

Media Release

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The Big Draw festival comes to the Hills

This year Adelaide Hills Council, in partnership with h-Art is participating in The Big Draw festival, an international month-long celebration of drawing for kids and big kids alike. The festival kicked off over the weekend at the Old Lobethal Woollen Mill.

Based in England, The Big Draw Festival is a global event involving the participation of over 25 countries across the world, tempting over 4 million people back to the drawing board.

The Adelaide Hills Big Draw Festival 2018 will be a foray into the world of 'Play' – this year's festival theme - with an impressive range of activities on offer for all ages and skill levels from 15 Sept through to the end of October.

Adelaide Hills Council Mayor Bill Spragg encourages people of every age, background and artistic ability to get involved.

"Council is thrilled to welcome The Big Draw to our district as the Hills are bursting with culture and are home to some fantastic art venues, including the new Arts and Heritage Hub at the Lobethal Woollen Mill Site."

Activities will also be held at the Coventry Library at Stirling, The Summit Community Centre at Norton Summit and Torrens Valley Community Centre at Gumeracha. Ten artists have been participating in 30 days of drawing and will be showcasing their work at Lobethal, along with artists in residence who will demonstrate their skills to the public.

Options include drawing workshops in creative expression incorporating music and movement, life drawing workshops or learning basic drawing skills. Participants can even experience virtual reality drawing and there are activities for all age ranges and abilities including 'Drawing for the terrified' on Saturday 6 October. A full program and booking information is available from participating sites and on the Council website.

The Big Draw is a pioneering arts education charity dedicated to raising the profile of visual literacy and drawing as a tool for thought, creativity, and social and cultural engagement.

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To see the full program click [here](#)