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 Free entry



Festival Overview

OUTintheOPEN is Shepparton's newest festival celebrating community diversity.

OUTintheOPEN was developed to address some of the inequalities faced by the local gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, intersex, queer (GLBTIQ) & allied communities and to build a more inclusive community in Greater Shepparton.

OUTintheOPEN is a project led by UnitingCare Cutting Edge (UCCE) and is proudly supported by many other organisations and community groups, including:

- Primary Care Connect (PCC)
- The Community Fund Goulburn Valley
- Goulburn Valley Pride Inc.
- PFLAG (Parents, Family members & Friends of Lesbian & Gay people)
- Diversity Group (same-sex attracted & sex/gender diverse young person's social-support group)
- Goulburn Valley Health
- Centre for Excellence in Rural Sexual Health (CERSH)
- Relationships Australia Victoria
- Goulburn Valley Primary Care Partnership
- Greater Shepparton City Council
- Goulburn North East Women's Health
- Goulburn Valley Hotel
- Victoria Police

The festival will consist of a health/well-being forum at Goulburn Valley Hotel function rooms and a Carnival day on the third weekend in November at the Victoria Park Lake. Other events will compliment the Festival.

Festival Background

Greater Shepparton has a diverse community comprising of a significant Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex and Queer (GLBTIQ) community, a large portion of our community were born overseas (12%) and 4% of our community are Aboriginal

or Torres Straight Island people. However, the celebration of the diversity in Greater Shepparton remains minimal. Related to this is a stigma around the community diversity in Shepparton, in particular our GLBTIQ communities.

There are a small number of active, established groups that celebrate GLBTIQ culture, such as Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG), Diversity and Goulburn Valley Pride, which all operate within our community. In spite of this, the Private Lives survey of Australian GLBTIQ people found that rural males and females aged 20-29, who identify as same sex attracted, feel less connected to their GLBTIQ community than their metropolitan counterparts (Pitts, Smith, Mitchell, & Patel, 2007).

GLBTIQ people in rural areas have different needs to those in metropolitan areas. They face discrimination from homophobic attitudes, isolation, limited clinical health services and limited support systems. The Private Lives survey also found that some rural people identifying as GLBTIQ are targets of violent attacks.

It was identified that there were little opportunities in Greater Shepparton to celebrate this diversity as well as initiatives aimed at breaking down the stigma around GLBTIQ communities. From this, the idea of an inclusive festival came to life, with UCCE becoming the lead organisation for the OUTintheOPEN Festival.

Community festivals can increase feelings of belonging to a community, create connections, bring diverse people and organisations together, both through the festival planning and festival events, and build social inclusion, which has been linked with improved mental health and wellbeing (Barraket & Kaiser, 2007). Social inclusion can be defined as "where all people feel valued, their differences are respected and their basic needs are met so they can live in dignity".



OUTintheOPEN, Shepparton's newest Festival celebrating community diversity, is hosting a rural GLBTIQ (gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, intersex, queer) health and wellbeing forum in Shepparton. Designed to bring together members of the community, service providers, health practitioners, primary health care providers and others who have an interest in GLBTIQ health and wellbeing, the forum aims to provide professional development opportunities and allow for the sharing of networks, information and ideas culminating in a showcase of current activities and initiatives in rural and regional Victoria. A particular focus of the Forum will be "inclusive practice" – how best to cater to the needs of those who are SSASGD (same sex attracted and sex and gender diverse).

