

Gecko Studio Gallery Newsletter

November December 2019

Gecko Studio Gallery presents...



GECKO STUDIO GALLERY
presents

UNDERSTORY

SARAH DINGWALL
AND
EMMA MORGAN

21 NOV – 16 DEC

OPENING EVENT
FRI 22 NOV 6-8PM

15 FALLS RD FISH CREEK 3959
PH 03 5683 2481
GECKOSTUDIOGALLERY.COM.AU



lh image: Sarah Dingwall - 'light in sadness' - frameworked glass and mixed media(detail)

rh image: Emma Morgan - Bloom – drawing

Understory is an exploration of the regenerative cycles found in nature, and where similar patterns are mirrored in the human experience – something new coming out of the old; endings giving way to beginnings; and the necessity of light and dark.

Emma Morgan CV

b. 1991, UK

Education

2014 Diploma of Interior Design, RMIT University, Melbourne

2012 Bachelor of Visual Arts, Monash University, Caulfield

Solo Exhibitions

2019 'Icons' @ Hibiki Melbourne, Camberwell

2017 'Vanishing Giant' @ The Nook Gallery, Mornington

2015 'Sea Dwellers' @ Fawn Gallery, Collingwood

2014 'They Know About Us' @ Red Gallery, Fitzroy North

Group Exhibitions

2019, 'International Womens' Day Group Show' @ The Stockroom Gallery, Clifton Hill

2018 'The Work of the Eggs' @ Gecko Studio Gallery, Fish Creek

2016 'Birds of a Feather' @ The Stockroom, Eastland

2016 'Awake' @ Off The Kerb, Collingwood

2016 'Safe Keeping' @ The Nook Gallery, Mornington
2016 'Drawing 2016' @ Brunswick Street Gallery, Fitzroy North
2015 '30x30' @ The Stockroom, Eastland
2015 'The Beast Beside Us' @ Red Gallery, Fitzroy North
2015 'Super Graph Picks' for Supergraph @ The Royal Exhibition Building, Carlton
2012 'MADA Graduate Show' @ Monash University, Caulfield

Press

Magazines

Peninsula Essence Magazine, "Fine Art Fauna" 2018
Frankie Magazine, Issue 80: October 2017
Beat Magazine, Melbourne Made: August 2017
Frankie Magazine, Issue 74: Nov/Dec 2016
Fashion Journal, Issue 160: August 2016

Books

Stolen Publications Volume 5 (2016)
Koala, Thames & Hudson (2016)

Online

MP Made, Scene, Eat: Featured Creative (2018)
Artist Strong: Featured Artist (2017)
Almost Real: Featured Illustrator (2016)

Residencies

2015 - present @ Commonfolk Studios, Mornington

Teaching

2019, Illustration workshops @ Station Street Studio, Frankston
2018, Printmaking workshops @ Lumiere Art + Co, Dromana

Memberships

Emma is an Accredited Member of Craft Victoria



Emma Morgan - NightTempo - drawing



Emma Morgan - Assurance - drawing



Emma Morgan

Sarah Dingwall CV

Born London 1987

Education

2006 – 2009, *Bachelor of Fine Arts (Glass)*, Monash University, VIC

2007, *Flameworked Glass*, Alexandra Chambers, Australian National University, Canberra, ACT

Selected Exhibitions

2019 *Captive Nature*, Weswal Gallery, Tamworth, NSW

Collect, Antipodes, Sorrento, VIC

2018 *Ruach*, 75 Ried Street, Fitzroy North, VIC

Regeneration, St Heliers Street Gallery, Abbotsford Convent, Abbotsford, VIC

The Work of The Eggs, Gecko Studio Gallery, Fish Creek, VIC

2017 *Flame on Glass*, Kirra Galleries, Federation Square, Melbourne, VIC

2016 *Safe Keeping*, The Nook Gallery, Mornington, VIC

Flame on Glass, Kirra Galleries, Federation Square, Melbourne, VIC

2015 *The Bower*, Gecko Studio Gallery, Fish Creek, VIC

2014 *Hither, Thither and Yon*, The Nook Gallery, Mornington, VIC

2012 *Flavour*, Murray Bridge Regional Gallery, Murray Bridge, SA

2011 *Quiet Down*, Gecko Studio Gallery, Fish Creek, VIC

Pockets, Oak Hill Gallery, Mornington, VIC

2010 *These Strange Places*, Gecko Studio Gallery, Fish Creek, VIC

Collapsing Conditions, Alliance Française De Melbourne, St. Kilda, VIC

Little Anchor, Wildcroft Exhibition Space, Red Hill, VIC

2009 *Graduating Exhibition*, Faculty of Art and Design, Monash University, Caulfield, VIC

