

Welcome to the Creative Mackay e-bulletin 14 - 28 March 2008

This fortnightly e-bulletin provides the latest information on news, events and opportunities about arts and culture for Mackay and region. If you would like to contribute information to the e-bulletin, please email creative@mackay.qld.gov.au

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More information and application forms can be found at www.mackay.qld.gov.au or by contacting the Arts Development Officer on 4968 4444.

Need some advice on preserving archives?

Free copies of the National Archives of Australia publication: Keep it for the Future - How to set up small community archives, are available through Mackay Regional Council. If you wish to receive a copy contact the Arts Development Officer on 4968 4444 or creative@mackay.qld.gov.au Only 50 copies available so first in first served.

Call for entries – AFS Pharmacy Art on show Awards 2008 / Competition closes Friday 23 May, works deadline 11th June 2008. Presented by the Mackay Show Association the Art on Show Awards and 3 day exhibition will be held from 17 – 19 June 2008 at the 500 Pavilion Mackay Showgrounds. Total Prizemoney \$9,500.

Entry forms now available from:

Mackay Showgrounds Office, AFS Friendly Care Pharmacy, Artspace Mackay, Milton Picture Framers, Arthouse Gallery, TJ's Picture Framing, Gargett Gallery, Verena's Framing & Prints, Mackay Entertainment Centre, Mackay Regional Botanic Gardens, Colour Me Crazy (Proserpine), or online at www.mackayshow.com.au

For further information contact Mackay Show Association 4957 3916 or admin@mackayshow.com.au

Calling all creative young People / 9 - 11 April, 12.30 – 3.30pm

An exciting opportunity for 11 - 18 year olds to work with professional Designers, Artists and Musicians to produce a short performance for the Opening night of the River Rock to Mountain Top Community Festival on Friday 9 May. The 3 day workshop program will incorporate aspects of set design, theatre production, shadow & UV puppetry, and music & movement. Come along, support your community and have loads of fun while learning new skills. Places

are limited so please book early to secure your place. Mirani Community Hall. For more information or to book your place contact Wanda Bennett 4958 5030. This Project has been made possible with assistance from the Regional Arts Development Fund, a state and local government partnership in regional arts and cultural development; and is supported by the River Rock to Mountain Top Community Festival.

New Dance School in Sarina

Dynamite Dance is a new dance school in Sarina specialising in American Hip Hop. Jodie Gardner, has over 20 years dance and 9 years teaching experience and has danced and trained in the USA with choreographers for the "Bring it On" movies, the Miami Dolphin Cheerleaders (American Grid Iron), the Los Angeles Clippers NBA Dance Team and the Sacramento Kings NBA Dance Team - just to mention a few! Classes will be held in Sarina. For more information contacted Jodie 0409 470 704 dynamitedance@hotmail.com

1. Exhibitions, Events and Performances...

2008 Libris Awards: Australian Artists' Books Prize exhibition / 8 February – 23 March 2008

The *Libris Awards* are Australia's premier national artists' book prize. An initiative of the Mackay City Council through Artspace Mackay, these biennial awards seek to develop awareness of the Council's significant collection of artists' books and to develop the collection further through the acquisition of new works by leading Australian artists working in this field. This exhibition of selected finalists' works forms part of the overall Artspace Mackay program *FOCUS ON ARTISTS' BOOKS 4.*



Also on show *The foreigner in ourselves: Recent works by Clyde McGill* Winner of the 2006 Libris Awards, Clyde McGill, presents an exhibition of recent works in the foyer of Artspace Mackay. McGill's work looks at the edges, portals, the porous lines and the suffusion that occurs between the inside and the outside.

Clyde McGILL

They burnt my boat (Perahu) today (detail)
Paper, print, drawing, fabric

Exhibition of works on paper / 9 February - 29 March 2008

Works on paper by renowned Australian Printmakers Dianne Fogwell, Ron McBurnie and Euan McLeod. Artists' Books by Wim de Vos and Adele Outteridge + Etchings by Glen Skien. Arthouse Gallery, open Wednesday to Friday 10am - 5pm + Saturday 11am - 3pm or by appointment. 148 Wood Street, Mackay, Qld. 4740. Contact: arthouse150@westnet.com.au / www.artgallerymackay.com.au

John Pielmeier's Agnes of God / 29 February - 16 March

A radiantly innocent young girl who sings with the voice of an angel is the central character of Kucom Theatre's first production for 2008. John Pielmeier's Agnes of God, tells the story of a novice nun who gives birth and insists that the child was the result of a virgin conception. When the baby is found dead in a wastepaper basket, an investigation ensues: Is Agnes a cold-blooded murderer, a holy innocent - or is she insane?

