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Arts NT News

Building Strong Arts Business Newsletter #6 Available Now

The new Building Strong Arts Business Newsletter, part of the Northern Territory Government Arts Strategy features industry updates with articles on the Wildflower Band, Tom E. Lewis, dancers in Algeria, Christine Christophersen and the Alice Springs Beanie Festival is now available at www.arts.nt.gov.au. Please email Arts NT to have a copy of the Building Strong Arts Business Newsletter mailed to you.

Arts NT Grants Calendar 2007/2008

Arts NT Quick Response Scheme	no closing date
Key Arts Organisation Triennial Funding	31st July
October 2007 Project Round	15th October
Key Arts Organisation Annual Funding	15th October
Arts Scholarship Scheme	31st January
Remote Festivals Fund	28th February
NT Register of Peers	28th February
March 2007 Project Round	15th March
Public Art Grants	15th March
Declan Aputimi / J Bird Public Art Grants Fellowship	15th March

General News

Northern Territory Designer Participates in Design Island

Elliat Rich, emerging designer from Alice Springs, will be assisted by Arts NT to travel to Tasmania to join some of Australia's most talented emerging designers at Design Island. Design Island is an initiative of Arts Tasmania which connects Tasmanian designers with national and international networks to support best practice and promote Tasmania's innovative designs in furniture, architecture, ceramics, jewellery, textiles and graphics.

New Appointments at Music NT

Julien Poulson has been appointed as the new Music NT Manager. Julien will commence in the position full time on Monday, 23rd April. Julien has more than fifteen years experience in the Australian music scene and has interests in film, and media. Rory Davis has just been appointed as the new Co-ordinator for the Music NT Alice Springs office. Raised in Alice Springs, Rory has played in rock bands, jazz and big bands and classical ensembles. Music NT also welcomes Lucy Brown, who is driving the PUSH - THE MUSIC FESTIVAL - an

inaugural three day Wet Season Festival of live, local original music. The Festival will see 13 acts perform original music and dance in 9 venues around Darwin City this weekend. More information on the program is available at www.musicnt.com.au

Jessica Mauboy receives NT Young Achiever Award for Arts

Jessica Mauboy was named this year's Northern Territory young achiever in Arts, sponsored by the Charles Darwin University. Eight awards were given, including for achievements in sports, science and engineering, rural, career, Elcho Island, community service and youth leadership. The purpose of the Northern Territory Young Achiever Awards is to acknowledge, encourage and most importantly promote the positive achievements of young Territorians aged between 14 and 26 years of age. www.cdu.edu.au

CDU Graduates at PICA's Hatched 07

Imbi Davidson, Fiona Gavino and Glynis Lee are currently showing their works in PICA's Hatched 07. This is 'THE' national graduate show representing the pick from 21 tertiary art schools around Australia and heralds the new batch of emerging artists nationally. www.pica.org.au

Alice Springs Arts Incubator Feature

Kieran Finnane, chief reporter at the Alice Springs News, reviews the Incubator in ArtsHub: Two sets of ideas in particular cut through for participants in the Art~Land~Culture ideas incubator, held over two days in Alice Springs in March. Attended by artists, arts workers and administrators in a position to influence arts outcomes, the focus of the incubator was to ask 'What innovative projects can we create that will invigorate the way public space is thought about, used and developed in Alice Springs?'. www.artshub.com.au

National Gallery Launches Indigenous Art Program

The National Gallery of Australia (NGA) has launched a new program aimed at promoting the country's leading Indigenous artists. The National Indigenous Art Triennial will see Indigenous artists invited to curate an exhibition every three years, showcasing contemporary works. The inaugural National Indigenous Art Triennial exhibition, *CULTURE WARRIORS*, will be curated by Brenda Croft, Senior Curator Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art at the NGA and a member of the Gurindji and Mudpurra communities, and will be on display at the NGA from 12 October 2007 to 10 February 2008. Following that, selected works from the exhibition will travel throughout Australia as part of the NGA's Travelling Exhibitions program, encompassing such venues as the Art Gallery of SA, the Queensland Art Gallery and Art Gallery of Western Australia. www.abc.net.au

Australian Music Industry Pushes for Action on Illegal Downloads

The Australian music industry has approached Internet service providers (ISP) to penalise people who illegally download music. Under the plan, record labels would identify Internet customers who are illegally downloading and service providers would give them three warnings before cutting off their phone and Internet connections. Recent research shows that 18 per cent of Australians regularly use filesharing programs like Limewire to illegally download songs from the Internet. www.abc.net.au

