

# What's on

at the City  
of Sydney  
Library

Library Up  
Late 2012



Special Edition:  
Library Up Late: Saucy Sydney!  
Customs House Library open late  
Saucy night time talks

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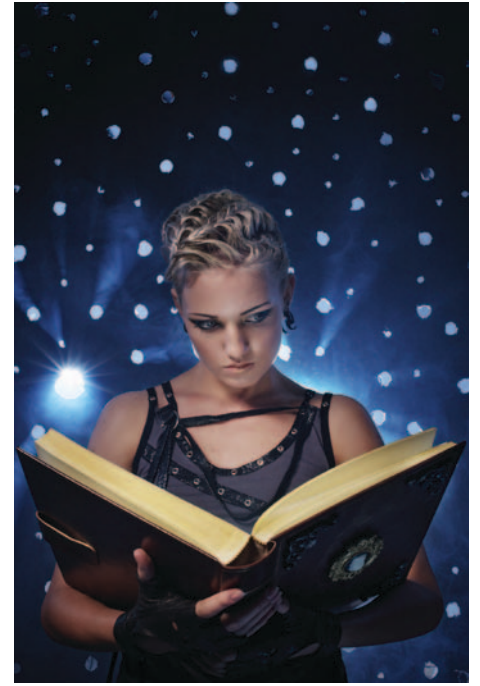
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# Expand your world

at the **City of Sydney Library** Library Up Late 2012

## Library Up Late: Saucy Sydney!



### Library Up Late opening hours

**Customs House Library** will be open until 9pm on Wednesday nights throughout February and March 2012. You can drop by after work or dinner to browse the collection, borrow a book, get online or join in the alluring late night events. Did you know that Library membership is free for City of Sydney residents and ratepayers? Just ask at the Library desk for more information.

**Customs House Library**  
31 Alfred St, Circular Quay  
T 9242 8555  
[library@cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au](mailto:library@cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au)  
**Wednesday opening hours during February/March**  
10.00am - 9.00pm

### Saucy Sydney events

Banish the midweek blues and get down to Customs House on a Wednesday night for some seriously saucy talks in the Library's beautiful Reading Room. **Library Up Late: Saucy Sydney!** will spice up your night with the hottest topics and the hottest talent in town.

With live music and light refreshments from 7.30pm, Library Up Late is a great way to wind down after work or to get the midweek party started!

**Wednesdays throughout February/March**  
8.00pm - 9.00pm  
**Customs House Library Reading Room**  
Bookings T 9242 8555  
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### Late Night Library Stories worth staying up for

Want more? The ever popular **Late Night Library** series continues in 2012 at Surry Hills with offbeat events ranging from spelling bees to performance art to live music nights.

For the full Late Night Library Program, visit [cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/Library](http://cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/Library)

**Thursday nights**  
9.00pm - 10.00pm  
**Surry Hills Library**  
Bookings T 8374 6230  
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## The Quiet Brother: meet the cast

We are proud to launch our new 'Library Up Late: Saucy Sydney!' series at Customs House with this event brought to you by Australasian Art and Stageworks. The Quiet Brother is a stage play about the Lambing Flat anti-Chinese riots, based on historical events that occurred in NSW in 1861. Find out more about **Ivy Mak's** moving script and the inspiration behind it at this reading, featuring performance excerpts and a Q&A session with the cast.

**A Chinese New Year Festival event**

**Wednesday 1 February**

8.00pm - 9.00pm

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## Sydney Showbiz: behind the scenes

A night of backstage dramas, stories from rock'n roll royalty, red carpet mishaps, and much more as our line-up of 'slebs' lift the lid on Sydney's showbiz and rock'n roll scene. Tonight's much loved special guest celebrities will spill the beans on their life amongst the A-List crowd and give a candid insider's account of what goes on behind-the-scenes.

**Richard Wilkins** talks about his recent book *Black Ties, Red Carpets, Green Rooms* and AC/DC's **Mark Evans** shares his favourite stories from *Dirty Deeds: My life inside and outside of AC/DC*.

