### MEDIA RELEASE

# **Art Month Sapphire Coast**

30 July - 31 August

## Opens this weekend!

Local artists, creatives, performers and musicians, events, lunches and dinners, will all shine for the month of August.

Forage along the fringe of coast or head for the hills for live music, open studios, film nights, get yourself moving to dance classes, cabaret performance, engage in the thrill of live theatre, a walking tour, a poetry reading, comedy night or something completely unheard of on a wharf as the sea swirls beneath your feet.

From Bermagui in the north, to Eden in the south, via Cobargo, Candelo and the Brown Mountain track... we will be gathering our artists, craftspeople and performers for a wealth of winter wonders.



## The Motel Art Fair – kicks off Art Month

Launching with a VIP preview on Friday night 30th July (sold out!), and running all day Saturday 31st, come along and grab abite to eat from a local food truck, and sip a locally hand- crafted gin while you peruse artwork for your collection and sway to the sounds of our local musicians at a retro seaside motel overlooking Merimbula. 19 artists will each take over a gloriously kitsch room in the Norfolk Pine Motel, creating a personal space in which to display their works. The artists will be on hand to tell you the stories behind the works. You might even learn some secrets of the area.

For the entire month of August, <u>ART MONTH Sapphire</u> <u>Coast</u> will provide a plethora of opportunities for our region's best artists, performers and musicians, ensuring a strong ongoing future for the creative life of our picturesque far south coast. Italso offers a stunning month of experiences for those holidaying at home this year. <u>Click here for the full calendar of events</u>.

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### **COVID SAFE EVENT**

ART MONTH Sapphire Coast will continue in line with NSW Health advice for regional NSW. Physical distancing, mask requirements, sign in will be required at all venues. Please note numbers will be restricted to some events so get in early!

ART MONTH Sapphire Coast will continue to monitor the situation in Regional NSW daily and update audiences and participants as needed through our website and media channels.

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