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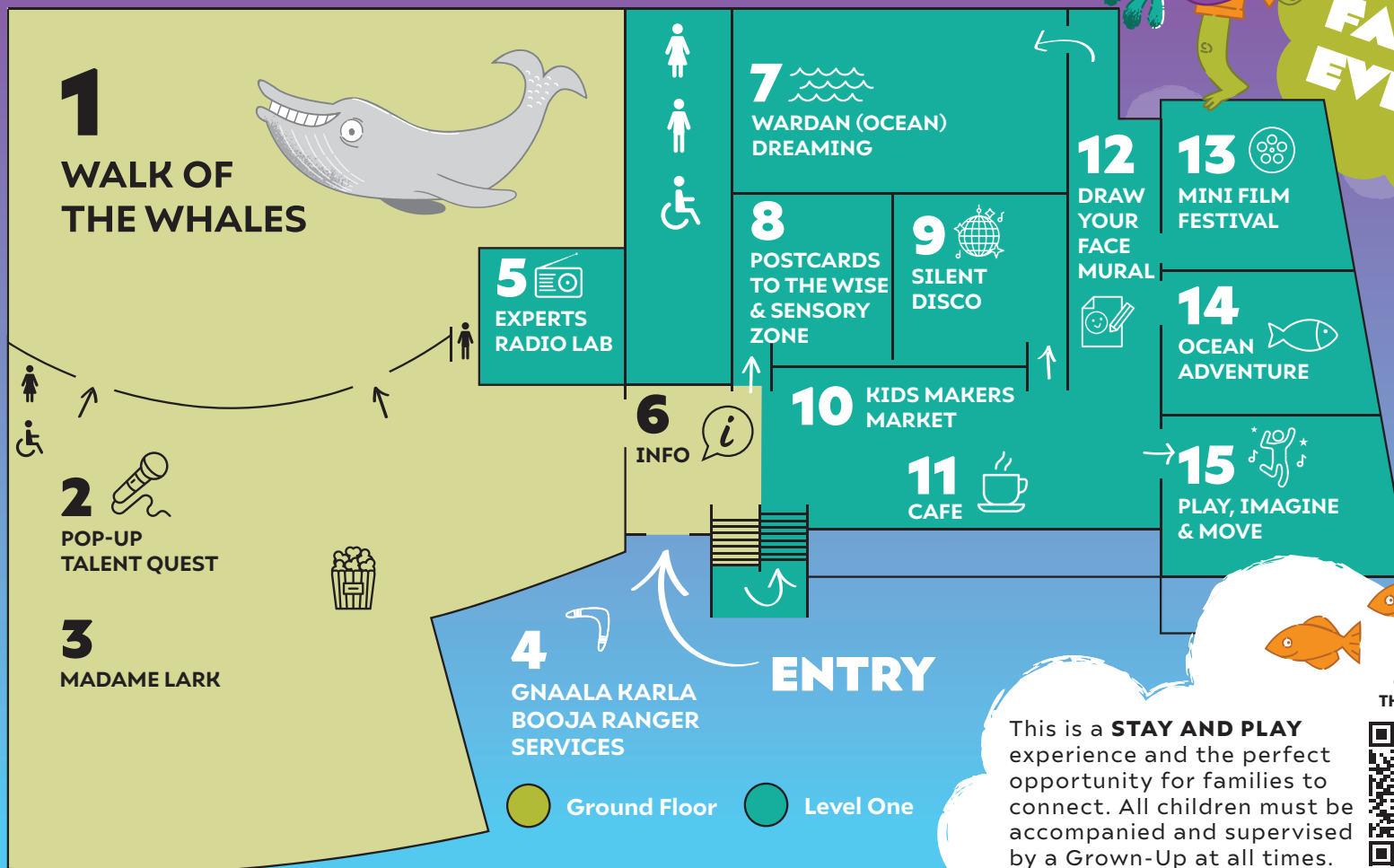
BUNBURY HUB

7 & 8 OCTOBER 2026, 10am-3pm

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This is a **STAY AND PLAY** experience and the perfect opportunity for families to connect. All children must be accompanied and supervised by a Grown-Up at all times.

CHECK OUT THE PROGRAM!



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FESTIVAL PROGRAM



WALK OF THE WHALES

Ages 8-12 | 11am and 2pm | 55mins

When the whales walk out of the ocean and into the streets, the people of Seaside don't quite know what to think. At first, the whales are a wonder, swimming in pools, catching trains and dancing in the ballet. But soon the town begins to flood, the shops run out of fish, and patience runs thin.