Project 53, Wildcroft Exhibition Space, Red Hill, VIC

Professional Experience

2019 Featured Artist with Aesop and Alpha60 for Craft Victoria's Window Walk, Melbourne, VIC

2017 – 2019 Elective Leader in Flameworked Glass, Faith and The Arts, Poatina, TAS

2018 Featured Artist / Guest Window Dresser, Pomme Gallery, Mornington VIC

2017 Artist in Residence, Australian Regenerative Medicine Institute, Clayton, VIC

2006 – 2016, Studio Assistant for Glassblower Leisa Wharington

2015 Artist in Residence, Woodleigh School, Langwarrin, VIC

2013 Co-founder, *Commonfolk Makers' Market*, Mornington, VIC

2012 Founder, *Commonfolk Studios*, Mornington, VIC

Artist in Residence, Woodleigh School, Langwarrin, VIC

2011 Featured Artist, '*Salone Internazionale del Mobile*', Milan, Italy

2010 Featured Artist & Guest Blogger, *The Design Files*, Melbourne, VIC

Awards

2018 1st and 2nd Prize in Sculpture, Sandy Point Arts Council *Easter Art Show*, Sandy Point

2013 Best in Show in Sculpture/Jewellery, Sandy Point Arts Council *Easter Art Show*, Sandy Point

2009 The Alliance Française Prize for outstanding Monash students from the Department of Fine Art

2009 The LaTrobe Regional Gallery Acquisitive Contemporary Art Prize

2007 Excellence in the Degree of The Bachelor of Fine Arts, Monash University



Sarah Dingwall – Honesty - 30cm x 55cm - Clay, borosilicate glass, found objects



Sarah Dingwall in her studio



Sarah Dingwall - 'light in sadness' - flameworked glass and mixed media.

Gecko Studio Gallery News - Exhibitions

- What's next? Exhibitions in the pipeline.....(NB details may change before these exhibitions open)

Exhibition # 137 Rosalind Forster -linocuts and watercolours. December 19 to January 22, 2020. Opening event between 6 and 8pm, Friday Dec 20.

Exhibition # 138 (un)civilisation - Lana De Jager. solarplate etchings. January 23 to February 17, 2019. Opening event between 6 and 8pm, Friday January 24, 2020

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Gecko Studio Gallery news

15 Falls Rd, Fish Creek (the Gecko Studio Gallery property) is FOR SALE

3996 website - <https://www.inverloch3996.com/hotproperties/15-falls-road-fish-creek> for all the information you need.

After almost 13 years of Gecko, we have decided to put our beloved property on the market. Since renovating in 2017 to install the cafe into the mix, we have worked extra hard to ensure Gecko has remained vibrant and unique, and we now feel we are ready to let go of the reins to pursue our art and artisan careers on a more full-time basis. Whilst we will be sad to say goodbye to the property, we intend to keep our framing business operating from our home in Fish Creek East (otherwise known as Foster North)....along with new ventures yet to be realised.

Below is the wording scripted for the real estate advert....please feel free to share this around...

"Set in heart of Fish Creek this landmark building offers its new owners a myriad of opportunities. Described by Back Roads host Heather Ewart as "a whimsical town straight from a story book, home to children's book authors and illustrators, world renowned botanical artists, musicians and sculptors". 15 Falls Road is currently being run as a business, Gecko Studio Gallery, offering exhibitions, framing, art materials and a busy cafe catering to locals and the many tourists who pass through the town on

their way to Wilson's Promontory. The property is to be sold as a blank canvas to the new owners without the Gecko Studio Gallery business, leaving unlimited opportunities for the entrepreneurial spirit.

As well as the large gallery space with huge double frontage windows, a spacious and luxurious apartment with North facing deck is situated at the rear, along with gorgeous mature gardens with a curved path leading down to your very own huge art studio - complete with its own wood heater and two cavernous storage rooms.

Viewing is highly recommended to appreciate the scope of what's on offer here."

15 FALLS ROAD FISH CREEK



THE ABOVE PLAN IS AN ARTIST'S IMPRESSION ONLY, IT INCLUDES ELEMENTS THAT ARE FOR DISPLAY PURPOSES ONLY AND MAY NOT BE TO SCALE. LANDSCAPING SHOWN IS INDICATIVE ONLY. DIMENSIONS ARE APPROXIMATE.

