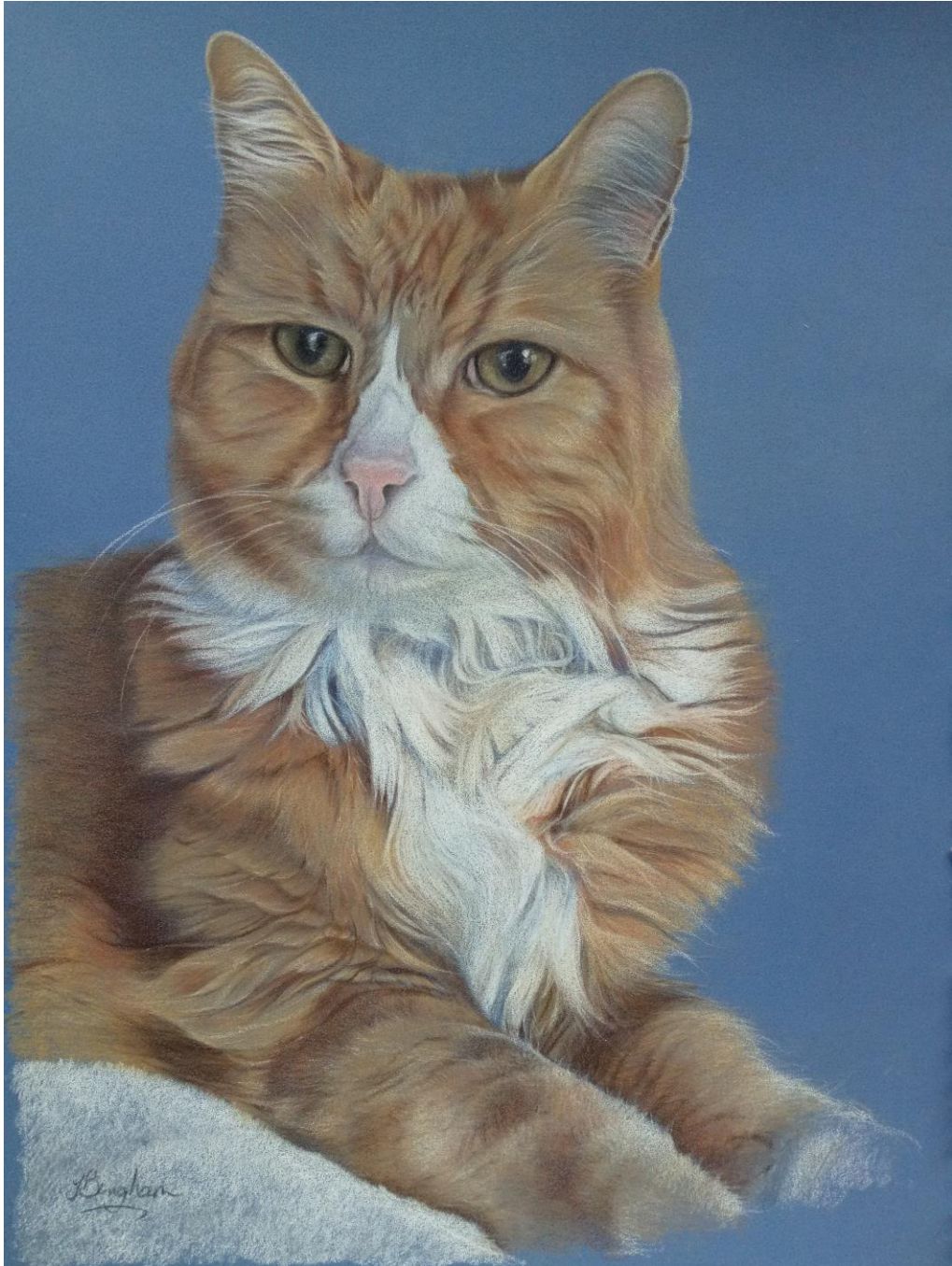


VISUAL ARTS ASSOCIATION OF FAR NORTH QUEENSLAND INC.
Cominos House, 27 Greenslopes Street, Cairns Qld. 4870



Painting by Joanne Bingham

Front Cover

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Cairns Photographic Society Inc.
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Serendipity(Textile)Group
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NorthSite Contemporary Arts
Tropical Arts

ASSOCIATE MEMBER Orgs.

Mareeba Art Society
Kuranda Arts Co-operative,
Douglas Arts Base (DAB).
Mission Arts
Hinchinbrook Regional Art Association
Plus art galleries & individuals with an
interest in Visual Arts.

MEMBERSHIP FEES

Members \$30 - Associate Members \$25

MEETINGS

Held at 10 am on the first Monday of the month

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CONSTITUTIONAL AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

- To promote and foster an interest in the Visual Arts in Far North Queensland.
- To provide a communication link between local bodies involved in Visual Arts.
- To provide a liaison and referral service between community, industry and government authorities.
- To co-ordinate activities of member groups.

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Editorial Overview

There are always some exciting visual arts activities happening in FNQ and we are lucky to have so many professional and aspiring visual artists to make it happen.

The Courthouse Gallery is still offering local artists an opportunity to apply to display their artworks in the Gallery (see page 26), so tourists and the regions' residents can get the opportunity to see what great artistic skills we have in Far North Queensland.

The Visual Arts Association has for nearly half a year been lobbying Cairns Regional Council to have the Courthouse Gallery open on Sundays (for the moment it is closed both Sundays and Mondays), however we are told it is caused by the expense of staff on public holidays. Considering the amount of ratepayer's money spent on the restoration of the Courthouse, it does not make sense, that Council during budget planning did not allocate enough money to keep it open daily, like the Cairns Art Gallery

Cairns Regional Council is going ahead with the development of the Gallery Precinct in Cairns. It involves linking three heritage listed buildings with the Esplanade frontage and the design of a new purpose-built gallery, for which funding for construction has not yet been secured.

The Visual Arts Association has this month again held a meeting with Mica Martin, CEO of Cairns Regional Council and Destry Puia, Director Lifestyle & Community re various concerns, including matters relating to Cairns Art Gallery, the lease agreements of our member groups in relation to properties leased from the Council and issues with the City Collection.

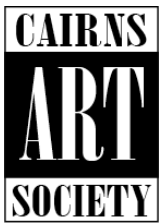
Most art minded tourists visiting Cairns are interested in seeing the latest trend of visual art produced here in FNQ, and that was the reason why the Cairns Regional Gallery was established. Ratepayers in Cairns are now paying more than a million dollars a year for the running of the gallery and that **money should be mostly spent** on promoting our local visual artists not visual artists from other parts of the country.

