

Opportunities

For Artists

Thursday August 16, 2007 - Grants, Exhibitions, Competitions, Auditions and more * In our region

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Grants

REMEMBER: BEFORE APPLYING FOR ANY GRANT IT IS ESSENTIAL TO TALK TO AN APPROPRIATE STAFF MEMBER OR PROJECT OFFICER FROM THE GRANT MAKING ORGANISATION

Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal (FRRR) Small Grants to Small Communities

Not-for-profit organisations can apply for projects and activities that offer clear public benefit for communities living in small rural and remote locations in Australia, contributing to their development in social and community welfare, economic, environmental, health, education or cultural areas. Grants are up to \$5000. For more information and application forms go to: www.frrr.org.au and look under Funding Programs or contact FRRR ph: 1800 170 020 or email: info@frrr.org.au **Applications close Sunday September 30.**

Regional Arts NSW Quick Turnaround Grants

Short notice grants of up to \$1500 are available to assist projects in any artform. Limited. Go to: www.regionalartsnsw.com.au/grants/qtg.html or contact Sam Chester funding@regionalartsnsw.com.au or (02) 9270 2501. **Ongoing.**

MGNSW Leg-Ups Skill Development Grant

Offering matched funding of up to \$500 for workers in volunteer managed museums throughout NSW to support

skill development projects including hosting or attending workshops, conferences or seminars in NSW, in addition to networking activities. Information sheet and examples of projects available online. Contact the Museum Development Team 02 9358 1760 Freecall 1800 114 311 (regional NSW) Website www.mgnsw.org.au **Ongoing.**

2008 NSW Seniors Week Grants Program

Grants provided through the NSW Department of Ageing, Disability and Home Care (DADHC) to support the development and organisations of local NSW Seniors Week Projects. For info or application forms please contact the Seniors Information Service 1312 44 or visit the DADHC website at www.dadhc.nsw.gov.au. **Applications due Friday September 21.**

Your Eyes Only Youth Grant

An opportunity for young people 12 -15 years to celebrate the strengths of their community by submitting a creative entry celebrating their community through their eyes. Successful applicants will nominate a community group working with young people in their community, for example a school, to receive a donation. Used for purchasing equipment or adding funds to an existing program. Application forms and more information is available at www.youngaustralians.org .Contact (03) 9670 5436. **Entries close 17 September.**

The Spark Fund

Provides funding support for young people aged 12-25 years to 'ignite an innovative idea' which makes a positive contribution to the community and enhances their skills and experiences. http://www.youngaustralians.org/fund/ya_fund_spark.asp **Applications considered quarterly**

Myer Foundation Arts and Humanities 2007 Grants Program

Awarding projects that support the humanities, especially those that contribute to defining a distinct Australian identity and priorities Indigenous art, regional areas or experimental and emerging art forms. **Closing date to be determined.** Info www.myerfoundation.org.au

Buzz Grants

Buzz is a project of the Australian Government's Young and Emerging Artists Initiative, through the Music Board of the Australia Council for the Arts. Buzz Grants offer flexible support for young musicians, sound artists and music-related arts workers through grants of up to \$2,500. Individuals aged 12 - 26, or groups with a majority of people aged 12 - 26 involved in a music or sound project may apply for a Buzz grant. Info www.youngaustralians.org.

org or call (03) 9670 5436. **Now open**

Coca-Cola Australia Foundation Funding

Funding projects that are ambitious, innovative or unique in their approach in assisting Australia's young people realise their potential, including via Community Grants (around \$10,000 or less) for small, local, one-off projects. <http://www.ccamatil.com.au/foundationguidelines.asp> For more info contact Daniel Pigott on (02) 9259 6110 or AUS.CA.Foundation@anz.ccamatil.com **No closing date.**

Macquarie Foundation Grants

Applications are welcome from a diverse range of community-based initiatives that are working in innovative ways to provide long-term benefits. Contact Julie White 02 8232 9673 or julie.white@macquarie.com.au More info www.macquarie.com.au. **No closing date.**

Coles Group Community Grants Program

Supports charitable organisations whose core work supports health and well-being, the environment or lifelong-learning (with a focus on training and skill development for people with disabilities, indigenous youth and refugees). Application forms at www.colesgroup.com.au/about/community/partners/coles_myer.asp **No closing date**

