisbane  
www.queenslandhistory.org.au  
8 August

### Q150 Steam Train arrives at Ekka for People's Day

Exhibition – Roma Street loop  
12 August

### Queensland Mosaics unveiled at Ekka

RNA Showgrounds, Brisbane  
12 August

### Seniors Week

www.communities.qld.gov.au/  
seniors  
15–23 August

### Fraser Lions Hervey Bay Seafood Festival

Hervey Bay  
16 August

### Q150 Steam Train arrives

Toowoomba, 17 August  
Chinchilla, 18 August  
Roma, 19 August  
Charleville, 20 August  
Quilpie, 21 August  
Stanthorpe, 28 August  
Wallangara, 29 August  
Ipswich workshops, 30 August  
(end of journey)

### Policing Queensland 1859–2009

Queensland Police Museum  
17 August–31 December 2010

### Tourism Futures National Conference 2009

Surfers Paradise Marriott Resort  
www.tourismfutures.com.au  
17–19 August

### Tyto Environmental and Cultural Expo

Tyto Wetlands, Ingham  
www.hinchinbrook.qld.gov.au  
19 August–23 August

### Cairns Indigenous Art Fair

Heritage Sheds, Cairns Wharf  
www.arts.qld.gov.au/ciaf  
21–23 August

### Tastes of Gold Coast

Gold Coast  
www.tastesofgoldcoast.com.au  
21 August–6 September

### Twelve Degrees of Latitude: Regional Gallery and University Art Collections in Queensland

Perc Tucker Regional Gallery,  
Townsville  
21 August–4 October

### Easton Pearson, 20th anniversary

Gallery of Modern Art,  
South Brisbane  
qag.qld.gov.au/exhibitions  
22 August–1 November

A survey exhibition of the  
Brisbane-based, internationally  
acclaimed fashion house  
Easton Pearson, which this year  
celebrates its 20th anniversary,  
will open at the Gallery of Modern  
Art in August. The exhibition  
will feature designs drawn from  
Easton Pearson's own archive,  
and will explore the designers'  
eclectic sources of inspiration  
and the edgy glamour, exquisitely  
embellished fabrics and vibrant  
colours that have made them one  
of Australia's most successful  
design teams.



Easton Pearson runway show Rainbow  
Collection at the summer 2009/10  
Rosemount Australian Fashion Week,  
Sydney 29 April 2008.  
Image courtesy: Easton Pearson.  
Photography: Six 6 Photography

### Now and Then: 150 years of art making in North Queensland

Umbrella Studio Contemporary Arts,  
Townsville  
28 August–4 October 2009

### Q150 Historical Village and Museum Open Day

Scarness, Hervey Bay  
30 August

### Annual Workers Reunion and Ipswich Family Open Day

The Workshops Rail Museum,  
Ipswich  
30 August



## September

**The makings of a nutty business**  
Queensland Museum  
[www.southbank.qm.qld.gov.au](http://www.southbank.qm.qld.gov.au)  
2 September

**Journeys through Queensland's history: landscape, place and society (conference)**  
Marque Hotel, Brisbane  
[www.qldhistorians.org.au](http://www.qldhistorians.org.au)  
3–4 September

**Sunferries Magnetic Island Race Week 2009**  
Magnetic Island  
4–8 September

**Boonah 2009 SPAR Arts Festival**  
Boonah and District Cultural Centre, Boonah  
<http://boonaharts.com>  
4–13 September

**Queensland Sings**  
Brisbane City Hall  
5 September

**Dutton Park State School 125th anniversary**  
5 September

**'Step back in Time' – Recollections of Eungella**  
Eungella State School  
6 September

**Brisbane 150 Come celebrate**  
City Botanic Gardens, Goodwill Bridge and South Bank  
[www.ourbrisbane.com/brisbane150](http://www.ourbrisbane.com/brisbane150)  
6 September

**Child Protection Week**  
[www.childsafety.qld.gov.au](http://www.childsafety.qld.gov.au)  
6–12 September

**Cobb+Co Museum**  
Toowoomba: a Hundred Years 1959–2059  
11 September

**Gourmet in Gundy**  
Goondiwindi  
13 September

**Outback Festival**  
Winton  
[www.outbackfestival.org](http://www.outbackfestival.org)  
22–26 September

**Q150 Film Festival**  
Bowen, 25–26 September

**The Valley Q150 Ball**  
Kadanga  
26 September

## October

**Tank Street pedestrian/cycle bridge launch**  
Cultural Centre precinct, South Brisbane  
1 October

**Q150 Film Festival**  
Normanton, 2–3 October  
Weipa, 9–10 October  
Biloela, 23–24 October  
Roma, 30–31 October

**Bundaberg Arts Festival**  
Civic Centre, Bundaberg  
[www.bundabergartsfestival.com.au](http://www.bundabergartsfestival.com.au)  
5–10 October

