

Many attractions to make Gallery a holiday highlight

Family activities at Gallery during holiday period

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New exhibitions, special children's activities and plenty of masterstrokes for Christmas gift ideas will ensure Tweed Regional Gallery & Margaret Olley Art Centre is a popular place to visit during the festive period.

"Visitors can enjoy some school holiday arts and entertainment, with plenty for the kids to do, while picking up some last-minute Christmas gifts with a very local flavour," Gallery Director Susi Muddiman said.

"Four new exhibitions have been launched at the Gallery, including The Phantom Art Show inspired by the ageless comicbook hero and the 1,2, 3: Count the Collection exhibition designed especially for kids. Young artists can also flex their creativity using one of the interactive apps on the iPads in the Margaret Olley Art Centre.

"Visitors old and young can also share some of the magic of one of Australia's most famous still life painters, by choosing a Margaret Olley-inspired jigsaw puzzle, memory game or card set as a Christmas gift."

The Gallery Shop has a terrific range of regionally sourced pieces by local artisans, as well as children's gifts and art books.

While the Gallery will be closed on Christmas Day, it will otherwise be open for its regular opening hours – Wednesday to Sunday 10am to 5pm – throughout the festive period.

"There's more than ever for families to do within the stunning – and air-conditioned – Gallery during these holidays," Ms Muddiman said.

"Enjoy some of the region's best culinary delights by dropping into the Gallery Café, which opens its doors at 9am each day the Gallery is open."

For more information on the Gallery's program and events, please visit the website at www.artgallery.tweed.nsw.gov.au.

Gallery opening hours during the festive period:

Christmas Eve - Saturday 24 December 2016: OPEN 10am – 5pm

Christmas Day - Sunday 25 December 2016: CLOSED

Boxing Day - Monday 26 December 2016: CLOSED

28, 29 & 30 December 2016: OPEN 10am – 5pm

New Year's Eve Saturday 31 December 2016 - OPEN 10am – 5pm

New Year's Day Sunday 1 January 2017 - OPEN 10am – 5pm

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The Gallery and Café is open from Wednesday to Sunday 10am – 5pm.