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Master the Art of Theatre at Araluen

Central Australia's aspiring young theatre enthusiasts have a remarkable opportunity to learn the ins and outs of the wonderful world of theatre with the inaugural Theatre School Workshop Program presented by Araluen Arts Centre, in partnership with the Duprada Dance Company and Central Craft.

Araluen Arts Centre Director Tim Rollason said the Theatre School Workshop Program will provide a unique opportunity for participants to gain invaluable hands-on experience in a choice of fields in the theatre industry.

"Workshop participants can gain experience in their chosen field, working as producers, performers or as back stage crew, and learning about how a theatre performance is developed and presented," Mr Rollason said.

"Alice Springs' finest creative experts from the theatre industry will deliver workshops in creative dance, drama, scriptwriting, stage makeup and photography, lighting and production, and the creation of wearable art.

"The Program will allow participants to explore individual creative areas during the week, before applying their knowledge to deliver a final performance at the end of the week."

Mr Rollason said the final performance will include dance and drama acts that have been developed during the workshops, the presentation or modelling of any wearable art pieces that are constructed, along with support from workshop participants working backstage in makeup, lighting and production.

"Family members, friends, parents and carers are all welcome to attend the final performance to see the skills gained from the week's workshops come to life on stage," Mr Rollason said.

"Alice Springs has a fantastic creative arts community and this workshop program is important to foster and develop the skills of our budding young performers and producers."

Junior workshops will cater to participants aged between 8-11 years old and senior workshops for 12-17 years old, and will run from Monday, 4 April to Friday, 8 April 2011.

The final performance will be held at Araluen Theatre starting at 3pm on Friday, 8 April 2011.

Bookings for workshops close on Sunday, 27 March 2011. For more information contact the

Araluen Arts Centre Box Office on 8951 1122, by email to araluen@nt.gov.au or by visiting www.araluen.nt.gov.au

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