2008 Indent Partnership Grants

Apply for funding to put on your own all ages gigs in regional and metro NSW. Up to \$2500 per event. Details at: www.indent.net.au/
Closes October 31

Visual Arts - Call for works

***The Rites of Spring - Art Making**

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***Bathurst Art Fair – Call for Works**

Bathurst Regional Art Gallery November 22-25. Open to all artists working in all media in the Bathurst Regional Council district and surrounding areas including Lithgow, Oberon, Blayney, Cowra, Orange and Mudgee. Contact BRAG 6333 6555. **Works due on Sunday November 18.**

***Artspace at Central West Women's Health Centre**

The Central West Women's Health Centre provides an art space for local women to display and sell their work. Call

Isabel Fox on 6332 3019. **Ongoing.**

Visual Arts - Call for materials

***LOST ARTS OF THE 1970s**

– Call for materials for exhibition

Do you have sheets decorated in Hobbytex lurking in your linen cupboard? A macrame owl in the shed? Or maybe a bit of string art gathering dust? If you still have craft items made during the 1970s, three Bathurst artists would love to use it in a show in the Bathurst Regional Art Gallery early next year. Tracy Sorensen is looking for people willing to be interviewed for her video installation. Contact Tracy Sorensen on 6331 7332.

Visual Arts - Professional Development, Scholarships & Residencies

***Hill End Artist in Residence Program**

An opportunity for artists to explore their creative development in all areas of the visual arts in the unique environment that Hill End offers and at the same time to contribute to the long term cultural development and sustainability of the Village. Contact Bathurst Regional Art Gallery - 6333 6555. **2008 applications close 17th December 2007.**

***National Art School: Hill End Residential Artists' camp**

With artist Chris Cooper. Limited places for the week long program ran by the National Art School. Held **1-5 October**. Contact 02 9339 8745.

Asialink

Supports Australian arts practitioners to spend up to four months living and working in Asia. Contact Tel 03 8344 4800 or arts@asialink.unimelb.edu.au **Closes Sept 7**

ANAT Professional Development Travel Grant

A quick response fund managed by the Australian Network for Art and Technology (ANAT) offering grants of up to \$3,000 for Australian artists to attend national and international events. Contact (08) 8231 9037 or anat@anat.org.au or see www.anat.org.au/pages/conwork.htm
Closing last day of every month except December.

Janet Holmes à Court Artists' Grant and National Association for the Visual Arts (NAVA) Visual Arts and Craft Grant Scheme

The Janet Holmes à Court Artists' Grant and the NAVA Visual and Craft Artists' Grants Schemes are designed to provide financial assistance to professional artists for the public presentation of their work. These grants provide 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. <http://www.visualarts.net.au/grantsprizes/vcags> **Entries by November 15**

Visual Arts - Workshops & Classes

*** (Bathurst) TAFE Certificate II & III in Visual Arts and Contemporary Craft.** Bathurst campus of TAFE. Practical introduction to and development of visual arts skills including fine arts, design, contemporary crafts or ceramics. Contact Chris Jones 6338 2520.

*** Felt Making**

August 18. At Number Forty Seven, Mudgee with Helen Doble. Learn to make a felt bag. \$60. 6379 1345

*** Metal Sculpture Workshop**

Wednesday September 12, 19, 26, 2-7pm, Condobolin High School. Bring out your junk! - and let your imagination run free. Free metal sculpture workshops are happening during the school holidays. Learn from the skills and experience of the Grenfell Men's Shed to convert old metal junk into animals, chairs, anything you can imagine. All you need is workboots, work clothes and an imagination. Contact Anna Casky 6895 4281.

*** Building Confident Teachers Visual Arts K-6**

Friday August 31, September 18-20, Bathurst Regional Art Gallery. Artist Christine McMillan presenting workshops of primary school teachers of visual arts. Inservice for teachers August 31, hands-on workshops for school groups in September. Program of Arts NSW ConnectED Strategy. Contact 6333 6555.