**Karumba Katch Seafood Festival and book launch**  
Karumba Point  
10–11 October

**Italian Market Day – Fieritalia**  
New Farm Park  
18 October

**Premier of Queensland's Export Awards presentation dinner**  
Book tickets via  
[www.export.qld.gov.au](http://www.export.qld.gov.au)  
21 October

**Super GP**  
Gold Coast  
[www.SuperGP.com](http://www.SuperGP.com)  
22–25 October

**Yungaburra Folk Festival**  
[www.yungaburrafolkfestival.org](http://www.yungaburrafolkfestival.org)  
23–25 October

**God's Acre Historic Cemetery 150 year celebration: 1859–2009**  
God's Acre Cemetery, Brisbane  
25 October

**Celtic Festival of Queensland**  
Helidon  
[www.helidon.org](http://www.helidon.org)  
25 October

**Q150 Traffic Signal Boxes**  
[www.brisbane.qld.gov.au/artforce](http://www.brisbane.qld.gov.au/artforce)  
31 October (artwork due)

Brisbane City Council and Q150 are pleased to announce a special way that Brisbane residents can celebrate Queensland's 150th birthday – paint a Q150 traffic signal box (TSB). Fifty-two TSBs – two in each Council ward – will be painted with artwork about Queensland's 150th birthday. You can nominate yourself to paint an available TSB. Your artwork needs to foster community pride and reflect Queensland's history, people, future or a special place. Some exciting Q150 TSB artwork already completed includes:

- Brisbane's iconic Lang Park – featuring Presbyterian preacher John Dunmore Lang (1799–1878)
- Brissy Feet – celebrating 150 years of Brisbane footwear
- Deshon's Hill Cooparoo – Edward Deshon was an early settler in the late 1800s.

A prize for the best Q150 TSB artwork will be selected in early November 2009.



Artwork part of the Boof series.  
"Hey Boof What's Up?" by Trevor Proud

**Warner Bros. Movie World Halloween**  
[MyFun.com.au](http://MyFun.com.au)  
31 October

**Q150 Shed**  
Caboolture, 30–31 October

## Brisbane's 150

6 September, 10.00am–7.00pm

A live music gig at Riverstage including Strings For Kids, leading Brisbane bands, multicultural performances, the opportunity to meet Olympians and other sports stars as well as community and cultural performances are just the beginning for Brisbane 150's biggest day of celebration!

On 6 September 1859, Brisbane was officially declared a municipality and on Sunday 6 September 2009, the whole city is invited to join together and celebrate 150 years of Brisbane's independence from New South Wales.

Spread across three iconic Brisbane venues this celebration has something for everyone with free performances and activities for the whole family. These will also include a comical northside versus southside debate hosted by Rupert McCall, a canon firing from the Maritime Museum, barbershop singers, buskers, face painting for the kids, croquet, stilt-walkers and pennyfarthings, Council's Active and Healthy and Green Heart CitySmart activities plus much, much more.

Take a journey through 150 years of Brisbane's history with storyboards from Brisbane 150 Stories and learn new and fascinating facts about our city. Find out about the people and events that have made Brisbane what it is today.

If you're feeling peckish during the day, you can choose from multicultural food stalls, Brisbane's Biggest Sausage Sizzle – a huge joint fundraiser for local charities by Rotary and Lions, anniversary cake as well as the South Bank cafes and food vendors.

[www.ourbrisbane.com.au/brisbane150](http://www.ourbrisbane.com.au/brisbane150)



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## November

### Queensland State Archives 50th anniversary celebrations

[www.archives.qld.gov.au](http://www.archives.qld.gov.au)  
4 November

### Summer getaways

Queensland Museum  
[www.southbank.qm.qld.gov.au](http://www.southbank.qm.qld.gov.au)  
4 November

### Mount Isa Photographic Exhibition

Mount Isa Civic Centre  
4–18 November

### Q150 Film Festival

Gold Coast, 6–7 November  
Toowoomba, 13–14 November  
Sunshine Coast, 20–21  
November  
Brisbane, 27–28 November

### Queensland Celebration Concert

Philharmonic Performance  
Complex, Toowoomba  
[www.toowoombaphilharmonic.org](http://www.toowoombaphilharmonic.org)  
8 November

### Q150 Shed

Blackall, 6–8 November  
Augathella, 14 November  
Cherbourg, 20–21 November  
Warwick, 26–28 November