SSASGD people in rural areas have different needs to those in metropolitan areas facing higher levels of discrimination from homophobic attitudes, isolation, limited clinical health services and limited support systems. SSASGD people are not only those who identify as GLBTIQ, they include a much broader cross-section of the community that can sometimes remain "invisible" if we're not committed to "inclusive practice". Researchers and workers practicing in the sector will present key information in identified areas of concern for the GLBTIQ communities & SSASGD people living in country Victoria including:

- Youth
- Sexual Health
- Community Safety
- Inclusive Practice

- Legal recognition/responsibilities
- Mental Health
- Same sex parented families
- Homophobia, biphobia & transphobia
- Disability
- Ageing

Venue: Goulburn Valley Hotel Function Rooms

Time: 9.30am – 4.30pm

Keynote speakers:

Rodney Croome will be known to many Australians as a spokesperson for the Tasmanian Gay and Lesbian Rights Group. In that capacity he fronted the long, bitter and ultimately successful campaign to decriminalise homosexuality in Tasmania. As a researcher and legal advisor, Rodney has played a pivotal role in several groundbreaking Tasmanian anti-discrimination cases on issues such as transgender vilification and gay blood donation. Rodney grew up on a diary farm on Tasmania's North West Coast.
www.rodneycroome.id.au

Daniel Witthaus is a challenging homophobia educator, author and education activist, born and raised in the Bronx of Geelong. Gay rights advocate, Daniel, is an extraordinary man with an extraordinary mission to eliminate homophobia in Australia. This passionate Victorian embarked on an incredible 38 week journey in 2010, all around rural Australia, taking his anti-homophobia training, called 'Beyond That's So Gay', to schools, organizations and individuals.
www.thatssogay.com.au

Presenters
 A full list of Forum presenters & concurrent sessions can be found at:
www.outintheopen.org.au – click on 'Forum Day'.

Information stalls & resources will be on display and available throughout the day.

Dinner/Film Screening - "The Doctor's Wife"

Look Out Mundubbera – The Gays Are Coming

"The Doctor's Wife" is coming to Shepparton...

Synopsis

Like many young Australian doctors, Dr Vincent Cornelisse was offered an attractive salary and relocation package if he would spend two years working in a regional community in country Queensland. Unlike many young doctor's who take this offer up, Vincent is gay, and would be bringing his partner Jonathan with him. Jono is an artist and filmmaker, and when confronted with life in a sleepy small town in Australia's Redneck Center, what else was he to do but document his journey to become the ultimate 'Doctor's Wife'. A heartwarming adventure that turns the tables on our preconceptions about safety, acceptance and country community.

"Jonathan is a multi-talented artist who lays bare all the raw emotions and fears inherent with being a stranger in a very strange land. A colorful cast of real life characters embody this film and Jonathan has captured them gingerly." – Ezra Buzzington- Hollywood Fringe [Film]

"Charming and engaging." – Fuse Magazine
 "An interesting doco with a great, positive message for everyone."- QNews

The Doctor's Wife is set for DVD release later this year. The film has already won audiences over throughout Australia, and has raised thousands of dollars for GLBTIQ charities.

Don't miss the opportunity to witness the story that has won audiences over throughout Australia, the US and Canada. You'll laugh, you'll cry, you may even wee a little.



More info @ www.doctorswifemovie.com

FilmMaker in Attendance

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Date: Friday 16 November 2012

Venue: GV Hotel (rear), 223 High St, Shepparton

Cost: \$40pp (inc. 3 course dinner + film + meet filmmaker)

Time: 6:00pm (film commences 8:00pm sharp)

Not having dinner? Arrive 7:45pm for film only (\$10pp)

More info @ www.guesthousefilms.com

All proceeds raised will assist with the making of "The Doctors Wife 2."



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Festival Celebrating Diversity in Shepparton

THIRD WEEKEND IN NOVEMBER



Diversity

"Diversity" is Greater Shepparton's social-support group for same sex attracted & gender diverse young people 10-25yrs (& their friends)

Fortnightly meetings include guest speakers, food & fun activities!



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parents, families & friends of LGBTI people who meet once a month & offer support & friendship to families, particularly parents, & also to members of the LGBTI community who may need support in coming out to their families and friends


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The "Diversity Project" aims to create a safer, more inclusive, and healthier community for young people in the City of Greater Shepparton (& beyond) who are same-sex attracted or gender diverse

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- A part of Melbourne Sexual Health Centre

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Festival information tent on
Carnival Day at Queen's
Gardens on Saturday 17
November – don't miss out!