NT Screen Awards to be held in April 2008

The Australian Cinematographer's Society has announced that the first NT Screen Awards will be held in April next year. The society's secretary, Shane Mulcahy, says a number of people are now making films in the Territory and they deserve recognition. "The cinema in the river last year as part of the Alice Festival was extremely successful and that has really motivated us to come up with the awards," he said. www.abc.net.au

Vale Justine Saunders

Tributes are pouring in from across the performing arts community for Indigenous actor Justine Saunders, who died at the age of 54 on Sunday morning after a long battle with cancer. Saunders starred in feature films such as *The Chant of Jimmie Blacksmith* in 1978 and *The Fringe Dwellers* in 1986. www.abc.net.au

Kakadu Calling – New Book by Jane Christophersen

Kakadu Calling, a compilation of five stories for young readers, describes the process of growing up in Kakadu – a life of adventure that involves biting the heads of file snakes, saving dingo pups and being dragged to sea by giant fish. *Kakadu Calling* is Christophersen's second book, published in February 2007 by Magabala Books. Her first picture book, *My Home in Kakadu*, was a Notable Book in the 2006 Children's Book Council Book of the Year Awards. The covers of both books were illustrated by Christine Christophersen.

www.artshub.com.au

Historic Papunya Artworks to Go on Show

The Australian Museum is to display a collection of historically significant Papunyan paintings that have been kept in storage for over 20 years. The 94 pieces were given to the museum by the Indigenous founders of the western desert art movement, including Old Mick Tjakamarra, Uta Uta Tjangala, Mick Namarari and Timmy Payungka Tjapangardi. www.smh.com.au

Winanjikari Music Centre Podcasts

The Winanjikari Music Centre in Tennant Creek is designed to teach and assist local musicians and the community new skills in music production. It is a Shared Responsibility Agreement between the Aboriginal Community of Tennant Creek, the Australian and Northern Territory Governments, Papula Appar-Karri Aboriginal Corporation (PAK), Julalikari Council Aboriginal Corporation (JCAC), the Tennant Creek Town Council and the Barkly region. The guys at the Winanjikari Music Centre are online and have just updated their podcast. To listen got to: winanjikari.podomatic.com

New Venue Opened in Darwin

A new venue/club called Passport International...a celebration of Africa/diaspora culture-come-dance-your-socks-off night was launched in Darwin. The venue is located at the PINT Club Abala Rd Marrara and will feature a different country each month...first up, Mali. The aim is to assist the African community, with all its vibrancy and energetic culture, to develop into an integral part of Darwin's social life.

Zeb Olsen Written About in The Program

J Arts Crew NT Writer Rebecca Arbon writes about Zeb Olsen's latest show Eyes Like Yours, consisting of several paintings exhibited at the Happy Yess. www.theprogram.net.au

Opportunities- NT Wide

AIR Is Seeking Artists For May Edition of AIRPlay

Closing 27th April

AIRPlay is a new, innovative online initiative that sees Australian independent music distributed to key players in the global music business, as well as the people that really matter – music fans! AIR recognises that the digital space is becoming an extremely potent part of the music business, and provides the platforms for people behind the scenes, as well as in the audience, to connect with new music. Through the new AIRPlay project, music will not only be solicited directly to over 1500 music industry executives around Australia and the world, but to the music fans via a special relationship we've developed with MySpace.com. We're also working to develop relationships with new online and other partners so that your music and profile is distributed as far and as wide as possible. This includes radio, media and the music industry. Apply at www.sonicbids.com/airplay. For any questions, please contact AIR on:

T: (07 3257 1838

E: info@air.org.au

W: www.air.org.au/airplay

ABC Live and Local

Ongoing

Music NT is calling for submissions to be part of the very popular Thursdays ABC live and local sessions with Annie Gustin. If you are interested to showcase your music please send your demo, biography and news about releases, touring to Music NT.

