



DEEP HEART ARTS, Mackay Region Festival of Arts 11 - 26 July 2009

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Last year saw the emergence of Queens Park as the new home of the G & S Engineering Wine and Food Day. In 2009, it will return bigger than ever. Headlined by two of Australia's best stage shows GIRLS GIRLS GIRLS and The ROBBIE WILLIAMS EXPERIENCE. The Festival will run for an extra five days in 2009. It will open with the biggest party Mackay has ever seen when the new Mackay Entertainment Convention Centre opens on Saturday 11 July with a Jimmy Barnes concert followed by fireworks and continue on the closing event the fabulous ROYAL PALM AVENUE LONG TABLE DINNER in Queens Park on Sunday 26 July.

For the first time Festival events will be staged in Sarina, the Pioneer Valley and Seaforth. Many events will be free and those which are not have reduced ticket prices due to invaluable deep hearted support from the business and art communities.

The Festival Program was launched on Thursday 4 June where all the heartfelt events were announced.

For more information contact David Gerrand, Festival & Events Producer on 1300 622 529

Hiromi Tango artist in residence, *New Life* / 11 – 26 July 2009

In association with the Mackay Festival of Arts, and an Artspace Mackay Volunteers' project *Artstreet: A shopfront exhibition*, Hiromi Tango will inhabit a shopfront within the Mackay Central Business District from the 11 – 26 July

2009.

Work produced during her July residency will be installed at the Mackay Regional Botanic Gardens during the Multicultural Festival, Global Grooves in the Gardens in October. Hiromi is calling for local artists and members of the community to work with her to create a deep connection for this event.

The theme for Hiromi's residency is *New Life* and the main mediums she will be working with are artists books and masks. She will then dance/perform/interact with the masks in October (possibly with some local collaborators), and invite the public to participate with this performance. Hiromi will also be providing artist talks and Workshops at the CBD Shopfront location on the 17 & 18 July.

Hiromi is inviting schools, organizations and individuals to get involved by writing stories, drawing, painting, taking photographs or making masks and/or artists books to represent their beliefs and ideas around the theme of *New Life* or the Mackay Festival of Arts theme *Deep Heart*.

Hiromi's intention is to create a generous, sharing and welcome energy during her residency, so all works submitted will be made available to people visiting the shopfront to interact with and/or add to, and will become a part of the completed artwork. For this reason, material submitted cannot be returned.

Stories, paintings, drawings, photographs, masks and artists books can be dropped off to the Mackay Regional Council Administration Centres in Mackay, Sarina or Mirani; or posted to the Arts Development Officer at Mackay Regional Council, PO Box 41, Mackay QLD 4740.

For more information or to register your interest in working more closely with Hiromi contact the Arts Development Officer at Mackay Regional Council on fiona.bishop@mackay.qld.gov.au or phone 1300 622 529.



Mackay Regional Council Regional Arts Development Fund / First Round for 09/10 Closes 19 August 2009, 4.30pm for projects starting after 21 September 2009. Mackay Regional Council in partnership with the Queensland Government offers arts and cultural grants for arts workers, individuals and community groups from the Mackay Regional Council area. The RADF funds one-off, short-term projects that offer professional arts, cultural and heritage opportunities. More information and application forms can be found at www.mackay.qld.gov.au or by contacting the Arts Development Officer on 1300 622 529.



Calling for Expressions of Interest: Wine and Food Day - Artist Village Stalls/Workshops & Market Stallholders / Saturday 25 July 2009. The Festival of Arts' signature event, the G & S Engineering Wine and Food Day, will return again to the fabulous Queens Park. Browse the art exhibitions and craft stalls on show or, if you're

feeling a bit more hands on, take part in a workshop!

Artist Village

Weave your way through the vibrant atmosphere of the multi-arts market, and watch local artists hard at work. The artist village is a popular highlight of the g & s engineering wine and food day and is a great way for the public to engage with artists and learn about a variety of art forms such as woodturning, pottery, jewelry making, caricatures and more. Also featured in the artist village this year will be free workshops at the experienced hands of Brisbane Band, Rhythm Sutra.

For more information and to register your expression of interest in being involved in the artist village stalls/workshops or Market Stalls contact Tracey Vella on (07) 4961 9765 or tracey.vella@mackay.qld.gov.au

1. Exhibitions, Events and Performances...

The Shed Gallery

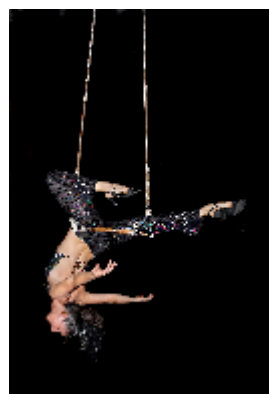
Jenni Kirkwood Art on Nebo Road has moved and is now located at 4 Burns Street Mackay, behind Sugar City Marine. Jenni loves her new gallery and is very busy designing her 2010 collection. Paintings, prints, ceramics, wearable art etc. See whats happening on her Website www.kirkwoodart.com.au Opening Hours are: Tues – Fri 10am– 3pm, or alternatively, appointments by arrangement. Stop in, have a look and she'll even make you a coffee. For more information contact Jenni on 07 4951 4600 / jenni@kirkwoodart.com.au

Paxtons Market

Paxtons Market, next to Pacinos restaurant, River Street, Mackay. 1st Sunday of the month, 9am to 1pm. Arts and Crafts, fruit & veg and light refreshments. Phone. Julia 49591230

Unpacked: New Acquisitions, Mackay Regional Council Collection

Cox Rayner Gallery. This exhibition highlights a selection of donated and purchased artworks from 2008, and commemorates Artspace Mackay's fifth birthday.



Cirque De Cabaret / Every Friday night in July

Cirque De Cabaret is a dynamic circus-infused cabaret show being performed every Friday night in July at The Metropolitan Hotel. This is a talented group of men and women who have combined their circus skills into an entertaining cabaret show which will fascinate audiences of all ages. You'll watch an amazing display of strength and flexibility as they perform their acro moves, and be mesmerised by the hula hooping girls. During your meal you'll be entertained by acrobats performing on the trapeze, tissue and aerial hoop hanging from the ceiling! There's also "Hey Big Spender" performed on stilts, plus a touch of fire. The Dinner & Show Package costs \$48 per person for a 3 course meal with full table service. This is a great night out for family, friends and special events, so book now at The Metropolitan Hotel on 4957 2802.

(Dallas from Cirque De Cabaret performs on the trapeze at The Metropolitan Hotel.)

Film: Appaloosa (M) - 115 mins / 3 July, 7.30pm

Presented by Film & Arts, Mackay Inc. Directed by and starring Ed Harris, and also Jeremy Irons and Viggo Mortensen, this is a good old fashioned western about two mercenary lawmen attempting to bring peace to a small New Mexico town in the 1880s. Cook Theatre, Building. 1, CQ University Mackay Campus, Boundary Rd, Mackay. Members/Students \$5.00; Non-members: \$9.00 Ticket price includes glass of wine, juice, tea/coffee and light supper after the film. For more details visit the Film & Arts Mackay Website <http://library-films.cqu.edu.au> or phone the


CQUniversity library on 49407578.

 **Maps of the Heart Exhibition** / 3 - 26 July

Recent works by Tracey Johnson: large scale oil paintings and tiny works on glass based on city maps. Surprisingly organic in form, these works echo other fractal patterns of nature - cells, leaf veins, crystalline fractures - inklings of a 'deep and subtle structure' at the heart of things. Gargett Gallery, Jim Moule St, Gargett. Thurs-Sun 10am-4pm. Ph 4958 5024

 **Natives Decoratively - by Anni Badger** / 3 July - Sunday 2 August

Natives decoratively is an exhibition exploring sculptural and decorative aspects of native peoples and their cultures from around the Globe. A fusion of colour, line, mass and texture expressed in a variety of two-dimensional and three-dimensional paintings and sculptures. The Lagoons Gallery

 **The Joy from Oz** / Saturday 4 July, 7.30pm & Sunday 5 July, 2pm

Mackay Choral Society is very excited to present a new show: "The Joy from Oz" featuring songs from Australian Music Theatre Shows. Venue: Conservatorium of Music Boundary Road Planlands. For more information contact: Ken Martin, Mackay Choral Society 49424095 / kbmartin@netspace.net.au

 **NAIDOC Week Bro Am Golf Tournament** / Saturday 4 July

Organised by the Indigenous and Australian South Sea Islander Programs Unit, CQ TAFE (Mackay Campus). To be held at the Malaleuca Golf Course, Keeley's Road, Andergrove. Contact Megan Durante on 4940 3345.

 **NAIDOC Week Mr & Miss NAIDOC Quest** / Saturday 4 July, 5.30pm

Organised by Warnoo Mura Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Women's Group & the Mackay Youth Support Service. To be held at Indoor Bowls Club, Bridge Road, Mackay. \$10 per ticket (registration forms available) Contact Sonetta Fewquandie on 4967 2380 or Noeleen Medrill on 4953 2299.

 **NAIDOC Week Church Services** / Sunday 5 July

Honouring our Elders, Nurturing our Youth.

NAIDOC Church Service at St Pauls uniting Church, Macalister Street, Mackay. Contact 4952 4721.

Combined Coming of the Light / NAIDOC Church Service at the Slade Point Community Hall, conducted by Pastor Bill Tapim. No times provided.

 **NAIDOC cent sale** / Sunday 5 July, 2pm

To be held at Skills Training Mackay (STM), Corner of Tennyson & River St

Heaps of prizes to be won, Bring along Family & Friends. Food & Drinks – On Sale. All proceeds go toward Pioneers Rugby League Club.

 **The Leap Country Markets** / Sunday 5 July, 8-12pm

Held at the Leap Community Hall Grounds situated 20km from Mackay. Enjoy an Aussie Brekky, bargain stalls, country hospitality and free stuff to give away. For Stall holders contact Morgan 49 540 960

 **NAIDOC Week: Mackay Regional Council Flag Raising** / Monday 6 July, 11 am

Honouring our Elders, Nurturing our Youth. Flag Raising and traditional lunch. Mackay Regional Council Civic Precinct. Gordon Street Mackay.

 **NAIDOC Week: Mackay Police Flag Raising** / Tuesday 7 July, 9 am

Honouring our Elders, Nurturing our Youth. Flag Raising at Mackay Police Station, Sydney Street, Mackay.

 **NAIDOC Week: Yamadi Lera Meta HACC Trivia Night** / Tuesday 7 July, 6.30pm

Honouring our Elders, Nurturing our Youth. At Yamadi HACC, First Floor, 46 Macalister Street, Mackay. Contact

Elizabeth Warren on 4957 8121.

 **Exhibition: Poetry on Paper in Cafe La De Da** / 6 July – 31 July 2009

Printbank Mackay exhibit small prints in CD case about poetry. An opportunity to view a selection of different print method and styles. 70 Wood St, Mackay. Contact Brigitte Zimmermann 4956 6446 or Diane Patmore 4954 9465.