EXPERTS RADIO LAB

Ages 5+ | 10am to 3pm

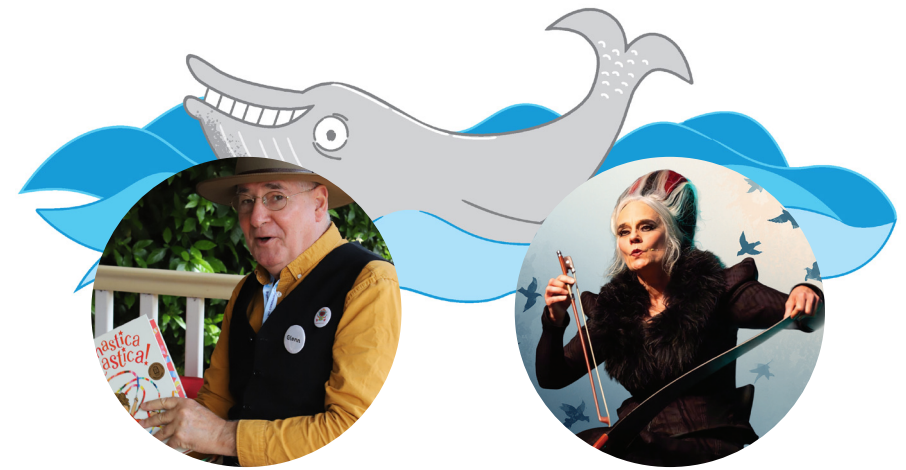
Experts Radio Lab is a live radio show where young people are interviewed as the expert. Set within a fun colourful 80's style radio studio, the Lab invites young people to talk about what they know about, what they love or what they are 'expert in'. The interviews are broadcast live to a specially designed listening area.



KIDS MAKERS MARKET

10am to 2:45pm

Bring along your pocket money and support local budding artisans at the AWESOME Kids Market! We've put a callout to young entrepreneurs aged 14 and under to host their own market stall for a day at the Bunbury AWESOME Festival Hub.



STORYTELLER IN RESIDENCE, GLENN SWIFT

10am to 3pm

Prepare to be captivated as master storyteller and host extraordinaire Glenn Swift welcomes you into an enchanting world of stories, books, rhymes, and literary magic. Bask in the glorious glow of words as you listen, imagine, build, and share stories inspired by your favourite books.

MADAME LARK

10am to 3pm

She has a musical saw and a zeal for the many and varied voices of birds. Madame Lark offers her own vocal interpretations of the things around her. Along with her interest in hair, drawings, shapes and elements of society, she gives an affectionate nod to the chatter of the air dwellers with accurate Australian bird calls.



GNAALA KARLA BOOJA RANGER SERVICES

10am to 3pm

Stationed at the entrance this year is Gnaala Karla Booja's Ranger Services! Activities across the day include kylie (boomerang) workshops, kodj and daarp (stone tool) demonstrations, weaving workshop using traditional products and tools and weapons 'hands on' displays.



OCEAN ADVENTURE

Ages 7-12, 12 Participants per session
10:00am to 11:00am
11:15am to 12:15pm
12:45pm to 1:45pm

Dive into a world of imagination! In this playful drama workshop, children set off on an ocean adventure, create colourful characters, discover curious sea creatures and transform everyday objects into underwater props.



WARDAN (OCEAN) DREAMING

10am to 12:30pm | 1pm to 2:45pm

Dive into a world beneath the waves and create your very own ocean-inspired artwork! Inspired by the artistic practice of Noongar artist Candice Nannup, this hands-on workshop invites children to explore the beauty, creatures and textures of the ocean through paint, tissue paper, tulle, sand and oil pastels.



PLAY, IMAGINE & MOVE

30 Participants per session
10:00am to 10:45am - All Ages
11am to 12pm - Ages 5-7
12:45pm to 1:45pm - All Ages
1:45pm to 2:45pm - Ages 5-7

A playful dance workshop designed to connect with joy and imagination. Play games, dance and become oceans, creatures of the wild and whatever else our imaginations can dream up.



SILENT DISCO

10am to 12:30pm | 1pm to 2:45pm

This is a high-energy, interactive event where kids can dance like nobody is watching - because they're in their own world of music! With special wireless headphones, children can let their feet do the talking as they follow the rhythm they love most.



MINI FILM FESTIVAL

All ages | 10am to 3pm

Grab a beanbag, find a comfy spot and dive into a sea of short films! With screenings running throughout the day, drop in whenever you're ready and set sail on a cinematic adventure packed with stories, characters and plenty of imagination.



POP-UP TALENT QUEST

All ages | 12:15pm to 1:15pm

Unleash your inner star at the AWESOME Festival Pop-Up Talent Quest! This is a fun, supportive, and completely free opportunity for kids to share their unique talents. Sign up on the day to secure your moment to shine.