

SNAPSHOT

Arts, Culture and Lifestyle



Why Cairns!

Our Great Barrier Reef and World Heritage listed Rainforest captivates tourists world over. Supporting these iconic attractions is a thriving arts culture which boasts both private and public art galleries with paintings, sculptures, art installations plus audio visual presentations.

Cairns Arts

The Cairns Art Gallery is part of the Arts Precinct in the city and just one block from the Esplanade. It also hosts aboriginal and international artists alike to showcase their works.

Just a short walk away, the new Cairns Performing Art Centre (CPAC) gives an amazing venue for theatre, music and dance performances. While opposite CPAC is the Munro Martin Parklands which hosts outdoor theatre, stage and music events.

Cultural and other Events

Our park and open spaces become home to a number of events and festivals throughout the year, many of which celebrate our multi-cultural communities and talents. The Cairns Convention Centre also hosts events from indoor rodeos, the Cairns Taipans (*NBL team*) home games through to conventions and exhibitions.

Perhaps one of the most famous cultural and arts events on the Cairns calendar each year is the Cairns Indigenous Arts Fair (CIAF) with live shows, art, installations and stages for introducing the



public to indigenous cultural from not only Cairns and Far North region but also from our neighbours in Papua New Guinea and the Pacific Islands.

The Papua New Guinea Independence Day celebrations take place across the city in September each year, marked with dance, song and art. Music plays a huge role in our city – from the street buskers, cafes and nightclubs to the more formal theatre events. Festivals and music events are promoted across the region from the city to the outback – each one with its own distinct beat and rhythm.

Lifestyle

Shopping in Cairns is world class – from the malls to the markets. Each weekend you will find a local market somewhere in the region including the popular 'Rusty's Market' in the city. Each market bring an unique opportunity for artisans to sell their creations to locals and visitors alongside the many food vendors who use local products to make amazing food and beverages.

During any shopping experience you will want to visit a number of the national chains located here such as: Kmart; Big W; Bunnings; Myers; Harvey Norman; JB HiFi; Super Cheap Auto; and Baby Bunting to name just a few.

Cairns is a vibrant regional city with an international reputation for all the amazing sights, sounds and experiences we offer.

Why Cairns? Why not? There is nothing to lose and everything to gain.
To see what Cairns has to offer, visit choose.cairns.qld.gov.au or for doing business contact: info@tradelinked.com.au

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