 **Fallen Angels** / Wednesday 8 July, 8pm


A delightful evening of theatre as Kucom performs in their theatre, this Noel Coward play especially for the society to raise funds for the Mackay Campus library. The Cook Theatre, CQU, Mackay Campus Planlands. \$20 per ticket. For more information, please call 4940 7536.


 **NAIDOC Week: NAIDOC 2009 Baby Competition** / Wednesday 8 July, 9.30am – 2.30pm

Honouring our Elders, Nurturing our Youth. Slade Point Community Hall . \$2 registration (0 – 5 years). Contact Vanessa or Kim (ATSICHS) 4951 2833.

 **NAIDOC Week: Sarina Mudth-Niyleta Aboriginal & Torres strait Islander Corporation Open Day** /

Wednesday 8 July, 11am. Honouring our Elders, Nurturing our Youth. Mudth – Niyleta, 35 Central Street, Sarina. Contact Sam Raciti on 4956 2509.

 **NAIDOC Week: NAIDOC Seniors Dinner Dance** / Wednesday 8 July. Honouring our Elders, Nurturing our Youth. \$10 per ticket (numbers limited) STM / MAIJAG, Cnr River & Tennyson Streets, Mackay. Contact Greg or Sheldon on 4963 2700.

 **NAIDOC Week: Qld Health Afternoon Tea / Screening of Australian Story “Blood Relations”** / Thursday 9 July, 1pm – 3pm. Honouring our Elders, Nurturing our Youth. Fern Rooms 1 & 2, QLD Health. 12 Nelson Street, Mackay. Contact Narda or Trudi on 4968 6202.

 **Postcard Making** / July 9, 10 & 11, 10am-3pm

Mackay Tourism is hosting three days of postcard making, facilitated by local artist Traci Lietzke. Blank postcards and art supplies will be provided so that anyone can create a postcard that expresses their most loved feature with in the Mackay region. The collection will be on display from July 11-26, as part of ARTSTREET. Town Hall, Sydney Street Mackay.

 **NAIDOC Week: NAIDOC Street Parade & Family Fun Day** / Friday 10 July

Honouring our Elders, Nurturing our Youth. Street Parade starting point opposite Whitsunday Hotel, Macalister Street. Meet 9am /March commences 10am. Family Day commences at 11am at Queens Park, Mackay.

 **Andergrove Tavern with Swoon the Jimmy Watts Band & Evan Daly** / 10 July, 8pm

Huge night of original tunes with Brisbane act the Jimmy Watts band whose music spans across the blues, roots, angry folk and hillbilly styles; played on a collection of acoustic guitars and slides, harmonicas and foot percussion. With groovy West Arican drumming. Check him out at <http://www.jimmywattsband.com/> Also talented local artist Evan Daly with his highly infectious Jazz/Folk/Pop stylings and local Rockin' Folk act Swoon playing their last big originals gig before heading off on their second interstate tour. Going to be a damn fine night. Free Entry.

 **Hands on: Rick Wood - a commitment to clay** / 10 July - 30 August

A retrospective exhibition curated by Artspace Mackay, Hands on celebrates the life and achievements of Rick Wood, a revered local potter. Rick's involvement with pottery began when he enrolled in hobby classes at the Mackay Education Centre in 1973. He was awarded a master craftsman/trainee grant from the Crafts Board of the Australia Council in 1978 and worked with Eungella potters Arthur and Carol Rosser in 1970-80. After completing his traineeship he received a workshop development grant from the Crafts Board and set up his own pottery studio at Black's Beach in 1981, devoting the remainder of his career to the vocation of potter. He later relocated to Slade Point and set up EarthSea Pottery in 1991 and, from 1995, worked with his wife Leonie Wood. In 1993, Rick was awarded

a Graduate Diploma in Visual Arts from Monash University and, in 2001, he completed a Certificate in Science from James Cook University, Townsville. The exhibition features many examples of Rick's early works, which demonstrate his interest in salt-glaze firing following his training with the Rossers. Over the years, Wood's work evolved and was inspired by bushwalking, windsurfing and scuba-diving and also incorporated the forms of seed pods, bark patterns and island profiles. His later work exploits glazing techniques from ancient China. Rick's work has been included in several significant group exhibitions such as The Queensland Gift 1988, for the Queensland Potters Association and Decorated clay at the Queensland Art Gallery in 1991. McAleese Gallery, Artspace Mackay, Civic Precinct, Gordon Street, Mackay. For more information, contact Artspace Mackay 4961 9722.

☀ **Also showing: Listen to the ink: A Printbank Mackay exhibition** / 10 July - 30 August

Printbank Mackay is a local group of artists who aim to explore the artform of printmaking in all of its diversity. The group share an interest in printmaking and a desire to improve their knowledge of the artform and further develop their technical skills. This exhibition features a variety of prints by current members. Mackay Mazda Foyer, Artspace Mackay, Civic Precinct, Gordon Street, Mackay. For more information, contact Artspace Mackay 4961 9722.



Tracey JOHNSON *Tokyo* (detail) Oil on Canvas. From the exhibition Maps of the Heart.

☀ **Fallen Angels** / Season dates: 10, 11, 15, 17, 18, 22, 24 & 25 July

Kucom Theatre's contribution to 2009 Mackay Festival of Arts is a classic Noel Coward comedy titled 'Fallen Angels'. The time: 1925. The place: Mayfair, London. Julia and Jane, close friends since childhood, are bored with their husbands and eager to reclaim their lost youth in the shape of a romantic Frenchman who had an affair with both of them before marriage. Fallen Angels caused moral outrage when it was premiered in 1925. The play was nearly refused its licence on the grounds that it was 'brightly written, but extremely dubious' and that 'the women's obvious willingness to go wrong, and about their pre-nuptial going wrong, would cause too great a scandal!' In true Noel Coward tradition, the dialogue is witty and entertaining, and the action fast and very funny. Season dates: 10th, 11th, 15th, 17th, 18th, 22nd, 24th & 25th July at the Kucom Playhouse in Shakespeare Street. Bookings through the MECC: 4961 9700. All other enquiries 0408 980 022, or visit the Kucom website: www.kucom.org.au

☀ **NAIDOC Week: NAIDOC Ball and Aboriginal, Torres Strait and Australian South Sea Islander Awards Night** / Saturday 11 July, 6.30pm. Honouring our Elders, Nurturing our Youth. Windmill Motel and Reception Centre, 5 Highway Plaza, North Mackay. Tickets \$30, available from MY105.9FM. Phone 4951 2979.

☀ **Exhibition Floor Talk with Glenn Cooke & Leonie Wood** / Saturday 11 July, from 11am
Join Glen Cooke, Curator of Decorative Arts, Queensland Art Gallery, and Leonie Wood for an intimate discussion on the work of Rick Wood, featured in the exhibition Hands on: Rick Wood - a commitment to clay. Free event. McAleese Gallery, Artspace Mackay, Civic Precinct, Gordon Street, Mackay. For more information, contact Artspace Mackay 4961 9722.

☀ **Crash Bash – Annual Charity Golf Event** / Saturday 11 July

A Golf Tournament is being held during the day consists of a 4 Ball Ambrose competition, shotgun start, played over 18 holes on the Turtle Point Golf Course, Laguna Whitsundays. A Cocktail Party is being held during the evening in the Laguna Whitsundays Function Room and Foyer, includes presentation to tournament winners, prizes for select categories, auction and entertainment. Laguna Whitsundays Resort, Proserpine. Individual player's fee is \$125 and a


team of four the fee is \$500. For information go to www.crashbash.com.au


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 **Artstreet: A shopfront exhibition** / 11 - 25 July

Mackay Central Business District. Local artists and Mackay CBD businesses will join forces to create an artistic trail of shopfront displays reflecting the Festival of Arts' Deep Heart theme. Japanese-born, Brisbane-based artist Hiromi Tango will also inhabit a shopfront as part of the project. Her personal engagement with the site, situation and the community that passes will determine the final outcome of her artwork. A full colour map, leading audiences through the Mackay CBD Artstreet trail, will be available for collection from all participating businesses and Artspace Mackay. An Artspace Mackay Volunteers' project.


 **Festival Launch: Picture This...Whitsunday Voices Youth Literature Festival** / Wednesday 15 July, 6.30 – 8.30pm. The opening of the 2009 Festival features an Illustrators' Exhibition of well known artists Sally Rippin, Matt Ottley and Marc McBride, a light hearted Authors' Panel including Emily Rodda, John Marsden, Matt Ottley and Marc McBride and the announcement of Whitsunday Voices Short Story Competition winners. Celeber Art Centre, Whitsunday Anglican School, North Mackay.. Kindly sponsored by Alman Financial Planning. For more information or bookings contact Ellen Reiner 4969 2018 or www.whitsundayvoices.com.au

 **Picture This...Whitsunday Voices Youth Literature Festival** / Thursday 16 July & Friday 17 July, 9am – 2pm. Two days of celebration of all things books and writing. Jam packed with workshops, booktalks, performances and more. There will be heaps of top authors, illustrators, dramatists and artists visiting from throughout Australia. Whitsunday Anglican School Campus, Celeber Drive, North Mackay. For bookings and more information contact 4969 2059 or www.whitsundayvoices.com.au

 **Mackay Skin Clinic Literary Dinner – Picture This...Whitsunday Voices Youth Literature Festival** / Friday 17 July, 7pm. This signature event and celebration of Whitsunday Voices features multi talented writer, performer and comedian, Jean Kittson as the guest speaker. With pre dinner drinks, a gourmet meal by Grinders Corporate Catering and dancing to Mango Junction, the night is sure to be full of high quality laughs and entertainment! Kindly sponsored by Mackay Skin Clinic and Terry White Chemists. Tickets \$95.00. Bookings essential. Contact: Mackay Entertainment Centre on 4757 1777

 **Queensland Music Festival** / 17 July – 2 August

QMF 2009 consists of 44 events in 20 regions over 17 days from 17 July to 2 August. The festival has a reputation for involving locals in telling their own story through music and song and this year is no different with major regional events in Charleville (The Road We're On); Cooktown (Laid in Earth); Mt Isa (The Big Weekend) and Thursday Island (Hidden Republic). There are also major events in Brisbane such as Dirty Apple, the much-anticipated youth opera from Opera Queensland which is part of Queensland's 150th birthday celebrations, Presidentsland and Loud in the Valley. We can't mention all the fun to be had at QMF this year but if you want to know more go to the Queensland Music Festival website - it is a big, broad program that is bound to have something for everyone.