*** The Workshop of The Moving Object**

Saturdays September 8 - October 13 (six weeks), 10am-4pm, World-Gaia Sculpture Garden, Rydal

A multi-arts workshop for visual artists, performers and others, over six consecutive Saturdays in preparation for and culminating in the annual Rites of Spring Celebration - an all day Ceremonial Performance. Participants are invited to create integrated, ceremonial sculptural world and performances and to collaborate in recreating a renewal of traditional Spring festivals around the world. Conducted by Anthony Symons, Sculpture. Well known for numerous acclaimed public bronze sculptures such as The Lithgow Flash with Willen Brigman, performer and director who has worked in various traditions in Europe, the United States, Africa and Australia. Specialised in devised theatre and performance making. Contact Catherine Hassall 02 4782 9740.

***Basket Weaving**

September 16. At Number Forty Seven, Mudgee with Dinah Coxsedg. \$40. 6379 1345

***Waste 2 Art Workshop (Dubbo)**

Saturday September 8, 10am-3pm in the wet studio of the community rooms at Western Plains Cultural Centre.

A workshop to help prepare items for the 2007 competition and exhibition. Contact Lee Copper 6884 3497.

Regular workshops and classes can be found at: www.artsoutwest.org.au

Visual Arts - Competitions

***Red Lens International Photographic Exhibition**

Photographic competition held by Charles Sturt University Community Education. Special sections for youth, secondary and tertiary entrants as well as amateurs, professionals. Information www.csu.edu.au/student/community-ed/redlens/ **Closes August 20**

*** Waste 2 Art Competition (Lithgow)**

Lithgow competition as part of this popular regional program. Art made from waste in 2D and 3D. Contact Deborah McGrath, Cultural Development Officer. 6335 4999 eskbank@lithgow.com **Entries close Friday October 5.**

*** Waste 2 Art Competition (Dubbo)**

Dubbo City Council is calling for entries to the 2007 Waste 2 Art Competition and Exhibition. The local exhibition will be held at Western Plains Cultural Centre December 1-16. The competition calls for artworks constructed from recycled materials such as plastic, metal, wood, materials and such. Prize money. Contact Lee Copper 6884 3497.

Stanthorpe Art Prize

Formerly known as the Stanthorpe Arts Festival, acquisitive award of \$15,000. Further non-acquisitive awards of \$5,500 are included. Works submitted include painting, printmaking, sculpture, photo-media, fibre, pottery etc., with mixed styles. Entries Close: Exhibition dates: 29 Feb - 11 Apr 2008. Download entry forms & conditions at www.srag.org.au or www.stanthorpeartprize@srag.org.au or (07) 4681 1874. **Entries Close November 21**

Aquasculpture Competition

Greater Port Macquarie's biennial outdoor sculpture exhibition. This year's theme is Reclaim Water, Reclaim Life. Prize categories include: Open Sculpture Prize, People's Choice, Eco Sculpture Prize and Youth Sculpture Prize. www.aquasculpture.com or (02) 6581 8658 or wendy.hee@pmhc.nsw.gov.au **Applications close Friday 31 August 2007**

Uralla Arts Sculpture Prize

Uralla Arts, in the New England Region of NSW, is holding a sculpture prize to be judged in Nov 2007. Total prize money is \$2700. Could you please pass on to your members and especially sculptors in your region who may be interested. Full details at www.uralla-arts.com

UWS Acquisitive Sculpture Award & Exhibition

2 May – 1 June 2008, Campbelltown Entries now sought for this award, which aims to establish closer links between the University, artists and industry; to provide a valuable educational and cultural resource for the region and to enhance the campus environment for teaching and learning. Contact UWS Art Curator Tel 02 4620 3450 **Closing 31 August**

National Photographic Portrait Prize

The Prize is an annual event intended to promote the very best in contemporary photographic portraiture by

both professional and aspiring Australian photographers. The National Portrait Gallery is offering a prize of \$25,000 for the most outstanding photographic portrait. Entries will be judged on their power as a portrait photograph rather than the status of the sitter or the reputation of the photographer. National Portrait Gallery. www.portrait.gov.au/ssl/nppp/ **Entries by 31 August**

Writing - Scholarships/ Funding

2008 Peter Blazey Fellowship

Provides a writer-in-residency at the Australian Centre to value of \$15,000. On the basis of literary merit to a writer in the non-fiction fields of biography, autobiography and life writing. Contact awards-austcentre@unimelb.edu.au or see www.australian.unimelb.edu.au/public/awards/blazey.html

Writing

*Plays Sought for Rehearsed Play Readings for Local Playwrights

Bathurst Theatre Company is seeking submissions of original scripts from locals for a series of rehearsed play readings. Contact Brett Van Heekeren 6338 4548 or mail scripts to BTC, PO Box 95 Bathurst.