**Wednesday 8 February**

8.00pm - 9.00pm

**Customs House Library  
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## Spying on Sydney: fact & fiction

A night of covert operations as our panel of experts delve into the notion of a city under surveillance. We'll explore real surveillance tools, investigative journalism, insider information on the world of the PI and how authors of the 'espionage' genre research and create their characters, settings and stories. Featuring private investigator **Charles Rahim**, Crime/Thriller authors **Katherine Howell** and **L.A. Larkin**, political writer and journalist **Alex Mitchell** and facilitated by **Dr. Gavin Smith**, founder and convenor of Sydney University's The Surveillance and Everyday Life Group.

**Wednesday 15 February**

8.00pm - 9.00pm

**Customs House Library  
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## Frock Me: Mardi Gras Parade Costumes

What do Lucille Ball and crayons have in common? Both have inspired award winning costumes for the Mardi Gras Parade. Join our panel of award winning costume designers for a glittering night of behind-the-sequins gossip. Discover the inspiration behind the outfits, the importance of costumes and themes to the Mardi Gras parade, tips on designing parade costumes and perhaps a sneak peek of what is planned for 2012. Featuring legendary Mardi Gras costume designer **Ron Muncaster**, 2011 Best Costume 'Gayola Crayons' producer **Drew Lambert**, award winning artist and float designer **Philippa Playford**, and veteran parade photographer **C. Moore**. Hosted by **Peter Everett**.

**Wednesday 22 February**  
8.00pm - 9.00pm  
**Customs House Library  
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## The Black View

Take a little time to enjoy the super sassy wit of our Aboriginal GLBT panel. This quick and dirty round up of all the latest hot topics from serious health issues to backstage Mardi Gras goss will be a celebration of diversity mixed with straight up social commentary. It will be bold, and it may be bitchy, but it will definitely be entertaining. Featuring **David Page**, **Chris Bonney** and **Liza-Mare Syron**, with performances by **Chel Torres** and **Destiny Diva**.

**Wednesday 29 February**  
8.00pm - 9.00pm  
**Customs House Library  
Reading Room**  
Bookings T 9242 8555  
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## Raunchy Romance Storytime

Take one romance book expert, let her loose with a line-up of the finest (and most gorgeous) Australian actors and performers and get a night of the raunchiest, naughtiest, funniest, swooniest stories around. We are excited to present this special adults only storytime featuring **Rhys Muldoon** & **PJ Lane**, and curated by self confessed romance book addict and *Book Thingy* blogger **Kat Mayo**.

To celebrate International Women's Day, gold coin donations will be accepted on the night to raise funds for UN Women Australia. Visit **[www.unifem.org.au](http://www.unifem.org.au)** for more information on International Women's Day and the work of UN Women Australia.

**An International Women's Day event**

**Wednesday 7 March**  
8.00pm - 9.00pm  
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## Ghost Stories

Come to historic Customs House for a night of murder, suicide, hangings, haunting and ghosts - spooky and gruesome tales direct from The Rocks. Hear the untold stories of the real haunted history of this area in this special spooky evening brought to you by **The Rocks Ghost Tours**.

To find out more about The Rocks Ghost Tours, visit [www.ghosttours.com.au](http://www.ghosttours.com.au)

**Wednesday 14 March**

8.00pm - 9.00pm

**Customs House Library  
Reading Room**

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## Sex in the 21st Century

Spice up your social life with expert advice on dating and sex in the internet age. More and more mature adults are looking for love online, but what do you need to know to have fun without the risk? **Dr Deborah Bateson**, Medical Director at Family Planning NSW, will reveal the tools and techniques you can use to enjoy sex for years to come. Then **Glenis Carroll**, General Manager of RSVP, will give her top tips for safe online dating. A Q&A session will follow, and no topic is off limits! If you want more hot hints on a fresh approach, borrow a book from the Library's featured display of sex guides.