 **Public Book Signing – Picture This...Whitsunday Voices Youth Literature Festival** / Saturday 18 July, 10am – 12pm. On Saturday morning, books signing with John Marsden, Emily Rodda, Matt Ottley, and Steven Herrick will be open to the public at Gordon White Library. Bring your books along for signing by your favorite author. Gordon White Library, Mt Pleasant. Kindly supported by Mackay Regional Council and Mackay Libraries. For information contact 49692018 or www.whitsundayvoices.com.au

 **Poets in the Pub** / Saturday 18 July, 7pm

Enjoy light-hearted poetry and music performances at Mackay-Pioneer Valley Arts Council Writers Group's Poets in the Pub during the Mackay Festival of Arts. A free bus will run from the MECC at 6pm on Saturday, July 18, with pick-ups at Walkerston and Mirani. Venue: Pinnacle Hotel. Tickets are \$20 from Mackay Entertainment Centre. For enquiries phone Paul Vander Loos on 4957 0343 (business hours) or 4942 8741 (home).

 **Bowen Film Group's July Screening: Tom White** / Tuesday 21 July, 7.30pm

The Film Group will screen "Tom White" on Tuesday 21st July at 7.30pm in the Summergarden Theatre in Bowen. Tickets for non-members are \$15 (with pensioners or students \$12), which includes supper afterwards. And advance notice is given for the inaugural Bowen Film Festival, which will be held on the evenings of Monday 24th August and Tuesday 25th August, with a daytime screening of the classic "Casablanca" on Tuesday 25th. Evening screenings included local award-winning short films by students, films by local Indigenous film-maker, Thomas Avery, award-winning animations, the documentary "Man on Wire", an excerpt from Ben da Luca's 1950s film "Contraband", and the recent feature "The Reader". Make sure you don't miss this event.

 **The Friendship** / 24, 25, 31 July & 1 August, 7.30pm


The annual Valley District Youth Council variety theatre production at the Pinnacle Playhouse is now well under way. This year the dates are the two weekends of 24, 25, 31 July and 1 August and the title of the performance is "The FriendShip". Tickets can be purchased through the Mirani customer service section, or by paying at the main desk of the Gordon Street customer service section and tickets will then be held for you to be collected on the nominated night at the Playhouse. The Youth Council certainly puts on a fine variety show, it's heaps of fun for all ages and it is a part of the Mackay Regional Council's youth program that we can all be proud of. All sessions start @ 7.30 p.m. Adults \$22. Children/Pensioners/Students \$14. Includes light supper at interval. Drinks extra. This year's profits go to the Pinnacle Playhouse, the Valley District Youth Council's major fundraising beneficiary for 2009.

 **Dance Party** / Friday 24 July, 8pm - midnight

Join us for a great night of dancing. Dance to the sounds of live music with Night Owls. Enjoy their wide selection of music and in the breaks you can dance to great recorded music. You won't need to sit down all night if you don't want too!! The doors open at 8pm with live music from 8.30pm to midnight. There is a theme of "J" so dress up and be in the running for a great prize for the best "J". There will be a raffle at the door, which is going towards the end of year Dance live music and the various Performance and Competition Groups we have. A lucky door prize and spot prizes will be drawn throughout the evening. So join us at the Community Hall Celeber Drive Andergrove on FRIDAY THE 24TH OF JULY for a great fun night of dancing. Cost is \$10 per person. For more information contact DanceFactor 0409 874 747 / dancefactor@gmail.com or visit www.dancefactor.com.au

 **Exhibition of Nine** / 3 - 30 August 2009

Ann Fitzgerald presents the 'Exhibition of Nine' at the Lagoons Gallery Mackay Regional Botanic Gardens. This photographic exhibition features nine photography students who are currently completing their Diploma of Photo-imaging at TAFE under the guidance of prominent and well known Mackay Photographer Ann Fitzgerald. These works will allow the viewer to glimpse into a small facet of these talented emerging photo-media artists. Featuring the works of John Robertson, Tracey Gallety, Lee Hutton, Gary Matthews, Jodie Gosbee, Kylie Mitchell, Cheryl Eagers, Daniel Kleinhans & David Phillips. The Lagoons Gallery and Cafe is open Wednesday to Friday – 10am to 3pm, Weekends 9am to 4pm.

 **Into The Woods** / Thursday 6 August, 11am & 8pm; Friday 7 August, 11am & 8pm; Saturday 8 August, 2pm & 8pm. Performers: BTheatre Students – Musical Theatre & Drama Specialisation
Venue: CQCM Theatre. Cost: \$40 Adult, \$35 Concession, \$30 Friends, \$25 Student, \$95 Family (2Ad & 2Ch/St).
For bookings phone the Mackay Entertainment & Convention Centre 4961 9700.

 **Film: Lemon Tree (G) - 106 mins** / 7 August, 7.30pm


Presented by Film & Arts, Mackay Inc. Arabic (English subtitles) The story of a Palestinian family's lemon grove on the green line between Israel and Palestine which is viewed as a terrorist risk when the Israeli Defence Minister and his wife move next door. A superbly acted drama with a powerful message. Cook Theatre, Building. 1, CQ University

Mackay Campus, Boundary Rd, Mackay

Members/Students \$5.00; Non-members: \$9.00 Ticket price includes glass of wine, juice, tea/coffee and light supper after the film. For more details visit the Film & Arts Mackay Website <http://library-films.cqu.edu.au> or phone the CQUniversity library on 49407578.

 **Whiteys Traffic Light Party - For Childhood Cancer Support** / Saturday 8 August, 2pm – 3am

Gates open at 2pm and entertainment finishes at 3am, however, feel free to bring a tent or swag and stay the night. Cost: \$65 Price includes free return bus from the Grand Mercure Suites at 2pm and the Farview Tavern at 2.30pm, BYO alcohol and 12 hours of entertainment by Mackays Best Bands. Happy High Herbs will be there, basic bar and food vendors available on the night. Sunday there will be an all day breakfast and recovery jam session held at the Farview Tavern. All proceeds going towards Childhood Cancer Support. Proudly sponsored by - Whiteys Escavation Hire, Mackay Music, Vella's Civil, Bus it, CFT Security, Flexi hire, Mackay Regional Council, The Farview Tavern, Blue River Ice, Heels On Wheels, Factory Lighting and Decor, XXXX and HOT FM. For more information contact Lisa Buchanan on 0419 029 031. ** Childhood Cancer Support is also looking for a company that would be interested in doing live broadcast and interview leading up to the event. Just to help get the event out there.

 **Exhibition: Printbank Mackay Members Inaugural Printmaking Award 2009** / 21 August – 30 August, Opening Night 21 August 6.30pm. Open Monday to Friday 9am - 5pm, Saturday and Sunday 9am – 2pm Old Town Hall, Sydney Street Mackay. Contact Brigitte Zimmermann 4956 6446 or Diane Patmore 4954 9465.

 **Student Festival of Fashion 2009** / Saturday 22nd August

A creative opportunity for high school students to present their unique designs to the community. It is set to be a flamboyant, glitzy, kaleidoscope of colour with the carnivale theme this year. Heaps of categories – look out for outfits from paper, plastics, wearable art, masks and we are being environmentally conscious with a new category – renew, recycle, reinvent. There are also sections for those who like to sew their outfits. Held at the Mackay Entertainment & Convention Centre.

 **Intermediate School Reunion Grade 8 Class of 1959** / Saturday 22 August, 6pm & Sunday 23, 10am

You are invited to the above reunion being held at the Metropolitan Hotel on Saturday 22 August from 6pm and on Sunday 23 August from 10am at the Mackay Harbour for a picnic and more chatting. BYO memories and show and tell items. Accommodation is available at the Metropolitan Hotel. Dress: Smart Casual. Contacts for more information: Sandra Schmidtke (Galletly) 4942 7469 / san.nev@bigpond.com ; Catherine Campbell (Bawmer) 49522262 / cathcam@qld.chariot.net.au ; Betty Everson (Reeves) 49424360 / betty.je@hotmail.com ; Lynne Tennant (Humphreys) 4942 9997 / barlyn@matilda.net.au

 **LandCare Day** / Sunday 23 August, 9am – 2pm

Jerry Coleby-Williams, well known presenter from ABC's Gardening Australia will present at Mackay's LandCare Day, an annual event at the Mackay Regional Botanic Gardens. During Landcare Day at the Mackay Regional Botanic Gardens, visitors and especially children can indulge in a Community Weaving Project and also continue the creation of "A Garden of Flora" using natural and recycled materials on the Tropical Sun Lawn. Help to build a model size Sustainable Enviro City from cardboard and boxes in the Meeting Room. Mackay Regional Botanic Gardens. For more information please call 49527300.

 **Bowen Film Group Inaugural Film Festival** / Monday 24 – Tuesday 25 August

Daytime screening of the classic "Casablanca" on Tuesday 25th. Evening screenings included local award-winning short films by students, films by local Indigenous film-maker, Thomas Avery, award-winning animations, the documentary "Man on Wire", an excerpt from Ben da Luca's 1950s film "Contraband", and the recent feature "The Reader". Make sure you don't miss this event. Film Festival to be held in the open air beer garden of the Grand View Hotel. Please check our web site (www.bowenfilmgroup.com) for further details of our program. For more information about the group, including membership, email the secretary at jillj22@tpg.com.au.

 **Mobile Library Dates**

The Mobile Library has been refurbished and may be visiting an area near you. Why not check out the schedule and

see when you can catch it. Visit www.mackaylibraries.com.au or phone 0408 775 936 / 4944 3000.

2. Training, Workshops and Conferences...

NEW ☀ **Call for Members – Selah Gospel Choir**

Mackay singing group “Selah Gospel Choir” is seeking membership. This multicultural singing group aims to provide a welcoming and relaxed atmosphere that encourages freedom of praise. Currently the choir is most in need of Tenor and Bass singers, although all voices are welcome. There are no restrictions on being a member of the Selah Gospel Choir. If you want to come along to share in voice you can become a member by contacting the choir's Artistic Director Lindsey Foo via email on ljsfoo@bigpond.com

☀ Mackay Fibre Arts Workshops - Call for Expressions of Interest

We are a vibrant group of creative people with expertise in hand embroidery, machine sewing, quilting, spinning, weaving, knitting, crocheting and hand made books. If you wish to learn any of these, or other fibre arts, please contact us so we can arrange a workshop to suit. Contact Geraldine geraldinemoylan@hotmail.com or Jenny carlson9@bigpond.com

NEW ☀ **Mixed media workshops with Rosemary Payne and Wanda Bennett** / dates to be advised. Part of a series of free workshops bringing people together to reflect on their experiences of the 2008 flood. Participants will create individual and group work using recycled teacups with the application of porcelain paint and pens. For further details please contact Rosemary Payne on 0409 892097

NEW ☀ **July Activities at Glenden Arts and Crafts**

Colour Wash Quilts / Natural Hand Made Shampoo and Conditioner. For all information regarding what is on at Glenden Arts and Crafts please contact Bridget Molloy 49589328 or Christine Ruston 49589217

NEW ☀ **Digital photography workshops with Jessica Clark** / 4 July; 18 July; 1 Aug; 15 Aug; 16 Aug. Part of a series of free workshops bringing people together to reflect on their experiences of the 2008 flood. These workshops outline what to look for in a digital camera and general information about photo quality and preserving digital photos, as well as an introduction to Picasa 3, a free photo editing program from Google. For further details please contact Jessica Clark at Mackay library on 4957 1787

☀ Colour Relief with Glen Skien / Saturday 4 & Sunday 5 July, 10am – 4pm

An introductory workshop in methods of achieving lino cut prints in colour. Glen Skien will introduce this two day workshop in which participants will learn several methods for producing colour including single block, reduction block printing, multiple plate, chine colle and hand colour techniques. The versatility of relief printmaking is fully explored in a myriad of colour options. Bookings essential. Fee: \$110.00 / concession \$100 (inc. GST)

☀ Creative woodturning & carving; and Embellishment of Woodturned items and creative machine embroidery / Saturday 4 & Sunday 5 July. Mackay Woodturners Association Inc. are hosting world renowned artists Neil & Liz Scobie from Coffs Harbour for Workshops in July. When: Saturday 4th & Sunday 5th July. Where: Mackay Woodturners Clubrooms, Snow Wright Court, Beaconsfield. To register your interest phone 49574569.