T: 08 8981 1995
E: brittadecker@musicnt.com.au

**Alice Springs Desert Park and Gap Youth Centre National Youth Week Photo Competition
Closing 11th May**

Young Photographers are invited to submit digital shots on the theme 'Life in the Desert'. This is an opportunity for budding photographers, or just happy snappers to show their photographic skills and showcase their perspective of 'Life in the Desert'. There will be three age group categories,

12 – 14 years, 15 – 18 years and 19 – 25 years. The winners of each category will each receive a compact digital camera. For more information contact:

E: photocompetition.asdp@nt.gov.au
W: <http://www.alicespringsdesertpark.com.au/photo/#theme#theme>

**Northern Territory Indigenous Education Council
Closing 25th May**

The Minister for Employment, Education and Training is seeking expressions of interest from Indigenous people from all regions across the Territory to be members of the new Northern Territory Indigenous Education Council. The Council will provide expert advice on indigenous education to the Northern Territory and Australian Government Ministers for Education. The Council will consult directly with Indigenous people across the Territory and will reflect Indigenous people's views and aspirations on education services and outcomes. For more information please contact Mischa Cartwright at:

T: 08 8901 1387
E: mischa.cartwright@nt.gov.au
W: www.nt.gov.au/ntiec

**The Inaugural Pine Creek Art Prize
To be entered only on the 25th June**

This competition is part of the Pine Creek Gold Rush Festival and an initiative of Pine Creek Community Government Council. A cash prize of \$2000 will be presented to the winner of the competition. The winning artwork will become the first piece in the Pine Creek Community Art Collection. The winner will be announced at the exhibition opening on June 29. For more information please contact Pine Creek Council at:

P: 08 89761391
E: pinecreekcouncil@bigpond.com

**Fist Full of Films Competition
Closing 16th July**

The Territory's only homegrown annual film competition, Fist Full of Films, is calling for entries. The featured object that must appear in all entries is: 'Balloon'. New developments in this year's competition include a category for entries shot on mobile phones, plus an expanded Regional Screenings Program that includes Alice Springs, Tennant Creek and some remote communities. Here is an outlook on the workshops being held in May:

2 May, 5-7pm, Screen Culture Seminar as a Seabreeze Festival event,
co-presented by Take1/ Corrugated Iron Youth Arts
at the Groove Café, Nightcliff

13 May, 10am-4pm, Making Music Videos with Josh Muirhead, Venue tbc

19 May, 1-5pm, Short Film Screenwriting with Chris Houghton,
co-presented by NT Writers Centre, Frog Hollow Centre for the Arts, McMinn Street

26 May, 10am-3pm, Soundtracking Your Short Film with Matt Cunliffe,
co-presented by Take1, Nightcliff Community Centre (tbc)

For more information on the competition or the workshops please contact:

T: 08 8981 5522
E: fistfulloffilms@brownsmart.com.au
W: www.fistfulloffilms.com.au

Opportunities- Darwin

Sing and Dance Auditions – Destination Palmerston**Saturday 21st April, 3.30-5.30pm at the Palmerston Library Conference Room**

Singers and dancers are needed for a spectacular outdoor show as part of the Palmerston Festival. Looking for young people (12yrs and over) and adults to be part of the choir, featured/solo singers and general dancers. This is an opportunity to work with a professional local director and interstate choreographer and perform original music. Experience is not necessary, just a desire to be part of a fantastic community show. For audition details or to register call Tania Lieman:

T: 08 8935 9961 or 0439 855 264

Poetry Masterclass with MTC Cronin**Saturday 21st April, 2 - 5pm, Frog Hollow Conference Room, 56 McMinn St**

Highly acclaimed Australian poet MTC Cronin will lead this Masterclass for writers of poetry wanting to challenge their craft and take it to the next level and beyond. Following on from her guest appearance and workshop presentation at WordStorm 2006, MTC Cronin's Masterclass presents a rare opportunity to refine and reinvigorate your methods and sensibility. Practical and conceptual exercises will form part of an interactive, inspirational environment. MTC Cronin's poetry first appeared in print in early 1993. She has since published twelve books of poetry, hundreds of poems, a handful of short stories and numerous reviews and essays in journals, ezines, newspapers, anthologies and CDs in Australia and internationally. Cost is \$45 full/ \$35 member/ \$25 concession/ \$20 concession members. To register or for more information please contact:

T: 08 8941 2651

E: info@ntwriters.com

W: www.ntwriters.com.au

Writing for Young Readers, with Leonie Norrington**Sunday 22nd April, 1 - 4pm, Frog Hollow Conference Room, 56 McMinn St**

This workshop uses the act of writing as instruction. The participants take a character from their work and explore the depths of their character's consciousness, learning to see the world through that character's eyes and voice. Participants will come with an idea for a book and spend time working with one of its characters. Leonie's latest publication is The Barrumbi Kids series for children, short-listed for the 2003 NSW Premier's Prize and the 2004 South Australian Festival Award. The final book in this series, Leaving Barrumbi, will be launched in Darwin in May. Cost is \$45 full/ \$35 member/ \$25 concession/ \$20 concession members. To register or for more information please contact:

T: 08 8941 2651

E: info@ntwriters.com

W: www.ntwriters.com.au

BassintheGrass Submissions Closing**Extended to Monday 23rd April**

Submissions for local acts to perform at 2007 BassintheGrass, scheduled for the 26th May in Darwin, are closing soon. Application forms for local bands are available from

www.bassinthegrass.com.au

Liquid Space with Tara Gilbee**Tuesday 24th April, 6 - 8pm, 24HR Art Gallery, Parap**

Tara Gilbee is currently attending Darwin as artist in residence at 24HR Art and is developing a series of new media works for a solo exhibition at Dianne Tanzer Gallery, Melbourne in August. Tara will speak about her projects as part of <the space in between> artist group she formed in 2000. She will look at the nature of the various mediums and spaces employed in this group as well as discussing some of her own current art works being developed during her residency at 24HR Art and in relation to past series of works.

More information on Tara is available at: www.diannetanzergallery.net.au

Community Art Exhibition

The YWCA's Sisters project is organizing an Art Exhibition as part of International No Diet Day on the 6th May at the Nightcliff Markets. Artists are invited to contribute with works

focusing on body image, self esteem, and the beauty of the human body in all its unique varieties of shapes and sizes. YWCA Darwin is part of a worldwide women's volunteer membership movement, the World YWCA, one of the first independent international women's organisations. To contribute, find out more please contact Lisa on:

T: 08 89 45 13 72

E: sistersproject@ywcaofdarwin.org.au

Darwin CBD Urban Planning Forum

The Darwin CBD Urban Planning Forum is a joint initiative of the NT Government and Darwin City Council. The forum will also bring together stakeholders, experts, a cross section of residents and users of the CBD, planners, property developers and the general public to provide input that will assist in developing the action plan to set of specific actions around the design of buildings, streetscape and open spaces to help shape the future of Darwin's CBD.

Anyone is welcome to participate in the following sessions:

Forum Plenary Session

Tuesday 24th April, 3:45-4:45pm at Holiday Inn Esplanade Darwin (The Esplanade)

Community Information & Feedback Session No. 1

Friday 27th April, 11:00am-2:00pm at Raintree Park (near Darwin Mall)

Community Information & Feedback Session No. 2

Saturday 28th April, 9:00am-5:00pm, Casuarina Shopping Centre

For more information about the community consultation events please contact Anthony Jensen of community consultation firm Elton Consulting.

T: 08 8941 2199

E: anthony@elton.com.au

W: www.darwinplanningforum.nt.gov.au

Abaf Workshop for Art Centre Managers

ABAF staff will be Darwin on Wednesday 9 May to deliver a workshop to ANKAAA art centre managers about building successful business partnerships. They are open to opportunities to deliver further workshops to interested arts organisations whilst they are here – probably on the same topic. If you're interested in attending any such sessions, contact Ruth Neve at ABAF as soon as possible on:

T: 02 9215 9310

E: neaver@abaf.org.au

NT Literary Award Poetry & Short Story Master Class with Mike Ladd

Saturday 5th May, 9-12pm, Poetry Masterclass, NT Library

Saturday 5th May, 1-5pm, Poetry Recordings, Frog Hollow Centre for the Arts

Sunday 6th May, 9-12pm, Short Story Masterclass, NT Library

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T: 08 8941 2651

E: info@ntwriters.com

W: www.ntwriters.com.au

Art Educators Association of the NT calls Visual Art Teachers for AGM

26th April, 4pm at the Groove Cafe, Nightcliff Shopping Village

For more information or to RSVP contact:

T: 8922 2130

Association Act (NT) Info Sessions

Wednesday, 2nd May, 7-9 pm at The Hub, Palmerston

Thursday, 10th May, 7-9 pm at Novatel The Esplanade, Darwin

Business Affairs from the Department of Justice is providing FREE training sessions for Management Committees and Members of Club and Associations to assist with compliance

under the Association Act (NT). Sessions are limited to 30 people. Bookings are essential by contacting:

T: 08 8935 7722

Information Session for Music NT Festival Club @ Darwin Festival

Thursday, 3rd May, 6-7 pm at the Happy Yess, Bennett Street

Music NT and Darwin Festival are once again collaborating to produce the best Festival Club Darwin has ever seen, featuring local original live music at the Star Shell and other fantastic venues during the Darwin Festival, 9th – 26th August. An Information Session will give insight on how to become part of the Darwin Festival with Darwin Festival Artistic Director, Malcolm Blaylock and the new Music NT Manager, Julien Poulson. Music NT urges all local NT musicians to attend this session. Please rsvp at:

E: brittadecker@musicnt.com.au

Happy Yess Seeking Bands for Sonic Youth Tribute

Closing 10th May

The Happy Yess is looking for bands to perform two sonic youth songs. This can be acoustic, folk, reggae, electro, country or other. The more diverse the interpretations are going to be the better night will evolve. The Happy Yess crew are also looking for musicians to be involved in the Feedback Orchestra, which looks at cranking up guitars with amplifiers and other sounds possible to present the last song of the night as one BIG wall of sound. For more information or to register your involvement please email Kris Keogh at:

E: happyyess@graffiti.net

Community Partnerships Info Session

Thursday, 17th May, 12.30 – 2pm, Brown's Mart Theatre, 12 Smith Street, Darwin

Community Partnerships offers a range of programs to support arts and cultural activities involving collaborations between artists and community groups. The Information sessions are open to everyone, but will be most beneficial to first-time applicants and for those who would like to learn more about the Community Partnerships Grants Program. Come and hear how the Australia Council for the Arts supports and promotes community-based arts and cultural activities and receive detailed information about the 2007 Community Partnerships grant categories. Half hour individual meetings to discuss projects with Community Partnerships staff are available on the day from 9.30 – 12.15pm and from 2.30 to 5pm. To register for the information session or to book an individual meeting, please contact Sabine Horner on:

T: 02 9215 9126 or toll free 1800 226 912

E: s.horner@ozco.gov.au

BEAT Gravity - Music Video Clip Competition

Closing 28th May

This is the first year of Beat Gravity Music Video Clip Competition. It is part of a new media youth arts project that has been funded by the Australia Council for the Arts. Territorians under 25 years are invited show their video work on the big screen in the Palmerston CMAX Cinema. Please submit an original short music-video clip (max 3 min, 30 sec) to win some great prizes. More information, guidelines and entry forms is available on the website. For information please contact Georgia Glen at:

T: 08 8935 9976

E: georgia.glen@palmerston.nt.gov.au

W: www.beatgravity.com.au

Exhibit at Arts NT: New Gallery Space

The wall behind the reception desk at the Arts NT office has been set up as a changing Gallery Space. This is a much-visited office by artists, arts workers and art lovers locally and from interstate. The wall is approximately 3 metres high by 3 metres wide with a hanging rail. Works of emerging and/or established artists can be hung on a monthly basis, free of charge. For more info contact:

T: 08 8981 9351 - Hayley West

E: info@dvaa.net.au

Opportunities- Alice Springs

RedHOT Distribution Deal

RedHOT Arts Marketing is offering you the chance to distribute your flyers and posters to all the hot spots in Alice Springs for just \$30. Unlimited numbers. Delivery points include; the Alice Springs Cultural Precinct, galleries, libraries, bookshops, car hire outlets, the University, tour companies, the post office, hotels, back packers, caravan parks, CDU, the railway station and cafes (full distribution list available on enquiry). This distribution service is available in the last week of the month throughout the year. For more info please contact:

T: 08 8952 2392

E: info@redhotarts.com.au

Poetry Master Class with MTC Cronin

Sunday April 22, 2 - 5pm, Red Hot Arts Space Meeting Room, 67 Bath St

Highly acclaimed Australian poet MTC Cronin will lead a master class for writers of poetry wanting to challenge their craft and take it to the next level and beyond. Following on from her guest appearance and workshop presentation at WordStorm 2006, MTC Cronin's master class presents a rare opportunity to refine and reinvigorate your methods and sensibility. Practical and conceptual exercises will form part of an interactive, inspirational environment. MTC Cronin's published twelve books of poetry, hundreds of poems, a handful of short stories and numerous reviews and essays in journals, e-zines, newspapers, anthologies and CDs in Australia and internationally. Cost: \$45 full/\$35 members/\$25 conc. /\$20 conc. Member. For bookings or enquiries contact:

T: 08 8952 3810

E: alice@ntwriters.com.au

Tjanpi Basket Weaving with Aboriginal Women

24 April, every 30 minutes from 10:30am – 1:30pm, Alice Springs Desert Park, Larapinta Drive

The Desert Park and Tjanpi Desert Weavers will provide visitors with the opportunity to sit with Anangu women in 30-minute workshops to try their hand at basket weaving. Tjanpi baskets are usually made from tjanpi (native grass) and raffia or wool, and are sometimes decorated with native seeds or feathers. Baskets made by Aboriginal women in remote desert communities will also be for sale. Cost: \$10.

