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CREATIVE WORKSHOPS FOR KIDS

LEGO and Bugs

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If the chocolate buzz has died down and the kids need something new to distract them, check out these great workshops at the Tweed Regional Gallery, Murwillumbah.

On Thursday 20 April join in a space themed LEGO®workshop with BRICKS 4 KIDZ® Currumbin. Inspired by NASA and Star Wars™ the workshop uses LEGO® bricks and models to teach about real-life space exploration. Children will build models related to the NASA space program LEGO® Star Wars™ themed models. Kids can come for a half day, 9am-12pm or 12.30pm-3.30pm, for \$45 or the full day, 9.00am-3.30pm for \$79. Children attending for the full day take home a B4K pencil case or high bounce ball. For further information and bookings visit the website www.bricks4kidz.com.au/currumbin School Holiday Programs.

On Friday 21 April children aged 9 to 12 years can join artist, Sharon Muir, to explore "Fantastical" Bugs. Using opaque watercolour (gouache), participants will create their own fantasy bugs inspired by the natural world. The class will experiment with different ways of applying the paint to the paper and learn a variety of interesting techniques to mimic the markings and textures of bugs. Choose from a morning or afternoon class for \$34 per class (or only \$29 per child if booking two or more children). Class times are 9.30am-12.30pm or 1.30-4.30pm.

If you are visiting the Gallery, check out the free drop in activities for families in the foyer and in the Margaret Olley Art Centre. Take inspiration from *Slipstitch*, an exhibition of contemporary embroidery, and use your pencil as a thread to draw stitches to make a picture that looks like sewing. Copy the fancy stitches or create your own design. Draw your favourite artwork in a gilded frame or pick up a copy of the MOAC Kid's Guide and learn about Margaret Olley while completing the suggested activities. Down in the Margaret Olley Art Centre, listen to a symphony on headphones while you create a digital artwork on the iPads.

Tweed Regional Gallery is located at 2 Mistral Road, South Murwillumbah and is open, Wednesdays – Sundays from 10.00am - 5.00pm and admission to the Gallery is free.

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Mira, age 10, painting a "Fantastical Bug"

The Blue Sneezing Saurus, by Melea age 10

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