☀ Pyrography Classes and tuition / 7 & 21 July, 1.30pm - 4pm

Mackay Woodturners Association Inc. Wish to advise they now have Pyrography Classes and tuition on the 2, 16 & 30 June from 1.30pm until 4pm held at our Club House at Snow Wright Court Beaconsfield. \$2 admission. Contact Mrs Bev Craig Ph.49424727 this is in connection with the U3A all welcome.

NEW ☀ **Dinosaurs Ruled** / Tuesday 7 July, 10am -12 noon & 2pm - 4pm; Wednesday 8 July, 10am - 12 noon &

2pm - 4pm; & Thursday 9 July, 10am - 12 noon & 2pm - 4pm. Clay is the medium children are using to make Plant Fossils during School Holiday activities at the Botanic Gardens. After venturing to the Coal Garden to see dinosaur footprints and petrified wood, the children pretend to be paleontologists digging up fossils, then learn about plants similar to those dinosaurs might have eaten, while making their own plant fossils.
\$4.00 per child and bookings essential Call 4952 7300.

NEW ☀ **Didgeridoo & Boomerang Workshop** / Wednesday 8 & Thursday 9 July, 9am

The Youth Information and Referral Service would like to invite young people to attend a workshop for NAIDOC Week to be held at YIRS on Wednesday 8th and Thursday 9th of July from 9am. As places are limited, we would like to advise you to book young people in as soon as possible. The gentlemen will be making their didgeridoos and then painting them and the women will be painting boomerangs. For more information contact Casey Windsor Youth Support Officer Youth Information and Referral Service, 60 Victoria Street, Mackay. Phone: 0749577949
Email: yirsyouthsupportofficer1@matilda.net.au

☀ **Scroll -saw classes** / Tuesdays 14 & 28 July, 1.30pm - 4pm

Scroll -saw classes, ongoing and learners welcome, held on Tuesday 9, 16 & 30 June from 1.30pm until 4pm at Mackay Woodturners Association Inc Club House at Snow Wright Court. Contact Mrs Bev Craig Phone 49424727. Members of U3A and Visitors Welcome.

☀ **Festival BMA Kidspace @ Artspace** / Tuesday 14 July, 10am - 2pm

Join local artists and performers for a special, festival-themed arts event especially for toddlers and their parents/carers. BMA Kidspace, our ever-popular toddler's program, gives children under five a chance to explore and have fun with art in a climate of cooperative learning. The program includes free artist-run workshops, exhibition tours and a live music concert by local group Rubberband. Bring your children along for a fun day of art-making, singing and dancing! Artspace Mackay, Civic Precinct, Gordon Street, Mackay. Kidspace is exclusively sponsored by BHP Billiton Mitsubishi Alliance and supported by the Artspace Mackay Foundation. Free event. For more information, contact Artspace Mackay 4961 9722.

☀ **"Spotlight on John Marsden" Parents' and Educators' Forum – Picture This...Whitsunday**

Voices Youth Literature Festival / Thursday 16 July, 4 – 6pm. John Marsden has been described as "the most popular author today in any literary field" (The Australian). His books have been published around the world, translated into fourteen languages, are available in eighteen countries! This session will be interesting to teachers, librarians and parents. Whitsunday Anglican School, Celeber Drive, North Mackay. Kindly sponsored by Hail Creek Mine. For more information and bookings contact Louise Clare 4969 2059 or www.whitsundayvoices.com.au

NEW ☀ **Landscapes in Oils** / 18 & 19 July

Landscapes in Oils will be taught by Karol Oakley on 18 & 19 July. In this workshop Karol will teach you to create a painting from beginning to end in a day. She will be covering colour mixing, tone and other painting tools, while organising a process that works, step by step, to simplify the subject into manageable areas and build your painting up – simple, effective and fun. A very capable and patient tutor from Nanango, Karol's growing popularity has lead to her teaching throughout Australia as well as overseas workshops to Greece and Norfolk Island. Members \$100 ; non-members \$110 For more information please contact Maree Angus on 49564489. Held by Mackay Art Society at Snow Wright Crt., Beaconsfield, Mackay.

NEW ☀ **Felting workshops with Wanda Bennett and Rosemary Payne** / 27 July; 2, 10 & 16 Aug.

Part of a series of free workshops bringing people together to reflect on their experiences of the 2008 flood. Participants will use pastels and felt to create self portraits and designs for a large scale textile and mixed media mural. For further details please contact Wanda Bennett on 0407 171 371

NEW ☀ **Fibre workshops with Pam Hutley and Wanda Bennett: My Home** / 31 July; 12 & 21 Aug, 10 am –

2pm. Part of a series of free workshops bringing people together to reflect on their experiences of the 2008 flood. Participants will be introduced to a variety of textile techniques such as felting, spinning, and stitching to produce a large tactile textile mural. An introductory session will be held at the Yurt at the Wine and Food Day on 25 July. For

further details please contact Pam Hutley on 49597332 / phutley2@bigpond.com

NEW ☀ **Children's Recycled Art workshops: "Recycled Art, Creating Flora for Landcare Day"** / Saturdays 1 August & 15 August, 2pm -4pm. Children will be making flowers, plants and creatures, from recycled materials for an installation at the Botanic Gardens (A Garden of Flora) for LandCare Day. Limited to 20 school age children. Cost \$5, must be paid at the Botanic Gardens 1 week prior to workshop. Participants to bring recycled plastic bottles, plastic containers all shapes and sizes, and scissors. Wear protective or old clothing to prevent paint/ glue stains. Mackay Regional Botanic Gardens, 9 Lagoon St; West Mackay. Contact 49527300

NEW ☀ **Term 3, Kids Art Club with Rosemary Payne: 6 – 8 years** / Every Saturday, Saturday 1 August – Saturday 5 September, 10am – 12pm. Artspace Mackay Seminar Room. \$110 per child, includes materials and morning tea each week. for children 6 - 8 years.

NEW ☀ **Term 3, Kids Art Club with Rosemary Payne: 9 - 12 years** / Every Saturday, Saturday 1 August – Saturday 5 September, 2pm – 4pm. . Artspace Mackay Seminar Room. \$110 per child, includes materials and afternoon tea each week. for children 9 - 12 years

NEW ☀ **Life Drawing with Leonie Wood** / Every Tuesday, Tuesday 4 August – Tuesday 8 September, 6.30pm – 9pm. Life drawing classes are aimed at students with some drawing experience and enable participants to develop their own drawing skills through the study of the human figure. The focus of these classes is achieving both structure and proportion with an emphasis on expression in student drawings. Bookings essential. Fee: \$154.00 / concession \$137.50 (inc.GST). Mackay Town Hall, Sydney Street

NEW ☀ **Discover it, inspire it: Creative Charcoal Drawing with Magdy Shiha** / Saturday 8 & Sunday 9 August, 10am – 4pm. This course aims to introduce participants to the basics of charcoal drawing techniques whilst investigating the elements of design. Through practical application and a slide show presentation from the tutor, students will be encouraged to develop an individual, creative drawing style, using experimental drawing techniques. Bookings essential. Fee: \$110.00 / concession \$100.00 (inc.GST). Mackay Town Hall, Sydney Street

☀ **BMA Kidspace** / Tuesday 11 August, 10am - 2pm
A gallery of fun for under fives, their parents and carers proudly presented by BHP Billiton Mitsubishi Alliance. 10am-2pm > Drop-in free artist run activities and gallery tours; 12pm-1pm > Live music with Rubberband
For more information contact Artspace Mackay, p. 07 4961 9722.

NEW ☀ **1959 Grade 8 Mackay Intermediate School Reunion** / Saturday 22 & Sunday 23 August
Saturday after noon registrations : this will take place at the Mackay Central state School (ex intermediate school), Alfred street, commencing at 1.30pm and going until 3.00pm. register and collect your name tag during this time. Sit down dinner at North Mackay Bowls Club: Saturday night 22 august. Social day at Glenella Hall: Sunday 23 August. Local residents please bring an extra picnic lunch for all visiting ex students. Tea and coffee will be supplied, bring a chair or two please. If there are any ex teaches reading this please contact Betty Everson on betty.je@hotmail.com

NEW ☀ **Rock art workshops with Patsy Brimble** / 29 Aug & 30 Aug. Part of a series of free workshops bringing people together to reflect on their experiences of the 2008 flood. This will be an exciting opportunity for everyone in the community to find out about local Aboriginal traditions and to create art works based on images found in rock art. An introductory session will be held at the South Sea Islander Hut markets on Sunday, 2 August. All welcome. Further information will be available at NAIDOC Day in Queens Park on 10 July.

NEW ☀ **Blacksmithing workshops with Noel Giles** / 31 Aug & 1 Sept; 2 & 3 Sept; 4 & 5 Sept. Part of a series of free workshops bringing people together to reflect on their experiences of the 2008 flood. For further details please contact Judy Rose on 4968 6624

NEW ☀ 3-day Plein-Air Painting Weekend: Sketching in Ink and Watercolour / Saturday 5 – Monday 7 September 2009. Mackay Art Society have organised a treat this year!! Only a few spaces are still available for this 3-day Plein-Air Painting Weekend, staying at the beautiful Quandong Creek Rainforest Lodge, Eungella, arriving on the afternoon of Friday 4th and checking out on Monday 7th September. Penelope Gilbert-Ng www.penelopegilbertng.com will be tutoring this group for 3 days (Sat, Sun, Mon) in “Sketching in Ink and Watercolour”, and we will also be learning the finer points of painting outdoors. The price also includes 3 nights accommodation with all meals and smokos included. Non-painting spouses/friends are welcome and only pay for the meals/accommodation. Total cost - Members \$280; non-members \$300; Non-painting spouses (meals/acc. only) \$180. For enquiries, please phone Maree Angus, 49564489.