Go to Inverloch



Kerry and Michael

Gecko Café news



Spring is upon us even if the weather keeps slipping back into full-on winter mode. We have moved on from soups back to our famous salads.

We serve a unique wood roasted artisan coffee from Melbourne (Ricci Coffee); delicious teas (Calmer Sutra) including fresh chai; hot chocolates and cold drinks. Gecko has a range of sweet and savoury foods to dine in or takeaway.

keep an eye on the Gecko Studio Gallery Facebook page and on Instagram.

Open 9am to 4pm, Thursday through to Monday, i.e. closed Tuesday & Wednesday. Open 7 days during January.



Local Art Venues and Events

The Alison Lester Shop Prints, Books, Cards & Gifts – 1 Falls Road, Fish Creek, Victoria 5683 2352. Keep an eye on the Facebook page for when Alison will be in-store for book signings and other special events. Facebook <https://goo.gl/gTTLmq> Web <http://alisonlester.com/> (Psst...all the prints and canvases in the Alison Lester Shop are framed by Gecko Studio Gallery) Check out the new range of Robert Gordon pottery featuring Alison's designs. Also, Alison's circular images are now available in circular frames.

Stefani Hilltop Gallery Artist-in-residence **Bianca Biesuz-Stefani**. 39 Keane's Rd, Fish Creek. Ph 5683 2253. http://members.dcsi.net.au/hilltop_gallery/ Open Thursday to Monday or by appointment.

Ride the Wild Goat Workshop & Gallery 5 Falls Rd, Fish Creek. Ph 5683 2661. Paintings and one-off handmade furniture & objects by **Andrew McPherson**. Open Fri, Sat, Sun, Mon – 10.30 – 4.30pm. 0417 370 596 <http://ridethewildgoat.com.au/> Check out Andy's out there Christmas tree

The Celia Rosser Gallery and Banksia Café Promontory Rd, Fish Creek. Open hours: Fri, Sat, Sun 10am – 4pm or by appointment. Ph 5683 2628. andrew@celiarossergallery.com.au
www.celiarossergallery.com.au/index.htm

Michael Pitt Photography 11 Falls Rd, Fish Creek (between Gibsons Cafe and the Fish Creek Memorial Hall). Photography, large format printing, studio, portraiture, pets, process and printing of your photos – anything but weddings. Also, wanted to buy – old cameras, photos, film negs, glass slides, negatives – anything photographic. Hobby, not part of the business. Contact Michael Pitts 0418 508 392 michael@pptimage.com.au

The Hub - Fish Creek 10am to 3pm

- **The HandMakers Store** – a craft collective. Features the work of local makers. Follow them on FB and Instagram. thehandmakersstore@gmail.com Facebook: thehandmakersstore
- **Houndog** – beautiful handcrafted timber furniture and objects by **Peter Bassett**. 27 Falls Rd, Fish Creek (between the Fish Creek General Store and the Post Office)

Roland Harvey - Renowned children's book author and illustrator **Roland Harvey** has opened a studio/gallery in Fish Creek. There are books and cards for sale along with original artwork and limited edition prints. Facebook: Roland Harvey Art Web: <http://rolandharvey.com.au/> 31 Falls Rd, Fish Creek

Art Classes – children's book illustrator/author **Roland Harvey** is now running drawing/watercolour classes at his Fish Creek studio/gallery, 33 Falls Rd, Fish Creek. Minimum 4, maximum 6 people. Adults, kids (min. 10 years) and mixed aged. School Holiday introductory offer - \$50/ 2 hours. Saturday & Sunday 10 – 12 & 2 to 4pm. Weekdays before 10am or after 4.30pm (gallery opening hours). For more information contact Annabel 0429 801 776 annabellouise@bigpond.com

The Fish Creek Hotel Artspace – Exhibition space in the art hub of Fish Creek.

- **Current exhibition – 'Wayfinding'** - an exhibition of paintings and calligraphy by **Lynne Muir**. The images are inspired by islands and journeys both real and mythical, created in gouache, gold and silver leaf. Oberon Room, Fish Creek Hotel, every day until 31 December.