However it appears that the Cairns Art Galley Board is more interested in showing travelling exhibitions from other parts of the country and the world and very little of local visual art.

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If you wish to renew your VAA membership, then you can now do it on line by visiting our website <http://www.visualartsassocfnq.com>

VAA member group information



Cairns Art Society is holding exhibitions at DFO and ARTISTS@WORK

cairnsartsociety@bigpond.com



Cairns Potters Club
offering both adult and children's classes.

[.cairnpottersclub1@gmail.com](mailto:cairnpottersclub1@gmail.com)

Cairns Photographic Society.



Cpc2021secretary@gmail.com.

www.cairns.myphotoclub.com.au



Mareeba Arts Society Inc.

EMAIL

ADDRESS: masarts@bigpond.com

TELEPHONE NUMBER: (07) 4092 7539

Mas is a non-profit organisation that support local artists

Mission Arts provides creative opportunities for the people of Mission Beach and surrounding areas.

The community arts centre includes a workshop, gallery and shop space for local art to be displayed and sold, where local and visiting tutors can run workshops and pass on their skills and others can come to learn and enhance their art and craft. Open daily – 10am-2pm

www.missionarts.com.au

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www.kurandaartscoop.com

Kuranda Arts Co-operative Limited is a not-for-profit organisation in the vibrant rainforest village of Kuranda. It showcases a wide variety of quality, local, artwork in many mediums from its members.

Tableland Region Art Society

If you want more information about Tableland Region Art Society, contact us on-line or via email: trasinc4@gmail.com .



ArtsNexus Inc: growing creative people, communities and industries-the peak membership-based association for all arts, culture, heritage and creative industries across all of Far North Queensland.

Melissa Robertson

Public Officer, Arts Nexus Phone 0412 570701 admin@artsnexus.com.au



DOUGLAS ARTS STUDIO GALLERY INC

A not-for-profit community arts centre run by volunteers. We are a hub for local artists at all stages of their creativity, in the Douglas Shire, providing quality opportunities for the whole community to learn, create, exhibit, visit and inspire.

address: 11 Mill Street, Mossman (opposite Library)

phone: (07) 4098 3337

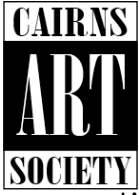
website: www.dabmossman.com

email: info@dabmossman.com

facebook: dabmossman

Gallery is open Monday to Saturday, 10am – 2pm

Art Beat



> The Art Society are just beginning to organise their two major exhibitions for the coming year - the **Annual Exhibition from 21 January to 12 February 2023** and **Artists of the North later in the year**. The venues will remain the same as previous years - The Cairns Art Gallery and The Tanks. Entries can be in any medium, and as is usual, there is a size limit, so be careful to check the Entry Requirements for both exhibitions. The theme for Artist of the North is 'Future Memories', which offers scope for the enterprising artist to depict the traditional or abstract concepts in their preferred medium.



DFO - Feature artists:-

Feature artist for the month

Yelena Yovanovich 25 Sept to 6 November



I migrated from Europe in 1990 and one year later settled in Cairns. My original occupation was finance and accounting, but in my life I had a passion and love for art. One of my other hobbies and most of my working life my second source of income, was fashion design. Especially since my retirement.

In 2020, when the Covid pandemic happened, due to health reasons I made a difficult decision to close my fashion business. This opened the door to new directions of channelling my creativity and not long after I fell in love with fluid art. I find inspiration as well as knowledge in different methods and

techniques from following another fellow artist, Sara Taylor.

In my collection for exhibition (25 Sep to 6 Nov) I've included a couple of paintings which demonstrate a couple of different techniques.



Upcoming exhibitions :-

Rose Knight 7 Nov to 20 Nov 2022

"Big Sky Country", which pretty well sums up my style of landscapes to be on display



Phil Rooney & Gene Pratt 20 Nov to 18 Dec 2022

ARTISTS@WORK

Studio and Gallery 29 Sheridan Street



Artists@work is a collective of artists working under the umbrella of the Cairns Art Society to display, teach and grow together as creatives, in the retail space at 29 Sheridan Street, where they have been for a number of years now. Although we are currently full, spaces do occasionally become available, so if this is something that you might be interested in, please call in and have a chat to one of us. The gallery is continuing to evolve into a dynamic and energetic space where classes and workshops are beginning to fill the calendar. If you haven't been recently, drop in and have a look, you might be surprised

ART JOURNALLING: CREATIVE SELF CARE

1ST & 3RD WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH | 5:30 - 7PM | \$30

No experience needed & all materials provided - just bring your journal!
(Paper available if you don't have a journal, or you can buy one from Ellen)

TO BOOK: [BIT.LY/AAWJOURNAL](https://bit.ly/AAWJOURNAL) OR EMAIL: ELLEN@ELLENMAY.COM.AU

ARTISTS@WORK GALLERY, 29 SHERIDAN ST, CAIRNS CITY

Treasurer – Volunteer Position

Cairns Art Society (CAS) is seeking a Treasurer to join its capable management team.

CAS is a major player in lively art scene in Cairns and we provide many activities to benefit the whole art sector. We enable around 80 artists of all levels to exhibit regularly in our two galleries, provide classes and exhibition space at a working artist studio, and run the Cairns Annual Art Awards and another major exhibition at the Tanks Art Centre annually.

The role does not require book-keeping, which is already being outsourced, and offers excellent experience to develop treasurer and finance skills in the art industry.

The successful applicant should anticipate an average time commitment of around 5 hours per month, which includes preparation for and attendance at Board meetings.

For the Position Description and any other information, contact Lisa Costa at info.cairnsartsociety@gmail.com.



MELTING POT 2022

Over the past 48 years the Cairns Potters Club has established itself as a highly respected community-based organisation with wide experience in developing community projects, providing training and awareness, and expansion of the ceramic industry throughout the Region.

The sixteenth Cairns Ceramics Exhibition —MELTING POT 2022 — will be presented at the Cairns Art Gallery from 16 December 2022 to 15 January 2023 and any artist, who would like to enter an artwork made with clay or glass can download an entry form from the Cairns Potters Club website www.cairnspottersclub.com. Entry closes 28 November 2022

Pottery Classes

This is a six-week wheel throwing and hand-building course on Thursday Evenings at the Cairns Potters club.