*Rolf Boldrewood Literary Awards

Prose: fiction, article or essay (including family history) to a maximum of 3000 words, on an Australian theme. Poetry: in any form or style to a maximum of 80 lines on an Australian theme. First prize: limited edition bust of Rolf Boldrewood by Brett Garling plus \$600 Second Prize: \$300 Third Prize: \$150 Entry fee \$10 for each entry. Forms available from the website or PO Box 1042 DUBBO NSW 2830 www.mrl.nsw.gov.au 6801 4501. **Closes September 21.**

*Radio Plays sought for 'The Other Side'

A project of Central West Writers Centre and Orange Community Broadcasters FM107.5. Plays workshopped and broadcast from November 2007. Contact Project Coordinator Fiona Hawke on 6361 0129 or Jasmine Vidler at the Central West Writers' Centre on 6393 8125.

Gwen Harwood Poetry Prize 2007

A single poem or a linked suite of poems not longer than 100 lines. Ran by 'Island', PO Box 210 Sandy Bay Tasmania 7006. Download entry forms from www.islandmag.com **Entries close October 2.**

Speak Out

Sunday August 19, 10.30am. Speak Out! Is a workshop is for writers most specifically, the tips covered will help anyone who needs to communicate in public. With Cill Van der Velden, Lithgow's favourite performance poet, Terry Regan, Australia's current Bush Poetry Performance champion, and Bryan Cutts, a performing artist experienced in the entertainment industry over several years. At the Lithgow Workies Waratah Room. \$50. Contact Margaret Maddock 6353 1161 or mgandms@optusnet.com.au

Film & Digital Arts

WOW Short Film Competition

As a component of the 14th World of Women Film Festival - finalists screened at the WOW Festival to be held at the Chauvel Cinema, **Sydney on 25 & 26 October 2007**, then touring to the Northern Rivers Region. Films up to 55 minutes length, any genre eligible. Emerging and established women filmmakers invited to enter. Conditions and application form available from www.wift.org Prizes awarded. Contact Sil-Nyin Cameron, Festival Director 0402 246 601 or wowfilmfestival@nsw.wift.org

Flake Film Festival

Calling for entries of short films which must be under 8 minutes and somehow include the 2007 theme... water. Any type, style or genre of film can be entered. Young and first time filmmakers are encouraged to enter. Offering a total of \$10,000 in cash & prizes. Contact Anthony Trovatiello, Founder/ Director Flake Film Festival Tel 02 6457 1311 Email chook@flakefilmfestival.com Website www.flakefilmfestival.com **Closing 20 August**

Over The Fence Comedy Film Festival

Entries are invited for the Festival, which has cash and production prizes in the categories of Best Film, Most Popular Film and Directors Prize. Entries can be submitted in any format, any comic genre and any length between 2 and 30 minutes. <http://www.overthefence.com.au/entrants/index.html> . **Entries by 10 October**

2008 Byron Bay Film Festival

The 2008 Byron Bay Film Festival will feature the work of international, national and local filmmakers. A new Best Local Film award has been created which is open to films of all lengths and genres, not screened before January 2006 with a producer and/or director who lives in the Northern Rivers or Tweed Areas. Byron Community and Cultural Centre. www.bbff.com.au/ **entries by 31 October**, event 29 February - 8 March 2008

Performing Arts - Workshops

*Stage Management Workshop

September. Dates TBC Performing Arts Development Program (PAPD), at CSU Bathurst Campus with experienced event and stage manager Kylie Shead. \$40/\$20. Contact Margie Breen – 6333 6161.

Performing Arts - Competitions

*Central West Poetry Slam

Friday September 7, 6.30pm, Orange City Library

Orange City Library is calling all poets, hip-hop artists and other outspoken wordsmiths to polish their rhymes and lyrics for Australia's first ever national poetry slam, with over \$10,000 in cash and prizes on offer.