Fish Creek Hotel/Motel 1 Old Waratah Road, Fish Creek 3959. Ph 5683 2404.
<http://www.fishcreekhotel.com.au/>

The Outer Space Meeniyán 140B Whitelaw St, Meeniyán, VIC 3956 0427 375 020 9am – 4pm. The Outer Space sculpture park features the work of fourteen local artists and artisans in a park-like setting. <http://theouterspacemeeniyán.com.au/> Facebook: outerspacemeeniyán
Helen Wilkinson and Grant Flather (plus a cast of thousands) Friday - Sunday, 10am - 4pm

Stockyard Gallery

- **Foster Secondary College Student Exhibition** - 7 November to 2 December

Gallery open 10 am to 4 pm daily Phone: 5682 1125 www.facebook.com/pages/Stockyard-Gallery/205686259540514

YEPgallery Anne Roussac-Hoyne Ph 0408 871 370

Meeniyán Art Gallery

Exhibition in November:

Gallery One - **Karen Allen – Creatures**
Gallery Two - **Christopher Wray - To Capture Light**
Gallery Three - **Shaman Feinberg - Domestica**

• 84 Whitelaw St, Meeniyan. Wednesday to Monday (closed Tuesday) 10 – 4pm. Saturday & Sunday 11 – 5pm. Ph 5664 0101 Exhibition bookings - curator@meeniyangallery.com.au

Exhibitions in December:

Gallery One - **Vicky Philipson - The Beauty of Plants**
Gallery Two - **Sarah Saridis - Fleeting Moments**
Gallery Three - **Monika Barbian - Out of the Dark**

Thirsty Work Gallery 45 River Drive, Tarwin Lower. 0408 241 973. Also, Life drawing classes, Tuesdays evenings - Thirsty Work Studio Gallery

The ArtSpace Mirboo North

81B Ridgway Mirboo Nth (Between Mirboo Nth Hardware & The Grand Ridge Brewery)
ArtSpace Hours Wed-Sun 10-4pm www.facebook.com/TheArtSpaceinMirbooNorth/

ArtSpace Wonthaggi

The Centennial Centre, 1 Bent Street, Wonthaggi 3995 (opposite Aldi). Tel: (03) 5672 5767. Hours: Thursday - Monday 10-4

Arc Yinnar

arc Yinnar is open Tuesday to Friday 12 noon-4pm, Saturday 11am-3pm. Main Street Yinnar. Ph 5163 1310

Clayworkers Studio. Learn how to create functional and decorative objects from clay in classes suitable for all skill levels. Also offering studio access sessions for experienced ceramic artists and potters. Find the term program details and book at www.trybooking.com/eventlist/clayworkers or phone 0473 912 704. Rescue Station Arts, West Area Rd Wonthaggi.

Kate Stuart - Co-ordinator, Clayworkers Studio. SCM Rescue Station Arts Inc, 95 W Area Rd, Wonthaggi Vic 3995. Ph 0473912704 clayworkers.rescuestationarts@gmail.com
www.rescuestationarts.org

Toora Village Studio Gallery

Toora Village Studio Gallery - open Thursdays to Sunday, 10am to 4pm. 25 Stanley Street, Toora
<https://goo.gl/FCV4Np>

Saraghi Gallery Thursday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday 10am - 3pm. Saraghi Gallery - behind Cafe Lugano, 71 Thompson Ave, Cowes

Bob Hickman - Painting classes 5x2 hour classes in Koonwarra studio, Tuesday afternoons 1-4pm \$35 per session and Wednesday evening 6-8pm, \$100 for a five week block. Also, printmaking and hebel stone carving weekend workshops throughout the year. Check out www.bobhickman.blogspot.com.au or contact Bob on 0439 303 244 for more information.

Loch Arts Council - www.facebook.com/Loch-Arts-Council-581762918549744/timeline?ref=page_internal

Korumburra Arts Group The Arts Group meets about once every 2 months and welcomes artists and art supporters to become part of the group. For further information about the exhibition or the Arts Group contact Jane Brocklesby 0427 472 117, Neil Coxon 5655 2107, Tony Parisi 0407 219 639.
<http://korumburracommunity.org.au/>

The Boobook Art Studio in South Gippsland - committed to providing enriching, high quality art instruction to children & teenagers. **Jacqui Dinsbergs.** Studio address: 84 Whitelaw St, Meeniyan, Vic 3956 Postal address: PO Box 252, Foster, Vic 3960 <http://boobookartstudio.com.au/>

Drawing Classes run by **Ann Parry.** First and third Fridays at Port Franklin schoolhouse. 10.30am – 2.30pm. Tea & coffee provided, take your own lunch. Some art materials provided or take your own. \$35 each session, \$50 when there is a life model. Contact Ann 0448 390 785 or 5664 6558.

