

Where creativity and culture thrive

Immerse yourself in Merri-bek's lively art scene – home to emerging and established artists and creatives who make Merri-bek a vibrant place to be. Whether you're an art lover, aspiring artist or curious to discover new things in your local area, there's a gallery or artist space for you to explore. Take a wander through the neighbourhoods of Merri-bek and discover a whole world of art and inspiration that awaits.

Uncover hidden gems, experience thought-provoking exhibitions or take in an outdoor short film festival. Meet local artists and connect with community at a gallery event. Immerse yourself on the Gallery Trail – where every painting, sculpture, installation and photograph tells a story.

We support sustainable options as you travel within Merri-bek. Leave the car at home and walk where possible, ride your bike or catch public transport to avoid parking hassles.

Local public transport options

TRAIN: Upfield Line

Jewell, Brunswick, Anstey, Moreland, Coburg and Batman stations.

TRAM ROUTES:

No. 19 to North Coburg
No. 1 to East Coburg
No. 6 to Moreland
No. 96 to East Brunswick

BUS ROUTES:

503 via Albion St
504 via Brunswick Rd
506 via Dawson St
508 via Victoria St
509 via Victoria St
510 via Moreland Rd
526 via Pentridge

Various spaces throughout Merri-bek are also available for art exhibitions or performances. To learn more, visit the Arts Merri-bek website, merri-bek.vic.gov.au/creative-spaces.

You can also explore more local places to create at the Brunswick Design District, bdd.org.au.

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Beinart Gallery

307 Victoria Street, Brunswick
Wed-Sat: 10am-5pm
Sun: 11am-4pm

Year est. & in Merri-bek:

Beinart Gallery's role in the art world spans two decades, including publishing, curation, promotion and education. Their brick-and-mortar gallery opened in 2016.

Description:

Focussing on traditional mediums, including painting, drawing and sculpture, Beinart Gallery primarily represents highly skilled figurative artists with a shared fascination for surreal and imaginative themes. Artists are from all over the world, including Australia.

Tell me more:

Beinart Gallery is in a 120-year-old heritage building. Many original features remain, including stained glass windows, a 100-year-old safe, beautiful arches and high ceilings.



Counihan Gallery

233 Sydney Road, Brunswick
Wed-Sat: 11am-5pm
Sun: 1pm-5pm

Year est. & in Merri-bek:

The Counihan Gallery opened in 1999.

Description:

The Counihan's exhibition program reflects their commitment to political activation, sustainability and creative expression. This is a courageous, critical and contemporary arts space that presents, promotes and nurtures local emerging artists and early-mid career artists with socially, politically or culturally engaged arts practices.

Tell me more:

The Counihan Gallery is located inside the Brunswick Town Hall and is free to visit. It is operated by Merri-bek City Council.



Correspondences

39 Sydney Road, Brunswick
Mon-Tues: By appointment only
Wed-Thurs: 10am-6pm
Fri: 11am-9pm **Sat:** 10am-6pm
Sun: Special events only

Year est. & in Merri-bek:

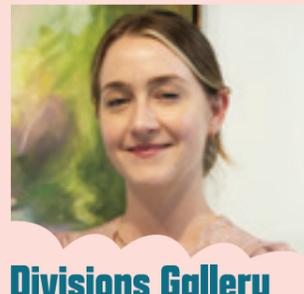
Correspondences was established in 2019. In June 2022, they opened their first permanent multipurpose creative space in Bulleke-bek (Brunswick).

Description:

A site for multidisciplinary artistic research, collaboration, experimentation, exhibition and audience engagement. The space is also a gathering point for resident creatives, patrons and communities to mingle in an intimate, welcoming space.

Tell me more:

Come for a coffee or glass of sake, find a special gift, acquire artwork, borrow a book from the community library, enjoy an open house talk with one of the residents or attend a live performance or reading by an Australian musician or writer.



Divisions Gallery

1 Champ Street, Coburg
Thurs-Sun: 12pm-6pm

Year est. & in Merri-bek:

2021

Description:

All mediums are welcome. Divisions Gallery showcases contemporary art by emerging to mid-career artists. The gallery is curated in-house, but does take expressions of interest on an ongoing basis.

Tell me more:

Pentridge Arts is situated within the historic bluestone and consists of Divisions Gallery, a contemporary gallery space and Pentridge Studios, artists in residence opportunities.



Daine Singer

83 Weston Street, Brunswick
Wed-Fri: 12pm-5pm
Sat: 12pm-4pm

Year est. & in Merri-bek:

Daine Singer Gallery was established in 2011 and opened in Brunswick in 2022.

Description:

Daine Singer focuses on contemporary art.

Tell me more:

Behind the anonymous facade of this former industrial fabric factory is a beautiful brutalist space featuring concrete formwork ceilings.



GalleryGallery Inc.

Level 1/7A Hope Street, Brunswick
Opening hours vary and are developed in discussion with exhibiting artists.

Year est. & in Merri-bek:

GalleryGallery Inc. was established in November 2019 as a collective of artists and art enthusiasts to form a member-funded gallery to provide rent-free exhibition space for artists. COVID-19 interrupted construction on the exhibition space in January 2020. The gallery re-opened with their first exhibition in July.

