2025

Course and Activity Guide

Diamond Creek, Eltham and Panton Hill

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Neighbourhood Houses
The Heart of Our Community™

Living & Learning Nillumbik

Nillumbik

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Visit one of our Living & Learning Hubs or contact us via:

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Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge the Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung people as the Traditional Owners of the Country on which Nillumbik is located, we pay our respects to Elders past, present and future, and extend that respect to all First Nations People. We respect the enduring strength of the Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung and acknowledge that sovereignty was never ceded.

Inclusion Statement

Living & Learning Nillumbik is committed to creating a fair, equitable and inclusive community where human rights are respected, participation is facilitated, barriers are addressed and diversity is celebrated. We support the rights of all people regardless of age, gender, sexuality, ability or cultural identity. We value the diverse and changing nature of our community and understand that some groups and individuals experience more barriers than others.

If you require this document in an alternative format, email nillumbik@nillumbik.vic.gov.au or call 9433 3111.

Welcome

Living & Learning Nillumbik is your opportunity to share, learn and connect with your community.

Our Neighbourhood House programs include low-cost opportunities to learn new skills, prepare for a career change, explore creative activities or join social groups.

Did you know?

We have three Living & Learning Hubs



Eltham



Diamond Creek



Panton Hill

Plus...



A Skills Hub
to build skills and confidence for employment



Volunteering opportunities big and small



A vibrant Advisory Committee where community members contribute, support and provide advice



Community gardens where harvests and garden tips are shared



Support pathways for carers

If you're looking for ways to share, learn and connect we can help you do it!

Our customer support team are here to help you find the activity or learning opportunity that suits you. Contact us on 9433 3744 info.livinglearning@nillumbik.vic.gov.au

Diamond Creek
Living & Learning Hub



Come together at our vibrant local hub - the home of lively learning and laughter in Diamond Creek.

At Diamond Creek you can master a new language, explore your family history, make art or join a music group plus so much more!

Embrace the challenge and joy of trying something different.

Looking to meet other locals?
Our fantastic low cost social activities include walking groups, drama and board games sessions.

Look what's new this year!
Acrylic mini masterpieces, guitar 'hum and strum' and workshops making Zines!





Where to find us

119 Cowin St, Diamond Creek

You'll find us at the top of the hill behind Diamond Creek Primary School and next door to Ness Reserve Preschool.

"The class brings friends, skill and joy to my life."

"I have learnt skills that have improved my quality of life. I have met amazing people on the journey."



"My group never fails to stimulate my thinking and bring laughter to the day."







Join us!
Scan the QR code to visit our website and see what's on offer at Diamond Creek Living & Learning Hub



Eltham
Living & Learning Hub



There really is something for everyone here at Eltham. Join a community buzzing with creativity and opportunities to connect! Meet up with old friends, make new ones, and take the chance to learn something new.

Our unique buildings are woven into the historical fabric of Eltham. Once a busy shearing shed, our pavilion is the perfect space for gathering. It's where you'll find activities like social table tennis, flower arranging workshops and so much more.

Our art and pottery studios overlook a garden bursting with seasonal colour and hand made sculptures. You don't need artistic experience to join in – just come and chat to us about what suits you.

We have activities for every age and stage – including children!



Where to find us

739 Main Road, Eltham

You'll find us on Main Road near Brougham Street. We're a hidden gem – not easy to see from the road but we're worth discovering!

Look out for our Living & Learning Nillumbik sign and come and explore!







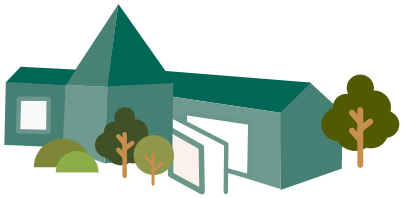


Join us!

Scan the QR code to visit our website and see what's on offer at Eltham Living & Learning Hub



Panton Hill
Living & Learning Hub



Find your ‘home away from home’ at Panton Hill.

Panton Hill Living & Learning Hub is your place to come together with other locals.

Take time out to share in a new activity, learn in our community garden, or simply relax, have a cup of tea and enjoy listening to the kookaburras...

Our views across the landscape showcase Nillumbik at its best, with indoor and outdoor spaces ready for you to enjoy.

Come and visit – you’ll be glad you did.

Join our community garden group!
See page 16 for more on our community garden





Where to find us

18 Bishops Road, Panton Hill

We’re just 15 minutes drive from Eltham.

You’ll find us near the community football oval, next to the Panton Hill playhouse.









Join us!
Scan the QR code to visit our website and see what’s on offer at Panton Hill Living & Learning Hub



Explore what's on offer...

These activities are run across our three Living & Learning Hubs as well as other locations around the Shire, including Eltham War Memorial, Hurstbridge Hub and more.