The cost is \$265 for classes which includes the first bag of clay.

Class numbers are limited to 7 people.

Glazes and Firing Costs are calculated on the volume and size of the work created

Email: madebyedmund@gmail.com
Contact Edmund Loo 0479 140 592

Thursday Nights
6.00 PM-9.00 PM

WHEEL THROWING AND HAND BUILDING CLASSES with Karen Charlebois

Tuesday nights 6.00-8:30pm

The six-week classes are for anybody wanting to learn the many varied skills, from creating on the potters wheel to hand-building, glaze techniques and firing of kilns,

Classes are capped at seven people to create connection.

Cost is \$265 this includes the first bag of clay. Glaze and firings are paid per piece.

Contact Karen on 0407007556 or karen.c.ceramics@bigpond.com

Cairns Potters Club

**NEW CLASS STARTING
FRIDAY 28TH OCTOBER
6PM-8.30PM**

\$265 for six-week classes includes the first bag of clay.
Glazes and firing costs are calculated on work created
Alison 0407482858
Email: alilacy2622@gmail.com

**CAIRNS
POTTERS
CLUB**

**TEENS 12YR-16YR
SIX-WEEK POTTERY
CLASSES**

Commencing Friday
28th October 2022

HAND BUILDING WHEEL THROWING SCULPTURE

Friday's 3.30 pm - 5 pm
Cost \$250 includes all clay, glazes and firings
CONTACT ALISON 0407482858
alilacy2622@gmail.com



Gallery: 17 Coondoo St
Kuranda 4881

The Kuranda Arts Co-op has now increased the gallery space offering the members a beautiful area in which to exhibit artwork. Anyone wishing to join is more than welcome to come and talk to us. It has been nearly a month of very hard work and we thank TRACQS, the local community support organisation for the work they have done for us.

“As no glass workshops are being run at the Potters Club at the moment, with the two glass kilns in storage, Kate is undertaking small workshops in her own studio. Please contact Kate Prynne on [0400 517 949](tel:0400517949) for further information if you would like to participate.”

UMIArts



Current Exhibition:

Shenane Jago solo exhibition 'My Country of the Norgin'

Shenane Rainbow Jago is a proud Kurtijar woman, living and working in Normanton, in the Gulf of Carpentaria, Queensland. Shenane has been involved in the arts for over ten years, but in 2022 presents her first solo exhibition at UMI Arts Gallery in Cairns, as the graduate of UMI Arts' Exhibition Ready program. 'My Country of the Norgin' is the



culmination of several years of work by Shenane, in both Normanton and Cairns; the result is an evocative collection of sculptural ceramics in the shapes and colours of her home country. Each piece is unique and celebrates the landscape she is surrounded by.

"I wish to give people a taste of the country in the Gulf where I am from and grew up. My art is inspired by the environment, colours, and animals of my country. Food sources are respected and treated with pride, and as a part of country. My country is beautiful, wild and respected."

Exhibition open until 31 October

Open EOI's

The Summer Show 2022

Seeking Expressions of Interest for participation in 'The Summer Show', launching mid-November and remaining in the UMI Arts Gallery space until 2023.

'The Summer Show' is open to all UMI Arts members at any stage of their artistic career. The theme is 'Portable and Affordable', designed to encourage high sales in the last UMI Arts exhibition of the calendar year. 'The Summer Show' will also focus on artists who are experimenting with new techniques and/or their artistic direction. Artworks must have been completed within last 12 months, and not have been previously exhibited in Cairns. To fit with the theme, we strongly encourage small works such as: pottery, jewellery, wood carvings, artefacts, fibre work, or small prints and paintings.

Applications close 3 October 2023. Contact UMI Arts for an application.

Exhibition launch: Friday 11 November 2022

Big Talk One Fire Festival

Saturday 15 October

1pm to 8pm

Fogarty Park, Cairns Esplanade

FREE EVENT

UMI Arts' annual celebration of culture, music and art. Song and dance performances all day, workshops, an arts and crafts market, kid's activities, and a variety of food stalls from local businesses.



New Cheerleader for the Arts

Arts Nexus have elected Diane Forsyth, as their new President. At the Annual General Meeting of this important arts organisation, Diane was unanimously elected by her peers, replacing Julia Leu who stepped down as President after a two year term.

Diane has been a long-term member of Arts Nexus and has been a Board Member for 10 years. Diane said *"I am honoured to have been nominated and will undertake to continue the organisation's important role in advocating for the creative sector and lobbying for better funding of the arts and better transparency of grant funding."*

Diane is no stranger to standing up for the arts and wider community interests; as a local Cairns Regional Councillor Diane was on the Regional Art Gallery Board for 4 years. Diane is a strong advocate for live music in the region and is involved in many other community organisations. Diane is a member of the Visual Arts Association and is currently the Vice President of Friends of Cominos House; protecting a slice of Queensland history.

"The arts sector is a major player for economic growth and the wellbeing of our community", Diane said. *"Without an adequately funded and supported creative sector, for our region, we are at risk of losing great talent and economic benefits that comes with a thriving Arts Community".*

"My role as President of Arts Nexus, will be to continue the amazing work started by Eve Stafford and Carrie Bies all those years ago; along with the Program/Studio Manager Melissa Robertson, and the new Board of 2022, my aim is to continue in the footsteps of our founders to nurture and foster new and emerging artists in our region".

ANNOUNCING: state-wide partnership with 4EB Radio (Brisbane)

Arts Nexus are thrilled to announce our new partnership with Brisbane based, Radio 4EB. With a physical presence at our well-appointed Babinda digital recording studio, Arts Nexus will contribute their skills to enhancing regional content across a range of programs and programming at Radio 4EB; including producing podcasts and aural histories.

In addition to creating and delivering content, the partnership will increase the scope for audience development for regional content and facilitate opportunities for those interested from Far North Queensland to participate in training opportunities, including Community Journalism through Radio 4EB's training partner, CMTO.

Media contact: Melissa Robertson **Phone:** 0412 570 701

<http://www.artsnexus.com.au/home/current-board/>

NorthSite Contemporary Arts

Bulmba-ja, 96 Abbott Street, Cairns City, QLD 4870

Program dates: 26 August — 29 October

Program title: APT10 KID ON TOUR

Artist names: Shannon Novak (Aotearoa New Zealand), Phuong Ngo (Australia), Syagini Ratna Wulan (Indonesia), Jamilah Haji (Thailand), Gidree Bawlee Foundation of Arts (Bangladesh) and Vipoo Srivilasa (Thailand / Australia)

About: Featuring seven projects that celebrate inclusion and diversity, and the importance of collaboration and community.