**A Seniors Week event**

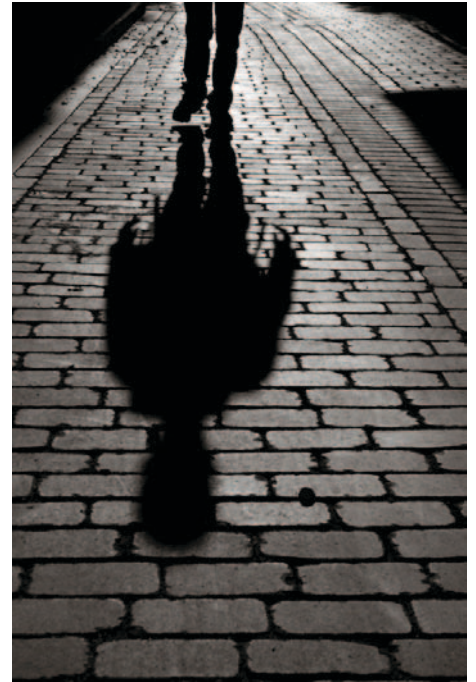
**Wednesday 21 March**

8.00pm - 9.00pm

**Customs House Library  
Reading Room**

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## Sydney Secrets from the Dictionary of Sydney

Come and meet the researchers who have dug into the past and uncovered the truth behind some of Sydney's most popular urban myths. What is fact and what is fiction? The Dictionary of Sydney knows, and soon you will too...

To find out more about the Dictionary of Sydney, visit [www.dictionaryofsydney.org](http://www.dictionaryofsydney.org)

**Wednesday 28 March**

8.00pm - 9.00pm

**Customs House Library  
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Bookings T 9242 8555

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### More information?

All programs are free of charge unless otherwise stated. Bookings are suggested for all talks, as places are limited. For more information, or to subscribe to the Library e-News, email the Library at [library@cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au](mailto:library@cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au).

**Library locations****Customs House**

31 Alfred Street, Circular Quay Tel: 9242 8555  
 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 10.00am – 7.00pm  
 Wednesday 10.00am - 9.00pm  
 Saturday, Sunday 11.00am – 4.00pm

**Glebe Library**

186 Glebe Point Road, Glebe Tel: 9298 3060  
 Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9.00am – 6.00pm  
 Monday, Wednesday 9.00am – 7.00pm  
 Saturday 10.00am – 4.00pm  
 Sunday CLOSED

**Green Square Library and Customer Service Centre**

Tote Building, 100 Joynton Ave, Zetland Tel: 9288 5010  
 Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 10.00am - 6.00pm  
 Thursday 10.00am - 9.00pm  
 Saturday 10.00am - 4.00pm  
 Sunday CLOSED

**Haymarket Library**

744 George Street, Sydney Tel: 8019 6477  
 Monday – Friday 8.30am – 6.00pm  
 Saturday 10.00am – 4.00pm  
 Sunday CLOSED

**Kings Cross Library**

Level 1, 50–52 Darlinghurst Rd, Kings Cross Tel: 9246 4530  
 Monday, Tuesday 10.00am – 7.00pm  
 Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 10.00am – 6.00pm  
 Saturday 10.00am – 4.00pm  
 Sunday 11.00am – 4.00pm

**Newtown Library**

8–10 Brown Street, Newtown Tel: 8512 4250  
 Monday, Wednesday 10.00am – 7.00pm  
 Tuesday 10.00am – 6.00pm  
 Thursday, Friday 10.00am – 5.00pm  
 Saturday, Sunday 11.00am – 4.00pm

**Surry Hills Library**

405 Crown Street, Surry Hills Tel: 8374 6230  
 Monday, Wednesday, Friday 10.00am – 6.00pm  
 Tuesday 10.00am - 8.00pm  
 Thursday 10.00am - 10.30pm  
 Saturday, Sunday 10.00am - 4.00pm

**Town Hall Library Link**

Level 1, 456 Kent Street, Sydney  
 Monday – Friday 8.00am – 6.00pm  
 Saturday, Sunday CLOSED

**Ultimo Library**

Level 1, 40 William Henry Street, Ultimo Tel: 9298 3110  
 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 10.00am – 6.00pm  
 Wednesday 10.00am – 7.00pm  
 Saturday, Sunday 12.00pm – 4.00pm

**Waterloo Library**

770 Elizabeth Street, Waterloo Tel: 9288 5688  
 Monday – Thursday 10.00am – 6.00pm  
 Friday 10.00am – 5.00pm  
 Saturday 11.00am – 4.00pm

Enquiries, bookings and comments can be directed to  
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Please note that opinions expressed during events  
 hosted by the Library are those of the author or performer  
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