Art Blast Studio - Creative, fun art classes for children held after school and on Saturday mornings in Foster. Quality art materials, expert tuition and delicious snack \$25 per session, family discounts apply. Contact Janie Frith 0437 120 948

Freestone Press Gillian Kline 0408514560 [email](mailto:) <http://freestonepressprintmakingstudio.com/>

Switchback Gallery - Building 6S, Northways Road, Churchill VIC 3842. Bryce Ives. Phone: 5122 6261 Mon to Fri: 9am–5pm. Closed on public holidays. Disabled access

South Gippsland - Arts & Events - www.facebook.com/SouthGippslandArtsandEvents/

Creative Gippsland - <https://creativegippsland.com.au/>

South Gippsland Musicians and Gigs <https://www.facebook.com/groups/sgmusicians/>

Amazigh Cultural Tours Morocco and Lithuania <http://bit.ly/2IqWaxc>

Prom Coast Film Society -

Next Screening: 6 DECEMBER - The Heat (2013 USA – action/comedy 117mins) & My Life as a Zucchini (2017 France/Switzerland – animation/comedy/drama 66mins)

Join at www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=451888&

First Friday of each month - 7:30pm, Fish Creek Memorial Hall

Annual Subscription - \$60, 3 Months - \$25, Subscription Only, no Single Tickets

Arts/Culture/Tourism/Community newsletters (send us info if you have a newsletter to add)

- **South Gippsland Arts Network Update** - administered by Sophie Dixon, Community Strengthening Support Officer, South Gippsland Shire Council. Categories are: exhibitions on now / festivals / music & performance / film / coming soon / download information / galleries of South Gippsland. Contact Sophie to have your info included sophied@southgippsland.vic.gov.au

- **Art Space Gallery Wonthaggi** – monthly newsletter covering events at the gallery and in the region. Ph 5672 5767 Email artspaceenquiries@gmail.com Web www.artspacewonthaggi.com.au

- **Bass Coast Shire Council Free Arts News**

- **Stockyard Gallery** –email them at info@stockyardgallery.org.au and ask for their newsletter

- **Regional Arts Victoria, Gippsland** - monthly newsletter

- **ArtSpace Newsletter** – send email to artspacemoney@gmail.com

- **Meeniyah Motel Newsletter** [Meeniyah Motel email newsletter](#)

- **Craft Victoria** - Craft Almanac e-news go to [Craft Victoria website](#) and find the subscribe area at the bottom of the page. [Craft Victoria subscription](#)

- **Fishy News** – The newsletter for Fish Creek. Available from Fish Creek post office and various outlets around town. Editor: Helen Ritt. Email fishynews2@gmail.com

- **Venus Bay/Tarwin community newsletter** [“Matter of Fact”](#)

Lyrebird Arts Council



- **The Waifs**

Saturday, November 23rd, 2019. Doors: 7 pm, Show 8pm **Sold Out.**

The Waifs will come on stage at 8pm and perform a 2 hour show.

• Hiss Golden Messenger



Saturday, January 25th, 2020. Doors: 7 pm, Show 8pm. Tickets \$60
<https://youtu.be/nDGYV82IAFI>

Describing the Durham-based Hiss Golden Messenger is like trying to grasp a forgotten word: It's always on the tip of your tongue, but hard to speak. Songwriter and bandleader M.C. Taylor's music is at once familiar, yet impossible to categorize: Elements from the American songbook—the steady, churning acoustic guitar and mandolin, the gospel emotion, the eerie steel guitar tracings, the bobbing and weaving organ and electric

piano—provide the bedrock for Taylor's existential ruminations about parenthood, joy, hope, and loneliness—our delicate, tightrope balance of dark and light—that offer fully engaged contemporary commentary on the present. And then there's an indescribable spirit and movement: Hiss Golden Messenger's music grooves. There's nothing else quite like it.

For over ten years, Taylor has spearheaded this prolific, perpetually evolving group. He's toured and recorded relentlessly, earning devotees along the roads, deep in festival pits, and across the seas, delivering earnest performances that morph from jammy freakout to private prayer in a matter of measures.

"The work that I do requires me to be in a certain emotional place," says Taylor. "My music depends first and foremost on being in a heightened emotional state and putting my vulnerability on display."