NEW ☀ Songbridge Q150 / Wednesday 23rd September – Thursday 24th September 2009. Our people – our places – our stories, Coming to Mackay. Hosted by Banksia Voices. Where: MECC. Costs: \$25.00 includes workshop with Artists and massed choir performance with Birraleee Voices, Birraleee Blokes and National Boys Choir. Who is it for? Children and adults who love to sing; singing groups/choirs in our region. Funded by the Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF), and the Mackay Regional Council Community Grants Scheme. For more information contact Maggie Hains on 49 549 248 or text only 0423 920 697 or via email on maggiehains@optusnet.com.au



The RADF is a Queensland Government and Mackay Regional Council partnership to support local arts and culture.

New ☀ Cairns Indigenous Art Fair / 21 – 23 August
For more information visit <http://www.ciaf.com.au/newsletters.asp#story0>

New ☀ Armstrong Beach Machine Embroidery Group / third Tuesday of each month
The Armstrong Beach Machine Embroidery Group meets the third Tuesday of each month at Llewellyn Hall, Armstrong Beach commencing approx 8.30am. The focus of the group is on informality, networking in a relaxed atmosphere and basically enjoying & sharing experiences and techniques in a group atmosphere. More information can be obtained by contacting Lydia Corr on Ph 49430731 or email blcorr@bigpond.com

New ☀ Advanced and Intermediate Dancers / Mondays, 6.30pm to 7.30
At the Community Hall Celeber Drive. This class covers solo lines (no partner needed!) as well as Cha Cha Cha, Jive, Samba, Rhumba, Salsa, Waltz and Quickstep. We cover training exercises and help you become a better dancer. All Intermediate and Advanced Dancers are welcome to this class. It is from this class that you can participate in competitions, displays etc. The cost is \$10. For more information please call Diane on 0409 874 747.

New ☀ Performance Training Class / Wednesdays, 6.30pm to 8pm
At Bedford Road Neighbourhood Centre. From this class you can progress into our Performance Team. We cover Cha Cha, Rhumba, Jive, Samba, Paso Doble, Salsa Merengue, Argentine Tango, Disco Fox, West Coast Swing, Bolero. We teach a 4some synchronised set of dances for Performances as well as Solo Lines and partnered latin dances. We want as many people in our Performance Team as possible. To showcase how much fun dancing can be we want to have dancers from our Social level all the way through to our Competitive Dancers. So join us, you don't need a partner. \$10. For more information please call Diane on 0409 874 747.

New ☀ Salsa Beginners Class / Wednesdays, 8pm – 9.30pm
Wednesdays after the Performance Class we are teaching Beginner and Intermediate Salsa. Check out the web site to see what steps we are teaching this week. Beginner dancers will learn the basic steps and Intermediate to Advanced Dancers will join in our Extension Section to learn new steps. 8pm to 9.30pm \$10 everyone is welcome. Bedford Rd Neighbourhood Centre Andergrove. For more information please call Diane on 0409 874 747.

New ☀ Ballroom Class / Fridays, 7pm – 8pm

Fridays Ballroom class is held 7pm to 8pm at the Celeber Drive Hall. We are learning Quickstep, Waltz and Tango Terrific at present. You will learn the basics of Quickstep and for Intermediate Dancers you will learn Pendulum Points and Scattered Chasses. In the Waltz you will learn the basics and for Intermediate Dancers you will learn Back Hover Corte and the Medley. \$10 Everyone is welcome. For more information please call Diane on 0409 874 747.

NEW ☀ Latin Beginner Class / Fridays, 8pm – 10pm

Fridays after the Ballroom Class we are teaching Latin Beginners and Intermediate. We are currently teaching Cha Cha Cha and Rhumba. Check out the web site to see what steps we are teaching this week. Intermediate to Advanced Dancers will learn more complex steps in the Extension Section of the lesson. 8pm to 10pm \$10 everyone is welcome. At the Community Hall Celeber Drive Andergrove. For more information please call Diane on 0409 874 747.

☀ Call for Expressions of Interest - Mackay Fibre Arts Workshops

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☀ DreamWorks - Dreams and their Themes / 1st Saturday of the month, 2pm - 4.30pm

Join a monthly DreamWork group gathering to journey within and interact with dreams for their uniquely personal meaning. Sessions are experiential and participants are supported to work either alone or in pairs to utilise various DreamWork tools to identify dream themes, deepening self awareness in support of personal development. An experiential and creative arts approach to excavating for meaning within the language of dreams. Suite 1A Mackay Masonic Centre, \$30 session. Facilitator: Judith Grieve, 4942 4171.

☀ Freefall / Throughout 2009

Residencies for young emerging artists at Crossroad Arts. Opportunities will include mentorship, creative challenge, access to resources and career advice, public outcomes in hybrid artforms. The Loft, corner Gordon and Wood St. For further information and to apply, contact Crossroad Arts. Ph: 4953 5122, email admin@crossroadarts.com.au



Jenny DE THOMASIS *mysterious things 2009*.
Natural materials, curled bark & dry grass
from the recent outdoor exhibition *tunnels and trenches*

☀ Interested artists wishing to explore pathways for entry into the MCA degree.

The School of Visual & Performing Arts from the University of Tasmania announces a unique opportunity to develop your creative talents in a dynamic arts environment through postgraduate study. We are now offering places in our postgraduate course 'Master of Contemporary Arts' to the Queensland region in July 2009, so artists do not have

to relocate to undertake study. Professor Vincent McGrath, Head, School of Visual and Performing Arts at the University of Tasmania, visited Mackay in March 2009 to meet with interested artists wishing to explore pathways for entry into the MCA degree. Study in the Master of Contemporary Arts (MCA) is undertaken externally [by distance] through the highly prestigious Academy of the Arts at the Launceston campus. This challenging and creative program provides professional studio/workplace-oriented experiences that will extend your understanding and appreciation of arts-related concepts, propositions and contemporary professional practices, assisting in new opportunities for work in the creative industries. Entry into the Master of Contemporary Arts postgraduate study is offered twice a year, with study starting in February and July. If you would like to take advantage of this opportunity and arrange for a meeting with Professor McGrath while in Mackay, please contact: UTAS Queensland Postgraduate Field Officer [Marketing & Recruitment] Ann Williams-Fitzgerald on 4957 7505 or annwf@optusnet.com.au / Ann.WilliamsFitzgerald@utas.edu.au to discuss pathways for entry into the MCA degree. For further information on the School of Visual and Performing Arts visit our website at: <http://www.acadarts.utas.edu.au> or telephone 03 6324 4400. Academy of the Arts - Developing Creative Intelligence

Weaving Circles

Weaving Circles bring the ancient art of weaving into the traditional craft circle, a gathering to feel the joy of handwork. There are seven workshops, each based on one of the seven patterns called keyforms, because each one is both universal form and ancient symbol. The keyforms are: the Amulet, the Bowl, the Doll, the Belt of Power, the Mask, the Bundle and the Shawl. To book and create your own weaving circle contact Pam Hutley, Certified Weaving Circle Leader. 49597332 / phutley2@bigpond.com

Opportunities in other areas...

Mt Isa **M&GSQ Collection Management and Preventive Conservation**

Skills Development Workshops / Saturday 5 – Sunday 6 September, 9am - 4.30pm

Museum & Gallery Services Queensland is one of 70 organisations around Australia to be awarded a federal Community Heritage Grant. In 2009 M&GSQ, with the support of this grant, will present a two-day Skills Development Workshop in Collection Management and Preventive Conservation in three centres of Western Queensland. All organisations with collections in these centres and surrounding areas are invited to attend.

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Saturday 5 September - Sunday 6 September 2009,

Venue: Outback at Isa

Christine Ianna, museum consultant conservator and trainer – Preservation

Lisa Jones, museum curator, consultant and trainer - Collection management

Registration Fee (includes 2 day workshop, lunch, morning & afternoon teas and all workshop resources): \$35 per person

The Community Heritage Grant program is managed by the National Library. It is funded by the Australian Government through the Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts; the National Archives of Australia; the National Film and Sound Archive; the National Museum of Australia and the National Library.

For more information or to request a registration form for these workshops, please contact Ann Baillie or Kerri Laidlaw on 07 3215 0844 or freecall (within Queensland) 1800 680 433.

Brisbane **Professional Development: Digital Storytelling**

Digital Storytelling is a powerful means of enabling communication and social participation. The Queensland University of Technology, Kelvin Grove Campus is offering Digital Storytelling workshops and seminars throughout 2009.

Dates: 11, 23-26 June. One hour introduction on the first evening. Workshops daily from 9am-1pm, followed by a seminar program 2-4pm each day. Screening of stories on the last evening.

Dates: 10, 16-27 November

One hour introduction on the evening of 10 November. Workshops on 16, 18, 24, 26 November from 5-8pm. Seminar program on 17, 19, 25, 27 November from 5-7pm. Screening of stories on 27 November at 7pm.

In the Digital Storytelling Workshop you will learn to:

- Write a script for a digital story
- Record and edit a voice-over, and create a sound track
- Manipulate images
- Make your own digital story with cost-effective computer applications
- Manage copyright issues using Creative Commons licensing.

In the Digital Storytelling Seminar Program you will learn about:

- Participatory culture and co-creative media
- The history of digital storytelling and how it can be used to research and develop participatory culture in a variety of contexts
- Digital storytelling aesthetics
- Strategies for facilitating co-creative media.

The workshop will be facilitated by Christina Spurgeon, Media and Communication, Creative Industries Faculty, QUT; and Mimi Tsai, Digital Storytelling Project Officer, Creative Industry Faculty, QUT.

For further information, including costs and how to register, visit www.cpq.qut.edu.au

Brisbane ☀ **Art Camp** / Monday 29 June - Saturday 4 July

Art Camp is an intensive, exciting week-long art experience. Throughout the week senior high school students from across QLD attend workshops with professional artists, gallery tours, arts industry presentations, and excursions that are complemented by an evening program of social events. This is a unique experience aimed at providing young emerging art practitioners with opportunities to extend themselves, keep up to date with contemporary practices as well as broadening their networks. At the end of the week, family and friends are invited to visit the final exhibition, which will feature works produced by all participants. Workshop genres include drawing, painting and sculpture and other sessions such as arts business (to be confirmed). Some bursaries are available to assist with costs and application forms are available on the website. Anglican Church Grammar School (Churchie), Oaklands Parade, East Brisbane. Who: Experienced tutors and exhibiting artists. who hold blue cards. Costs: \$590 includes tuition, accommodation, excursions, evening activities and most meals. For more information contact 07 3109 7350 / info@flyingarts.org.au or visit www.flyingarts.org.au

Townsville ☀ **Fourth National Public Galleries Summit** / 9 – 11 September 2009

Join leading Australian and International keynote speakers and colleagues to be part of the Fourth National Public Galleries Summit being presented in Townsville, North Queensland, from 9 – 11 September 2009.

Presented by Museum and Gallery Services Queensland this significant industry event is being hosted by the Townsville City Council and Perc Tucker Regional Gallery and will include a comprehensive two-day program and a series of master classes. The Summit will also feature the official opening of Twelve Degrees of Latitude, a landmark exhibition showcasing the work of 27 regional gallery and university art collections in Queensland.