Kucom's production of Agnes of God, directed by Jim Kelly, will open at the Kucom Playhouse in Shakespeare Street on Friday 29 February and run Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays until 16 March. For bookings contact Mackay Entertainment Centre ₹ 4957 1777. All other inquiries to Kucom Theatre ₹ 0409 980 022.

Tres Guitarras / 15 March, 8pm

Presented by Mackay Pioneer Arts Council in partnership with Heritage Building Society
Tres Guitarras will ignite the stage with the passion and soul of Andalucian Flamenco, Gypsy and Latin Jazz Music.

Conservatorium Foyer, Boundary Rd. Members \$15 / Non Members \$20 Concessions available. Tickets at the door.

Irrespunsible / Saturday 15 March, 8pm

Hank Vann presents a musical performance featuring the reckless, rash, careless, thoughtless, foolhardy, foolish, impetuous, devil may care, delinquent, derelict, negligent, hare-brained, unreliable, undependable, untrustworthy, flighty and immature use of puns and other word play.

Kohuna Sands Resort, Bucasia. FREE.

Mackay Choral Society Preview Concert / Sunday 16 March, 2pm.

An entertaining concert of mainly choral music to include all genres from classical to pop. QLD Conservatorium of Music Planlands. For more information contact Ken Martin 4942 4095 / kbmartin@netspace.net.au

Choral and Variety Concert / 16 March, 2pm

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Clairview W.A.G.S Easter Market / Sunday 23 March, 8.30am to 12pm

Sausage sizzle, cakes, plants and jams, bric a brac, books, woodwork, sunglasses, watches, jewellery, casual clothing and footwear, and raffles. Tea, Coffee and Cold drinks also available. All Stall Holders Welcome. Clairview Community Hall. For more information contact Lyn 4956 0006 / 0418 756 338.

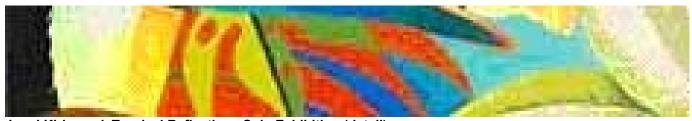
Cage of Ghosts: Jon Rhodes / Friday 28 March - Sunday 11 May.

A National Library of Australia Travelling Exhibition featuring the photographs of Jon Rhodes, Cage of Ghosts represents the search for physical reminders of Aboriginal occupation in South-Eastern Australia, where the impact of European settlement has been the longest and most intense. Artspace Mackay 4957 1722.

Exhibition Floor Talks (tbc) / Saturday 29 March, from 11am. Free event, no bookings necessary. For more information contact Artspace Mackay 4957 1722.

Tropical Reflections / Saturday 29 March, 6 pm

Jenni Kirkwood solo exhibition - Including Wearable Art - portraying the vibrant colours of our tropical region. Complimentary wine and nibblies. Shingley Beach Resort, Shingley Drive, (Able Point Marina turn) Airlie Beach. RSVP Monday 24 March to Jenni 4951 4600 / jenni@kirkwoodart.com.au



Jenni Kirkwood, Tropical Reflections Solo Exhibition (detail)

Meet the Collection / Saturday 29 March, 10.30am. An opportunity to view the Mackay City Council Artists' Book Collection. Free event, no bookings necessary. For more information contact Artspace Mackay 4957 1722.

Community Sunday Funday / Sunday 30 March, 1 – 4pm. Free activities will include: Sound Circles, Windsock making, Circus Workshops, Beach Sports and Family challenges (eg. Sack and three-legged races). All welcome!! The Esplanade, Bucasia Beach. For more information contact Kathleen Gooch, Mackay City Council

2. Training, Workshops and Conferences...

Term 1, Kids Art Club with Rosemary Payne: 5 – 8 years

Saturday 2 February & Saturday 16 February – Saturday 15 March 2008, 10am-12pm Artspace Mackay Seminar Room \$110 per child, includes materials and morning tea each week. For children 5 – 8 years To book contact Artspace Mackay \$\mathbb{\alpha}\$ 4957 1722.