This vulnerability is also central to Taylor's steadily growing fanbase, which continues to discover universal themes in his deeply personal work. The critical acclaim and attention for Hiss Golden Messenger—including features in *The Atlantic* and *The New Yorker*, glowing album and live reviews in *Pitchfork*, *Rolling Stone*, and *Consequence of Sound*, and barn-burning performances on *Late Show with David Letterman* and *Late Night with Seth Meyers*—affirm the emotional power of Taylor's work.



• Patty Griffin

Sunday, March 1, 2020. Doors: 7 pm, Show 8pm. Tickets \$80 [WATCH](#)
Iconic singer-songwriter PATTY GRIFFIN has announced her highly anticipated return to Australia. Last here in 2008 for sold-out shows, the Texan performer has attracted a cult-following with her intimately passionate performance style, telling heartfelt stories with her vivid, powerful vocal.

"Patty Griffin is an absolute inspiration to every songwriter who's fortunate enough to come across her music." - Missy Higgins

"I would go anywhere, anytime to hear Patty Griffin sing her extraordinary songs." - Emmylou Harris

Over the course of two decades, the GRAMMY Award-winner— and seven-time nominee — has crafted nine classic studio albums and two live collections, a remarkable body of work that prompted the *New York Times* to hail her for "[writing] cameo-carved songs that create complete emotional portraits of specific people...(her) songs have independent lives that continue in your head when the music ends." Widely regarded among the best singer-songwriters of her era, this year's self-titled album, PATTY GRIFFIN collects songs written during her battle with cancer.

Chronicling love and death, heartache and joy, connection and detachment, Patty Griffin continues with her uncanny perception, and ever-increasing ingenuity. A starkly beautiful live show, the return of this pillar of Americana is not to be missed.



• Eilen Jewell

March 20, 2020 Tickets \$65 <http://www.eilenjewell.com/video-2/>

Lyrebird are very pleased to announce Eilen Jewell and her band will be back at Meeniyah Town hall on Friday 20th March 2020 for a very special show in support of her latest album *Gypsy*.

The reigning Queen of the Minor Key, Jewell leads a tight quartet that blends influences of surf-noir, early blues, classic country, folk, and 1960s era rock 'n' roll. For well over a decade, they've toured relentlessly for legions of fans from Boston to Boise and Madrid to Melbourne, playing large festivals, theatres, rock clubs, and coffeehouses and have shared stages with the likes of Lucinda Williams, Loretta Lynn, Mavis Staples, Wanda Jackson, George Jones, Emmylou Harris, and Blind Boys of Alabama.



● **Cedric Burnside**

Saturday March 21, 2020 Tickets \$50.00 https://youtu.be/J_5wtJPaG88
The Grammy-nominated 39-year-old still lives on several acres not far from the Holly Springs, Mississippi, home where he was raised by "Big Daddy," his grandfather, the late singer/songwriter/guitarist R.L. Burnside whom Cedric famously played with, just as his own father, drummer Calvin Jackson, did. Cedric was literally born to the blues, more specifically, the "rhythmically unorthodox" Hill country variant which emerged from Mississippi, where he grew up surrounded (and influenced)

by Junior Kimbrough, Jessie May Hemphill and Otha Turner, as well as delta musicians T-Model Ford and Paul "Wine" Jones.



● **The War & Treaty**

Thursday April 16, 2020 Tickets \$65 <https://youtu.be/PfkPgfuVAc>
As The War and Treaty, Michael and Tanya Trotter serve up healing and pain robbing with freewheeling joy on their new full-length album, Healing Tide. Funky bass lines, keys, lap steel, acoustic strings, and stripped-down percussion create a swampy Southern soul bed for the couple's transcendent vocals. A tour-de-force produced by Buddy Miller, the collection swaggers with confidence only gained by artists who are wholly, proudly, themselves.

Michael is a wounded warrior who found his voice while serving in Iraq, when he was pulled from the frontlines to write songs for the fallen. Tanya is a lifelong artist, drawn to singing's power to take another's pain away. "You have to have a deep place of love within yourself to be vulnerable," Tanya says. "With The War and Treaty, we allow people to see two people that are not perfect. We get on stage. We sweat. We're overweight. We yell. We get ugly, we scream! My hair comes loose. We're vulnerable--naked--in front of people, and it's a chain reaction. It allows them to be vulnerable, too." The War and Treaty's music and stories bring tears and goosebumps, but ultimately, more is at work. "I want people to feel like we care," Michael says. "When you think about artists, you don't think about that." He pauses and grins broadly. "But that's the way I want the world to feel about The War and Treaty."

