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Take a free, self-guided tour through the studios, workshops, galleries and gardens of an array of talented artists and makers hailing from across the south-east region. This is a unique opportunity to witness live demonstrations, actively engage in artistic endeavours, enrich your personal collection with one-of-a-kind and environmentally conscious locally crafted artworks, or even enrol in creative workshops that ignite your imagination.

Whether you're a seasoned art enthusiast or taking your first steps into the world of creativity, this is more than just a tour - it's an invitation to explore, engage, and be inspired by the intricate threads that weave together the vibrant tapestry of the south-east's creative soul.

Open Studios 2026 Sneak Peek Exhibition

Thursday 1 – Wednesday 28 October
Bunjil Place Customer Service Centre

Hours

Mon – Fri 9:00am – 4:00pm

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Gain an insight into the spaces that will be opening their doors to the public for the Open Studios Weekend 2026. Artworks will be presented by our incredibly talented and diverse south-east artists, creatives and makers; this is an opportunity to start plotting your road trip.

Open Studios 2026 Workshops

Studios

Participate in one of the many artist-led workshops and activities on offer throughout Open Studios Weekend. Find more details on individual studio websites and social media pages.

The Studios



Garage 35 Art Studio

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Garage35 Art Studio is a not-for-profit co-operative that is a shared creative space for artists in the south-east. Through community art projects, workshops, and collaborative events, Garage 35 fosters inclusivity, cultural expression, and a strong sense of belonging in the local arts scene.

@ @garage35artstudio

Photo: Kim Sachs



Heather Wilson Ceramics

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Heather is a ceramic artist with many years' experience who specializes in animals and dragons. Watch a piece being created, see sculptures in the garden or ask questions about kilns and firing. Purchase a sculpture or special pot for a plant.

heatherwilsonceramics.com.au

@ @heatherjwilson2021

Heather Wilson, *Blue Dragon*, ceramics. Photo: Courtesy the artist



Ashini Kulatunge Studio

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Ashini Kulatunge is an emerging mixed media artist who enjoys the slow and surprising process of using unerasable materials. Her work can be described as whimsically bold. With use of brilliant colours, Ashini's creations pull at your inner child exposing you to an explosion of colour.

ashini.au

@ashini_k_studio

Ashini Kulatunge, *Whale* (detail), watercolour pencil and crayon on paper.
Photo: Courtesy the artist



Emerging Artists Hub

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Meet the new resident artists of the Hub as they open their studios to visitors for the first time. See artworks in progress, learn about different creative practices, and experience the energy of a collaborative space in motion. Located in the newly renovated historic Narre Warren Mechanics Institute Hall, the hub celebrates experimentation, connection, and community.

@caseyartistshub

Emerging Artists Hub studio. Photo: Christine Francis for Sibling Architecture



Criss Chaney Studio

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Step into the studio of Criss Chaney and explore a colourful, feminist world combining expressive painting, graffiti-inspired techniques, collage, and bold typography to create layered artworks exploring identity, power, and vulnerability.

crisschaney.com

@CrissChaney

f @Criss Chaney Art

Criss Chaney, *Rewilding Series* (detail), watercolour on paper.
Photo: Courtesy the artist



South Eastern Contemporary Art Network (SECAN)

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SECAN is a dynamic collective of local contemporary artists. Members include emerging, mid-career and professional artists working across a diverse range of styles and mediums, including painting, drawing, printmaking, fibre art, sculpture, mixed media, glass and more.

secan.com.au

Elma Young, *Stratify*, cotton fabric over a sisal core stitched with waxed linen thread. Photo: Courtesy the artist



Berwick District Woodworkers Club

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A diverse and inclusive club that welcomes new members, no matter what their woodworking skill levels are. The club workshop, is equipped with a wide range of tools and machinery enabling furniture making, scroll saw and bandsaw work, woodturning, carving, and more.

bdwwc.club

Photo: Courtesy Berwick District Woodworkers Club Inc.