One of 7 slam heats planned across the State, with two finalists from each heat battling it out spoken-word style in the NSW Final in Sydney. The NSW winner and runner-up will take home \$500 and \$100 in prizemoney, respectively, and travel to Sydney in December to compete for the

Australian Poetry Slam 07 title. Contestants can speak, sing, scream, rap, howl or even whisper their words. Contact Central West Libraries Reading and Writing Coordinator Jasmine Vidler on 6393 8125 if you are interested to be part of this fun event.

***Mitchell Conservatorium Composition Competition**

Competition for young composers aged 8-18 years. In three age sections (8-11, 12-15, 16-18). Call 6331 6622 or see website www.mitchellconservatorium.edu.au **Entries due September 27.**

***Mitchell Conservatorium Christmas Song Competition**

Opportunity for choirs, musicians and individuals to become part of Mitchell Conservatorium's Carols by Candlelight 2007 on 9th December, and have a chance to win the \$1000 grand prize. The Competition promotes the Australian Christmas Carols written by the late Hazel Hughes. The winning entries from the competition will have the opportunity to perform at Carols by Candlelight for an audience of more than 1000 people. To enter the competition, pick up an entry form from Mitchell Conservatorium, West Wing Court House, Russell St Bathurst, between 10am and 5pm weekdays. Entry costs \$25 and includes 1 copy of Hazel Hughes Australian Christmas Songs. Call 6331 6622 or see website www.mitchellconservatorium.edu.au

Performing Arts - Opportunities

***Catapult Circus and Physical Theatre Festival 2007 – Participant Registration now open**

September 12-16. Youth circus and physical theatre troupes are being called to register interest in the 2007 festival. www.catapultfestival.com.au or contact Catapult Program Coordinator Stephen Champion 6333 6166 stephen.champion@bathurst.nsw.gov.au

***The Rites of Spring - Performers**

Saturday October 20, World-Gaia Sculpture Garden, Rydal. On open call for artists and performers to commit to a collaborative ensemble process to design original site-specific works with three distinct elements: performance installations in relation to sculptural pieces, a village procession, a scripted performance in the tradition of morality plays - for an all day celebratory event. Contact Catherine Hassall 02 4782 9740.

*** Buskers, Jenolan Caves Christmas Festival Saturday December 15, Jenolan Caves**

Perform in the caves and help raise money for the Cancer Research Centre at Westmead Children's Hospital. Local (central west) performers required for this very community focussed event. Contact Danile Catchpoole at the hospital on 984501205 or email danicl@chw.edu.au

ArtsLab07

ArtsLab07 is a unique 12-month residential programme incorporating all facets of live performance - providing an environment for the six residents selected to accelerate their creative abilities under the guidance of industry

mentors. For full 2007 Shopfront programme: <http://www.shopfront.org.au/>

FBI 94.5fm Radio (Sydney) Music Open House

First Monday of every month. FBI welcomes local musicians into its Redfern offices to talk about their activities. www.fbi.org.au/ (02) 8332 2999

8th Australian Performing Arts Market

February 25-29 2008, Adelaide. Presented by the Australia Council for the Arts as part of the Adelaide Festival and Adelaide Fringe. A one-stop opportunity for Australia's and the world's program-makers to experience the best in new performing arts. Companies with new work are encouraged to apply. More info www.performingartsmarket.com.au or 02 8271 9905. First round of applications **August 21.**

Margaret Henderson Music Trust Scholarship

For young people. Go to www.musictrusts.org.au

Final Nomination forms must be completed by 15 September.

Auditions/ Band Members Needed

***Auditions for CSU Graduation Performers**

Monday August 27, Bathurst

CSU is currently looking for suitable talent to perform the musical interlude at the 2008 graduation ceremonies at all campuses. The first auditions will be held in Bathurst. The Graduation ceremonies will be May 7-9, 2008. If you are not able to attend the August 2007 auditions you may still be considered. Looking for artists who sing, play an instrument, perform in a duo/ trio or ensemble. Contact Rachel Stephens, Graduation Services Officer on 6933 2044 or rstephens@csu.edu.au.

***Mitchell Conservatorium Scholarship**

Auditions

Saturday September 22, Mitchell Conservatorium Bathurst. Open to all. \$11 application fee.