The National Public Galleries Summit is supported by the Queensland Government through Arts Queensland and by the Australian Government through the Australia Council, its arts funding and advisory body.

Mark these dates in your diaries and stay tuned for further information.

Korea ☀ **The Delphic Games** / 9 – 15 September

The Delphic Games emphasise the importance of global cultural understanding, strengthening of identities and artistic competition as an element of education. Jeju, Korea will host the 2009 Delphic Games, using the opportunity to develop cooperative networks with global art groups and participating countries across the world. Competition will be in the form of public performances in which audiences can participate. For further information, please visit the [International Delphic Council](http://InternationalDelphicCouncil.org) website.

NEW Austria ☀ **Call for Presentations: International Conference - "Performing Arts Training Today"** / 28-31 October, 2009. Location: Retzhof Castle - Leibnitz, Austria. The conference is open to performers from all over the world interested in the research of topical questions and processes in contemporary performing arts education and training. This is a wonderful opportunity for performers, performing arts educators and teachers to demonstrate their methods and techniques.

PRESENTATION FORMATS:

- workshop/master class
- work in progress
- performance fragment not requiring special technical conditions
- reading/lecture
- any other way of demonstration to the presenter's discretion

The conference is open to various performing arts genres and techniques and is not limited to theatre arts.

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES & REGISTRATION: <http://www.iugte.com/projects/conf.reg.php>

CONFERENCE: <http://www.iugte.com/projects/PerformingArts.php>

ACCOMODATION & VENUE: <http://www.iugte.com/projects/leibnitz.php>

You are also welcome to take part in the Conference as a Participant! Visit the Photo Gallery of the past conferences: <http://picasaweb.google.ru/globtheatre>

Beaudesert ☀ **ARTSpeak 2009: 1st Regional Arts and Culture Conference** / 18-20 November 2009. Beaudesert has been unveiled as the location for the first Queensland Regional Arts and Culture Conference to be held in partnership with the Scenic Rim Regional Council. ARTSpeak 2009 (18-20 November) will bring together more than 200 arts participants and practitioners from across the state, providing a valuable opportunity to explore new ideas and partnerships to ensure all Queenslanders have access to arts and culture. Traditionally, the Queensland Government has held a biennial conference specifically for those involved in the long-running Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF). The 2009 ARTSpeak conference will draw upon the successes of RADF, as well as the strengths of Queensland's regional arts and cultural sector, to help identify future directions and to share excellence. The annual RADF allocation of more than \$2.26 million helps support the professional development and employment of arts and cultural workers in regional Queensland and is a partnership between State Government, through Arts Queensland, and local government. The four ARTSpeak themes will be: encouraging community participation and engagement through arts and culture; building strong communities; supporting vibrant regional arts and culture practice, and activating creative spaces. ARTSpeak will include keynote speakers, workshops, panel discussions and a program of artistic work. For more information about the [RADF state conference](#) visit the Arts Queensland website.

Adelaide ☀ **Australian Performing Arts Market (APAM)** / 22-26 February 2010

Every two years Australia's freshest performing arts talent heads to Adelaide to showcase before national and international producers and presenters at the Australian Performing Arts Market (APAM). A prime networking event and a chance to meet the movers and shakers of contemporary performing arts in the Asia Pacific region, APAM takes place from 22-26 February at the Adelaide Festival Centre in South Australia.

At APAM 2008 Queensland showcased seven companies, with Circa, and Dancenorth securing international tours. APAM is held in conjunction with the Adelaide Festival and Fringe, and includes the vibrant Spotlight showcase, Searchlight pitch sessions, On Display booths, a keynote address, forums, workshops and networking functions with hundreds of producers and presenters from across the world. Applications are now open to Australian artists and companies to take part in Spotlight or Searchlight. The deadline for applications is 14 August 2009 - but our advice is to get in early. Registrations open in late May and the Early Bird deadline is 11 December. On Display booth applications open in June 2009. See [Australian Performing Arts Market](#) for more information.

***Please see the Art is in Calendar for an extensive list of weekly workshops.
If you would like to receive a copy of the Art is in Calendar, please send your mailing address via email to***

3. Work and Opportunities...

NEW ☀ **Calling Artists for Expressions of Interest - Artspace Mackay Foundations Postcard Exhibition "Subject Matters"** / EOI's closing 22 July. A unique opportunity exists for artists to be part of this exciting event. A combination of competition, exhibition and art sales held in Artspace Mackay. The winner not only receives \$750 in prize money, but also enjoys the privilege of their artwork being represented as the face of the first Corporate card for Mackay's prestigious new Convention Centre. This exhibition /competition enables you to show your support for our Regional Gallery. In addition, offers an opportunity for your work to be hung in Artspace Mackay, as part of this very first Postcard Exhibition event. The Foundation will provide you with a small format canvas. The finished work will then be donated back to the Artspace Mackay Foundation, for sale on the official opening, (at a price to be fixed) Money raised will then be contributed to the ongoing artistic development of the Mackay Region. All works to be hung in Artspace Mackay are then eligible to win the \$750.00 prize money and postcard prize. If you would like to be part of this exciting event, register your interest in the Postcard Event before 22nd July at Artspace Mackay, or alternatively with the Artspace Mackay Foundation Executive Officer on melissa.broadhurst@mackay.qld.gov.au, phone 49512299, or mobile 0400005958.

NEW ☀ **Calling for Expressions of Interest: Wine and Food Day - Artist Village Stalls/Workshops & Market Stallholders** / Saturday 25 July 2009. The Festival of Arts' signature event, the G & S Engineering Wine and Food Day, will return again to the fabulous Queens Park. People will be able to browse the art exhibitions and craft stalls on show or, if they're feeling a bit more hands on, take part in a workshop!

Artist Village

Weave your way through the vibrant atmosphere of the multi-arts market, and watch local artists hard at work. The artist village is a popular highlight of the g & s engineering wine and food day and is a great way for the public to engage with artists and learn about a variety of art forms such as woodturning, pottery, jewelry making, caricatures and more. Also featured in the artist village this year will be free workshops at the experienced hands of Brisbane Band, Rhythm Sutra.

For more information and to register your expression of interest in being involved in the artist village stalls/workshops or Market Stalls contact Tracey Vella on (07) 4961 9765 or tracey.vella@mackay.qld.gov.au

NEW ☀ **Dalrymple Bay Coal Terminal Prize**

Mackay students able to aim for Dalrymple Bay Coal Terminal Prize. Students enrolled in environmental science at CQUniversity Mackay now have an additional reason to succeed in their studies. The highest-achieving first-year student will gain the Dalrymple Bay Coal Terminal Prize, worth \$1000. The company's annual prize contribution, facilitated by CQUniversity, aims to encourage and reward students who may one day be in a position to increase the sustainability of the resources industries. For more information on how you can support prizes or scholarships, please contact Melissa Misztal on 07 4923 2786 or email m.misztal@cqu.edu.au.

☀ **A Grand for the Grand at the Grand** / Grand Final on 4 July

Talent Quest at the Grand Central Hotel, Sarina. Heats are on each Saturday night until 27 June with the Grand Final 4 July. \$1,000 First Prize, plenty of other prizes. Grand Central Hotel, 26 Central Street, Sarina. Contestant entry fee \$5, audience free. For more information contact Donna Minter on 4956 1627 or Gerard Stanley on 0458 828 717. Entry forms available at the hotel, or can be emailed.

☀ **Queensland Export Awards** / Nominations Now Open

The search is on for 2009's most innovative and successful Queensland export businesses. Premier Anna Bligh announced that Queensland's global businesses once again have the opportunity to showcase their export success by applying for a Premier of Queensland's Export Award.

Premier Bligh said she welcomed nominations from Queensland export businesses across the 12 award categories including arts and entertainment. Additionally, there is the Richard Joel Young Export Entrepreneur Award for a successful young exporter and the Dermot McManus Award for export innovation.

Winners in each category receive a cash or service prize, publicity in various publications, use of the Premier of Queensland's Export Awards logo as well as a trophy. Winners of the Premier of Queensland's Export Awards automatically progress as finalists in the 2009 Australian Export Awards held later in the year. Applications for the Premier of Queensland's Export Awards can be submitted online at [Trade Queensland](#).

Artisan Showcase Opportunities

Artisan is the peak body in Queensland presenting and promoting quality crafted design to an Australian and international audience. The Artisan Ivory 24-7 Gallery, located in Fortitude Valley, is now accepting submissions from emerging and established artists to showcase their work. Art represented includes jewellery, furniture, lighting, glass, ceramics, fashion, textiles, paperware, leather goods and interior products. Individuals, groups, curators and organisations are invited to apply. Visit [Artisan](#) for further information. (Information taken from the CISC Creative Industries Skills Council (Australia) Newsletter - 04/06/2009)

Realise Your Dream Awards / Applications Close 3 July

The British Council Realise Your Dream program awards excellence in the arts and creative industries and offers talented Australians the chance to further their career in the UK. Now in its seventh year, Realise Your Dream provides financial and professional support to help candidates make lasting connections and expand their horizons in one of the world's most vibrant cultural settings. Realise your Dream will offer five creative Australian \$8,000 plus a return flight to the UK. Applications close 3 July 2009. For more information visit the website [Realise Your Dream](#). <http://www.export.qld.gov.au>

2009 GAMAA Nominations Now Open! / Close Friday 10 July

Do you know of a worthy organisation or individual in the museum and gallery sector? – Nominate them now for a 2009 Gallery and Museum Achievement Award (GAMAA). Museum & Gallery Services Queensland presents the GAMAA to honour the achievements of individuals and organisations in striving towards excellence. Nominations can be made for Organisations and for Individuals: Organisation Awards are open to all Queensland museums, galleries and keeping places. Libraries, arts councils and artist-run spaces that undertake exhibition or museum practice-related activities are also eligible to nominate. Individual Awards are open to the paid and volunteer staff of any of the above organisations. The winners will be announced at an Awards night to be held in late 2009. Travel costs will be provided for winners and commendation recipients to attend the awards presentation. There are cash prizes and prizes of goods/services for the winners in each category, as well as a specially commissioned trophy by a Queensland designer. 2009 nomination forms are available on the M&GSQ website, at www.magsq.com.au together with answers to frequently-asked questions about GAMAA and a powerpoint to help you develop a quality nomination. If you need more information or assistance with your nomination, phone M&GSQ on 07 3215 0820 or freecall within Queensland 1800 680 433.

Entries open for the 2009 Outback Art Prize / Applications close: 5pm on 13 July 2009

Broken Hill Regional Art Gallery invites artists who are Australian residents to submit entries for the 2009 Outback Art Prize. Awards will be given to works on paper which significantly address the theme of the Australian outback. The Outback Art Prize is a nationally recognised award. Since it began in 1994, this annual acquisitive prize and exhibition consistently attracts a high standard of entries from artists across the country which reflect the spirit, beauty and diversity of the Australian outback. This year the prize has been sponsored and generously assisted by Mrs Raylee J Hart and the Broken Hill City Council. The 2009 Outback Art Prize consists of one acquisitive Prize of \$13,000; a non-acquisitive Second Prize of \$2,500 and a cash non-acquisitive Encouragement award of \$800. This year's judge is Alan Sisley, Director of the Orange Regional Art Gallery. The exhibition will open and prize announcements made at 6.30pm on Friday, 7 August 2009 at the Broken Hill Regional Art Gallery. Further information and entry forms: www.brokenhill.net.au/bhart/main.html and click on the link to Exhibitions and Public Events

Jetstar Photography Competition / Submissions close 31 July

The Jetstar Photography Competition is now on! Get on board with the travel photo competition and snap your way to brilliant prizes. Whether you're a professional photographer, a budding amateur or just a happy snapping kid.....

There's a category for everyone! All entries must be submitted between May 1st and July 31st 2009. Be sure to read the terms and conditions before entering. Competition is open to all Australian residents. Before uploading your photos, make sure your family and friends in the photo are happy for you to enter it into the competition, and for Jetstar to potentially publish it. Categories include (only one entry per category is permitted): Landscapes, Landmarks/Icons, The Locals, Events, Star Jumpers. Just take a photo at any Jetstar destination that fits into the categories above, upload it to the website, and you could be in the running to win your share of fabulous prizes valued at over \$65,000! All accepted entries will be displayed in the online gallery and some could even be selected for Jetstar promotional material, including magazines and billboards! Visit www.jetstar.com/photocomp to upload your Jetstar holiday destination photos! (Information taken from the CISC Creative Industries Skills Council (Australia) Newsletter - 04/06/2009)


 **Australian Performing Arts Market (APAM) 22-26 February 2010** / Applications to take part in Spotlight or Search Close 14 August 2009. Every two years Australia's freshest performing arts talent heads to Adelaide to showcase before national and international producers and presenters at the Australian Performing Arts Market (APAM). A prime networking event and a chance to meet the movers and shakers of contemporary performing arts in the Asia Pacific region, APAM takes place from 22-26 February at the Adelaide Festival Centre in South Australia. At APAM 2008 Queensland showcased seven companies, with Circa, and Dancenorth securing international tours. APAM is held in conjunction with the Adelaide Festival and Fringe, and includes the vibrant Spotlight showcase, Searchlight pitch sessions, On Display booths, a keynote address, forums, workshops and networking functions with hundreds of producers and presenters from across the world. Applications are now open to Australian artists and companies to take part in Spotlight or Searchlight. The deadline for applications is 14 August 2009 - but our advice is to get in early. Registrations open in late May and the Early Bird deadline is 11 December. On Display booth applications open in June 2009. See [Australian Performing Arts Market](#) for more information.


NEW  **Calling for Expressions of Interest: Coal to Coast Festival – Sarina** / 18 - 20 September
The newest Festival in the region held over three days, celebrates the local mining industry and Sarina and surrounds. This festival brings the best performers in Australia to entertain young and old alike against a backdrop of Coal Games at the Sarina Showground. It promises to be the biggest 3-day event of its kind held in the region with each day having a specific appeal to three different demographic groups. The "Y" generation will have their own concert on Friday, the "Baby Boomers" on Saturday night and families and children on the Sunday.

Expressions of Interest:

- Gourmet food
- Artist
- Entertainers
- Amusements

For more information please contact Janine Said on (07) 4961 9515 or janine.said@mackay.qld.gov.au

 **Publishers Cup Cricket Art Prize** / Closes Friday 25 September
The Cricket Art Prize is a competition run by The Sydney Cricket Ground Trust Publishers Cup for Australasian artists. The competition will be open to a composition representing or depicting some aspect or aspects of the game and sport of cricket, and may feature figurative, still-life, figure-in-landscape themes in settings of backyard cricket, street-cricket, beach cricket, social-cricket or local club cricket. The style may be representative, modern or semi-abstract. Acceptable media are: Paintings - oil, acrylic, water-colour or mixed media on canvass or artists paper. The prize will be awarded for a cricket painting by an Australasian artist completed during the 12 months preceding Monday September 28, 2009. Prize Money Value awarded to the winner will be \$20,000 - acquisitive. Entry form and conditions of entry are available at www.publisherscup.org.au The first prize of \$20,000 for this great competition is being sponsored by Mr Kevin Maloney of The MAC Services Group Limited. As a result of his sponsorship, the twenty finalists' paintings will be brought to Mackay for an exhibition in November, in between the Sydney and Melbourne showings. This will be the only regional destination showing in Australia.

 **The Ian Potter Cultural Trust** / Closing Thursday 1 October 2009 for project/travel after 18 December. The Ian Potter Cultural Trust seeks to encourage the diversity and excellence of emerging artists in Australia. The Trust

makes grants of up to \$7,000 to early career artists practising in a wide range of disciplines within the arts, including the performing and visual arts, crafts, music, the media, literature, design, community arts and other areas. Applications should be posted, couriered, or hand-delivered to the Foundation's office. For your application to be considered it must be received by 5pm on the closing date. Please note that they do not accept emailed or faxed applications. All applicants are encouraged to submit their applications earlier rather than wait until the closing date. For more information contact <http://culturaltrust.ianpotter.org.au/culturaltrust>

NEW ☀ **Calling for Expressions of Interest: River to Reef** / Sunday 5 October 2009

Enjoy festivities galore alongside Mackay's sparkling Blue Water Quay "Pioneer River"! Come and celebrate all that is unique to their tropical lifestyle at the River To Reef Festival. An exciting program of day and evening activities both riverside and on the water has been scheduled to cater to all ages - locals and visitors alike

Expressions of Interest:

- River to Reef
- Gourmet food
- Artist
- Entertainers
- Amusements

For more information please contact Janine Said on (07) 4961 9515 or janine.said@mackay.qld.gov.au

☀ **Calling for Expressions of Interest – Community Art Therapy Project**

Visual and performing artists with an interest in working with at-risk youth and families are invited to participate in this collaborative project. For further information please contact Melissa Selleck, PO Box 11244 Mackay Caneland Q4740 or email to melselleck@yahoo.com.au

☀ **Cataract Gorge Artist in Residence Program**

The Artist in Residence Program is offered to artists from any recognised art form including, but not limited to, painting, music, dance, sculpture or writing. The program offers the opportunity to stay at, and be inspired by, the Kings Bridge Cottage at Launceston's Cataract Gorge Reserve. A residency at the Kings Bridge Cottage is available all year round. Launceston experiences four seasons with changes occurring in the weather, gardens and lifestyle. Program Overview: Residencies allow particular opportunities for artists to experience the character of a place of great depth, culminating in a diverse range of rich and vibrant art interpretation specific to place. Applicants for the program are required to demonstrate a relationship between their work and the Cataract Gorge Reserve and/or the cottage. Preference will be given to applicants who are willing to engage with the local community, such as interact with the public through exhibitions, openings or similar art events and/or hold workshops.

Fees and Charges: \$143 per week (one person) bring own linen / \$176 per week linen provided / Second person pays \$71 per week (bring own linen) \$88 per week - linen provided. 10 per cent nonrefundable deposit on booking, balance payable upon arrival. Minimum two week stay, maximum three months

Applications: Interested artists are invited to provide a written application to the Parks and Recreation Department, providing full contact details, demonstrating how you fulfil the required criteria and nominating the dates you are interested in. For more information visit: www.launceston.tas.gov.au/content/view/229/

4. Grants and Funding

NEW ☀ **Applications for Micro-grant initiative extended / 27 July**

Grants of up to \$1,000 are available to young Queenslanders that are producing art in their local community. Young artists and arts collectives now have until 27 July to apply to Youth Arts Queensland for a strut your stuff grant, a quick-response funding initiative funded by the Queensland Government through Arts Queensland. For more information, email strutyourstuff@yaq.org.au, web <http://www.yaq.org.au/strutyourstuff> or phone (07) 3252 5115.

NEW ☀ **Commonwealth Bank Staff Community Fund Community Grants program** / Applications close Friday 31 July, 5pm. Who can apply? To be eligible to apply, your organisation needs to support the health and wellbeing of Australian children; identify realistic, measurable and achievable project goals and outcomes; be endorsed by the Australian Tax Office with Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) status. Please note that the ABN/ACN supplied on all applications will be checked by the Fund to ensure DGR status is correct. How to apply: Only applications lodged via the [online application form](#) by the published closing date and time will be eligible for assessment. [Contact](#) the Staff Community Fund for more information or visit www.commbank.com.au/communitygrants

☀ **Expressions of Interest: art+place Queensland Public Art Fund** / Closes 31 July & 2 November
Arts Queensland is now receiving applications for funding for public art projects to commence in 2009. The art+place Curatorial Panel will consider both permanent and temporary public art projects.

Applications for funding are open to:

- Queensland Government departments and agencies
- Queensland Local Government councils
- not-for-profit arts and cultural organisations based in Queensland
- arts and cultural festivals based in Queensland
- private developers undertaking projects in Queensland.

Closing dates for lodging an Expression of Interest:

5pm 31 July 2009;

5pm 2 November 2009.

The art+place guidelines and application forms are available at www.arts.qld.gov.au

Applications can be delivered, posted, faxed or emailed to: Government Curator art+place, Arts Queensland, Level 16, 111 George Street, GPO Box 1436, Brisbane, Q, 4001. Fax: 07 3224 4077 Email: art.place@arts.qld.gov.au

If you have any enquiries, please contact Louise Dauth, the Government Curator art+place on 07 3405 6223.

☀ **Janet Holmes à Court Artists' Grant** / Closing 15 August

The Janet Holmes à Court Artists' Grant is designed to provide financial assistance to professional artists for the public presentation of their work. This funding is made possible through a generous donation from Mrs Janet Holmes à Court and the support of the Visual Arts Board of the Australia Council. This grant provides assistance towards the costs of public presentation of visual arts, craft and design. This can include, but is not limited to, framing, media releases, media photographs, advertising, space rental, installation costs, promotional printing, mail outs, documentation, freight, travel, equipment rental, insurance, technical assistance and opening costs. Amounts available are: \$500 for individuals and \$1,000 for groups. This grant does not provide assistance towards the production of artwork (materials, studio rental, research etc). Applications for this grant must be prepared and submitted by the artist/s exhibiting, not their venue, agent or exhibition curator.

Individuals and groups are eligible to apply only once per round and if successful, cannot apply again for 12 months.

Visual arts, craft and design are broadly defined and include: painting, printmaking, drawing, textiles, photo media, sculpture, mixed-media, installation, glass, ceramics, woodwork, jewellery, furniture, performance art, electronic and digital media. Indigenous artists and artists from Non-English Speaking Backgrounds are encouraged to apply.

Notification of decisions will be within two months of the closing date. Applications must reach the NAVA office, or be postmarked by the above dates. If the deadline falls on a weekend, applications will be accepted up to 5pm on the following Monday. Send applications to the National Association for the Visual Arts.

Application Deadlines for exhibitions in Aug, Sept, Oct - Deadline: 15 May; Nov, Dec, Jan - Deadline: 15 August.

The Janet Holmes à Court Artists' Grant is a NAVA initiative, made possible through the generous sponsorship of Mrs Janet Holmes à Court and the support of the Visual Arts Board, Australia Council for the Arts. The National Association for the Visual Arts is supported by the Visual Arts and Craft Strategy, an initiative of the Australian, State and Territory Governments. The National Association for the Visual Arts is assisted by the Australian Government through the Australia Council, its arts funding and advisory body.

☀ **Regional Arts Development Fund** / First Round for 09/10 Closes 19 August for projects starting

after 21 September 2009. Mackay Regional Council in partnership with the Queensland Government offers arts and cultural grants for arts workers, individuals and community groups from the Mackay Regional Council area. The RADF funds one-off, short-term projects that offer professional arts, cultural and heritage opportunities. More information and application forms can be found at www.mackay.qld.gov.au or by contacting the Arts Development Officer on 1300 622 529.

 **Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal Small grants program for small rural Australian communities**

/ Closing date for Round Two 30 September. A small grants program for small rural Australian communities will offer about \$850,000 a year in grants to benefit people in rural and remote communities. The small, well targeted grants of up to \$5000 can be useful to small rural and remote communities and to make small grants more accessible to communities in rural Australia we have established this new and innovative funding program. The program is generously supported by The RE Ross Trust, The Myer Foundation, The Pratt Foundation, The William Buckland Foundation, Perpetual Trustees, The Sylvia & Charles Viertel Foundation, Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, and Local Government, The Ian Potter Foundation, The Yulgilbar Foundation, The Estate of the Late Edward Wilson Trust, The Thyne Reid Foundation, The Caledonia Foundation, The Reinventing the Bush Donation Account, The Grovesnor Foundation & FRRR.

Currently, applications that support the following areas of interest will be given preference:

- * Community development involving Youth
- * Resettlement of immigrants in rural Australia
- * Community Infrastructure
- * Community hardship in drought effected areas

There are two rounds of Small Grants per year. Closing dates are 31 March and 30 September 2009.


Please note: The Application Form is updated each round and preferences may change.

For more information visit www.frrr.org.au


 **Australia Council for the Arts: Creative Communities Partnerships Initiative**

The creative communities partnership initiative supports major community arts and cultural development projects of excellence. Creative communities partnerships support opportunities for Australians to participate in meaningful arts and cultural activities in the places where they live, encouraging innovation and enhancing community wellbeing. Proposals may include a range of diverse but related activities and could be for a period of up to three years for total amounts between \$50,000 and \$600,000. Projects must be completed by 30 June 2012.

The creative communities partnership initiative is open to organisations and proposals may be submitted at any time. For further information, visit www.australiacouncil.gov.au or contact community partnerships on 02 9215 9025, email cp@australiacouncil.gov.au

 **Freefall** / throughout 2009

Residencies for young emerging artists at Crossroad Arts. Opportunities will include mentorship, creative challenge, access to resources and career advice, public outcomes in hybrid artforms. The Loft, corner Gordon and Wood St. For further information and to apply, contact Crossroad Arts. Ph: 4953 5122 / email admin@crossroadarts.com.au

 **Pushed for time?** Volunteers don't have the time to search out suitable grants, and then write a winning application. For assistance with your Grant Writing & Grant Searches Go to www.fundraisingbuddy.com.au/html/grants.htm

 **Contemporary Music Touring Program** / Rounds Close in February and July each year

Contact the Contemporary Music Touring Program for information on funding for Australian musicians to tour their original music around Australia. Funding applications close in February and July each year. Phone 1800 819 461, email music.touring@environment.gov.au or visit their website: www.arts.gov.au/cmtp

☀ **Community Broadcasting Foundation equipment grants** / no closing date

Applications for grants for satellite reception equipment

<http://cts.vresp.com/c/?CommunityBroadcastin/46c28bdc47/f476601f07/d8a81e7c1b/articleid=74&zoneid=39>
and Digital Delivery Network (DDN) computers

<http://cts.vresp.com/c/?CommunityBroadcastin/46c28bdc47/f476601f07/9660382cc2/articleid=84&zoneid=46>

can be made at any time. Guidelines and application forms are available from the CBF website

<http://cts.vresp.com/c/?CommunityBroadcastin/46c28bdc47/f476601f07/c8dcc5229d>

View the due dates of all CBF grants on the Key Dates calendar

<http://cts.vresp.com/c/?CommunityBroadcastin/46c28bdc47/f476601f07/a3de28b1d3>

If your station is keen to profile, interview, record or broadcast Australian musicians in-studio or at outside broadcasts, festivals, concerts or gigs, check the Community Broadcasting Foundation (CBF) website www.cbf.com.au to find out more.

☀ **Community Benefits Program**

In association with many of its new transmission lines Powerlink aims to support local communities and worthwhile community projects through its Community Benefits Program (CBP). Powerlink's CBP provides funding for selected projects that deliver tangible and lasting benefits to local communities in close proximity to new transmission lines. Previous worthwhile community projects funded by Powerlink's CBP in other areas of Queensland include the installation of a shade shelter at a local school, purchasing books for a community lending library, and landscaping for a respite centre. Funding provided for the CBP is in addition to the compensation paid to landowners directly affected by easements for the transmission line project, and is allocated to selected community projects that can demonstrate broad community support. For more information visit

<http://www.powerlink.com.au/asp/index.asp?sid=5056&page=community/benefits>



5. **ebulletin Tid Bits...**

Did you know about... the Test Drive The Arts Program...

Test Drive the Arts / August 2007 – November 2009

Launched in August 2007 the scheme offers thousands of free theatre tickets to residents of Queensland who are new to the arts or have not been in the last three years. This is a great opportunity for people to go to a show for the first time... and there are various opportunities throughout the state. It's really easy - just search the website for venues and companies near you. Have a look at what's on offer and grab your tickets quick - before someone else does! New offers are posted on the site regularly, so if there is nothing of interest today, come back to the site again soon! For more information, please refer to www.testdrivethearts.com.

Did you know about...the new offerings from the Mackay Community Gardens...

TOURS

As the Mackay community Garden evolves into the future and the site becomes more established, the plants, insects, animals and people evolve with it. There is continual change as we strive toward a stabilized, abundant system and we can share this journey with you by taking you on a tour. We love to explain the different plants that we have in our garden and how they function and interact with each other.

Bookings are required for tours. \$10 per person, or, group bookings of 5-12 people are \$50.
12 people plus will be \$100.

Tour Times - Thursdays and Fridays between 10am - 2pm. Tours usually take about an hour and morning tea can be provided through prior arrangement.

CLUB OR ORGANIZATION VISITS

We welcome any club or organization to utilize the facility of the Community Gardens for small gatherings, meetings, functions etc., and these can be on any of the following days - Mondays, Tuesdays or Wednesdays. Organization membership is all that is required for this service and booking will be necessary.

WORKSHOPS

If any individual or group wishes to use the Gardens and its facilities to conduct workshops, seminars or regular events, please contact us for further details. Membership and donation will be required.

For further information and bookings for any of the above mentioned , please contact; Jenny Otto on 4955 2758. Katrina Ogalvie on 4953 5310. or Luke on 4959 8170. Please leave messages on answering services as all messages will be responded to in time.

6. Community Showcase...

Be Kind To Your Mind: local artists getting the message out to the community

Tropical Population Health Services, the Department of Communities, and Mackay Regional Council are working together on a community arts project as part of the long-term recovery process following the 2008 Mackay flood. The aim is to bring people together to reflect on their experiences and to acknowledge the incredible community response during and after the flood.

The arts have a well-recognised potential to promote health and wellbeing. Through participation in the arts people can: express ideas and feelings, build self-esteem and self-confidence, learn new skills, get involved in their community, and develop stronger social and supportive networks.

Local artists are working on the project being conducted under the banner of Tropical Population Health Services' *Be Kind To Your Mind* campaign promoting the key messages:

- talk about it
- take a break
- make contact
- kick back
- work it out
- stress less.



**Back row from left: Wanda Bennett, Donnielle Fatnowna, Noel Giles
Front row from left: Patsy Brimble, Judy Rose, Rosemary Payne, Pam
Hutley**

Steve Mayer-Miller, director of Crossroad Arts, is collaborating with the Australian Literacy Educators' Association (ALEA) to produce a short film, titled *Resilience*, to show how people who were affected by the flood have stood together and emerged stronger from the disaster.


Wanda Bennett, Rosemary Payne, and Pam Hutley will be working with groups using mixed media, including pastels, felt, fibre, and even recycled teacups, to create works celebrating neighbourhood and community spirit. Information about dates and times of the free workshops will be available at the Yurt at the Wine and Food Day on 25 July or by contacting the artists directly.

Patsy Brimble is a local Aboriginal artist who will be conducting workshops in rock art inspired by local Aboriginal history. An introductory session will be held at the South Sea Islander Hut markets on Sunday 2 August. Dates and times for the free workshops will be available there, and at NAIDOC Day in Queens Park on 10 July. Everyone is welcome.

Noel Giles is conducting free two-day blacksmithing workshops. Details are being finalised.

Jessica Clarke will conduct digital photography workshops at Mackay City and Gordon White libraries for people interested in editing their personal photographs to create a visual story of their flood experiences. Contact the libraries for details of dates and times for the free workshops.

For further information contact Judy Rose at Tropical Population Health Services, Phone: 4968 6624
Email: judy_rose@health.qld.gov.au



Working on an interesting arts project?
Been somewhere or done something you would like to share with our arts community?

Email creative@mackay.qld.gov.au to make a submission for inclusion in the Creative Mackay ebulletin's 'Community Showcase'.

Relevant photographs are welcome for inclusion with your submissions



SUBMISSIONS

If you would like to contribute to Creative Mackay, please email the details to creative@mackay.qld.gov.au.
The deadline for the next issue is Wednesday 5 August 2009.

Contributions from the Mackay, Whitsunday and Isaac Regional Council areas are welcome. Submissions will be accepted from other areas however, inclusion is dependent on available space after all local submissions are received. Listings for arts/cultural activities and events are free.

To ensure your submission is included please forward your text in the format below. Please do not preformat, use Caps Lock or send flyers in PDF or any other poster format as these require editing and will not be included.

Submissions Format:

Title of event or activity / date and time
Brief description of activity (up to 20 words)
Location. Costs. Contact details for more information.

If you wish to submit graphics/photos to accompany your submission TIFF files are our preference followed by JPEG files. Please also include a caption to accompany the graphic/photo. Information to include in a caption would be full name of person or event and brief description; or if it is an artwork - title of artwork, medium and artists name.

** There is no guarantee that graphics/photos will be included in the ebulletin.

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