Art, craft and clay

Acrylic mini masterpieces
Diamond Creek

Art and Craft Club for kids
Panton Hill

Art class: explore and discover
Diamond Creek

Arts for Health - independent or supported
Eltham

Art makerspace
Panton Hill

Botanical illustration
Eltham

Clay taster
Eltham

Craft for a Cause
Panton Hill

Hand building and jewellery making
Eltham

Japanese ink art beginner and intermediate
Eltham

Leadlight co-ops
Eltham

Life drawing
Eltham

Let's make ZINES!
Diamond Creek

Mosaics introduction
Panton Hill

Nature illustration
Eltham / Diamond Creek

Pottery for kids
Eltham

Pottery for beginners – hand building
Eltham

Pottery for beginners - wheel throwing
Eltham

Pottery intermediate
Eltham

Watercolour

Beginner and intermediate
Panton Hill

Watercolour painting 'the colours of water'
Eltham

Check out our MakerSpaces too!
See page 18.

Scan to find out more...

Activities change regularly
Check our website for up to date info!

Most activities run in line with the Victorian school term dates, but many are available to book any time. Find activity start dates and booking information on our website:

livinglearningnillumbik.vic.gov.au/courses

Books, writing and languages

Creative writing beginners
Diamond Creek

Creative writing Literary Optimists
Diamond Creek

Family history
Diamond Creek

Italian - Amici
Diamond Creek

Italian level 3 and 4
Diamond Creek

Japanese beginner and intermediate
Diamond Creek

Let's make ZINES!
Diamond Creek

Second Tuesday book club
Diamond Creek

Second Wednesday book club
Eltham

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Children and teens

Art and craft club for kids
Panton Hill

Art for junior teens
Diamond Creek

Art for kids 7-11
Diamond Creek

Art for Kids 5 - 8
Eltham

Art for kids 8-12
Eltham



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Community and social

Dungeons, Dragons and Games MakerSpace!
Diamond Creek

Games and cuppa
Diamond Creek

Walk 'n' talk
Hurstbridge

Red Hat Sparklers
Panton Hill

Galloping Gardeners
Diamond Creek

Play reading: dive into drama
Diamond Creek

Panton Hill walking group
Panton Hill

DC Glee Club
Diamond Creek

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Explore what's on offer...











Home and garden

Community Garden
Panton Hill and Eltham

Galloping Gardeners
Diamond Creek

Punjabi cooking
Hurstbridge

Sourdough breadmaking
Panton Hill



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Music, dance and performance

DC Glee Club
Diamond Creek

Discovery Dance
Eltham

Hum & strum (guitar group)
Diamond Creek

Play reading: dive into drama
Diamond Creek

Storytelling and acting
Diamond Creek

Wu Tao
Eltham



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Wellbeing and health

Fitness on the Hill
Panton Hill

Panton Hill Walking Group
Panton Hill

Qi Gong
Panton Hill

Table tennis - men's social
Eltham

Tai Chi
Diamond Creek

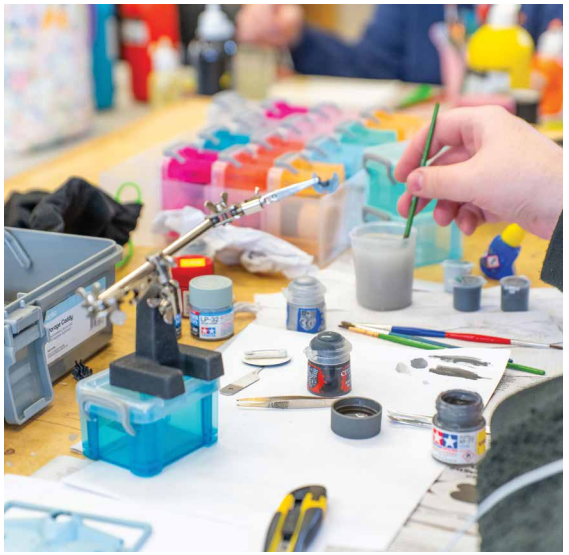
Strength Control and Balance
Panton Hill

Arts for Health - Independent or supported
Eltham

Discovery Dance
Eltham

Wu Tao
Eltham

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Not sure what you're after?

Our customer support team is here to help. Get in touch to chat about what might suit you.

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For more on what Living & Learning Nillumbik is all about, scan the QR code to watch our video!

Skills Hub



> “There is so much creative work being done here. It’s really beautiful to come to this space and feel like you have all of this available to you.”
>
> – Living & Learning Nillumbik Skills Hub participant

Improve your job prospects, learn new skills and meet locals with Living & Learning Nillumbik’s range of affordable short courses.

As a Learn Local provider, Living & Learning Nillumbik delivers ACFE Board-funded, pre-accredited training and other programs across a variety of topics.

