



Opera in the Maranoa

Friday, 1 September 2017

A NIGHT WITH OPERA QUEENSLAND

Join Opera Queensland stars on Friday, 1 September for an adventure through *Carmen*, *Madama Butterfly*, *Rigoletto*, and *Don Giovanni* balanced by lighter, popular pieces along with plenty of anecdotes, laughs, and good times. Come along to experience the wonder, magic and joy of opera at close range at Boral's Amby Quarry in Outback Qld.

Featuring OperaQ favourites – Emily Burke, Victoria Lambourn, Bradley Daley and Shaun Brown – the performance will mix shining moments of operatic splendour with edgy cabaret-style performance at close range.

The artists greet and mingle with the audience on arrival, before they gradually draw them in to a “rehearsal”, sharing the stories of the scenes they will perform. Steadily the stage is transformed by opera performers in magnificent costumes and a splash of theatre magic.

GETTING TO ROMA

There are multiple Qantas Link flights on Friday and Sunday between Roma and Brisbane, 1 hour and 10 minutes is all it takes to get you from the city to Outback, Qld. Alternatively it is 477km by car from Brisbane to Roma via the Warrego Highway.

FRIDAY, 1 SEPTEMBER

It will be a musical evening to remember, under the outback skies at Boral's Amby Quarry, 64km west of Roma, QLD. Tickets are \$60 for Adults, \$20 for school aged children and free for 0-4 year olds, tickets are available at <http://operaq.com.au/whats-on/a-night-with-opera-queensland/>

Palmer's Coaches will operate a bus departing from the Big Rig Roma, \$25 per person return trip (children under 5 travel free, parents must bring a safety seat).

Credit card fees 2.5% will apply. To book and pay for your bus ticket please call 07 4627 1294 or 0438 497 067



SATURDAY, 2 SEPTEMBER

Our big, bright endless blue spring skies provide the ideal opportunity to enjoy all the cultural gems of the diverse Maranoa region.

Art Exhibitions

On Saturday, 2 and Sunday, 3 September the **Mitchell on Maranoa Art Gallery** will be exhibiting the local Mitchell Art Show, which showcases various art mediums and artists from across the region. The same weekend the **Roma on Bungil Art Gallery** will be entering the final days of the Beyond the Bale exhibition, which celebrates wool, silk and other fibres through the medium of felt. **Surat on Balonne Gallery** has an exhibition by Indigenous artist, Michael McGuire and at **Injune Creek Gallery**, Loretta Thomas has an exhibit.



Stroll along the culturally significant **Adungadoo Pathway**, the walk starts from the Big Rig Parklands in Roma and meanders along Bungil Creek through the spectacular gum trees, to Roma's biggest bottle tree.

Mitchell Artesian Hot Springs are a great place to relax and unwind in the ancient, thermal, mineralised waters that come from Australia's largest and deepest underground water source – The Great Artesian Basin. Visit the **Roma Big Rig Oil Patch** and learn all about the discovery of oil and gas in the region and enjoy lunch in the café.

Roma has a number of **dining options**, including fine dining restaurants plus a number of pubs that offer modern and contemporary meals plus Indian, Chinese and fast food options.

SUNDAY, 3 SEPTEMBER

The historic and beautiful **St Paul's Anglican Church** is aesthetically beautiful and has a fantastic history and stunning stained glass and lead light windows. Sunday Church Service is at 9am and visitors are welcome any time before, during or after the Service.

Moorelands Bush Nursery is located just west of Roma and provides a stunning bush setting to peruse the nursery and enjoy a tea or coffee with a sweet home made treat from 'The Feed Shed' in the beautiful garden area.

Roma and Mitchell both have a range of accommodation options. The following motels are offering '**Opera in the Quarry**' special deals. Please contact the motels directly or call the Roma Visitor Information Centre for more details.

Athena Studio Apartments

07 4622 4434
<http://www.athenastudiounits.com.au/>

Roma Central Motel

07 4622 8746
www.romacentralmotel.com.au

The Roma Inland Motor Inn

07 4622 5515
<https://www.romainlandmotorinn.com.au/>

Motel Carnarvon

07 4622 1599 or 1800 621 155
info@motelcarnarvon.com.au

Roma Visitor Information Centre

07 4622 8676 or E: romavic@maranoa.qld.gov.au

