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## Parents encouraged to use \$100 Creative Kids vouchers

**Arts OutWest is encouraging parents of school aged kids across the region to make use of their Creative Kids vouchers.**

The Creative Kids program provides \$100 for each school-aged child in NSW to get involved in creative and cultural activities.

Vouchers can be used towards registration, participation and tuition costs for performing arts, visual arts, coding, languages, literature, music and other creative and cultural activities within an approved list of activity providers.

Across the NSW Central West 70 providers have now registered to accept the vouchers.

“The program allows kids to try new creative activities or continue participation in activities they love. It’s also supporting local artists and arts business in a field where it can often be tough to make a full-time living,” Arts OutWest executive director Tracey Callinan said. “We encourage parents to jump onto the Creative Kids website, claim their vouchers and find a local arts activity.”

Musician Simone Gough of Harmonie Group Facilitation is one of the signed up Creative Kids providers in the Central West. Simone runs weekly ukulele classes for both adults and children including in Cowra, Woodstock and Grenfell as well as hand drumming classes. Simone is also a registered NDIS provider. \$100 gets kids ten of her weekly lessons. She’s seen a significant boost to participation through the scheme saying the vouchers have “given more kids in the community opportunities to have a go and helped out parents who wouldn’t have been able to afford arts activities.”

The scheme is still open for new providers to register. “It’s helped me to sustain myself as a full time community musician,” Simone Gough said.

Parents apply for the vouchers using their MyServiceNSW account and need to provide their child’s Medicare card details. The vouchers can be used any time during the calendar year.

Find a provider in your area at: <https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/transaction/find-creative-kids-provider>

Arts businesses can sign up to be a provider at:  
<https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/campaign/creative-kids>

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*Attached: List of Creative Kids providers and activities in the NSW Central West*



## **Creative Kids providers and activities in the NSW Central West**

*(As at 30 July 2019) sorted by local government area*

### **BATHURST REGION**

- PCYC Bathurst – circus arts, drawing, parkour <https://www.pycnsw.org.au/>
- Fun Time Art – creative expression <http://www.funtimeart.com.au>
- Pure Imagination Performing Arts – dance, drama <http://www.pureimaginationperformingarts.com>
- Promenade Dance School – dance <http://www.promenadedanceschool.com.au>
- East Orange Bathurst Physical Culture Club – dance <https://www.revolutionise.com.au/eorangephysie/>
- Bathurst Academy of Dance – dance
- Aspire Gymnastics – dance, parkour <http://www.revolutionise.com.au/aspiregym>
- The Dance Factory Performing Arts Centre – dance <http://www.thedancefactorybathurst.com.au>
- JLD Dance Studio – dance <http://www.jlldancestudio.com.au>
- Street 'N' Stage – dance <https://www.facebook.com/streetnstage/>
- Boomalli Consulting Pty Ltd – design <https://www.boomalliconsulting.com.au/>
- Encore Speech & Drama Studio – drama <http://www.encoredrama.com.au>
- Anne McIntosh Speech & Drama Studio - drama
- All Stars Drama Academy - drama
- Bathurst Regional Council – drama [www.bmec.com.au](http://www.bmec.com.au)
- Elizabeth Sargeant – music
- PS and CL Snitch TA Harmonikos - music
- Fox Music - music
- Elissa Jones – music <http://www.harmonymusic.com.au>
- S D'Elboux-Gough & B Gough – music <http://www.harmoniegroupprofacilitation.com>
- Mitchell Conservatorium Inc – music <http://www.mitchellconservatorium.edu.au>
- Bathurst Academy of Music – music <http://www.bathurstmusic.com.au>
- Chris Dove Music & Piano Tuning - music
- Gabbi Bolt Music Tuition - music
- Carillon Junior Theatrical Society – theatre

### **BLAYNEY SHIRE**

- EmDance – dance

### **CABONNE SHIRE**

- Alikinetic Dance – dance
- S D'Elboux-Gough & B Gough – music <http://www.harmoniegroupprofacilitation.com>
- Gerard Noonan – music <http://www.facebook.com/drums&percussiondynamics>

### **COWRA**

- Cowra Ballet School – dance <http://www.cowraballetschool.weebly.com>
- Cowra Dance Factory – dance
- S D'Elboux-Gough & B Gough – music <http://www.harmoniegroupprofacilitation.com>
- Young Regional School of Music – music <http://www.yrsm.org.au>



- DB Drumming – music
- Gerard Noonan –music <http://www.facebook.com/drums&percussiondynamics>
- PCYC Cowra – painting <https://www.pycnsw.org.au/>
- Cowra Singing Studio - singing

#### **FORBES**

- Made of Fridays - creative expression <http://www.madeoffridays.com.au>
- Kristen's Dance Studio – dance
- JJ Screen –music <https://www.facebook.com/jjscreenmusic/>
- Gail Smith –music <http://www.facebook.com/musicaarioso>
- Mitchell Conservatorium Inc - music <http://www.mitchellconservatorium.edu.au>

#### **LACHLAN SHIRE**

- Condobolin Physical Culture Club – dance
- Gail Smith – music <http://www.facebook.com/musicaarioso>
- JJ Screen – music <https://www.facebook.com/jjscreenmusic/>

#### **LITHGOW**

- PCYC Lithgow, drawing, languages, coding, music, parkour <https://www.pycnsw.org.au/lithgow/activities/>
- Fun Time Art - Creative expression <http://www.funtimeart.com.au>
- Absolute Dance Studios – dance <https://www.facebook.com/absolutedancestudios/>
- High Street Music P/L – music <http://www.highstreetmusic.com.au>
- Brendon Coleman Guitar - music
- Mitchell Conservatorium Inc – music <http://www.mitchellconservatorium.edu.au>

#### **OBERON**

- Promenade Dance School – dance <http://www.promenadedanceschool.com.au>
- Lisa Nevalainen – music
- Amy Curran – painting <http://www.amycurran.com.au>

#### **ORANGE AREA**

- Colour City Dance – dance <http://www.colourcitydance.com.au>
- United Dance Project – dance <http://www.uniteddanceproject.com.au>
- East Orange Bathurst Physical Culture Club – dance <https://www.revolutionise.com.au/eorangephysie/>
- Central West Performing Arts – dance <http://www.centralwestpa.com.au>
- Belinda Riley – dance
- dance HQ Orange – dance <http://www.dancehq.com.au>
- Central West Gymnastics – dance, parkour <https://www.revolutionise.com.au/cwgym/>
- Kerry-Anne Callaghan – drama
- Cleverness Art School – drawing <http://www.clevernessartschool.com.au>
- Elizabeth Sargeant - music
- Matthw Gately - music <http://www.matthewgately.com.au>
- Gerard Noonan – music <http://www.facebook.com/drums&percussiondynamics>
- Laith Ismail School of Woodwnid - music



- MHW PIANO TUITION - music
- Elyse Denham - music
- Anne Stevens - music
- Gerard Noonan – music <http://www.facebook.com/drums&percussiondynamics>
- Robert Cleary - music
- GASCOYNE, VICTORIA HONOR - music
- Orange City Council – theatre <http://www.orange.nsw.gov.au/theatre/>

#### **PARKES**

- Parkes Physical Culture Club – dance
- Parkes School of Dance Inc - dance
- The Sewing Shed - design
- Parkes Musical and Dramatic Society – theatre <http://www.parkesmandd.com.au>

#### **WEDDIN SHIRE**

- S D'Elboux-Gough & B Gough – music <http://www.harmoniegrouppfacilitation.com>
- Young Regional School of Music – music <http://www.yrsm.org.au>
- DB Drumming – music