

Bacchus Exhibition Coming to Coal Creek

The list of amazing exhibitions at Coal Creek continues with Bacchus coming from 18 June to 24 August 2026.

Curated by Jasmin McNeill, Bacchus is a new exhibition featuring four local artists: Fiona Blandford, Jan Learmonth, Sarah Parkes and Ellen Taylor. For this exhibition, each artist has created new works in response to the surrounding landscape of Fleet Wines in Leongatha and their winemaking process. From the red earth where the grapes are grown, through fermentation, to ritual celebration, to the human condition and the relationship to cultivation, each artist has reflected on Fleet in their own distinct way. The works on display span wine painting, photography, flora installations, found object weavings and mixed media sculptures.

The exhibition has been at Fleet Wines in Leongatha as an extension of the ArtCubes program and will be travelling to Coal Creek for a winter viewing in the newly refurbished space. The community are also welcome to come along to the opening event on Friday 19 June from 5.00pm and a panel discussion on 8 August from 2.00pm to 4.00pm.

For more information on the exhibition, please visit: www.visitsouthgippsland.com.au/event

Quote attributable to Mayor Councillor Nathan Hersey:

"Coal is a versatile exhibition space for local artists; providing a deeply needed Council-supported opportunity for artists and makers to showcase their work here in South Gippsland."

"The recent refurbishments as well as regular ArtCube activations are creating an engaging, energetic buzz around Coal Creek and South Gippsland more broadly, which is emerging as a popular artistic and events destination."

"Our local artists and creative people are true heroes of the emerging arts and creative culture scene in South Gippsland."