### Steve Irwin Day

Australia Zoo, Beerwah  
[www.australiazoo.com.au](http://www.australiazoo.com.au)  
15 November

### Gold Coast Multicultural Festival

Carrara Stadium Grounds  
[www.goldcoastmulticulturalfestival.org](http://www.goldcoastmulticulturalfestival.org)  
16 November

### Rock Show – Gavin Webber and Regurgitator

Empire Theatre, Toowoomba,  
20–21 November  
Playhouse, QPAC, 25–28  
November

## December

### Q150 Shed

Gold Coast, 2–5 December  
Brisbane, 9–12 December

### Q150 Film Festival

Warner Bros. Movie World  
4–5 December

### Proclamation Day Community Breakfast

Newstead Park, Brisbane  
[www.newsteadhouse.com.au](http://www.newsteadhouse.com.au)  
10 December

### Proclamation Day and conclusion of Q150 celebrations

10 December

## All year

### Q150 Bridge Naming Competition

[www.mainroads.qld.gov.au](http://www.mainroads.qld.gov.au)

Queenslanders are invited to suggest names for some of the State's unnamed bridges in the Q150 Bridge Naming Project. The Queensland Government has chosen a number of unnamed bridges across Queensland and invites local communities to suggest names that celebrate something special about their area, reflecting the community's history, cultural identity, geography, traditions, flora or fauna.

### Colonial Brisbane Heritage Walk

[www.publicworks.qld.gov.au/brisbaneheritagewalk](http://www.publicworks.qld.gov.au/brisbaneheritagewalk)

Students, teachers, history buffs and visitors to Brisbane can now download a walking audio guide to accompany them as they walk through Brisbane's historic George and William Streets precinct. The audio program can be downloaded on to a personal MP3 player and builds a lively and entertaining 'picture' of the people, places, stories and events that happened in and around Brisbane's heritage buildings and colonial birthplace.

## Exhibitions and displays

### Queensland Health

[www.health.qld.gov.au/q150](http://www.health.qld.gov.au/q150)

Queensland Health is touring a travelling exhibition across the State in 2009 to celebrate the history, achievements and advances in medicine, nursing and mental health care over the past 150 years.

The travelling exhibition will be on show in hospital foyers and other health buildings across Queensland, showcasing the work and dedication of health care providers, with many of the State's hospitals and facilities also celebrating historic milestones in 2009.

### Queensland State Archives

[www.archives.qld.gov.au/150celebrations.asp](http://www.archives.qld.gov.au/150celebrations.asp)

### Queensland Firsts

Touring Queensland until 28 March 2010

### Top 150: Documenting Queensland

Touring Queensland until 28 March 2010

### Queensland Newspapers Our Queensland

Touring Queensland until 28 March 2010

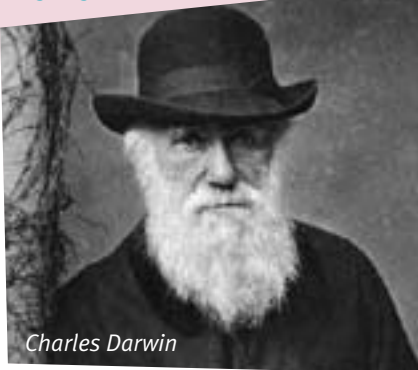
### Queensland Museum

South Bank, Brisbane  
[www.southbank.qm.qld.gov.au/exhibitions](http://www.southbank.qm.qld.gov.au/exhibitions)

**Queensland Stories:  
People, Places, Past, Present**  
Ongoing

**Discover Queensland**  
Ongoing

**Investigator Tree and Charles Darwin:  
The Reluctant Revolutionary**  
Ongoing



Charles Darwin

### State Library of Queensland

South Bank, Brisbane  
[www.slq.qld.gov.au/about/q150](http://www.slq.qld.gov.au/about/q150)

**Panoramic Queensland**  
Until 12 July  
(open daily 10.00am–5.00pm)

**Bold but Faithful:  
John Oxley Library at Work**  
Until 11 October  
(open daily 10.00am–5.00pm)

**Becoming Queensland:  
The First 50 Years**  
July–December  
Virtual exhibition only

**White Gloves Tour – Treasures from  
the John Oxley Library Collection**  
Until November 2009

Travelling statewide to Townsville, Charters Towers, Mackay, Proserpine, Cairns, Mossman, Atherton, Mount Isa, Barcaldine, Rockhampton, Toowoomba, Redcliffe and other locations in South East Queensland.

This is a snapshot of the events on in 2009. To find more events in your community, visit [www.q150.qld.gov.au](http://www.q150.qld.gov.au)



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