Term 1, Kids Art Club with Rosemary Payne: 9 – 13 years

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Photography SLR six week course / 12 February to 18 March, 6pm – 8pm

Designed for the first time SLR user, to the more advanced users, this course will give you an understanding of your camera and the joy of photography. Learn about framing, composition, rule of thirds and camera techniques. The course covers landscape, portraiture, close-up and action photography. 54 Wellington Street, Mackay. Contact Ann Fitzgerald, Auz Vizions Photographics, 4957 7505 / annfitzgerald@optusnet.com.au

DreamWorks / 6 week series second Friday of the month Feb-July

This program uses a multi-modal creative arts approach to dreamwork, empowering participants with tools to journey within to interact with dreams and their uniquely personal meaning to access valuable insight and wisdom for living. Facilitator: Judith Grieve. Masonic Centre, Cnr Wood St & 9th Lane, Mackay. For more information and bookings contact 4942 4171.

Children's Art Classes with Margaret Burgess / Monday afternoons 3.30 - 5.15pm

Commencing 3 March at Mackay, Mackay Art Society Hall, Snow Wright Court, Beaconsfield. To register your interest or for more information contact Margaret Burgess 0401 834 829 / robandmarg@orion-online.com.au

A threaded feast with MJ Ryan Bennett / Saturday 15 & Sunday 16 March, 10am – 4pm

Using a variety of natural materials, participants will design and build their own piece of ephemeral wearable art from a fine selection of ingredients including found objects sourced from the environment to dried pulses and exotic spices. Participants are encouraged to bring along their own found objects, with personal meaning, to be included in their composition. This workshop will provide participants with basic training in using jeweller's hand tools and drill press. Fee: \$110 / concession \$100.00 (inc. GST). Bookings essential.

To book contact Artspace Mackay, 2 07 4957 1722

Basic home food gardening / 16th March

A half day workshop covering basic steps to assist in the establishment of your own garden at home. Includes planting strategies, water saving techniques, key hole gardening. Cost. \$30.00 members / \$60.00 non members. To register contact Luke mcomgard@bigpond.net.au

Introduction to Permaculture / 27 March and 3 April

A 2 day workshop covering basic Permaculture principles and the conceptual plan for the Community Garden. This workshop is formulated for any volunteer wishing to become more involved in activities at the site or wishing to

establish their own site at home. Cost. \$50.00 members. \$100.00non-members. To register contact Luke https://example.com/destablish-their own site at home. Cost. \$50.00 members. \$100.00non-members. To register contact Luke https://example.com/destablish-their own site at home. Cost. \$50.00 members. \$100.00non-members.

Music Workshop / Saturday 29 March - Sunday 30 March 2008

Music Teachers' Association of Queensland, Mackay Branch present Samantha Coates - Workshop titles include: Melody and Harmony: Creativity in the exam room; Theory in 7 minutes; Music for Fun, Music for Life. For an application Form and further information phone Cynthia 0407 035 963 or Janet 4952 2708

Flying Arts presents Anneke Silver Drawing workshop / Saturday 29 & Sunday 30 March, 10am to 4pm "Drawing is a great way to learn to 'see'. It can be the foundation for making art or it can be an art form in itself." Although this workshop is for beginners it is also appropriate for those who want to refresh their skills. Besides learning a lot it will be fun. Sarina Cultural Hall, Anzac St, Sarina. Cost \$120 (TBC) Contact Marilyn Bliss 4956 2618 / marilynbob@aussiebroadband.com.au

Collage and wax nostalgia works with Ngaio Lenz / Saturday 19 & Sunday 20 April, 10am – 4pm This two-day workshop will encourage participants to incorporate personal papers, letters, stamps etc., preferably with some history and connection, into collage and wax 'nostalgia works'. The intention will be to show participants how to produce an intimate reflection of themselves or a loved one, or just a small collage using their own intuitive response to the items they have brought. Students will learn how to trust their instincts and consider placement of items, as well as proportion, colour, texture and balance to make something they can hang on a wall at home. Especially good for those who feel they have no painting skills, but want to make art.