Image: 7. 9948_Vipoo_Mascot_GroupImage caption: APT10 Kids mascot Dok Rak and friends 2021 / Created in collaboration with Vipoo Srivilasa / Commissioned for APT10 Kids with support from the Tim Fairfax Family Foundation / Image courtesy: QAGOMA

Acknowledgment: APT10 Kids on Tour is free QAGOMA Touring program available to regional Queensland communities, with thanks to generous support from The Tim Fairfax Family Foundation.

Link: <https://northsite.org.au/exhibitions/apt10-kids-on-tour/>



Exhibition dates: 9 September — 5 November

Exhibition title: il cranio carta

Artist: Elizabeth Hunter

About: Printmaker and installation artist Elizabeth Hunter is showcasing her retrospective solo exhibition *il cranio carta* at NorthSite Contemporary Arts. This exhibition encompasses a vast collection of detailed printworks and sculptures created over a lifetime dedicated to printmaking and visionary arts.

Image: _MMP7885.jpg

Full image caption: Elizabeth Hunter and Joel Sam, Ancestral Tapestry, 2017, printed on Hahnemuhle off white and charbonnel oil inks, edition of 10, 100 x 50 cm

Link: <https://northsite.org.au/exhibitions/il-cranio-carta/>



Exhibition Dates: 18 November - 28 January 2023

Exhibition Title: Meanwhile

Artist names: Sixfold Project: Raewyn Biggs, Barbara Dover, Louisa Ennis-Thomas, Julie Poulsen, Rose Rigley and Jennifer Valmadre

About: Presenting the works of Australian artist group, Sixfold Project, this exhibition embraces simultaneous art production across disparate geographic locations, time zones and emotional conditions.

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Image caption: Barbara Dover, Reckoning, 2022, concrete, found fur, hide, horse hair, courtesy of the artist. Photographer: Michael Marzik.

Link: <https://northsite.org.au/look-forward/>



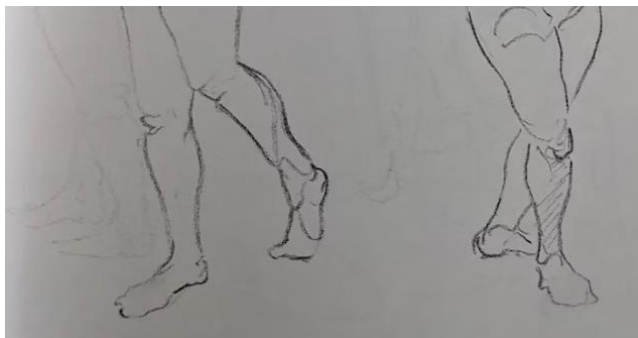
Exhibition Dates: 21 November - 28 January 2023

Exhibition Title: NorthSite Art Market: Christmas Cubes

Artist names: NorthSite Member Artists

About: Wrap up your Christmas shopping straight from the gallery wall at NorthSite this season; with unique, handmade and affordable gifts created by Queensland-based artists and designers!

Link: <https://northsite.org.au/look-forward/>



Workshop: Life Drawing Classes

Rhonda Duncani

Date and time: Every Tuesday 6PM - 8PM

About: Life-drawing Cairns is a friendly and informal weekly gathering for people of all experiences and abilities.

Price: \$15

Location: 55 Greenslopes Street, Edge Hill, QLD 4870

Image: claudine-marzik-anyways2.png

Image credit: Claudine Marzik, Anyways 2, detail, 2021, acrylic on canvas, 67 x 84 cm.

Link: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/life-drawing-cairns-tickets-374034054927>



Rhonda Duncan

Elizabeth Hunter

The Court House Art Gallery



Gifts from our Sisters

14 September - 29 October



The Sister Cities program aims to develop meaningful and long-term links with cities and communities in other countries, to achieve a greater level of international understanding and goodwill between peoples.

Cairns has seven sister cities: Lae (Papua New Guinea), Riga (Latvia), Scottsdale (USA), Sidney (Canada), Zhanjiang (China), Minami and Oyama (Japan).

Through these agreements, we have supported one another with economic, educational, cultural, and sport exchange. And, of course, we also exchange gifts.

Ordinarily displayed at the City Library, this temporary exhibition puts in context the other two sister city related exhibitions showing concurrently at the Court House Gallery.

Image detail: *Paper crafted portrait of geisha, mounted on traditional patterned cardboard. Gift from Oyama.*

The Healing Power of Industrial Ink & Magic

14 September - 29 October

A SISTER CITIES EXCHANGE

Cairns and Riga have been sister cities since 1990. Of all our sister cities, Riga has participated the most in exchanges of a visual arts nature, including ceramics, photography, textiles, and now printmaking.

The Healing Power of Industrial Ink and Magic brings together the work of printmakers in our region, curated by master printmaker, Theo Tremblay, with the work of printmakers in Riga, Latvia, curated by Baiba Ābelīte. Showing concurrently in Riga's VEF Culture Palace and the Court House Gallery in Cairns, the exhibition celebrates the spirit of sharing and the connections we make in our communities of artists.



Image detail: *Black Cockatoos, etching/aquatint by Meredith Arkwookerum*



Cairns Sketchfest 2022

14 September - 29 October

CAIRNS URBAN SKETCHERS & SCOTTSDALE ARTISTS' SCHOOL

A SISTER CITIES EXCHANGE

Urban Sketchers is a global network working to connect the world, one sketch at a time. Cairns Urban Sketchers is one of 335 chapters in over 360 countries.

This exhibition and workshops program celebrates the 35th anniversary of our sister cities relationship with Scottsdale, Arizona, and will feature sketches of the two cities and surrounding areas by artists working in the environment. The subject matter and media used is as diverse as are our climates and environments.

The sketchers of the sister cities have never met, but they are linked by their mutual desire to sketch and paint outdoors in all weather and show Cairns, Scottsdale and the world how we interpret the beautiful place where we live!

On closing in Cairns, the exhibition will fly to Scottsdale to be shown at the Scottsdale Artists' School.

Image detail: *Former Central Hotel, Cairns* pen and watercolour by Sid Kleemann



Bilum Stories

2 November - 10 December

CURATED BY MOALE JAMES, LITTLE MATCH PRODUCTIONS

From womb to the grave, bilums have been carried through every phase of life and passed down through generations.