Contact 6331 6622.

***Landers Music - Band Members Wanted List**

If your looking for band members go to: www.landermusic.com/musos_wanted_all.htm

Touring Performances on Offer

Critical Stages 2008 Season

Critical Stages, the national touring manager funded by Arts NSW and the Australia Council for the Arts, is currently finalising its tour plans for 2008. Critical Stages specialises in regional touring that is affordable and high quality. Discounts may be brokered for multiple performances. An excellent catalogue of shows is available from the Critical Stages website. To be included in the 2008 tours, get in quick! Contact Sean Pardy Tel 02 9331 3107 Website www.criticalstages.com.au

Show on offer: "Drumming on Water" funded by Playing Australia – August/ September 2007

On offer to Central West region. Dates available Tuesday August 28, Wednesday August 29, Thursday August 30

Friday August 31, Saturday September 1, Sunday September 2. Playing Australia covers all net touring costs, ie travel, accommodation and living allowance, but it doesn't cover artists' and technicians' salaries, so we do have to ask for either a sell-off fee or a box office deal that will leave us with enough to cover our other costs. Workshops also on offer. Contact Chrissie Shaw at chrissieshaw@apex.net.au

Touring Performance on offer: Matt Baker Trio

Jazz group, The Matt Baker Trio plan to tour regionally including workshops and performances. Matt Baker (of Galapagos Duck) is both international performer and jazz teacher. For more info contact zarina.varley@gmail.com

Touring Performance on offer: 'I Can't Believe it's not opera'

Brisbane based trio who take well known and more obscure operatic arias and use narration to link them into a plot. Touring Jan-Feb 2008. Contact them on kristi_riedel@hotmail.com or 0407 037 845

History & Heritage

Museums Australia 'Working Spaces' Training for Volunteers

September 14-16. (Lachlan Division). St Clements Conference Centre Galong (Southern NSW). Contact henwoodhouse@bigpond.com PO Box 102 Boorowa NSW 2586 or (02) 6385 1120 or www.lachlanmuseums.com.au

22 Exhibitions on Offer From MGNSW Exhibitions Register

The Museums & Galleries NSW 2007 Exhibitions Register includes 22 diverse exhibitions that appeal to many different audience all available to tour. Exhibitions range from an exhibition for young children to a selection of four contemporary new media exhibitions. The 2006 Exhibitions Registers are also still available on line and continue to be valuable resources for any gallery or museum planning their exhibition program over the next couple of years. Contact Sarah Johnson 02 9339 9907 Email info@mgnsw.org.au Website www.mgnsw.org.au

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Australian Historical Association biennial awards

The Australian Historical Association (AHA) invites entries from historians for the following prizes: Allan Martin Award (\$4000), WK Hancock Prize (\$2000), Kay Daniels Award, Magarey Medal for Biography (\$10,000), Serle Award (\$2,500) and the Editor's Prize (\$750). The Awards will be announced at the AHA's National Biennial Conference in Melbourne in 2008. <http://www.theaha.org.au/index.html>

Applications close on 28 February 2008

Youth

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Youth circus and physical theatre troupes are being called to register interest in the 2007 festival. **Festival dates: September 12-16.** www.catapultfestival.com.au or contact Catapult Program Coordinator Stephen Champion 6333 6166 stephen.champion@bathurst.nsw.gov.au

*** 2BS Youth Arts Awards**

The Bathurst Arts Council has recognised the need to encourage the youth of our region in their cultural pursuits by recognising their achievements. The \$100 monthly Youth Arts Award is available to all eligible students under 25. Each monthly winner will then be eligible to be chosen to receive the annual \$500 'Bathurst Youth in the Arts' Award presented on Australia Day. For more information contact info@bathurstartscouncil.org.au Nomination forms at www.bathurstartscouncil.org.au/2BSYouthArtsAward.pdf **Awarded monthly**

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Apply for funding to put on your own all ages gigs in regional and metro NSW. Up to \$2500 per event. Details at: www.indent.net.au/

Closes October 31

FBI 94.5fm Radio (Sydney) Show Us Your Arts

First Friday of the month. FBI opens its doors to welcome young artists. Writers, dancers, graffiti artists, bloggers, sculptors. <http://www.fbi.org.au/> (02) 8332 2999