Fee: \$110 / concession \$100.00 (inc. GST). Bookings essential.

To book contact Artspace Mackay, 2 07 4957 1722

Tropical Food Plants / Sunday 20 April

A half day workshop to discover the abundant variety of tropical food plants for this region. Learn some basic propagation techniques and locations to source stock. Cost. \$30.00 members. / \$60.00 non-members. To register contact Luke https://doi.org/10.000/members.2000/members.

Bamboo Drypoint Etching with Ruth Parry / Saturday 26 & Sunday 27 April, 10am – 4pm

Developed initially for schools by New Zealand printmaker Stanley Palmer, Bamboo Drypoint Etching is an exciting technique using dried sheaths, which grow at the base of the bamboo, in place of a metal plate. After cutting these sheaths and gluing them to a baseboard, an image can be scratched in the shiny surface, enabling ink to penetrate and hold in the fibrous tissues of the organic plate when it is inked. A fantastic, non-toxic printmaking technique using natural, easily-found materials.

Fee: \$110 / concession \$100.00 (inc. GST). Bookings essential.

To book contact Artspace Mackay, 2 07 4957 1722

Discover the wonderful world of Watercolours with Rosemary Payne / Saturday 10 & Sunday 11 May 2008 This weekend workshop aims to introduce students to basic watercolour techniques through practical demonstration and application. Materials will be explored and the practical process of watercolour application will be explained.

Participants will become competent in mixing paint and using related materials.

Fee: \$110 / concession \$100.00 (inc. GST). Bookings essential.

To book contact Artspace Mackay, 2 07 4957 1722

Creative Writing with Brooke McReynolds / Saturday 31 May & Sunday 1 June 2008

This 2-day workshop in creative writing will take participants through a series of interactive exercises covering topics such as: getting started; styles and genres; character and voice; dialogue and description; structure and revision; poetry and; getting published. Participants will do a lot of writing themselves throughout the workshop and can expect plenty of talking, laughter and applause! For more information contact Artspace Mackay, **2** 07 4957 1722

Fibre and Form/Wearable Art Workshop with Michael Kay / Saturday 7 - Monday 9 June

UTAS is bringing Textile Tutor Michael Kay to Mackay for a 3 day workshop on the Queens Birthday long weekend. This workshop will introduce participants to techniques enabling them to produce unique and unusual fabrics that could be used for wearable art, costume or fashion garments. Discover the magic properties of iron-on-interfacing, carving and slicing of multi-layered fabrics, dyeing synthetics and why a heat gun should be in every sewing kit! Bring a sewing machine (heat gun supplied) and take away a bag full of new ideas and techniques. This workshop will be limited to 18 participants. We are calling for a \$100 deposit to guarantee your placement in this exciting 3-day workshop with the balance due in full by 1st May 2008. Location: CQU Campus, Building 51/Room G04. Cost \$225 (dyes and some fabrics supplied). UTAS reserves to right to change the dates on courses if minimum numbers are not achieved. No refund will be available for cancellations made less than 14 days prior to the course commencement date. To register contact Ann Williams-Fitzgerald 4957 7505 / annwf@optusnet.com.au

Call for Expressions of Interest - Glass fusion Workshop with Judith Bohm-Parr / 14 – 15 June

Learn how to fuse glass in a kiln resulting in two projects that can be taken home such as tiles, drink coasters, fridge magnets, wind chimes. This workshop will not cover 3D shapes, all projects will be flat. Flaggy Rock Community and Recreation Centre (at Flaggy Rock) on June 14 - 15 2008. For more information contact Jennifer Clark, Community Development Officer, ISAAC Regional Shire Council 4964 5408 / 0427147493 / jennifer_clark@broadsound.gld.gov.au

Call for Expressions of Interest - Silk Painting 2 day workshop / April/May/June, Dates TBC Venue and cost TBC. To register your interest in either of these workshops contact Marilyn Bliss 4956 2618 / sarinaarts@hotmail.com

Winter in the Tropics / 6 - 11 July 2008

Winter in the Tropics is a six-day drawing workshop with Geoff Dupree. Geoff Dupree is a well-known and respected representational painter who has acquired a considerable reputation as a drawing and painting teacher. He designed a highly successful drawing program in the Faculty of Art and Design a Monash University. The workshop will be held at the James Cook University in Cairns from Sunday 6 to Friday 11 July 2008, and cost \$690 full fee for six days. A list of materials needed will be received once registered.

For further information, contact Margaret Genever 2 07 4093 8835 or 🕆 genevers@bigpond.com

Professional Development: Australian Copyright Council - 2008 Training Program

The Australian Copyright Council is an independent non-profit organisation that provides information, advice and training about copyright in Australia. The Australian Copyright Council is running its 2008 Training Program in Brisbane in September and October 2008. The training sessions provide information on copyright essentials: creators' reputation rights, recent developments, websites; licenses for digital resources, protecting and exploiting rights, permissions and clearances, compliance procedures and policies and much more! For further information, visit www.copyright.org.au or contact the Australian Copyright Council by email info@copyright.org.au

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 creative @mackay.qld.gov.au.

3. Work and Opportunities...

Employment Opportunity: Access Arts / Applications close on 17 March 2008

Access Arts is seeking expressions of interest from enthusiastic arts and cultural workers for the Crossing Divides Regional Initiative - Currumbin Community Special School project. They are looking for a support worker and art facilitators who work in the following art forms: hip hop, visual arts, theatre, digital storytelling and sound circles. All positions have a three-month contract with the possibility of extension. Successful applicants will need to complete disability awareness training and a staff induction session on 5 April 2008. For more information, contact Jessica

Townsend at Access Arts by email jessica@accessarts.org.auor phone 07 3358 6200.

Position Vacant: Executive Support and Program Officer / Applications close Monday 17 March 2008 Museums & Galleries NSW seeks to appoint a full-time Executive Support and Project Officer. This is a great opportunity to join a dynamic arts organisation and assist the CEO, Board and Senior Management on a variety of strategic initiatives for the organisation.

This role provides key support to the CEO in researching sector issues; provides ongoing support to the Board and is a fantastic opportunity to develop a broad understanding of the museum and gallery sector, as well as support the administration of a dynamic not-for-profit organisation. The salary range for this position will be \$35k - \$42k (plus super and leave loading) depending on experience. The individual will be expected to commence work on Monday, 21 April 2008 (which will allow for detailed training from the present position holder). A copy of the Position description is available on the Museums & Galleries NSW website www.mgnsw.org.au.

For further information please contact Jean Probert, Special Projects Officer on 02 93399902 or email jeanp@mgnsw.org.au to discuss this position further. Please email applications to jeanp@mgnsw.org.au or post to: Maisy Stapleton, CEO, Museums & Galleries NSW, 43 – 51 Cowper Wharf Rd, Woolloomooloo 2011.

National Trust Heritage Festival / Event details must be received by the Friday 21 March 2008

The National Trust invites you and your group or organisation to celebrate Queensland's unique cultural heritage by joining the 25th Annual National Trust of Queensland Heritage Festival. This program of events is the State's largest celebration of Queensland's heritage and plays a key role in fostering an appreciation of our history and our cultural identity. This year will once again see a fantastic variety of community-hosted events held across metropolitan and regional Queensland from Sunday 11 May to Sunday 18 May 2008. The festival theme for 2008 is 'Coming to Queensland'. The National Trust would like to hear about the people whose lives and contributions have made Queensland - individual and collective stories about those that have shaped this great state that we live in today - and about the history and ongoing activities of your organisation, industry or community that makes us who we are. To register your event, download a registration form from www.nsw.nationaltrust.org.au or phone 07 3229 1788 for further information.

Call for Expressions of Interest: Artback NT / Submissions close 28 March 2008.

Artback NT Arts Touring are calling for Expressions of Interest for potential touring during the 2009 calendar year. Artback NT Arts Touring is interested in hearing from visual artists and performers (theatre, dance, music, circus and spoken word) and from both solo acts, groups and companies who are interested in Performing and Visual Arts touring. The work must have already been developed, performed and be ready for touring; with evidence of publicity, promotion, touring costs, remount fees and a developed technical specification. Please email your Expression of Interest to tour@artbacknt.com.au. For further information or to discuss your application, please contact Julie Fielke, Visual Arts Touring Manager on 08 8953 5941 or Vanessa Hutchins, Performing Arts Touring Manager on 08 8924 4183.

Electrofringe 2008 – Call for Proposals / Proposals close 31 March 2008

Electrofringe is a five day festival of electronic arts and culture occurring as part of *This Is Not Art* in Newcastle Australia. *Electrofringe* is dedicated to furthering the creative use of technology and electronic art forms with focus upon skills exchange and development and is currently seeking proposals in the following program areas: Artist and Project Presentations; Panels, Workshops, Site Specific Residencies, Special Events, Electro-Online (web based art) and Electro-Screen (single channel video based works). For more information visit www.electrofringe.net

Sarina Art Extravaganza, 23 - 31 May / Entries close Friday 25 April 2008
With prizes worth more than \$14,000 this event is well worth entering. There are 13 adult categories and one for youth. Brochure and entry form available from Marilyn Bliss 4956 2618 / sarinaarts@hotmail.com

Call for expressions of interest: Discover Sarina Festival / 23 May to 31 May 2008.

Gala Opening of the Sarina Art Extravaganza followed by seven days of arts, crafts and community workshops. Anybody wishing to hold or attend a workshop please contact the secretary Anne Smith 47566227/

Max Afford Playwright's Award / Closes Friday 4 July 2008

The Max Afford Playwrights' Award was established to promote interest in Australian drama and to encourage the writing of plays in Australia, to help and give incentive to young writers of plays for either stage, TV or films. The Award is an initiative of the late Thelma May Afford in memory of her husband, Max Afford, who in her will established a fund to offer a periodical prize to provide young writers with a reward enabling them to improve their creative writing and through the above means to improve the general public's appreciation of Australian drama and playwrights. For more information about Max Afford visit www.trust.com.au/assets/contentFiles/About_Max_Afford.pdf The 2008 winner will receive:

- \$7,500 cash prize; and
- Expenses to a maximum of \$2,500 for registration, accommodation and airline tickets to attend a reading of the winning play at the annual Australian National Playwrights' Conference following the announcement of the winner.

Entries close Friday 4 July 2008 and winners are announced late 2008

To download a 2008 application form visit www.trust.com.au/assets/contentFiles/MaxAfford_2008Form_A4.pdf
If you wish to be updated on milestones for this Scholarship send your email address with "Max Afford" as the subject to: psalter@cauzgroup.com.au

For further information regarding this Scholarship please contact: Cauz Group Pty Limited

Telephone: (02) 9144 2415 / email: trustawards@cauzgroup.com.au

Tattersall's Club Landscape Art Prize 2008 / Entry Form Due Friday 25 July 2008

The Tattersall's Landscape Art Prize is one of Australia's most lucrative Landscape Art Prizes. The Arts Prize is acquisitive. The winning entry will receive: \$20,000; Highly commended: two business class airfares to Europe sponsored by Emirates; and Members Choice: \$5,000 gift voucher for Hardy Brothers Jewellers.

The artist is required to submit a painting relating only to the landscape theme which refers to any aspect of landscape executed in traditional or contemporary painting style and may include figures in landscape. There MUST be an element in the painting that refers to land. Only one entry per artist. An entry fee of \$44 is required to be forwarded with the entry form by Friday 25 July. Artists are requested to submit an image of their painting either electronically (JPEG ONLY), or by CD, disk or photographic print and must be received by Art Promotions Queensland no later than Friday 8 August 2008.

For more detailed information about submission requirements contact Bernie Hollett (07) 3219 7217 / bernie@apq.com.au

Far North Queensland Contractor for Creative Production Hubs in Queensland / Offer Closes: Thursday 21 September 2008, 2.00pm. Arts Queensland invites proposals from suitably qualified contractors to undertake planning, regional research, consultation and project development in the Far North Queensland area to contribute to the development of Creative Production Hubs in Queensland.

This project will investigate the potential for producer hubs that can act as an interface between creators and presenters, servicing independent / small group artists in all areas of their work: networking, audience development, tour coordination, audience development, administrative, production and marketing, thus enabling the artists to focus on the creative side of their work.