Confessions of a DRAG QUEEN

The story of a young boy from Brazil, from his childhood to
discovering his sexuality, to entering the gay scene, the drag world
and it's exciting consequences!

"Novel, Shocking, Shrieking Entertaining"

John Smythe - Theatreview

**SATURDAY, 17 NOVEMBER
9:00 PM @ THE VAULT**

Tickets \$30 available from
www.riverlinksvvenues.com.au

*limited number of tickets available on the door

CAUTION: MAY CONTAIN TRACES OF NUTS

Carnival Day

OUTintheOPEN is Shepparton's newest
Festival celebrating community diversity.
Carnival Day is our BIG event! Come and
play with us in the park at Queen's Gardens
on Saturday 17 November from 10.30am
– 4.30pm (cnr. Wyndham & Nixon Streets,
Shepparton). Wander through the stalls
and markets; savour the smells and tastes of
fresh local produce. There's music,
entertainment, food & info galore.

Bring your friends, family and loved ones
and don't forget your picnic blanket! Also,
please keep in mind as you plan for the
day, that Carnival Day has a no glass policy.
Check out the Art Show while the kids
bounce on the jumping castle! FREE family
fun for everyone!!

Performers include:

Vanessa Wagner
Jade Leonard
Jayne Lilford – 'The X Factor' contestant
Drew's Dirty Dozen
JAM (Jake Dix & Madeline Galbraith)
Rhubarb Rouge
Hurt But Hopeful
Charlotte Gemmill
Cruppens and Thruppens
Michael Trenkner

Stalls to include:

JOY 94.9 (roving reporter)
Victoria Police GLL0
Flashy Bits
Sunglasses & Hats - Pat Casey
Goulburn Valley Pride
Goulburn Valley Health / Papscreen Victoria
Liz Arcus Photography
PFLAG Greater Shepparton
UnitingCare Cutting Edge – Diversity Project
& Diversity Group
Cobaw Community Health – WayOut
Wollongong University – Research
Melbourne Sexual Health Centre
Gay and Lesbian Tourism Australia (GALTA)
General Health Check-ups
Uniting Network Australia
OUTintheOPEN information
St. John's Ambulance
Done by Dunne (Art)

Amusements/Food vendors to include:

Dippin' Dots Ice-cream, yoghurt, flavoured
ices and sherbets
Delicious Mauritius
Lions Club of Shepparton BBQ
Dreamworks Jumping Castle
Happy Snaps Photobooth – FREE
Crackles the Clown – Face painting
Karen's Baked Potatoes
Cross Country Pizza
Ice Cream Delights & Fairy Floss
Cafe Buzz Box (Coffee)
La Crepe Downunder (Gluten free crepes)



Lemon Tree Cafe

Leanne & Cameron Stride

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Open 7 Days
Breakfast and Lunch



Join us for breaky or brunch from 7.00am on Sunday morning 18 November - OUTintheOPEN Festival's preferred venue for such tasty occasions! Flash your Festival Gig Guide for a discount!



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Yoga in the Park

Come and enjoy FREE Yoga classes

Take the opportunity to enjoy the beautiful warmer weather and try Yoga in the Park at Victoria Park Lake in Shepparton (look for the flags).

Hatha yoga is a medium paced, holistic yoga class with emphasis on awareness, alignment and balance. Simple breathing techniques are included in the practice and the class finishes with a guided deep relaxation.

All sessions will be held from 8.00am to 9.00am on the following days:

- Saturday 3 November 2012
- Saturday 10 November 2012
- Saturday 17 November 2012
- Saturday 24 November 2012

Activities in the park



Simply bring yourself, a Yoga Mat and drink bottle.



For more information contact Aquamoves on 5832 9400.

Check out these local attractions while visiting Greater Shepparton...



Check out Shepparton's Mooving Art: Monash Park, cnr. High & Fryers Sts (Photo: Liz Arcus)



Visit Mooroopna's colourful water tower: McLennan Street (Photo: Daniel Gommers)

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