Here’s a snapshot of some short courses we have on offer:

Introduction to permaculture
Learn the benefits of permaculture and how it can be applied in a home or commercial setting.

Tools of the trade for women
Learn how to complete basic home maintenance and DIY tasks.

Urban food gardening
Learn how to grow your own fresh food at home.

Introduction to floristry
This course will introduce you to a range of floristry techniques.

Introduction to cake decorating
Learn different cake decorating techniques.

Barista basics
Focused on barista skills, customer service and using a commercial coffee machine.

Creative industries – ceramics
Develop your pottery skills and learn how to start your own small business.

Responsible Service of Alcohol
Delivered by 1SDO Training RTO ID 41558
This accredited course covers all aspects required to responsibly sell, serve or supply alcohol.

Freelance photography
Develop your photography skills and learn how to start your own freelance photography business.

Introduction to horticulture 1 and 2
Explore topics including plant recognition, propagation, soil properties and sustainable work practices.

Learn Local | Skills for study work and life

Fully funded places are available for eligible participants.

Visit our website for full details as courses change regulary.

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Community Gardening



FREE!
Join a community gardening group any time!

Whether you are an experienced gardener or absolute beginner, everyone is welcome to join our gardening groups.

Get involved!

- Share gardening skills and tips
- Meet new people
- Grow fresh food to share
- Get your hands dirty planting, propagating, weeding, composting and learning!

We have two community gardens with regular gardening groups

- Eltham Living & Learning Hub
- Panton Hill Living & Learning Hub

Visit our website for details on when our gardening groups meet

livinglearningnillumbik.vic.gov.au

> "The best part is we're out in this beautiful space here and we get to enjoy nature"
>
> **– Melissa Houselander, local horticulturist and garden coordinator at Panton Hill Living & Learning Hub**

Scan to watch our Panton hill Community Garden video!

Volunteer with us



Join our amazing volunteers!

Volunteers are an essential part of Living & Learning Nillumbik

Did you know?

Each week more than 40 volunteers support the programs and activities running across our three Living & Learning Hubs.

Volunteers help with day-to-day activities like administration, marketing and general support, as well as in our community gardens and MakerSpaces.

Interested in volunteering? Reach out for our team on

9433 3744 **info.livinglearning@nillumbik.vic.gov.au.**

More to explore...

There's always a way to join in at Living & Learning Nillumbik.
Let us help you find your way to share, learn and connect.



What's a MakerSpace?

Our MakerSpaces are creative social spaces where people share their passion for their art or craft and learn from each other.

Each of our Living & Learning Hubs has a range of MakerSpace groups. Join a group for a low annual fee and then come along to as many of their sessions as you'd like across the year.

Can't find a group that suits? Why not start your own? We can support you to establish a new group. Ask us for more information!

Explore our MakerSpaces!

Join our Advisory Committee

Have input on our neighbourhood house activities, programs and events and help to enhance social connectedness and lifelong learning opportunities for participants and volunteers.

Visit our website for more.

Hire a venue

Living & Learning Nillumbik has various spaces for hire for commercial or community groups.

For information please contact us via email to
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Support for local carers

Do you provide care for someone who needs support due to illness, disability or age?

Connect with us today to find out about supports available to you.

Not sure if you're a carer? Call us to discuss your situation.

Phone **9433 3744** or email **info.livinglearning@nillumbik.vic.gov.au**

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diversARTy

Each year we hold an exhibition at the Eltham Library Community Gallery showcasing the work of our current participants and tutors. diversARTy celebrates the diversity of activities, abilities and people who come together to share, learn and connect at Living & Learning Nillumbik.

Find out more on our website
livinglearningnillumbik.vic.gov.au



Have your say

Do you have an activity you'd like to see at one of our hubs?

Or an idea you're not quite sure how to bring to life? Reach out to us – we'd love to hear from you.

Contact our customer support team on **9433 3744**

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50 years of Living & Learning in Nillumbik

In 2025, Living & Learning Nillumbik is celebrating its 50th anniversary.

Join us to take trip down memory lane!

This significant milestone will be marked with special gatherings, opportunities to learn about our local history, and lots of chances to share your stories.

Do you have a story to share?

We'd love to hear from you!

Tell us about your experiences and memories of L&LN from over the years...

Have ideas for celebrating 50 years of L&LN?

Let us know!

Visit our website for more information on getting involved in the celebrations, or phone our customer support team for more.

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In-person reception hours vary
Visit **livinglearningnillumbik.vic.gov.au/about-us**
School holidays may impact our on-site opening hours.
We are closed on public holidays.

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Interpreter

If you need an interpreter, please call TIS National on 131 450 and ask them to call Nillumbik Shire Council on 9433 3111.

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