● **Purchase tickets** online via <https://goo.gl/Dpne9h>

Book tickets via [email](#) Local ticket outlets (cash only): **Gecko Studio Gallery**, Fish Creek; Duck Hutt, Meeniyan; the Rusty Windmill, Leongatha, Main Street Revelations, Foster; Books & Massage, Inverloch; UpBeet Juice Bar, Wonthaggi.

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Walking Tracks

● **The Great Southern Rail Trail** <https://goo.gl/PJwauA> www.gsrt.com.au When you ride or walk through Fish Creek, don't forget to break your journey for a coffee and lunch at Headquarters Café in Gecko Studio Gallery. Plus, all of what Fish Creek has to offer.

● **The Hoddle Mountain Trail** and **The Loader Track**
www.visitpromcountry.com.au/uploads_files/hoddle-mountain-trail-1.pdf
www.visitpromcountry.com.au/walking-cycling/hoddle-mountain-trail

● **Prom Country Walking Trails** www.visitpromcountry.com.au/pdf/Prom-Country-Walking-Trails.pdf
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Fish Creek

● **Fishy News** – The newsletter for Fish Creek. Editor – Helen Ritt. Published at the beginning of the month. Email fishynews2@gmail.com

● **Gibson's Café** – 9 Falls Rd, Fish Creek. Ph 5683 2593 Facebook: gibsonsfcs Hours: Thursday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday 9am to 4pm

● **The Paddock** – coffee/produce/wares. 2 Old Waratah Rd, Fish Creek (where the KO Bar used to be until recently. Opening hours initially will be 8am - 4pm, closed Monday & Tuesday Contact Jarl on 0424 645 813 Facebook: thepaddockcoffeehouse

● **Fish Creek Hotel** - 1 Old Waratah Rd, Fish Creek VIC 3959. ph: 5683 2404
bigfish@fishcreekhotel.com.au <http://fishcreekhotel.com.au/>

● **Fish Creek Community Development Group** – membership is only \$5. Have your say as to how Fish Creek develops. Meetings are monthly at present. Membership enquiries to Michael Lester 0421 209 878 info@geckostudiogallery.com.au

● **Hoddle Mountain Trail Management Group** PO Box 90, Fish Creek, VIC. 3959 Secretary: Tony Walker hoddletrail@gmail.com

● **Saturday Yoga with Howard** (0499 202 409) 8- 9am Calligraphy Yoga; 9- 10am Synergy Yoga. \$15 / \$10 conc. All at Fish Creek Memorial Hall.

● **Tiliqua – Fish Creek** - Tiliqua is a self-contained holiday home accommodating up to 4 people and is located on the very edge of the Fish Creek township. The living areas offer spectacular panoramic views across the countryside. Bookings : via Airbnb

● **Fish Creek Cottage** – holiday accommodation - 39 Old Waratah Rd, Fish Creek. Bookings: www.stayz.com.au/121861

● **Fish Creek Discount Pharmacy (and General Store)** - 25 Falls Rd, Fish Creek. Ph 5683 2226. Hours: Friday 7am–5:30pm/Saturday 7:30am–4pm/Sunday 8am–1pm/Monday 7am–5:30pm/Tuesday 7am–5:30pm/Wednesday 7am–5:30pm/Thursday 7am–5:30pm

● **Promontory Gourmet Foods** - PO Box 25 Fish Creek 3959. Ph 5683 2313.

● **Fish Creek Post Office** 29 Falls Road, Fish Creek VIC 3959. Ph 5683 2461. Mon – Fri 9am - 5pm, Saturday 9am - 12pm

● **Fish Creek & District CFA Fire & Rescue** - www.facebook.com/fishcreekcfa/?ref=py_c

Foster North Promontory Restaurant & Winery – 23 O’Gradys Ridge Rd, Foster North. Ph 5682 1538 cgarms@bigpond.com Restaurant, Functions, Café, Cellar Door. Chris

Walkerville South • Bear Gully Coastal Cottages - waterfront accommodation overlooking Waratah Bay with views to Wilson's Promontory. 35 Maitland Court, Walkerville South. Ph 5663 2364 www.beargullycottages.com.au/

Walkerville North • Walkerville Caravan Park - 3 Loop Road, Walkerville North, VIC 3956 Ph 5663 2224. <https://goo.gl/Vjrzmh>

Meeniyam

● **moo’s at meeniyam** 89 Whitelaw St, Meeniyam. Ph 5664 0010, fax 5664 0050. Open Monday 8:30am - 4:30pm / Tuesday & Wednesday – Closed / Thursday 8:30am - 4:30pm / Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm | 6pm dinner / Saturday 8:30am - 4:30pm | 6pm dinner / Sunday 8:30am - 4:30pm

