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Camden Festival celebrates local people, produce and places

Family fun and delicious food will be on the menu at the main events of the annual Camden Festival to be held 9-24 September.

Celebrity chef, Miguel Maestre will this year headline at the festival that will showcase the area's food and produce.

Mayor of Camden, Councillor Lara Symkowiak, said Camden Festival not only provides an opportunity to celebrate the start of the Spring season, it brings communities together and celebrates the wonderful region and all that the Camden area has to offer.

"This festival is a wonderful way to step into Spring and celebrate the people, places and produce of the Camden area with family and friends," Cr Symkowiak said.

"Our growing local community can enjoy beautifully decorated venues, sample delicious food from a variety of food stalls and wine from the region's best wine makers," she said.

"Camden Festival offers plenty of activities for families and children from the *Moana* movie Hawaiian themed outdoor cinema, flower crown making, pot planting workshops, roving entertainment, petting zoo, face painting and much more."

To kick-start the festival, an outdoor picnic extravaganza **Picnic in the Park on Sunday 10 September from 10am to 4pm at Macarthur Park** offers plenty of outdoor fun for families featuring a variety of children's entertainment, plenty of desserts from churros, scones, pancakes, sure to please the fussiest sweet tooth.

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The family fun continues at **Kid's Fun Day on Wednesday 13 September from 10am to 2pm at Curry Reserve**. The event will feature roving entertainment, an appearance by Batman and the Batmobile, face painting, clowns, an animal farm and more.

Gather the kids around for an ultimate outdoor movie experience watching *Moana* at **Cinema Under the Stars at the Australian Botanic Garden, Mount Annan on Saturday 16 September from 4pm to 9pm**. Bask in the sights of the night sky, pack a picnic, bring a rug and enjoy pre-movie entertainment and attractions including Hawaiian themed activities, lay throwing games, coconut bowling and pizza.

Lovers of wine and gourmet food can eat and drink to their heart's content at **TASTE Food, Wine and Music, Camden Town Farm on Sunday 24 September from 12pm to 5pm**. Celebrity chef Miguel Maestre will headline the event and present a live cooking demonstration, whipping up traditional Spanish paella for the crowd to sample.

"I invite everyone to come along to our show-stopping event TASTE Food and Wine Festival and enjoy live entertainment and an impressive array of fine food, local wines, beers, produce, preserves and food trucks from over 35 stalls," she said.

There won't be a short supply of delicious gourmet food options from 35 food trucks and stalls, as well as wine tasting from some of the region's best wine makers.

Other events during the festival include:

9 September: [Skateboarding Clinics](#) - An opportunity for young people to have fun together while practising their skills with a professional skateboard coach. Kirkham Skate Park, Hilder St, Elderslie - 10am-12pm

16 and 17 September: [Camden Park House & Garden Open Day](#) - Still the private home of the Macarthur descendants today, Camden Park will open for house and garden tours, gift and plant stalls, history talks, Devonshire teas and a BBQ lunch.

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21 September: [Youth Movie Night](#) - For young people, 15 - 25 years, who live, work or study in the Camden Local Government Area.

23 and 24 September: [Relay For Life](#) - A fun and moving overnight experience that raises vital funds for the Cancer Council's research, prevention, information and support services. Starts 9.30am 23 Sept and ends 10am 24 Sept.

For further information on all events visit camdenfestival.com.au

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