SPARK 2007

SPARK is the Australia Council's national mentoring program for young artists (aged 18-26 years) from all over Australia. Get support, training, advice and funding to focus on your creative ideas through a SPARK mentorship with a professional artist of your choice. For more info and to apply, w: www.yaq.org.au/spark

Indigenous

2007 Local Government Aboriginal Network (LGAN) Conference

Opal Cove Resort, Coffs Harbour, 5 - 7 September 2007. The Conference provides a forum for discussion of issues relating to Aboriginal communities from a local perspective. This annual conference generally attracts up to 200 delegates from a wide range of areas including: Aboriginal Liaison Officers, Representatives from the public sector in State and Federal Government, Companies and industry consultants from the private sector, Representatives from community and volunteer groups, Elected representatives, General Managers and senior staff from Local Government throughout NSW. The theme for the 2007 Conference is 'Working Together.' Further details regarding the program will be available on the website soon. Contact Malcolm McLeod - 02 66484840.

Cultural Development & Art/Health

*** The Creative Connections Roadshow: Arts and Dementia for Health Professionals** **Tuesday September 18, 2pm, East Room, Orange Regional Gallery**

Alzheimer's Australia NSW in conjunction with the New South Wales Department of Ageing, Disability and Home Care. This session will celebrate the positive benefits of the arts for people with dementia and their carers with demonstrations by leading art therapists and a Mind your Mind dementia risk reduction presentation by Alzheimer's Australia NSW educator Alan Powys. There will also be tours of the gallery featuring a special collection of works produced by people with dementia. Contact Sue Benson 02 8875 4640.

'Looking Out for Culture' Workshop

Tuesday 25th September, Canberra Presented by Indigenous cultural and intellectual property specialist, Terri Janke for those in the arts industry, government, private business interested in Indigenous arts & culture, or working with/for Indigenous people. \$550 includes GST, course materials of 100+ pages, certificate and light lunch. Contact Sonia Cooper 02 9693 2577 or sonia@terrijanke.com.au

Goldman Sachs JB Were Philanthropy Leadership Award

For an individual, family, group, foundation or other entity that through their leadership, advocacy, practice and example has encouraged increased philanthropic giving to Australia's cultural life. Previous winners have been the Nelson Meers Foundation, the Myer Foundation and John Reid AO. More info at [w: http://www.abaf.org.au/documents/NomFormPhilanthropyLdship.doc](http://www.abaf.org.au/documents/NomFormPhilanthropyLdship.doc)

Graduate Programs in Art, Community & Cultural Development

La Trobe University. Graduate Certificates and Graduate Diplomas covering Art Education, Intercultural Communication and Education, Life Stories and Community Living. Delivered in blocks at the Albury-Wodonga Campus. For details visit www.latrobe.edu.au/education

Arts Activated Conference - Sydney

26-27 September. Accessible Arts' 2007 Arts Activated Conference will be a celebration for all those passionate about people with disabilities and their active inclusion and participation in the arts. It will be an opportunity to acknowledge, share and network with other practitioners and administrators as well as be inspired by practitioners, programs, ideas and facilitators. Sydney Conservatorium of Music. <http://www.thespasticcentre.com.au/artsactivated/>

Outback Calling & Year of the Outback

A new initiative that aims to work together with individuals, communities and organisations Australia-wide to produce a comprehensive national calendar of "Outback" related events and encourage people to experience the 'Bush' for themselves. Go to www.outbackinfront.com.au/calendar.html

General Resources (new listings only)

Microsoft Unlimited Potential Software Donations

A charitable program through which Microsoft donates the latest software technology to eligible nonprofit organisations. Donations are demand-driven, based on the requests of individual nonprofits to meet their organisational needs. Eligible organisations include nonprofit or non-governmental organisations; school-based (a nonprofit or governmental organisation that provides services to the community during non-school hours such as evenings and weekends); and government funded and operated organisations. Contact Microsoft Phone 13 20 58 / www.microsoft.com **Ongoing**

Cultural Data Online

Access to a broad range of research relating to the arts and culture in Australia. This includes data on cultural employment, participation, attendance at cultural venues and events, cultural tourism and cultural funding. The website is regularly updated to include new cultural research publications from the Statistics Working Group. Publications on this site are available to download free of charge. Where publications are not available in electronic format, hard copies can be sent on request. **www.culturaldata.gov.au/**

For more details go to www.artsoutwest.org.au, call Arts OutWest Communications Officer Maryanne Jaques on 6338 4657 or email artsoutwest@csu.edu.au

How to contribute to this list...