Description:

Open to all who believe they are pushing the boundaries of both their work and of art in Melbourne today.

Tell me more:

GalleryGallery Inc. is deeply committed to maintaining their connection with the creative community in the area. The building has been operating for over 20 years as a place for art, music, fashion, jewellery and dance.



Honey Bones Gallery

46 Trafford Street, Brunswick
Fri: 6pm-9pm (opening nights only)
Sat-Sun: 12pm-4pm (gallery and stockroom) or weekdays by appointment.

Year est. & in Merri-bek:

Established in 2020 and moved to Merri-bek at the end of 2021.

Description:

Honey Bones Gallery focuses on a broad range and style of art and artists, particularly emerging artists.

Tell me more:

They also run regular art therapy and community events.



Hillvale Gallery

43-45 Edward Street, Brunswick
Sun-Fri: 11am-3pm

Year est. & in Merri-bek:

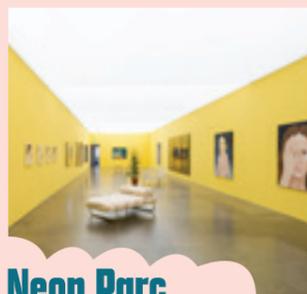
Hillvale Photo was established in 2013. They moved into their Edward Street premises in April 2022.

Description:

Hillvale Gallery is a dedicated photography space supporting, elevating and exhibiting emerging local artists working in photography and lens-based image making.

Tell me more:

The gallery is located inside the photo lab warehouse which has a 24/7 vending machine out the front selling film and disposable cameras. Once a year, they hold their Photo Trophy fundraiser photo prize which is open to anyone to enter. All funds raised pay artist fees to everyone who exhibits at Hillvale Gallery, as well as exhibition development and custom builds for shows.



Neon Parc

15 Tinning Street, Brunswick
Wed-Sat: 12pm-5pm

Year est. & in Merri-bek:

Founded in 2006 and in October 2015, Neon Parc opened a second exhibition space in Brunswick.

Description:

Neon Parc represents emerging and established contemporary Australasian artists.

Tell me more:

Staging a varied line-up of solo and group exhibitions, the exhibition program includes opportunities to contextualise local artists with their interstate, national and international peers, giving artists the opportunity to present ideas at scale.



Sorse Gallery

31 Colebrook Street, Brunswick
Fri-Sat: 12pm-5pm during exhibitions or by appointment.

Year est. & in Merri-bek:

April 2022

Description:

All mediums welcome, from 2D works to 3D works, audio-visual or performance. The gallery showcases diverse artists and artworks across their exhibition schedule.

Tell me more:

The space is a large, light-filled converted industrial warehouse (previously a tailoring factory). They accept applications to exhibit with a low hire fee and a 10% commission model to maximise opportunities and profitability for emerging and established exhibiting creatives. They also offer the gallery for hire to non-exhibitions/commercial uses that align with their values.



TCB

1/5 Wilkinson Street, Brunswick
Thu-Sun: 12pm-6pm

Year est. & in Merri-bek:

The gallery was established in 1988 by artists Blair Trethowan, Sharon Goodwin and Thomas Deverall. and opened in Merri-bek in 2017.

Description:

Developed over 24 years of operation. TCB is a lo-fi, high-energy project that remains entirely volunteer-run. TCB has been a platform and support to more than 700 artists — from Australia, the Asia-Pacific region, and internationally — many of whom presented their first solo exhibitions at the gallery.

Tell me more:

TCB is run by a collective of volunteers who are all practising artists, curators, writers and arts administrators. The space is home to 10 artist studios and to Mile End Bagels.



Unassigned Gallery

55 Edward Street, Brunswick

During exhibition periods:

Thurs-Fri: 12pm-6pm

Sat-Sun: 12pm-5pm

Mon: 12pm-3pm

Year est. & in Merri-bek:

2022

Description:

Unassigned Gallery focuses on platforming early career and emerging artists who are not always highlighted in the art scene. The gallery aims to give more to the community than they take.

Tell me more:

The gallery space used to be a house and it has a cosy feel. It still has some original features but was redesigned as a showroom many years ago. The space has been home to many businesses – a car dealership, a yoga studio, and now an art gallery.

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- Train Line
- Jewell Train Station
- Tram Line
- Pet Friendly
- Accessible
- Accessible but no bathroom

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- 01 138 Gallery**
138gallery.com
138 Lygon St, Brunswick East
- 02 Albert St Gallery**
albertstgallery.com
307 Albert St, Brunswick
- 03 Bus Projects**
busprojects.org.au
Ground Floor, 7 Little Miller St, Brunswick East
- 04 Faux Gallery**
fauxgallery.com.au
267 Lygon St, Brunswick
- 05 Haydens**
haydens.gallery
1/10-12 Moreland Rd, Brunswick East
- 06 Hoops Gallery**
hoops.cargo.site
10 Frith St, Brunswick
- 07 Le Grange Gallery**
legrangegallery.com
Level 1/1-5 Weston St, Brunswick
- 08 MEJIA**
mejia.com.au
33 Tinning St, Brunswick
- 09 MiFA**
mifa.com.au
28/30 Lincoln St, Brunswick East
- 10 Post Gallery**
postgallery.com.au
465 Victoria St, Brunswick West

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BDD Brunswick Design District