T: 08 8951 8788

Botanical Style Art Workshop

Saturdays 28 April – 2 June 10am – 12:30pm, Olive Pink Botanic Garden, Tuncks Rd

This workshop offers an introduction to botanical style pencil and watercolour painting. Join local botanical artist, Patricia Weeks, in a series of six consecutive workshops on Saturday mornings at the Olive Pink Botanical Gardens in Alice Springs. Cost: \$110

T: 8952 2154 or 0437 942524

E: curatoropbg@internode.on.net

W: www.opbg.com.au

NT Literary Award Poetry & Short Story Master Class with Mike Ladd

Saturday 28 April, 1-4pm, Short Story Master Class, Red Hot Arts Space Meeting Room, 67 Bath St

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T: 08 8952 3810

E: alice@ntwriters.com.au

Bite Sized Theatre Cast and Crew Call

Closing 4th May

Red Dust Theatre are calling for directors, actor and crew to be part of Bite Sized Theatre,

Central Australia's first short play festival, on 2,9 and 16 June.

Actors and Crew: no experience is necessary. You just need a passion for theatre and a willingness and dedication to learn. Auditions will be held 5 May 2-4pm, RedHOT Arts Space, 67 Bath St, Alice Springs

Directors: Some experience is preferred.

Post: PO Box 2527 Alice Springs NT 0871

For more info contact Danielle Loy at:

T: 08 8953 3305

E: reddusttheatre@switch.com.au

W: www.reddusttheatre.com

Association Act (NT) Info Sessions

Tuesday, 8th May, 7-9pm Diplomat Hotel, Alice Springs

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T: 08 8935 7722

Community Partnerships Info Session

Tuesday, 15th May, 12.30-2pm, Araluen Centre for Arts and Entertainment, 61 Larapinta Drive

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T: 02 9215 9126 or toll free 1800 226 912

E: s.horner@ozco.gov.au

Alice Desert Festival Seeks Expressions of Interest

Closing 28th May

Expression of Interest for the 2007 Alice Desert Festival are now open. The Festival wants to hear from community groups and artists who are planning to put on events. The Festival runs from 14-23 September 2007 but events outside those dates will also be considered. Forms can be downloaded from the website. For further information contact:

T: 08 8953 6111

E: info@alicedesertfestival.com.au

W: www.alicedesertfestival.com.au

The Advocate Art Award 2007

Closing 1st June

The Central Australian Art Society invites artists of Central Australia to enter the 29th annual Advocate Art Award to be held at the Araluen Galleries from 16 June to 8 July 2007. There are several cash prizes on offer:

The Centralian Advocate People's Choice Prize - \$1000

The Centralian Advocate Excellence Prize - \$1500

The Centralian Advocate Faces Prize - \$500

The Centralian Advocate Places Prize - \$500

The Centralian Advocate Stories Prize - \$500

The Jackson's Drawing Supplies Encouragement Prize - \$350 worth of art materials awarded to a first time entrant. Entry forms will be printed in the Centralian Advocate from 1 May. For more information contact:

T: Art Shed 8952 0356 or Dugald 0409 174 719

Opportunities- Katherine

Inspired Words Exhibition

NT Writer's Centre Darwin and Territory Craft Katherine will be hosting the official opening of the 'Eye of the Storm' Festival with an exhibition of Words, words, words. Artists are invited to enter their works inspired by words of any kind to sell or display for the exhibition. Works can be of any size or medium. Contact Carly at Territory Craft for an entry form and more details: T: 08 8971 0740

NT Literary Award Poetry & Short Story Master Class with Mike Ladd

Thursday 3rd May, Poetry Recordings and consultations by arrangement, venue tbc

NT Literary Awards Masterclass, 4 - 6:30pm, Katherine Training Centre, Rm 19 (upstairs), followed by readings and social event at the Digger's Den, Victoria Highway

This month ABC Radio National's Mike Ladd will be spreading the creative word and his expertise throughout the NT, and scouting for NT poets to record their work for possible broadcast. Bookings are essential. Cost: 3hr workshop: \$45 full/ \$35 members/ \$25 conc./ \$25 conc. Members. For bookings or enquiries contact Toni Tapp Coutts:

T: 08 8971 0928

E: projects2@kathregionarts.org.au

Opportunities- Barkly

NT Literary Award Poetry & Short Story Master Class with Mike Ladd

Tuesday 1st May, Poetry Recordings and Consultations by arrangement, venue tbc

NT Literary Awards Writing Class 4-6:30pm, followed by readings/drinks/nibbles, venue tbc

