• Things to do in Canberra at the Festival 2019

Take advantage of the SFOB Courtesy Bus as it will take people to exciting permanent and travelling exhibitions at many of Canberra's attractions including the Australian War Memorial, Parliament House and the National Gallery of Australia precinct once play gets under way.



National Gallery of Australia



Love + Desire: Pre-Raphaelite Masterpieces from the Tate 14 December 2018 – 29 April 2019

Enter a world of *Love and Desire* as the Tate lends exclusive masterpieces from its unsurpassed collection of Pre-Raphaelite paintings.

In mid-19th century Britain, a group of rebellious young artists emulated the spirit of early Renaissance painting in protest against the art establishment of the era and society at large. Radically flouting convention, these artists revelled in the use of brilliant colour, meticulous detail and exquisite layering. The Pre-Raphaelites drew inspiration from the great love stories of history and literature, the tempestuousness of lustful entanglements, and the wonder of religious icons. They created a new artistic genre, sometimes poetic and sexy and sometimes raw, that combined medieval romanticism with modern life to produce literary scenes, portraits and landscapes rich in symbolism.

Love and Desire features 50 of the Tate's most famous and best-loved works, alongside 40 loans from British and Australian collections. With masterpieces such as John Everett Millais' *Ophelia* 1851–52, William Holman Hunt's *The Awakening conscience* 1853 and Dante Gabriel Rossetti's *Proserpine* 1874, this exhibition is a stunning survey of the Pre-Raphaelite movement. These masterpieces have never been seen in Australia before, and the exhibition truly represents a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.

Open every day 10am - 5pm. Location: Parkes Place, Parkes, Canberra

More details: nga.gov.au





Rome and Empire, 21 September 2018 – 3 February 2019 J

Temporary Gallery | Costs apply

The stories of Rome and its vast empire continue to captivate and intrigue people almost 3000 years after their foundation. *Rome: City and Empire* brings to Canberra more than 200 of the British Museum's most engaging and beautiful Roman objects. They tell the story of how Rome grew from a series of small villages to become a mighty empire.

Visitors will have the opportunity to explore how the empire was won, witness the grandeur of Rome and understand and celebrate the rich diversity of its peoples.

More details are here: <u>http://www.nma.gov.au/exhibitions/rome-city-and-empire</u>



Why not take a tour of Australia's Parliament? Full details are here: <u>https://www.aph.gov.au/Visit_Parliament/Whats_On/Tours</u>



GOT A MATCH OFF? – WHY NOT TAKE OUR COURTESY BUS TO THE NATIONAL BOTANIC GARDENS?



Canberra's iconic National War Memorial is a moving place to visit. Lots of things change at the AWM with new exhibits and things to see so even if you have been before it is worth another visit.



The Australian War Memorial's forthcoming special exhibition is *After the war.* Developed as an important contribution to the commemoration of the Centenary of the end of the First World War, the exhibition will explore the impact and legacy of conflict on Australia. It will cover all wars from the First World War to the present day, and feature a wide range of objects, artworks, letters and documents predominately drawn from the Memorial's own collection. The exhibition will open on Friday 5 October and will run for twelve months.





Call back here in early January about special events and exhibitions on at Old Parliament House when the Festival is on. Or go to: www.awm.gov.au



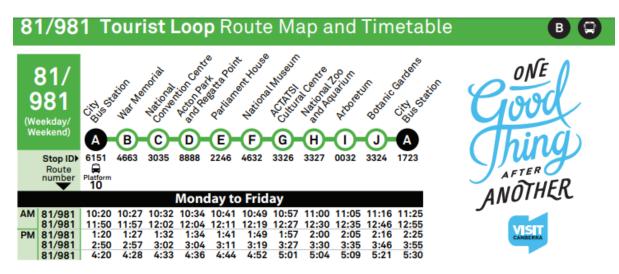
Canberra's Markets

For a comprehensive guide to Canberra's diverse range of markets - everything from designer clothes to quirky gifts and delicious foods – read this article:

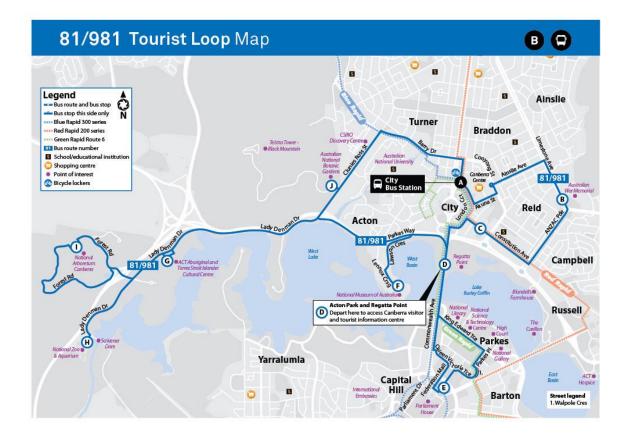
https://www.weekendnotes.com/canberra-weekend-markets/

- **Fridays:** Farmers and Foodies Market is open every Friday between 4pm 8pm.Address: 21 Wentworth Ave, Kingston.
- Saturdays:
 - City Walk Markets are open Saturdays 10am 4pm. Address: Petrie Plaza (between the merry-go-round and London Circuit), Canberra's CBD.
 - Capital Region Farmers Market (7.30 11.30 am), Exhibition Park in Canberra, Mitchell
- Sundays:
 - Old Bus Depot Markets (10.00 am 4.00 pm) Kingston
 - Rotary Trash and Treasure Market is open every Sunday 7am 12:30pm. (however check their website for changes) Address: Jamison Centre Car park, Bowman street, Macquarie
 - Lions Woden Market is open Sunday mornings, 7am midday. Address: Carpark between Corinna St and Hindmarsh Drive, Phillip, Woden.

The Tourist Loop Bus – operates 7 days a week.



Take an easy tour of Canberra's top spots on ACTION's tourist loop. Experience one good thing after another as you hop on and hop off the bus and take in an abundance of character at Australia's inspiring national attractions. Plan your day in advance as the buses are about 90 minutes apart – enough time to visit one place, have a coffee and get back on.



Details of where to get the bus in Civic and the route in more details is available here:

https://www.transport.act.gov.au/ data/assets/pdf_file/0008/980738/Route-81-Tourist-Loop-4-DL-Flyer_Dec-16_web-310017.pdf

Canberra Trails – Shop 'til you drop!

Canberra is brimming with independent fashion and design stores, but sometimes you need to know where to look. (Note – you will need a car to follow the route in this article because it starts in Belconnen (Aranda) and visits Fyshwick, the City and then ends up in Braddon. If you don't have a car you can still explore the places in Braddon and the City on foot from the Canberra Rex. Why not give it a try?

More details : <u>https://visitcanberra.com.au/articles/93/canberra-trails-shop-til-you-drop</u>