


The  of the Northern Rivers, Lismore is a colourful, creative community rich in diversity and filled with quirky shops, inspiring galleries and funky cafés.

For an insight into the delights of Lismore, take a stroll along the riverbank into the City Centre on the Wilsons River Experience Walk.

This riverside walk starts at the Lismore Visitor Information Centre and takes in our outdoor museum, with its bush food garden and a huge butter churn sculpture.

Three 'story' sites paint a picture of Widjabul and European settlement along the banks of the river.

Follow the mosaic footpath plaques though the CBD on Lismore's Café and Culture Trail – a self-guided walk that highlights many of Lismore's heritage buildings and landmarks.

Many of our café's and eateries showcase the works of local artists and The Back Alley Gallery (BAG), an open air gallery in the back lanes of the CBD, features works by a collective of artists from Lismore, Byron Bay, Murwillumbah, Nimbin, Coffs Harbour, Brisbane, and Germany.

The works include graffiti art, street art, murals, paste ups, stencils, yarn bombing, installations and more.

Main pic: The artist at work...

'Willow – Portrait of a local girl' by internationally renowned artist, Guido van Helten, March 2016

Back Alley Gallery, Lismore. Photo by Alex Clarke.

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history and culture

- ① **Lismore Medical Clinic** (1902) Built as a home and surgery for Dr Oscar Muller. The architect was Colonel F J Board who designed many of the heritage items in the civic precinct.
- ② **Commemorative Park** (1995) Established during the 'Australia Remembers' program held throughout Australia.
- ③ **War Memorial Baths** (1928) Conceived as a living memorial to those who went to the Great War of 1914-18.
- ④ **The Patriotic Memorial** (1902) The district's second oldest public monument. It originally stood outside the Gollan Hotel on the corner of Keen and Woodlark Streets where the roundabout stands today.
- ⑤ **Lismore Municipal Building** (1928) Former Council offices designed by Sydney architect William Gilroy. From 1991 the upper level has housed the Richmond River Historical Society's Museum and Archives.
- ⑥ **Lismore City Bowling Club** (1914) The original Club was formed in 1907 and remains the oldest Bowling Club in NSW.
- ⑦ **Band Rotunda** – Spinks Park (1914) An outstanding Federation style bandstand, it was designed by Spinks Park architect FJ Board. The adjacent CWA Rooms and Croquet Club were built in 1928.
- ⑧ **Fire Station** (1907) Designed by RR Jack, and when built, was the best-equipped fire station in the state outside Sydney and Newcastle.
- ⑨ Formerly the **Lismore Regional Gallery** from the 1950's till 2017
- ⑩ **Queen Victoria Fountain** (1898) Originally stood outside the Gollan Hotel (refer 14), it was relocated to this site after The Great War and fully restored to its original design as a drinking fountain in 2004.
- ⑪ **Lismore Post Office** (1898) Designed by architect WL Vernon, it was a functioning post office until 1992.
- ⑫ **Commercial Banking Co. Building** (1936) For many years home to the National Bank following the 1981 merger.
- ⑬ **Australian Joint Stock Bank Building** (1876) Acquired by Temperance & General Mutual Life around 1910 (In 1891 Lismore's first 'Salvos' meeting was held in the building opposite.)
- ⑭ **Gollan Hotel** (1934) Originally the Imperial Hotel (1890), it was rebuilt in 1934. Queen Elizabeth II spent the night here during the 1954 Royal Tour of Australia.
- ⑮ **Educational Buildings** (1882) Originally Lismore PS, Lismore HS until 1969, then Lismore Teachers' College. Today it is the home of the Conservatorium of Music. Lismore City Library is right next door.

experience

A stroll along the river walkway reveals an outdoor museum with interpretive sites, public art installations, native landscaping and parkland facilities all linking to create a unique setting for you to explore the historic, cultural, artistic and recreational fabric of life along the banks of the Wilsons River.

- ⑯ **Fountain commemorating Formation of the first Lions Club**
Fountain presented to the City of Lismore to commemorate the formation of the first Australian Lions Club, in Lismore on July 1st, 1947
- ⑰ **Butter Churn Sculpture**
Hear stories from our dairy industry past.
- ⑱ **Interpretive Sites**
A blend of Aboriginal and European history.
- ⑲ **Dog Off-leash Enclosure**
Let your dog have a run while you picnic.
- ⑳ **Aboriginal Bush Food Garden**
Learn about local bush foods.
- ㉑ **Interpretive Site**
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