

# Roxy Greek Museum



## Saturday Program

### SATURDAY 5TH APRIL

The museum will be open from 10am until 8.30 pm

#### 11.00am Film - Landline - 'A Night at the Roxy'

ABC Landline tells the story of the Roxy Theatre and the opening of the Roxy Greek Café in 2011. Ends 11.15am

#### 11.25am Film - 'Saturday Night at the Movies'

A look at the grand picture palaces of Australia's past, including Bingara's Roxy Theatre. Ends 12.25pm

#### 12.30pm Introduction to the Roxy Greek Museum

Introduction to the museum by design team Convergence Associates and the museum curator.

#### 1.30pm Talks On Australia's Greek Cafés and Picture Theatres

Dr Toni Risson author of 'Aphrodite and the Mixed Grill' will tell us about the Greek Café in Queensland; Angelo Hatsaturis will provide an insider's look at a Greek picture theatre family in country NSW; and Peter Prineas will describe how Greek cafés were once a social hub in rural towns, illustrating his point with the example of the Allies Café in Junee NSW. Ends 2.50pm

#### 3.00pm Film - Cecil B. DeMille's 'Cleopatra'

Cecil B. DeMille's epic movie 'Cleopatra' was released in 1934 and screened at the Bingara Roxy in July 1936. This 80 year old classic stars Claudette Colbert and features lavish sets and fabulous costumes and scenes that are best appreciated on the big screen.

The Cleopatra barge scene and the death of the Greek-Egyptian Queen are considered to be two of the most memorable sequences in DeMille's career. 'Cleopatra' was a box office success, gained five Academy Award nominations and won the Oscar for Best Cinematography. Ends 4.40pm

#### 5.00pm Film - 'Rembetika: The Blues Of Greece'

On loan from the National Sound and Film Archive, Rembetika: The Blues of Greece is narrated by Anthony Quinn and full of Greek Rembetika music, a kind of Greek blues popular both in Greece and the Greek diaspora. Ends 5.47pm

#### 7.00pm Bingara Roxy Greek Museum - Official Opening Ceremony

Her Excellency, Professor Marie Bashir AC CVO, Governor of New South Wales, will open the Bingara Roxy Greek Museum, marking a significant moment in the shared heritage of Australians and Greeks.

#### 8.00pm Gala Dinner Dance

Bringing the glamour of the 1930s back to Bingara; the gala dinner will be an unforgettable evening of Greek feasting and festivity under the stars. Guests will dance the night away to the sounds of Ha Va Le, one of the best Greek party bands in the country. No Greek celebration would be complete without some smashing of plates, and this will be no exception. Tickets for the dinner and associated events can be purchased online at [www.roxybingara.com.au](http://www.roxybingara.com.au). For more information contact the Bingara Visitor Information Centre on 02 6724 0066.

#### 12.30am Close







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## Sunday Program

### SUNDAY 6TH APRIL

Please note daylight saving will finish at 3am on Sunday when clocks go back one hour.

The museum will be open from 10am until 5pm



#### 10.00am Olive Tree Planting Ceremony and Olive Tree Markets

A tree planting ceremony will be held on Cunningham Street near the Roxy Café heralding the commencement of the Gwydir Greek Olive Grove planted in recognition of Greek Immigration to Australia.

Local olive producers will have stalls featuring local products.

You can pay tribute to a Greek family or friend who has made the journey to Australia by purchasing an olive tree for \$100.00.

All you have to do is provide their name and a brief description about them, which will appear on the Greek Museum website, and a tree will then be planted in their honour.

#### 10.30am Introduction to the Roxy Greek Museum

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#### 11.30am Film - Caddie

'Caddie' is a 1976 movie directed by Donald Crombie and representative of the Australian film renaissance of



that decade. Set around the time of the Great Depression, it tells the story of Caddie (played by Helen Morse), a young middle class woman struggling to raise two children after her marriage break up. After a failed affair with a sharp bookmaker (Jack Thompson) Caddie falls in love with a Greek man (Takis Emmanuel). The story includes scenes of Greek community life in Australia in

the 1930s. 'Caddie' made Helen Morse a local star and earned Jacki Weaver and Melissa Jaffer Australian Film Institute Awards. Ends 1.16pm

#### 1.30pm Film - 'Rembetika: The Blues Of Greece'

On loan from the National Sound and Film Archive, Rembetika: The Blues of Greece is narrated by Anthony Quinn and full of Greek Rembetika music, a kind of Greek blues popular both in Greece and the Greek diaspora. Ends 2.17pm

#### 2.30pm Film - Saturday Night at the Movies

A look at the grand picture palaces of Australia's past, including Bingara's Roxy Theatre. Ends 3.30pm

#### 5.00pm Close



**For more information and ticketing contact** Bingara Visitor Information Centre on 02 6724 0066 or visit the Roxy website [www.roxybingara.com.au/museum-opening](http://www.roxybingara.com.au/museum-opening)