Woven Stories

2 November - 10 December

CEREMONIAL BILUMS, AND OTHER PNG DELIGHTS FROM THE JCU COLLECTION

Before it went global and became the fashion icon it is today, the bilum held, and still holds, a far more important place in the cultural and spiritual life of Papua New Guineans.



Perfect Storm, oil on canvas

TANKS ARTS CENTRE PRESENTS

ROSE KNIGHT BIG SKY COUNTRY

SATURDAY 8 OCTOBER - SUNDAY 6 NOVEMBER
LAUNCH: 6PM FRIDAY 14 OCTOBER

When award-winning artist, Rose Knight relocated from Melbourne to FNQ in 2018, she was immediately captivated by the vast, pristine spaces and dramatically contrasting seasons in the skies which dominate her work.

"We are blessed to have so many natural wonders at our doorstep, enjoying our glorious big sky country without the crowds during border closures has been an incredible and unique experience."

COST: Free **VENUE:** Tank 4
OPEN: 9.00am - 4.30pm weekdays, 10.00am - 2.00pm weekends
INFO: tanksartscentre.com | roseknightgallery.com



TANKS ARTS CENTRE 46 Collins Avenue, EDGE HILL
tanksartscentre.com



Wetland with Movement, integrated collage by Carole King

TANKS ARTS CENTRE PRESENTS

CAROLE KING RAPT IN PAPER

SATURDAY 8 OCTOBER - SUNDAY 6 NOVEMBER 2022
LAUNCH: 6PM FRIDAY 14 OCTOBER

Collagists generally believe any loose material is potentially usable in their work. "Don't stand still in front of me; you may find yourself attached to a canvas!"

Carole King is a professionally trained artist with a diploma in fine art, majoring in colour and design, and printmaking, and a diploma in adult education (community) from UTS Sydney.

COST: Free **VENUE:** Tank 4
OPEN: 9.00am - 4.30pm weekdays, 10.00am - 2.00pm weekends
INFO: info@tanksartscentre.com



TANKS ARTS CENTRE 46 Collins Avenue, EDGE HILL
tanksartscentre.com





Douglas Arts Studio Gallery

located at 11 Mill Street Mossman (opposite the Library).

Douglas Arts Studio Gallery (October/November 2022)

DAB's final exhibition for 2022 will be the "End of Year Exhibition" and will run from Saturday 19 November to Saturday 17 December. The only criteria for this exhibition is that the artwork has to have been made this year. This is the opportunity for all DAB members to show all of the amazing artwork that they have been working on this year.

We've had a very busy year at DAB with a record number of members, which has resulted in extra classes and new workshops and courses being held. The monthly 'Working With Glass' workshops continue to be very popular and an additional class was needed to cater for the increasing demand from participants. These workshops focus on glass fusing and slumping where participants learn about the properties of glass, how to cut and use it to make a variety of functional, decorative or jewellery pieces. This semester a new 'Glass Art' workshop was introduced. In these workshops specific projects are set each month where experienced glass workers are able to expand on their skills and knowledge with glass techniques.

Following two successful Stained Glass Workshops being held, DAB now has a Stained Glass Peer Group which meets on the third Sunday of every month. Peer Groups are for DAB members only and members must be experienced stained glass workers to attend these groups.

DAB's newest tutor, Victoria Park recently conducted a "Dyed Landscape" weekend workshop. In 2021 Victoria attended a workshop and fell in love with the art and techniques for dyeing papers and materials, then using those processes to create amazing artworks. On the first day of Victoria's workshop, participants learnt about the components and process for making dyes, then put that knowledge into practice. They made dyes using a variety of tea bags as well as ferrous and dates, which resulted in amazing shades of brown, red and indigo. On the second day of the workshop, the dyed papers and materials were used to create beautiful collages. It looked like a fun, interesting and very messy weekend!

If you have any queries regarding DAB activities or membership, please send an email to info@dabmossman.com.

DAB's gallery is located at 11 Mill St, Mossman (opposite the Library) and is open Monday to Saturday 10am-2pm.

Crystalbrook

Bailey

— Cairns —

Our next feature artist is Olivia Azzopardi who will be exhibiting her collection named 'Bite Me!', a body of ceramic work. The focus of her practice explores the weird, the delicate and wonderful aspect of the Australian landscape, all the while, continuing to uphold the integrity of deathly notions that encompass native flora and fauna in the natural landscape of Australia and Tropical North Queensland. Her exhibition will launch October 14 from 6:00pm at Crystalbrook Bailey

Tablelands Regional Gallery

On display Tuesday 27 September to Saturday 12 November.
Exhibition opening 5pm Friday 30 September.



Pub Rock



Pub Rock celebrates the people, places, scenes and sounds defining 1970s and 1980s Australia. Drawn primarily from the National Portrait Gallery's collection and enriched with works by leading Australian music photographers including Tony Mott and Wendy McDougall, *Pub Rock* will feature staged portraits and publicity shots alongside images captured during unguarded moments and the grungy energy of live performances

Angus Young, AC/DC, LA, 1978 by Rennie Ellis Collection: National Portrait Gallery, Canberra.

A Common Thread

On display Tuesday 15 November 2022 to Saturday 21 January 2023

An invisible thread connects those who are destined to meet, regardless of time, place and circumstances. The three artists live in Kuranda. Their diversity serves as a testament to the importance of recycled materials as an artistic genre. Artworks include packaging paper, fabrics, threads, stone, wood, leaves and our environment's 'flotsam and jetsam'.

By Toni Rogers, Marcelle Dieben and Shiree Burnside..



Cominos House



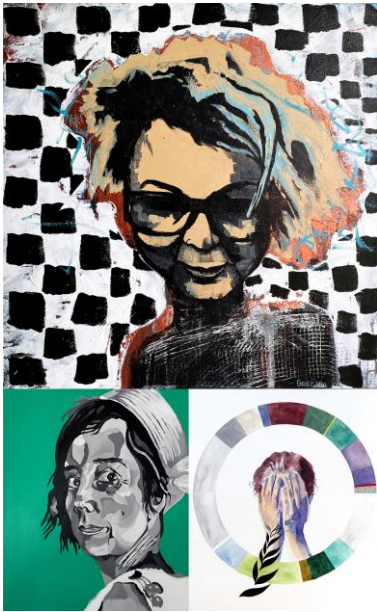
VAA member groups
(contact Lone White on ph 07 40537508)
27 Greenslopes St. Cairns

Now air conditioned.
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Bookings: Joh Schouten Ph. **07 40321368**

Old Post Office Gallery

86 Atherton Herberton Rd, Atherton



Finding Myself

An exhibition of three sisters who are on a journey of self-discovery and self-reflection. This exhibition is an eclectic collection of works that sway from dark trauma to the lightness of nature's beauty.

By Three Sisters — Karissa, Haeley and Grace Armstrong
On display until Saturday 15 October.

Three sisters by Haeley, Grace and Karissa Armstrong

In My Studio

By Kate Eden, Olga Kaptein, Marion Clarkson & Sandra Burchill

A view into four artists' studios reveal the mystery of processes, tools and materials — working in different ways with elements that inspire us.

On display Tuesday 18 October to Saturday 26 November.



In my studio — group artwork.

Foyer Gallery

45 Mabel St, Atherton

8.30am–5.00pm Monday to Friday



A Collection of Art By Ravenshoe Arts Group Inc.

Art Shed members meet every Wednesday morning to paint and draw. Over the years the members have hosted many workshops and courses in different mediums.

On display Tuesday 30 August to Friday 2 December

Hardwoods by Judith Smalley



Location: Mission Arts, MARCS Park

Mission Beach



Join us as we celebrate the opening of



OPENING NIGHT INVITATION

Join us for an artists' glimpse of the soul & spirit of the Wet Tropics.

Mission Arts
Friday, 14 October
6pm

Spirit of Place is a showcase for selected artists who are inspired by the Wet Tropics bio-region and whose original works not only depict this amazing place – the intriguing wildlife and plants that can be found here and the people who have made it home – but also offer unique and original glimpses of its soul and spirit.



Proudly supporting local art & local artists

All Welcome
FREE Entry
Light Nibbles
EFT/Cash Bar

Bookings:



trybooking.com/CCMAB

missionarts.com.au | admin@missionarts.com.au | 4088 6116 (10am-2pm)



Call for
Artworks
Suitable as Gifts

Painting ~ Pottery ~ Glass ~ Textiles ~ Jewellery ~ Tropical & Seasonal Decor

Artists, Creators and all makers of Christmas magic are invited to submit small giftable works of art for this year's Spirit of Christmas, a combined Gallery and Shop offering of lovingly handcrafted affordable art, inspired and created by talented area artists and especially suited for Christmas gift giving!

We invite you to consign a variety of artworks that will delight our shoppers throughout the festive season.

Open to All Artists

Current Mission Arts 2022-2023 Membership Required
(Individual Membership \$35; Couple/Family Membership \$60)

Guidelines

Small artworks, handcrafted gifts, gift cards & gift tags suitable for gift giving.
Artwork and gifts need not be Christmas themed.

Appointments & Enquiries

We will be happy to view and receive your proposed works on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 11am-1pm (beginning Tuesday, 18th October) or by appointment. To arrange an appointment, please contact Carol on 0438 688 594 or email galleryshop@missionarts.com.au



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Mission Arts retains the right to limit the number of consigned works accepted from each artist.



ART PRIZE WINNERS

Whitsundays Arts Festival is delighted to announce the winners of the Whitsundays Art Prize Exhibition

www.whitsundaysartsfestival.org

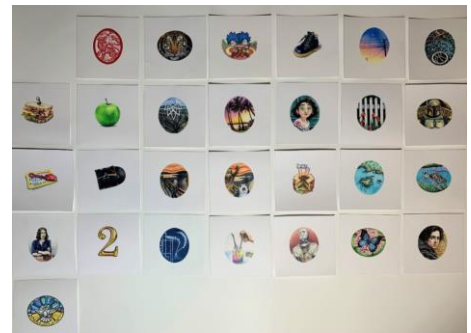


Whitsundays Regional Arts Prize | Prize \$5,000 (Acquisitive) | Sponsored by Whitsundays Regional Council
Winner: Justin Telfer (Mullumbimby) for 'Nullabor Crossing'



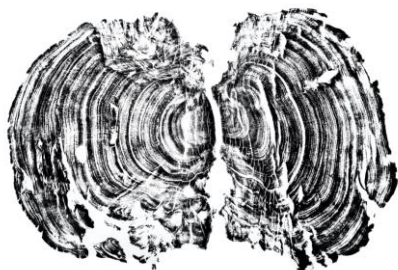
Local Artist Award | Prize: \$1,000 (Non-Acquisitive) | Sponsored by Tassal Group
Winner: Jacqui Henderson (Cannonvale, Whitsundays) for 'Summer Holiday'

2D Works on Paper Award | Prize: \$1,000 (Non-Acquisitive) | Sponsored by Your Business Angels
Winner: Tanya Coventry (Bowen, Whitsundays) for 'February'



2D Painting Award | Prize: \$1,000 (Non-Acquisitive) | Sponsored by Amanda Camm MP
Winner: Lyn Laver-Ahmat (Mackay) for 'Shallow Reef Garden'

3D Sculpture Award | Prize: \$1,000 (Non-Acquisitive) | Sponsored by Stephanie McWhirter Ray White
Winner: Barry Smith (Bowen, Whitsundays) for 'Security'

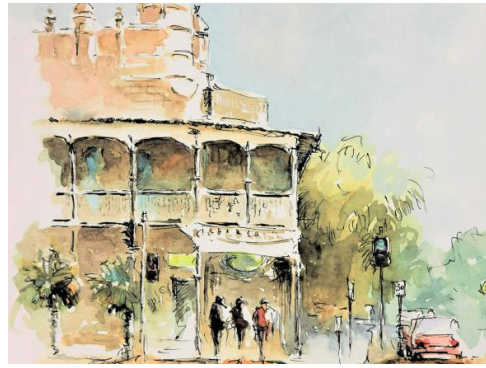


Young Artist Award (16 - 25 Years) | Prize: \$1,000 (Non-Acquisitive) | Sponsored by Wilmar Sugar
Winner: Cameron Letta (Leonay) for 'Red Gum'

R&K Kenyon Award | Prize: Picture Framing (valued at \$200) | Sponsored by R&K Kenyon Framing
Winner: Java Small (Whitsundays) for 'Meerkat'

People's Choice Award | Prize: \$1,000 (Non-Acquisitive) | Sponsored by Bendigo Bank
 Winner: To be announced. Judge Tracy Cooper-Lavery also nominated Harold Bowen for a 'Highly Commended Award' for his work 'Gumoy (Spawning of the Reef)'

Cairns Urban Sketchers



It's almost nine years since several local artists realised that Urban sketching was a worldwide movement. We decided to form a chapter called Cairns Urban Sketchers. We are one of 16 groups in Australia currently. Urban sketcher groups are in 374 cities around the world. We follow a set of values promoted by USK Group which is a non-profit organisation in Washington USA.

