Art and Culture for Everyone
Online Resources

German artist Gerhard Richter said, “Art is the highest form of hope.” We’ve put together this list for you to find hope and enjoyment. All are offered free of charge but some are available for a limited time.

Art

The National Gallery of Victoria is hosting a series of virtual Drop-by Drawing class of drawing exercises that you can do at home. All you need to participate is a writing utensil, paper and something around the house to sketch. Week 1’s Drop-by Drawing class is led by artist, Lily Mae Martin and features ‘Musidora’ by Marshall Wood from the NGV Collection.

The Art Gallery of South Australia has a gallery of podcasts and videos associated with their recent exhibitions. The website also has activities for young and old linked to the 2020 Adelaide Biennial of Australian Art: Monster Theatres.

https://www.coursera.org/moma
New York’s Museum of Modern Art have online courses available free of charge to all around the world including, “What is Contemporary Art?” and “Seeing through Photography.” These courses will suit those of us who are more interested in art theory than art practice. The MOMA website is full to the brim of content that could keep you busy for hours.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3XsTkEXr2qo&fbclid=IwAR146RqhedGPMBcjLvHcyAN5bIlfw63Xz053PcL3YO75QYF9qXD1qYW
Australian Contemporary artist, Ben Quilty, in association with the Art Gallery of NSW, is offering short online drawing classes with his daughter Livvy.

TV’s Philip Mould has developed a series of short films that showcase pieces in his private collection.

Theatre, Music and Dance

The Australian Ballet is streaming a full performance of the breathtaking Sleeping Beauty through to April 17th. For ballet enthusiasts there are a huge number of behind the scenes glimpses on The Australian Ballet website and Instagram.

https://arts.adelaide.edu.au/music/engage/concert-series
Adelaide’s own Elder Conservatorium is live streaming their Lunchtime Concert Series on Facebook with performances are then available to watch on the website.
The Sydney Opera House’s digital series launches on Wednesday April 1, with a new weekly schedule announced every Tuesday. Some of the gems online already are Missy Higgins’ 2019 concert and the Sydney Symphony Orchestra’s performance of Ode to Joy.

Shakespeare’s Globe Theatre are streaming plays, releasing one at a time, starting with Hamlet from April 6th through to April 19th. They’ll then stream Romeo and Juliet, A Midsummer Night’s Dream, The Two Noble Kinsmen, A Winter’s Tale and lastly, The Merry Wives of Windsor.

Master of Musical Theatre, Sir Andrew Lloyd Webber is making one of his musicals available via YouTube for 48 hours, starting with Joseph and the Technicolour Dreamcoat and over to Jesus Christ Superstar starring Tim Minchin as Judas Iscariot on Easter Weekend.

Join Hamilton cast members for a #HamAtHome singalong of the entire Original Broadway Cast Album on Friday, April 10th at 8pm Boston time, which is 9.30am on Saturday the 11th of April ACST.

Each Thursday at 7pm (BST), the National Theatre will stream one play on its YouTube channel. It’s completely free to watch.

National Theatre at Home schedule
- Thursday 2nd April: One Man Two Guvnors by Richard Bean
- Thursday 9th April: Jane Eyre by Sally Cookson
- Thursday 16th April: Treasure Island by Bryony Lavery
- Thursday 23rd April: Twelfth Night by William Shakespeare

More free plays are expected to stream in May, with further titles to be announced. After the play airs, the National Theatre is also dropping a podcast featuring conversations with cast members, recorded over the web.

Museums and Exhibitions

The wonderful MOD. Museum on North Terrace, Adelaide has brought together elements of their previous exhibitions, along with new content to this online exhibition. Our favourites are MOD.Craft, which is open Tuesday-Friday from 4pm-8pm where we get to tune up our Minecraft like skills and It’s My Pleasure which gives insights on how algorithms shape our online presence.

The National Gallery of Australia is showcasing the Picasso and Matisse exhibition,

The British Natural History Museum, make your very own Night at the Museum!
There are a HUGE variety of virtual tours available thanks to the magic of Google Arts and Culture https://artsandculture.google.com and here are some of our favourites:

- Museo Frida Kahlo: https://artsandculture.google.com/partner/museo-frida-kahlo
- Yayoi Kusama’s Infinity Mirror Room as produced by The Broad Museum in Los Angeles: https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=2906806926047006
  supported with information about the works within https://www.vangoghmuseum.nl/en/explore-the-collection
- Rijksmuseum, Amsterdam https://artsandculture.google.com/partner/rijksmuseum?hl=en
- And the list wouldn’t be complete without a library tour - check out the British Library’s Harry Potter: A History of Magic exhibition https://artsandculture.google.com/project/harry-potter-a-history-of-magic?hl=en

Bookish Podcasts:
The Adelaide Writers’ Week team has recently released podcasts of the 2020 Festival, including access to their hosted Forums. There’s also an archive of sessions dating back to 2015.

The Sydney Writers’ Festival was held in October/November 2019 but has some excellent listening, including one of our favourites, an interview with Max Porter about his wonderful book, “Lanny”.

https://www.penguin.co.uk/podcasts/
This series of Podcasts features a huge array of authors being interviewed about their work from Margaret Atwood, Nigella Lawson, Ian McEwan and Lee Child. You’re bound to find an author you love on the list.

Editor of Better Reading Magazine, Cheryl Akle, interviews authors to tell their ‘story behind the story’.

https://soundcloud.com/cityofpae-shelfesteem
Shelf Esteem, the City of PAE podcast, there are currently only 4 episodes but they were presented and produced by the staff at your library. Find it at: