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What you'll find at the

COTA
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

Seniors Expo in Autumn

136 stalls featuring products, services and advice	Smart Energy Hub courtesy of SolarHub and ActewAGL	Advice and information on the latest scams
Green Hub, Artist Hub, Hobby Hub and Model Railways	Singalong Sessions with Shortis and Simpson	Love songs of the 60's and 70's with Leisa Keen
Elvis and Johnny Cash music tribute performances	Free parking and disabled car parking at EPIC	Free travel courtesy Transport Canberra & Canberra Metro

All this for a gold coin (or note) donation entry!

10am–3:30pm
15 MARCH 2023

EXHIBITION PARK IN CANBERRA

Our Sponsors:

ACT, LDK, ActewAGL, TCC, Transport Canberra, METRO, Capital Chemist, ACT HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION, COTA, KJB, PHILLIPS, Nurse Next Door, 2CA, MIX, Beyond Bank, Canberra Weekly

The Seniors Expo in Autumn, COTA ACT's first major event in 2023, will be presented on **Wednesday 15 March 2023**, between 10.00am and 3.30pm in the Budawang Pavilion and Parkes Room, located near the front entrance gates to Exhibition Park in Canberra (EPIC), off Flemington Road in Mitchell.

The large-scale Expois designed to inspire, inform and foster social connections, and create the opportunity for over 136 stallholders representing business, government agencies and community organisations, to forge strong and effective links with older Canberrans.

The Budawang Pavilion will provide a welcoming atmosphere in a relaxed and purpose-designed showcase environment, enabling expo exhibitors to promote services and increase awareness of their products, in just one day.

The Parkes Room, located adjacent to the Budawang Pavilion, will feature a music program consisting of seven 'pocket' performances, each of 25 minutes duration, during the time period 11.00am – 3:00pm. There will be seating for over 500 patrons at each performance to enjoy this diverse music program.

The performances are free to Expo patrons and include two 'singalong' interactive music concerts, presented by entertainers Shortis and Simpson, featuring songs from famous Broadway and West End Musicals, with song lyrics projected upon large screens in the Parkes Room.

Elvis impersonator, Andrew Leonard, will present: 'Elvis in the 50s' and 'Elvis – Live in Las Vegas'. A third music performance by Andrew will feature a music tribute to Johnny Cash. As another part of our diverse and vibrant music program, Canberra jazz singer and pianist Leisa Keen, will perform two music tributes: 'Love Songs of the 60s' and 'Love Songs of the 70s'. Patrons can choose which, or all, of these programs to attend on the day.

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Other special features at the Expo include:

- a Green Hub for gardening enthusiasts with Tracey Bool
- a Hobby Hub will feature model railway displays and wood crafts for older Canberrans who are seeking information on hobbies that are available to them in the ACT.
- Major sponsors ActewAGL will present a Smart Energy Hub from their stalls inside the pavilion and will offer free demonstration drives in the latest EV's, from the front car park of the pavilion.
- Major sponsor Sleeptime will be offering the latest beds from their stall in the centre of the pavilion, whilst new sponsor Nurse Next Door will have their little pink car, filled with coloured balloons on display – the person with the closest guess of how many balloons will win a Samsung tablet.
- Media sponsors Canberra Weekly and Mix 106.3 will be on hand throughout the day with giveaway prizes, and Services Australia will be on hand to offer the latest advice on aged care and potential scams for older Australians.
- ACT Seniors Card will have a stall at the Expo to answer any questions in relation to your Seniors Card. A hard copy of the 2021-2023 ACT Seniors Card Discount Directory will be available for collection with over 370 discounts from businesses and Government available. You can also view the Directory [online](#).

Transport Canberra are providing free travel on bus and light rail for all Seniors Card holders attending the Expo. Simply present your card to the bus driver or CMET Customer Service Officer. Alternatively, a free shuttle service will be available at Woden, Tuggeranong and Belconnen. Please call Transport Canberra 13 17 10 for further information. Ample free parking is available with disabled parking just outside the pavilions.

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