● **Meeniyam Pantry & Cellar** - We have gathered and cooked exquisite foods and wines from across the globe....as well as our own kitchen... for all your dining needs. Make up your own antipasto plates (cheese from France, cured meats from Italy?), choose your delicious main (how does 8 hour smoked brisket sound?), and finish the meal with a delectable dessert! Choose one, or a few, wines from around the world and you have an unforgettable meal for the family or the guests from out of town. Open 7 Days, Mon-Sat 10am-7pm (8pm Fri), Sun 10-5pm. 82 Whitelaw St, Meeniyam 3956 Ph 5602 2124 www.meeniyampantryandcellar.com.au

● **Sandy Point Music Club** - A group of interested residents have banded together to form the Sandy Point Music Club. Their aim is to enhance the village atmosphere of Sandy Point by organising regular events at the Community Centre. The Music Group would love to hear from people with ideas and “special requests” for future events. For more information please email sandypointmusic@gmail.com BYO nibbles and drinks. Bookings: www.trybooking.com

Foster

● **Aherns Fruit Market & Fine Foods** - 29 Toora Road, Foster Vic 3960. Phone: 5682 2095 <http://aherns.com.au/> Open: Monday to Friday 9 – 5.30, Saturday 8.30 – 12.30

● **Café Max** – Comfort Inn, 3800 South Gippsland Hwy, Foster. Ph 5682 2022 info@comfortinnfoster.com.au

● **Cow Cow Foster** café 4 Station Road, Foster 0408 871 379 Facebook: Cow Cow Foster

● **Main Street Revelations** - New & Gently Used Quality Goods - 31 Main Street, Foster. Phone 5682 1381 www.mainstreetrevelations.com.au/

● **Winchester Rise** holiday accommodation - 5/8 Winchester St, Foster – Helen Wilkinson and Grant Flather (0427 375 020) - www.airbnb.com.au/rooms/15707293

● **Gurneys Cidery** - 343 Fish Creek Foster Road, Foster, 3960. Open Saturday & Sunday 10am – 5pm. Open Public Holidays. Ph 0423 039 863 j.gurnett23@gmail.com <https://gurneyscider.com.au/>
Our heritage apple orchard allows us to produce unique small batch ciders full of flavour and character. All apples are pressed, fermented, aged and bottled on the farm resulting in distinct products that differs from anything you would have tried previously.

Yanakie • Coastal View Cabins - 150 Foley Road, Yanakie, Wilson’s Promontory Ph 5687 1248 Mobile 0433 772 713 www.coastalviewcabins.com.au/ Mark and Craig

● Prom Country Attraction - **Promhelis** is now operating in Yanakie. Offering helicopter tours over Wilsons Prom and the coastline, Promhelis is a great new attraction. Witness Australia's southernmost point from the air. Rugged granite, elevated terrain and breathtaking coastal views combine to provide a flying experience that will never be forgotten. Open 7 days a week during peak season. Enquires 0459 318 888. Yanakie Airfield 3510 Meeniyah-Promontory Road, Yanakie. Bookings / Enquiries: info@promhelis.com.au

Tarwin Lower

● **The Bird & The Wolf** - Breakfast & brunch restaurant · Coffee shop · Burger restaurant. Hrs 8am – 9pm. 43 River Drive, Tarwin Lower. 0403 292 528 fb: TheBirdAndTheWolf

Tidal River, Wilsons Promontory

● **Tidal River Open Air Cinema** - 1 Melbourne Road, Tidal River, Wilsons Promontory <https://www.facebook.com/tidalrivercinema/> starts up again in December

Local Radio

● Catch “**Shaggy Baggy**”, a music show that samples new releases as well as favorites that never date in the folk, blues, alt country and world music genres. Presented by **Tony Walker** at 6pm Thursdays.

● **Ramamlama Ding Dong** with **Denis, Dave & Nang** 8pm - 11pm most Friday nights. Apparently, the show doesn’t happen if there is a particularly interesting footy match on TV.

Local FM station 3mFM – 88.1, 89.1 and 89.5 on the dial www.3mfm.com.au/ - Friday 8:00 pm - 11:00 pm. Music based program featuring alternate themes each week based around Soul, Funk, Disco & Rock N’ Roll music. Also check out the 3MFM website as it is now possible to stream 3mFM via the internet

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