Manifesto

- 1.) We draw on location, indoors or out, capturing what we see from direct observation.
- 2.) Our drawings tell the story of our surroundings, the places we live, and where we travel.
- 3.) Our drawings are a record of time and place.
- 4.) We are truthful to the scenes we witness.
- 5.) We use any kind of media and cherish our individual styles.
- 6.) We support each other and draw together.
- 7.) We share our drawings online.
- 8.) We show the world, one drawing at a time.

Our group is free, there is no membership fee, and we welcome new members to join us as we gather each weekend to sketch and enjoy the company of others in our beautiful outdoor environment no matter what the weather. At the end of each session, we gather and throwdown our sketches for positive feedback. Sometimes we lunch together in a nearby café.

There is no official teacher, we support each other and learn in a variety of ways through experience. We sketch Saturday one week and Sunday the next from 9am to 12 md throughout the year. Each week our Event is advertised on the facebook page which is run by three administrators. You can find more information about our group on our facebook page.

: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/cairnsurbansketchers>

Join us and just turn up and sketch!

BUILD IT AND THEY WILL COME – THE BIG BOOMERANG

By Munganbana Norman Miller 26.9.22

I have a dream of having a Big Boomerang icon for Cairns. This will be a piece of public art that will attract visitors to our city of Cairns. To use a popular expression – “if you build it, they will come.”

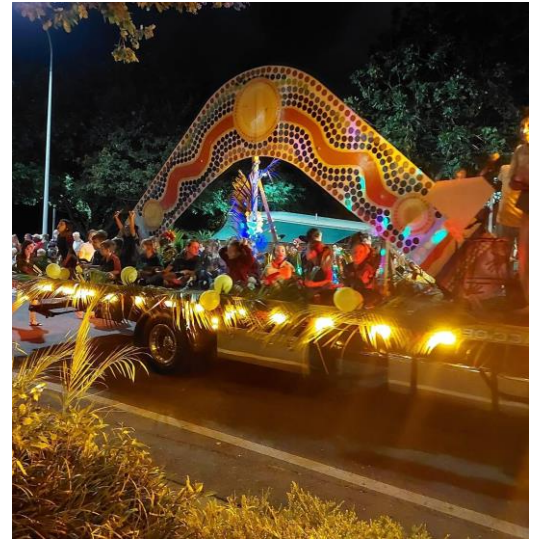
This would be the only big icon in Australia expressing Aboriginal heritage. To get some community support and publicity, I made a very big boomerang and put it on a float in the Cairns Festival Parade recently. It got some coverage in The Cairns Post and ABC radio Cairns. I hope that this project will get your support.

Many Australian towns have big icons:-

https://www.australianexplorer.com/australian_big_icons.htm - the Big Gumboot, the Big Pineapple, the Big Banana, the Big Prawn etc. Now we need the Big Boomerang. I think it will showcase Cairns and draw visitors to our wonderful city. We need cultural tourism and we need tourists to COME BACK to our tourist paradise.

It has been on my heart since 2017 to have a Big Boomerang icon for Cairns as then I wanted to get a Big Boomerang beside the Capt. Cook statue as an act of reconciliation and to showcase our Indigenous heritage. The Capt. Cook statue, which was in the list of Australia's big icons, has been removed from Cairns but not as an act of cancel culture. Ironically, the land on which the statue stood was bought by the James Cook University who passed it on to another interested owner outside of Cairns. It is important, as a tourist city, that we get another big icon. So, my boomerang is the next big thing. It is 5.5m wide and about 3m high. It is housed in my Munganbana Reef and Rainforest Aboriginal Art Gallery in 33 Lake St Cairns since the Cairns Festival Parade.

We have set up an advisory committee of different tourist, government, art, business and community organisations to help the city to come together to build a Big Boomerang and work out where it could go, who needs to be involved, and how it will be paid for etc. First Nations People have expressed support for this project and are on the committee. If any readers are interested in being on the advisory committee, please contact me on Ph 0407128199. We will be setting up a Facebook page where you can have a say and stay posted on these exciting developments.



General Art news

FNQ Volunteers Cairns Far North Queensland

FNQ Volunteers Inc. is a Cairns based not-for-profit community organisation that recruits and refers volunteers into positions within other not-for-profit community organisations throughout Far North Queensland.

Our Mission

To develop and strengthen volunteering in Far North Queensland for the mutual benefit of the individual and the community

Volunteering in Far North Queensland

Volunteers provide many valuable services for community organisations in Far North Queensland.

FNQ Volunteers Inc.

- ABN: 28 719 411 457
- Shop D, 377 Mulgrave Road
- Bungalow, Cairns Qld 4870
- Tel: (07) 4041 7400

Membership is free. You could be a full-time Member with referrals, and/or an Associate Member with no referrals.

RECRUITMENT

- Volunteer involving organisations can utilise our **volunteer placement service**
- Prospective **volunteers are pre-vetted** to ensure the right fit for your organisation
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FNQ volunteers

Volunteer Story

“ I came to Australia from Brazil early this year and learnt about volunteering through a session taken by FNQ Volunteers at TAFE. I was then referred to Spinal Life as the volunteer role was similar to my background. Volunteering helped me to meet new people and improve my English language. The icing on the cake was when I was offered a paid role with Spinal Life.

Thanks to FNQ Volunteers, I now have a job in Australia!

- Douglas Mori

www.fnqvolunteers.org.au

Aspiring Artist Programme

An initiative for the up-and-coming

Crystalbrook
Bailey

Bailey Crystalbrook plays host to an ever-evolving, ever-changing array of art.

———— Cairns ————

We're calling all talented up-and-coming artists to get involved. Whether it's your first time or you've had your work on display before, you're invited to take part in Bailey's *Aspiring Artist* programme.

What's involved?

Share your artistic talents with Bailey. Tell us about you, your art and your ideas (feel free to include some examples of your work) in an email to art.bailey@crystalbrookcollection.com

- Our Art Specialist will assess your work and get in touch
- We'll profile you and your work at Bailey. You'll have the opportunity to practice your art, live in the lobby - let the world watch you sing, dance, paint, sculpt, create your masterpiece
- Finished artwork displayed and available for sale (if you wish) at Bailey

What we're looking for

This is not a programme for professional artists but for artists aspiring to one day become professional. If you're a professional, reach out to us [here](#).