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T: 08 8962 2799

E: arts@barklyarts.com.au

Opportunities- National

PlayWriting Australia is Calling for Entries

Closing 27th April

PlayWriting Australia is calling for entries for its National Script Workshop in Canberra, 25 June - 6 July. The workshop, which is PlayWriting Australia's first major program, is part of a strategy to develop and present new Australian plays to a national audience. The workshop offers playwrights the opportunity to develop their writing over a 2-week period of intensive work with the country's finest directors, dramaturgs and actors. This new event is for emerging, developing and established playwrights with unproduced work at an early stage of development. PlayWriting Australia is the new national peak body for playwriting services, whose mission is to develop great new Australian writing for performance. For more information contact:

T: 02 8571 9177

E: info.playwritingaustralia@gmail.com

W: www.ozco.gov.au

Australia Council for the Arts - Inter-Arts Projects & Fellowships

Closing 1st May

Contemporary Australian art is fuelled by the experimentation and innovation of artists creating work at the edges of established arts practices. The Inter-Arts Office supports new artistic practice that does not fall within the existing funding guidelines of the artform boards: creative processes such as interdisciplinary and hybrid arts, and cross disciplinary projects involving artists and practitioners from other fields. Grants in the categories of Projects and Fellowships are now open for applications. The purpose of the Projects category is to support artists exploring interdisciplinary art, hybrid art and new artistic practice. The Fellowship is offered to artists working in interdisciplinary art, hybrid art or new artistic practice to further enhance their capacity to provide leadership to the field.

T: 02 9215 9116

E: inter-arts@ozco.gov.au

W: www.ozco.gov.au/ia_projects or www.ozco.gov.au/ia_fellowships

Musical Writers

Closing 4th May

OzMade Musicals is an annual concert by Magnormos Productions that celebrates and showcases Australian music theatre writing. OzMade Musicals are calling for new works for their 'On the Drawing Board' program. Each work is given up to one week of development time with professional creatives and presented as a 15 minute scene and song vignette at the OzMade Musicals concert. For more info contact:

T: 03 9352 0232

E: submissions@australianmusicals.com

W: www.australianmusicals.com

Centre for Contemporary Photography Kodak Salon

Closing 4th May

The *Kodak Salon* is an annual event celebrating the latest developments in photo-based practice. An open-entry exhibition and competition the Salon provides an excellent opportunity to exhibit work in a professional, high profile context. The Salon is one of the largest and most renowned photographic award exhibitions in the country, including artists from all around Australia. Entries include analogue and digital works and there are over \$7,000 worth of prizes to be won from leaders in the photographic industry including Kodak Professional and Kayell Australia.

Exhibition Dates are 25 May–7 July 2007. For entry forms and conditions go to:

W: www.ccp.org.au

Contemporary Wearables '07 Jewellery Award

Closing 4th May

Entries from Australian and New Zealand jewellery artists are currently being sought for the Contemporary Wearables '07 Jewellery Award . The exhibition is curated by the Toowoomba Regional Art Gallery and sponsored by Toowoomba Gallery Society Inc.

E: ArtGallery@toowoomba.qld.gov.au

W: www.toowoomba.qld.gov.au

Australia Council for the Arts – Dance New Work

Closing 15th May

New Work grants support the creation of new dance works, encouraging artists to take time to develop a work and to proceed to each stage of its life cycle following a critical analysis of what has been accomplished. The number and nature of the stages in a work's life cycle varies from project to project.

T: 02 9215 9109

E: dance@ozco.gov.au

W: www.ozco.gov.au

Australia Council for the Arts – Dance Skills Development

Closing 15th May

Skills Development grants foster excellence in dance by providing professional development opportunities to individual dance practitioners in Australia.

T: 02 9215 9109

E: dance@ozco.gov.au

W: www.ozco.gov.au

Australia Council for the Arts – Dance Skills Development

Closing 15th May

Proposals for Artform Development grants may be for activities that contribute to the overall development of dance in Australia.

T: 02 9215 9109

E: dance@ozco.gov.au
W: www.ozco.gov.au

Australia Council for the Arts – Literature New Work

Closing 15th May

New Work grants assist in the creation of new work by emerging, developing and established Australian writers and picture book illustrators.

T: 02 9215 9054

E: literature@ozco.gov.au

W: www.ozco.gov.au

Australia Council for the Arts – Literature Fellowships

Closing 15th May

Fellowship grants support excellence in Australian literature by providing highly accomplished literary writers with financial support for two years to enable them to create new work.