The successful contractor will need to demonstrate:

- Track record and knowledge on performing arts producing and touring: particularly in the independent and small to medium sectors.
- Significant networks and contacts across relevant and appropriate stakeholders in north and far north Queensland
- Superior writing, analytical and communication skills
- Ability to complete project within mutually agreed timeframe and budget

For further information, please refer to the Queensland Government's e-tender website: www.qgm.qld.gov.au E-tender Reference: AQ 015/2008

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More information and application forms can be found at www.mackay.qld.gov.au or by contacting the Arts Development Officer on (07) 4968 4444.

Australia Council Inter-Arts Funding

Contemporary Australian art is driven by the experimentation and innovation of artists working at the edges of established artistic practice. To facilitate this exploration, the Inter-Arts Office is pleased to announce its new grant rounds for 2008.

- Synapse Enables collaborations between the arts and sciences. Applications close: 3 March 2008.
- New work A one-off funding initiative for the creation of new interdisciplinary artworks. Applications close: 31 March 2008.
- Residencies Applications close: 1 May 2008.
- Projects Project grants support artists working in interdisciplinary and hybrid arts to engage in research and development, creative development and/or production.

Please contact staff at the Inter-Arts Office on 9215 9116 or 1800 226 912 or visit: www.australiacouncil.gov.au/grants

Visions of Australia / Applications close: 1 April 2008.

Visions of Australia aims to enable more Australians to enjoy our diverse culture by accessing exhibitions of cultural material. It provides funding to eligible organisations to develop and tour exhibitions of Australian cultural material across Australia. Exhibitions should have a predominantly Australian source or theme. There are two funding rounds each year. Further information: www.arts.gov.au/arts/visions_of_australia

Closes 13 April 2008

The Q150 Program aims to encourage all Queensland communities to undertake activities and projects that celebrate and commemorate Queensland's 150th anniversary in a way that reflects the unique culture, heritage and aspirations of their own community. The Q150 Community Funding Program is a \$4 million grants program open to not-for-profit incorporated community organisations, local councils, schools, and tertiary institutions throughout Queensland. The Q150 Community Funding Program is now open and closes on 13 April 2008. To download the funding guidelines and application form, visit www.q150.qld.gov.au. Applicants can apply for between \$2,000 - \$10,000. For further information, phone (toll-free) 1800 502 419.

Siganto Travel Scholarship / Applications open Monday 14 April

The biennial bursary offers emerging visual arts, craft and design practitioners the opportunity to expand their professional development through travel. Funds up to the value of \$7000 are available for travel that will support an individual's career development. Examples of projects funded by the Scholarship include (but are not limited to) attendance at international and interstate conferences, residencies and masterclasses, and international research projects used to

access resources unavailable in Australia. Rub shoulders with the rich and famous at the Venice Biennale, undertake a photography residency in Los Angeles, or learn about contemporary indigenous painting in central Australia. For more information on applications visit www.artworkers.org

5. ebulletin Tid Bits...

Did you know about Encompass Art Productions...

Here is an introduction from Tamara Anderson...



www.encompassartproduction.com.au

07 4927 5431 / 0413 955 853

Encompass Art Productions is a Central Queensland business designed for the development and support of local art and culture. In an attempt to bridge the marketing gap we have aimed our website at the arts and cultural communities of Regional Central Queensland.

We are interested in placing your events in our events calendar. There is no fee, any event is welcome so people can plan a fun filled day experiencing the arts and culture of their local community.

All that is required is a simple email detailing your event. You can also send through an image of your flyer so we can put up on our website.

www.encompassartproduction.com.au

Experience what Encompass Art Productions has to offer. We are constantly improving and updating our website with new articles, expanding our talent database and services and adding new events to our events calendar.

6. Community Showcase...







April 3 – April 12, 2008 Queensland Songbridge

Shout! Share! Live! Unite!

Engaging Queensland local artists and young people in the creation of music which tells the stories of the South Sea Islander heritage in Queensland

Incorporating
Allegretto – Townsville
Banksia Voices – Mackay
Livingstone Shire Youth Choir – Yeppoon

Featuring

Composer – in – Residence: Harley Mead Artist- in -Residence: Patrick Nolan -Flute

Artistic Director & Conductor: Julie Christiansen OAM

Piano: Justine Favell

Guest Artists: Brisbane Birralee Voices

Working on an interesting arts project?

Been somewhere or done something you would like to share with our arts community?

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

Relevant photographs are welcomed 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 26 March 2008.

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