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Bathurst Arts Council launches Arts Alive 2795





Above left: Fiona Thompson looks on as author Mary Moody talks about the benefits to the region of Arts Alive 2795. Above right: Jenny Barnes, Bathurst Regional Council Mayor Paul Toole, Mary Moody, Fiona Thompson and Mary Cuppaidge. Photos: Maryanne Jagues/ Arts OutWest.

Arts Alive 2795 officially launched

The Bathurst Arts Council's new arts expo weekend, Arts Alive 2795, was formally launched in May. Arts Alive 2795 was launched by locally based author Mary Moody at Cobblestone Lane on Wednesday May 26. Bathurst Mayor Paul Toole was guest speaker at the event.

The inaugural weekend-long expo and art trail will be held **November 20-21** this year in and around Bathurst. The program will include exhibits of all forms of arts at the Bathurst Showground as part of Bathurst's Biggest Expo.

The Sunny Corner Sunday arts trail will move to the same weekend and the National Trust will open historic homes, amongst other events.

A catalogue/ directory of local artists will also be produced.

Yetholme local and well-known author Mary Moody endorsed the project at the launch saying it will be an exciting opportunity for artists of the region to meet the public and will "crystallise the breadth of the creative community in the Bathurst region".

New additions to Arts Alive 2795

Below are just some of the other things we have lined up for the Arts Alive 2795

- Legall will run a French Café to offer creative food and conversation opportunity in French.
- Mary Moody, the author and garden enthusiast is assisting with promotion and the Arts Trail.
- Historic walks throughout the city taking in art work such as the wall hangings in the Cathedral
- The indigenous community will be involved
- A marquee will be set up at the Showground with stage and dance floor for theatre, music and dance groups to demonstrate and perform
- Exhibition space is available for all those who wish to sell, promote and showcase their works of art in any form.
- Harris Farm will sponsor a \$5000 Art Prize
- Greg Hyde will exhibit on the Arts Trail and is donating an artwork to the Silent Auction, supporting Headspace the Mental Health Youth support organisation.

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Harris Farm Art Prize

Harris Farm have offered a \$5,000 acquisitive Art Prize and exhibition as part of the event as well as \$250 worth of Harris Farm gift vouchers, and \$100 worth of gift vouchers towards the Raffle.

When is it happening?

Weekend of November 20 & 21, 2010

How to get involved in Arts Alive 2795

Arts Alive 2795 will introduce the community the variety of creativity of arts we have in the area. Exhibition space at the exhibition part of Arts Alive 2795, at Bathurst Showground, is available from \$125 per space.

Talk to Mary if you also need insurance cover.

For application forms and more information contact Mary Cuppaidge on 6332 3356 or email jmcupp@marysplace.com.au

Be the Arts Council President

The Bathurst Arts Council AGM was held on Tuesday May 25 at Bathurst Memorial Entertainment Centre. Fiona Thompson stepped down as President after three years and was thanked by the committee for her hard work. The position of President of the arts council is currently vacant. To nominate for the role contact Fiona Thompson on 6331 1108

Bruce Cameron stepped aside as Treasurer and Vicky Graham has now taken in the role. Jenny Barnes is new Vice-President.

Bathurst Arts Council meetings

BAC meetings are held on the 4th Tuesday of the month, 5.30pm in the BMEC foyer. All BAC members are welcome to attend. The next meeting dates are: Tuesday July 27, 5.30pm Tuesday Aug 24, 5.30pm

Youth Arts Awards

The 2BS Youth Arts Award is a monthly award that recognises outstanding young people in our community.

Elizabeth Randall is again running the awards scheme and the Bathurst Arts Council is calling for nominations.

Remember, nominees can be from any field of the arts - from musicians to back-stage crew of theatre productions to visual artists and others.

Download the nomination form at: www.bathurstartscouncil.org.au/doc/2BS_Youth_ Arts_Award_Nomination_Form[1].pdf or pick up a form from 2BS.

Please email your nomination for the Youth Arts Award to Elizabethrandall@bigpond.com or post to Bathurst Arts Council PO Box 414, Bathurst 2795 Monthly winners receive \$50 from 2BS and the annual winner \$500 from Rotary.

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New members of the committee are always welcome!

Weekly Western Advocate column

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