



Media Release

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Funding workshop in Grenfell

Learn how to tap into arts funding at a free workshop in Grenfell on July 2.

The state peak body, Regional Arts NSW, will be joined by the local arts board Arts OutWest in presenting this one day insight into the world of arts funding.

One of series of funding workshops across the state, the workshop targets towns and local government areas which have not previously applied for arts funding or have missed out in the past.

Everyone interested in applying for funding to support their arts or cultural projects is encouraged to attend. Workshop participants are expected from towns such as Grenfell, Cowra, Forbes, Canowindra, West Wyalong, Young and beyond.

The workshop in Grenfell will be delivered by Regional Arts NSW Funding Manager Annette Eassie. Ms Eassie will focus particularly on the Regional Arts Fund, one of the key funding sources for arts and cultural activities in regional, rural and remote communities of NSW.

The Regional Arts Fund (RAF) is an initiative of the Australian Government. It supports arts and cultural activities that have long term cultural, economic and social benefits, promote partnerships and cultural networks, and provide skills development opportunities. Applications for the Regional Arts Fund (NSW) close on Friday 14 August 2009.

In NSW, the RAF is administered by Regional Arts NSW. Funding is available for projects commencing after 1 January 2010 in the categories of New Initiatives, Partnerships and Residencies and Mentorships. Funding is available for one, two or three year projects.

Weddin Shire rejoined the Arts OutWest regional arts program in May 2009. This will be the first chance in many years for residents of the shire to tap into expert advice on regional arts funding.

When: Thursday July 2, 10am-2pm
Where: The Hub, 92 Main Street, Grenfell
Cost: FREE
RSVP: By Friday June 26 to Arts OutWest 02 6338 4657

More info on the Regional Arts Fund: www.regionalartsnsw.com.au/grants/raf.html