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2020 Gawler Fringe ~ Something for Everyone

A broad range of events and activities will be on show across the 2020 Gawler Fringe, starting on Sunday 16 February and running through until Saturday 14 March, 2020. The Gawler Civic Centre will be the 2020 Gawler Fringe Hub, with the Adelaide Fringe registered venue being the focus for this year's festivities.

The 2020 Gawler Fringe will kick off with the Opening Event at the Gawler Civic Centre on Sunday 16 February, 10am to 4pm. The day will include performances by local schools and community groups, art workshops in the Youth Space, Fringe in the Library, the ever popular open mic session, silent disco, photo booth, henna, face painting, airbrushed tattoos, plus lots more free Fringe fun for the whole family. Food and drinks will be available for purchase from Niina Marni Café and the Rotary Club of Gawler Light.

Across the month of Fringe, the Gawler Civic Centre will host a range of exciting events including the SAGA Gawler: Women's International Film Festival. SAGA Adelaide comes to Gawler on Friday 21 February, showcasing a range of grassroots films that provide a platform for women and girls to tell their own stories and to shape their own narratives. This free event will feature a range of wonderful local and international films and include talks with the film makers, as well as showcasing local artists and their works.

Looking for some entertainment for the whole family? The Splash Test Dummies are in Gawler on Saturday 29 February, ready to roll out their beach towels and spring into an hour of circusfilled hilarity. See a brilliant array of stunt work, acrobatics, juggling and the side-splitting, slapstick comedy for which the dummies are famous. Tickets are available online via Gawler Civic Centre Facebook page or from the Gawler Visitor Information Centre.

The Allstar Local Comedy Gala hits Gawler on Friday 6 March. Celebrate the Fringe with a talented bunch of comedy allstars including Kehau Jackson, Kel Balnaves, Emily Grace, Joshua Warrior, Gerry Masi and The Beautiful Bogan as MC, plus some live music to top off an entertaining night. Tickets for this show are available online or at the door.

If you are looking for a night out with some live music that has a bit of a twist, then Crowdchant might just be your thing. Join Gawler muso legends Crafty and Dani on Saturday 7 March as they take you through a night of songs you love, where the crowd are the performers. Gather a bunch of friends and bring your best singing voice. Tickets for this show are also available online or at the door.

Nunga Fringe is being hosted by the Gawler Reconciliation Action Group and will take place at the Niina Marni Café every Wednesday during the Gawler Fringe. Nunga Fringe will provide the opportunity for community to become immersed in Aboriginal culture with Kaurna language, art, music, native foods, basket weaving and more. A range of acoustic performances, artist demonstrations and exhibitions will also be happening in the Gawler Civic Centre throughout the Fringe month.

On Saturday 22 February and Saturday 14 March, Fringe in the Park returns to two local reserves in Evanston Park and Gawler West. Fringe in the Park offers people in these neighbourhoods the opportunity to be involved in the Fringe right on their doorstep. These free events will include live music, hip hop dance and circus workshops, Library bubble fun, art and craft activities, airbrushed tattoos, face painting, sausage sizzle and more.

Other Fringe events occurring across Gawler include a series of comedy shows and live music entertainment at the Prince Albert Hotel, and the Gawler Psychic Fair in the Terrace Function Centre of the Gawler Racecourse.

"The Fringe is always such a fun and exciting time of year and I am so pleased how the 2020 Gawler Fringe program offers a variety of events and activities to cater for all members of the community," said Mayor Redman. "If you're interested in comedy, live music, film, art and culture, or just after some family entertainment for the kids, there's bound to be something to suit your tastes. The Gawler Fringe offers much more variety in 2020 and is spread out right across the month of the Adelaide Fringe."

The 2020 Gawler Fringe Program is available online at www.gawler.sa.gov.au/gawlerfringe or in hard copy at Council customer service points and other venues across Gawler.

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