Our goal at Bailey is to make art accessible, inclusive and empowering.

We see art as a powerful tool to break down barriers, provoke constructive thought, encourage empathy and question our own prejudices. If this sings to your artistic heart, please get in touch. Email art.bailey@crystalbrookcollection.com

Holding exhibitions or events at The Court House

Events and exhibitions for The Court House are developed in partnership with local, state and national arts and cultural organisations and individuals.

The Court House is one venue in the development of a Gallery Precinct and will serve as an entry point, a gathering place and a high-level arts and cultural presentation space for the Precinct.

Our programming criteria has been informed by consultation involving national arts and cultural leaders as well as local Indigenous and cultural industry representatives.

To have your events, exhibition or program considered as part the Court House program please register your expression of interest (EOI) using the online form.



CULTURAL EXCHANGES

The Visual Arts Association did help facilitate the exchange exhibition between the printmakers in our sister city Riga, Latvia and Inkmasters Cairns which is now on show at the Courthouse Gallery.

The Healing Power of Industrial Ink and Magic is a sister-city exhibition of original prints by Cairns and Riga artists on display from 16 September to 29 October 2022 at the Cairns Courthouse Gallery and the VEF Culture Palace in Riga Latvia from 29 September to 30 October 2022. Artists were free to explore creative themes and diverse print media.

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS GRANT – Cairns Regional Council

What is the Community Partnerships Grant? The Community Partnerships Grant assists community groups and organisations to deliver events, activities and programs that enhance the lives of local communities, celebrate important community occasions and provide opportunities to develop social cohesion and connection in the Cairns region.

The events, activities and programs Council support are intended to:

- Drive community and social outcomes to enhance the quality of life in local communities
- Contribute to the region's balanced portfolio of community, arts, cultural and sporting events
- Celebrate the rich traditions of communities and the importance of these to the Cairns region
- Drive future growth and sustainability of local events, activities and programs
- Improve the capacity and wellbeing of groups that experience disadvantage and or/have difficulty being heard.

Grant details- This grant provides assistance through cash and the hiring of Council venues and resources. The maximum amount per application is \$25,000 (ex GST).

What are the funding opportunities? Community groups wishing to apply for assistance with the hiring of Council Venue and resources above \$5,000 must apply through a funding round. There are usually four funding rounds available per financial year. For the latest rounds please check the Council website. 2022/2023 funding rounds

ROUND APPLICATION CLOSING DATE EVENT, ACTIVITY OR PROJECT TIMEFRAMES

6 - 16 December 2022 1 April 2023 - 30 April 2024

7 - 31 March 2023 1 July 2023 - 31 July 2024

8- 30 June 2023 1 October 2024 - 31 October 2025

Requests for the hiring of Council venues and its associated resources \$5,000 or under Community groups can apply for \$5,000 and under assistance with the hiring of Council venues and its associated resources anytime throughout. It is essential that you check the availability of the proposed Council venue or park to be used for your event. Applicants must ensure that a booking and quote (if applicable) is provided as part of your application. Contacting Council is essential It is essential that your application is discussed with Council officers prior to submission. Please contact a member of the Community Partnerships team to discuss your event, activity or program. Phone 1300 692 247 or email communitygrants@cairns.qld.gov.au. Ideally your application should be received a minimum of six weeks prior to the event, activity or program occurring.

RADF

RADF funding providing good jobs for regional artists and arts workers

Local Government Association of Queensland chief executive Alison Smith said RADF was a vital program enabling councils to help celebrate the cultural and artistic fabric of their local communities.

“Every Queensland community deserves to be a liveable one, and programs like RADF help local communities promote and enjoy what makes them unique, which helps create vibrant places to live, work and play,” Ms Smith said.

“The State Government is boosting our funding to the arts portfolio by \$50 million over the next four years to support Grow 2022-2026, the second action plan supporting our 10-year roadmap for arts, culture and creativity in Queensland,” Minister Enoch said.

For more information about RADF, applicants are encouraged to visit their local council’s website or www.arts.qld.gov.au.

About the Major Grant Round

There are two RADF Major Grant Rounds annually. The Major Grant rounds **open in September for projects that can start from January.**

The Major Grant Round is broad, encompassing and includes all arts streams. This category offers support towards projects and programs that create vibrant arts and cultural experiences, including but not limited to:

- performances and exhibitions
- increased skills and professional development opportunities for artists
- new works that extend artists and art forms
- community arts and cultural development
- initiatives that strengthen cultural tourism and enhance cultural programs

Applicants can apply for **up to \$10,000.**

Who can apply?

- Individual professional artists
- emerging professional artists
- artswokers
- cultural workers
- project coordinators
- collective/artist-run initiatives & groups. (Note: non-incorporated groups must be auspiced by an incorporated organisation, or an individual with an ABN)
- incorporated arts and cultural organisation

Joanne Bingham

After enjoying a successful career in the United Kingdom as an animal artist and illustrator, Jo has been building her reputation within Australia as an accomplished and experienced animal portrait artist and art tutor. She recently relocated to Cairns (following a move from the Sunshine Coast, and Townsville before that) and is loving the vibrant artistic and cultural life intrinsic to the tropics.



She began her art career in watercolour, learning through mistakes and successes, honing her skills, and trying different brands of paint and papers to achieve the most lifelike and realistic portraits that she could. The discovery of the versatility of coloured pencils was very exciting, and she is still pushing their boundaries with every new picture to find out what they can do.

Years of doodling has turned into another artistic approach, as subjects are brought to life on paper using a multitude of colourful pen marks, and this too is still being developed as a style and a medium. The variety of pens on the market is huge, so it follows that there is much trial and error as different brands and types are tested out.

Jo has also enjoyed a long teaching career, encouraging and mentoring students to become more confident and skilled in their work, and now teaches from Artists@work. Classes are usually small and relaxed and take on a very social atmosphere while undertaking the very serious task of improving their artistry. Currently, she teaches watercolour painting on Saturday afternoons, but the intention is to combine watercolour with pens, pencils, collage and modern design, so that we can all learn a little more than just painting.

Plans are underway to start an evening class and regular workshops where bigger projects can be undertaken. She started off painting horses and would love to pass some of her skills and techniques to others, so if this is one of your passions too, let her know. Other workshop topics will include birds, portraiture, coloured pencils and pen and wash.

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Joannebingham.com

Jo Bingham Animal Artist (FB) 0429 867 306





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