

Original Pancake Kitchen to open new restaurant at Marion Cultural Centre

The City of Marion is partnering with the iconic Adelaide restaurant brand the Original Pancake Kitchen to open a new outlet in the Marion Cultural Centre at the end of September.

The new venture will make Oaklands Park the Original Pancake Kitchen's fifth restaurant location, adding to the eatery's 57-year history of delivering delicious food and family value to Adelaide.

The company will start moving into their new home in late September, hosting a grand opening on Friday, September 30.

Once open, the licensed restaurant will be open from 8am to 10pm, seven days a week, offering their famous pancakes plus a special menu of light meals including their smokehouse burgers and rolls.

Mayor of Marion Kris Hanna said Council was delighted to sign up the Original Pancake Kitchen as the new hospitality offering in the Centre after the venue's former café tenant decided late last year not to continue their lease.

"Council went through a competitive expression of interest process to find a new tenant earlier this year. We felt that the Original Pancake Kitchen would be a real attraction for the Marion Cultural Centre", Mayor Hanna said.

"It will bring many hungry, new visitors to the Marion Cultural Centre, which is home to our theatre, an art gallery and one of our libraries.

"Council wanted an eatery that appealed to a wide range of people, everything from a daytime coffee to a lunch for the family, or an evening meal.

"The Original Pancake Kitchen is a much-loved institution in Adelaide. Soon people will be able to visit the Marion Cultural Centre for one of their famous pancake stacks."

Original Pancake Kitchen (PK) Proprietor Mark Sandgren said opening a venue in the Centre was an amazing opportunity for the City of Marion community.

“PKs is a well-respected, South Australian-owned family business with a solid standing with the community. Many would have much-cherished memories from visiting the Original Pancake Kitchen, either in the city at Gilbert Place and our Smokehouse in Hindley Street or at our locations in Modbury, Port Adelaide or Reynella,” Mr Sandgren said.

“We want to continue the memories in the City of Marion. This new partnership will create jobs and career pathways in the area and contribute to community life through our outreach to local schools, sporting clubs, and community groups.

“Our aim is to add to Marion Cultural Centre to create a dynamic and interesting space for local members of the community to congregate.

“The Original Pancake Kitchen is also environmentally conscious. We use biodegradable packaging, and we are passionate about recycling and minimising waste where possible.”

The eatery area in the Marion Cultural Centre will be closed from Saturday, September 10, to allow for renovations and the transition to the new business model.

The theatre, library, gallery and meeting spaces will continue to operate during this time.

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