Are you or your organisation hosting opportunities that could be listed in this fortnightly document and via Arts OutWest's other activities? Auditions? Competitions? Workshops and classes? Seminars? Art Materials sought?

Send your information to artsoutwest@csu.edu.au or fax to 02 6338 4646

PLACES TO HAVE TO YOUR EVENTS LISTED ONLINE & IN THE MEDIA

Arts OutWest Send your event details to artsoutwest@csu.edu.au or fax them to 6338 4646 for inclusion online and in media activities.

Australian Government's Culture & Recreation Portal

Access over 3,700 linked websites and 2.4 million pages about Australia's culture and recreation. Add your own events and organisations. Receive regular newsletters and updates. Many Central West listings on the site. A great resource: www.cultureandrecreation.gov.au

Community Builders An interactive electronic clearing house for everyone involved in community level social, economic and environmental renewal including community leaders, community & government workers, volunteers, program managers, academics, policy makers, youth and seniors. Add your community event at: www.community-builders.nsw.gov.au/events/

ABC Arts Map Go to www.abc.net.au/tv/sundayarts/ and click on 'Arts Map' (left hand side of page). Let's really put the Central West on the map!

Tourism NSW For events relevant to the leisure tourism market; not suited only to the local community or domestic regional market. These listings are picked up by other media and sites. You'll need to register your event as a tourism product at: <http://getconnected.tourism.nsw.gov.au/GetConnected.asp>

Museum and galleries NSW Alert! Museum and gallery sector information weekly Alerts to media and subscribers via email. Guidelines for contributing information for inclusion in Alert! are available on request. Alert! is the free weekly electronic newsletter from M&Gnsw, sent only to subscribers. To subscribe to Alert! visit www.mgnsw.org.au For further information please contact M&Gnsw on (02) 9358 1760, free call 1800 114 311 (regional NSW) or email info@mgnsw.org.au

Regional Events Live FREE listings and Events Calendar Newsletter Service to help you promote your event and keep you informed. 7 days prior to the end date of the event, it will become eligible for inclusion in subscribers Event Calendar Newsletter. If you feel that you need more marketing exposure than 7 days, you will need to pay for a listing, starting at \$40 for 4 weeks targeted marketing direct to the audience that wants the information. www.regionaleventslive.com.au

Regional Arts NSW Put your event (with picture) in the Regional Arts NSW's monthly e-bulletin. Email Content by the 23rd of the month to newsletter@regionalartsnsw.com.au

ABC Central West Diary Let the region know about your event. Log it online at www2b.abc.net.au/local/tablelands/diary/index.htm

The Year of the Outback Official Events List your event as an official Outback Calling 2007-'09 event. Outback Calling is the call sign for the first 3 years of the Quadrennial Year of the Outback Campaign ... building to the Year of the Outback 2010. It is free to be recognised as an official event and registering will give you access to the Outback Calling 2007 -'09 logo for your promotional material and give you the opportunity to have your event promoted through the Outback Calling campaign media networks wherever possible. Their aim is to have a comprehensive national calendar of "Outback" related events and encourage people to experience the 'Bush' for themselves. To register go to www.outbackinfront.com.au/atwone/static/agreement.html

Vroom A searchable database of music venues in NSW. Enables search for venues via genre, capacity, venue type, and region. It helps artists book tours, assist booking agents looking for new venues, and allows venues to promote themselves to the music industry worldwide. <http://www.vroom.musicnsw.com/>

Arts Whats On - Visual Artists Promote Your Work: <http://www.artwhatson.com.au/>

List and promote yourself and your exhibition. This is a user pays site for artists. While it will cost you money it's worth taking a look at just to see how other artists and art spaces are promoting themselves.

Do you have another suggestion for this list? Email Maryanne at artsoutwest@csu.edu.au