Berwick Artists Society (BAS)

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(Saturday only)

The artists' society encourages local emerging, professional and hobby artists, and members of the public to network, develop their skills and contribute to art within the community. Visit the studio to see a variety of mediums on display and artists demonstrating their skills.

berwickartistsociety.com.au

@berwickartistsociety

Berwick Artists Society studio. Photo: Courtesy Berwick Artists Society



Up Close and Personal Studio

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Leanne's light filled studio and gallery is situated amongst the trees on her country property in Toomuc Valley. With its views and tranquil atmosphere, this studio is a must see. Visit to admire Leanne's paintings and magical jewellery creations by her daughter Teshayla.

f @leannewilsonhutchinson

@upclose_with_leanne

@byteshayla

Up Close and Personal Studio. Photo: Courtesy the artist



Aruanda Farm (Sunday only)

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Aruanda is a hidden forest oasis and a multi-level ecosystem, re-created in harmony with nature by the artist couple who live there: Ukrainian born Natalia Pedan specialising in luminous UV reactive artworks and Brazilian Rodrigo Petrosky, a mixed media 3D artist.

aruanda.farm

nataliapedan.art

f @nataliapedanart

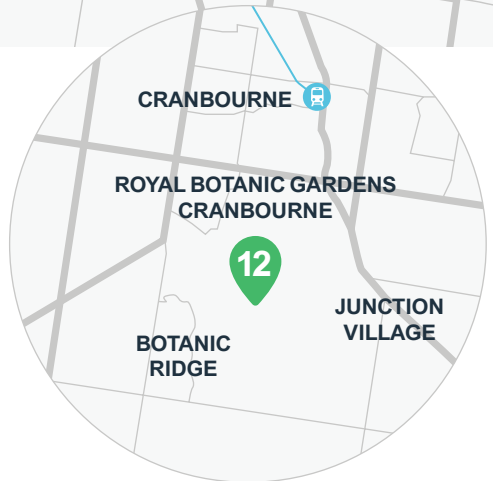
Natalia Pedan featuring *Easter Spirit* (detail), acrylic on board.

Photo: Courtesy the artist



The Studios

- 1 Garage 35 Art Studio**
35F Buckleys Lane, Noble Park
- 2 Heather Wilson Ceramics**
210 Belgrave Hallam Road,
Narre Warren North
- 3 Ashini Kulatunge Studio**
Bunjil Place
2 Patrick Northeast Drive, Narre Warren
- 4 Emerging Artists Hub**
59 Webb Street, Narre Warren



 Care has been taken to ensure all the venues are wheelchair accessible as of print, except SECAN and Aruanda Farm which have gravel pathways.



- 5 Criss Chaney Studio**
131 Avebury Drive, Berwick
- 6 South Eastern Contemporary Art Network (SECAN)**
Gate 6 Gallery & Studio
Akoonah Park, Cardinia Street, Berwick

- 7 Berwick District Woodworkers Club**
Old Cheese Factory
34 Homestead Road, Berwick
- 8 Berwick Artists Society (Saturday Only)**
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34 Homestead Road, Berwick

- 9 Up Close and Personal Studio**
24 Short Lane, Pakenham
- 10 Aruanda Farm (Sunday Only)**
537 Gembrook Road
Pakenham Upper

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- 11 Little by Little Cafe**
Old Cheese Factory
34 Homestead Road, Berwick
- 12 Royal Botanic Gardens Cranbourne**
Ballarto Road & Botanic Drive, Cranbourne



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Bunjil Place

Visit Bunjil Place for a free family-friendly workshop with local mixed media artist Ashini Kulatunge. Explore brilliant colours and whimsical creatures through drawing and construction activities.

Bunjil Place, Customer Service Centre

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Free Bus Tour

Join the bus tour to visit some of the inspiring local artists and makers that are opening their studios to the public.

Visit Bunjil Place website for details and reservations: www.bunjilplace.com.au

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casey.vic.gov.au/casey-art

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