T: 02 9215 9054

E: literature@ozco.gov.au

W: <http://www.ozco.gov.au>

Australia Council for the Arts – Literature Writers' Emeritus Award

Closing 15th May

The Writers' Emeritus Award acknowledges the achievements of eminent literary writers over the age of 65 who have made outstanding and lifelong contributions to Australian literature.

T: 02 9215 9054

E: literature@ozco.gov.au

W: www.ozco.gov.au

Australia Council for the Arts - Maker to Manufacture to Market Initiative 2007

Closing 15th May

The Maker to Manufacture to Market initiative developed by the Australia Council in 2005 is calling for applications for the third round of funding available under this program. Four grants of \$30,000 each will be available. The aim of the initiative is to encourage the development of successful models of industry practice in the Australian contemporary designer maker sector, with object designers and manufacturers developing relationships that lead to significant sales.

T: 02 9215 9125

E: j.pascoe@ozco.gov.au

w: www.ozco.gov.au

New category for AbaF Awards announced

Closing 18th May

The new Australia Council Arts for Young People Award is for business arts partnerships that enrich the lives of young Australians through engagement with and participation in the arts.

For more information got to:

<http://www.abaf.org.au/awards>

Short Story Competition

Closing 30th May

Vignette Press is calling for short stories for their annual short story competition. There is no theme but the stories are limited to 3000 words and cost \$6.60 per entry. *First prize*: \$500 and the short story will be published as a book in our [Mini Shots](#), a new magazine series. *Second prize*: \$200 and the short story will be published on Vignette Press's website. Entry forms are available from the website:

W: www.vignettepress.com.au

Woodford Folk Festival

Closing 31st May

The Woodford Folk Festival is an event of international standing. Held over six days and six nights it presents more than 2000 performers and 400 events with concerts, dances, workshops, forums, street theatre, writers' panels, film festival, comedy sessions, acoustic

jams, social dialogue and debate, an entire children's festival, art and craft workshops, late night cabarets and special events including a spectacular fire event. The Festival features the cream of Australian performers and a generous gathering of special international guests. Musicians and Performers can apply online until the end of May. All supporting materials must be forwarded by post before 1st June. For more information contact:

T: 07 5496 1066

E: gff@woodfordfolkfestival.com

W: www.woodfordfolkfestival.com

Positions Vacant

CDU Centre for Youth Music - Manager

Closing 26th April

Charles Darwin University are seeking a dynamic, energetic and innovative Manager. The Centre for Youth Music provides a comprehensive pre-tertiary music program for young Darwin musicians aged from 3 - 18 years and is housed within the School of Creative Arts and Humanities at Charles Darwin University. The position is full time, up to two years fixed term, and is located in Darwin. For more information contact:

T: 08 8946 6284

W: www.cdu.edu.au/jobs

RedHOT Arts Marketing - Director

Closing 4th May

RedHOT Arts Marketing supports artists and arts organisations across Central Australia by fostering best practice arts marketing and audience development skills and promoting the arts locally and nationally. Working in a unique arts development and marketing context, the Director will assist people across all art forms and lead the organisation to play an integral part in the growth of the arts sector in the region. An experienced manager is needed for this challenging and rewarding position based in Alice Springs. Salary package in the range of \$63,300 - \$68,756 will be offered commensurate with experience/qualifications. Position description and selection criteria available from:

T: 08 8952 2392

E: communications@redhotarts.com.au

W: www.redhotarts.com.au

Arts Mentors for Big hART

Big hART is seeking Expressions of Interest from film makers, musicians, photographers, visual and digital artists who may wish to work as casual Arts Mentors as part of *Ngapartji Ngapartji* project. For more information please contact Alex Kelly at:

t: 89535463

e: alex@ngapartji.org

w: <http://www.ngapartji.org> and <http://www.bighart.org>

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Red HOT Arts bulletin – for Central Australia and the Barkly: www.redhotarts.com.au

Regional Arts NSW - www.regionalartsnsw.com.au

The Program - www.theprogram.net.au

Craft Australia - www.craftaustralia.com.au

ANAT Plug In - www.anat.org.au

NT Film Office - www.nt.gov.au

Local arts industry newsletters including: **Desart, ANKAAA, Northern Territory Writers' Centre, 24HR Art, DVAA, Watch This Space, Music NT** and **Skinnyfish Music**

Local newspapers including: **NT News, Centralian Advocate, Alice Springs News, Tennant & District Times, Katherine Times, Koori Mail** and national newspapers

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