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## WELCOME to ARTSLATROBE

Welcome to the first ArtsLatrobe e-newsletter for 2012. You may notice that this is an early edition – there is a lot to tell you all; what with so many fabulous exhibitions at the moment and because some key dates are very close to the end of the month expediency was required.

The Newsletter has a wide and growing readership and is published to promote you, your art, and arts activities in Latrobe and beyond – so take advantage! We are always looking for information, and while we try hard to find news and exhibitions, some things inevitably fall through the net.

### News ...



#### Call for arts events registrations: Creative Gippsland May Arts Festival 2012

(The Festival theme for 2011 is *e*-motion – events that follow this theme are encouraged. Please see the website for further details.) The Creative Gippsland May Arts Festival takes place across Gippsland's six shires throughout May. Arts and culture events will be listed on the website and most will be included in the Festival brochure. Registration forms are available at the Creative Gippsland website. Registration is free, and you will receive excellent exposure locally and further afield. Contact Amanda on 5128 5639, email [Amanda.owen@latrobe.vic.gov.au](mailto:Amanda.owen@latrobe.vic.gov.au). More information at [www.creativegippsland.com.au](http://www.creativegippsland.com.au). Entries for Inclusion in the brochure close on 31 February. Website event entries are continuous throughout the year.

#### Unique workshop for adults who work with children

##### Presented by Polyglot Theatre, Berry Street and Latrobe City Council

*Making Creative Choices* is a workshop targeting adults who work with children and would like to explore different ways of seeing the world. Lead by inspiring artists from Polyglot Theatre, this workshop will provide a fascinating portal into creative expression, using simple materials to make extraordinary things and un-learning blocks to creative thinking. The work shop is hands-on, loads of fun and will provide tools you can use in everyday live as well as in the workplace. Thursday, 16 February, 6.30 - 8.30pm, Nambur Wariga Room, Latrobe City Council Headquarters, Morwell. **Free.** **RSVP by 5 February to [debby@polyglottheatre.com](mailto:debby@polyglottheatre.com).**

### Funding...

#### Call for entries Paul Guest Prize 2012

Bendigo Art Gallery is calling for entries for the 2012 Paul Guest Prize. The Paul Guest Prize is a non-acquisitive cash prize of \$12,000 which is held every two years, highlighting contemporary drawing practice in Australia. The Prize was initiated



by former Family Court Judge and Olympic rower, the Honourable Paul Guest QC and encourages artists from across Australia to engage with the important medium of drawing and to create challenging and unique art works.

Entry form and terms and conditions available for download by following the links. For more information go to <http://www.bendigoartgallery.com.au>. Closing date: 4.00 pm Friday, 20 April 2012.

### ***VicHealth's Arts About Us Funding Round Now Open***

Funding is available to develop arts activities that stimulate dialogue and thinking about how we all respond to cultural diversity and Victoria's Indigenous heritage, and/or to raise awareness of the harms of race-based discrimination and the benefits of cultural diversity. The program comprised two finding streams: Participation projects with grants of up to \$30,000 per annum for three years; and Presenting/producing projects with grants of up to \$50,000 per annum for three years. Go to [www.vichealth.vic.gov.au/artsaboutus](http://www.vichealth.vic.gov.au/artsaboutus) for information and entry form. **Closing date: 9 February.**

### ***Australia Council Fellowship Grants***

Fellowship grants provide financial support to craftspeople, designers, media artists and visual artists who have an outstanding record of achievement in their field. This two-year grant allows artists to undertake ambitious projects and develop their practice. The fellowship is for \$120,000 over two years. You must apply for this fixed amount. Payments for fellowship grants are made in three installments over the two-year period.

Potential applicants are encouraged to discuss their application with the relevant Australia Council team member. For further information, or to discuss your proposal, please contact Sandy Saxon on 02 9215 9020 or [s.saxon@australiacouncil.gov.au](mailto:s.saxon@australiacouncil.gov.au). [www.australiacouncil.gov.au/grants/grants/2012/fellowships-visual-arts](http://www.australiacouncil.gov.au/grants/grants/2012/fellowships-visual-arts)

**Closing date: 16 April.**

### ***Arts Victoria Arts Development Funding***

Program Grants provide support for the presentation of curated professional arts programs in Victoria. Arts Victoria offers a range of funding programs that support Victorian artists and arts organisations. These programs aim to encourage excellence, develop good ideas, build audiences, support professional and sector development and increase access to the arts for all Victorians. Applications are accepted from individual professional artists and professional arts ensembles. Funding is available from \$5,000 to \$30,000, with a maximum allocation of \$30,000 per year.

**Closing date: 27 February for activities starting on or after 1 July.**

### ***Arts Victoria Community Partnerships Grants***

Community Partnerships grants supports collaborations between professional artists, arts companies and Victorian communities. Projects may involve a single art form or a combination of art forms and can include new and experimental forms. The role of the professional artist(s) and the project's artistic elements must be central to achieving its overall purpose. Proposals must demonstrate capacity to develop a collaborative relationship between the artist(s) and a defined community group. Contact Arts Victoria on (03) 8683 3100. More funding information can be found at [www.arts.vic.gov.au](http://www.arts.vic.gov.au)

**Closing date: 5 March for projects starting after 1 July.**

### ***Regional Arts Victoria 2012 Funding***

The next RAF round includes two Grant categories: Toe in the Water grants for up to \$5,000 and Project & Skills Development grants for up to \$15,000. Applications and guidelines can be found here: <http://www.rav.net.au/funding-and-resources/fund>. **Closing date: 13 March for projects starting after 1 July.**

### ***Film Victoria Screen Engagement Grants: Regional Access***

This ongoing grants program aims to stimulate a vibrant screen culture in Victoria by supporting exciting opportunities for local audiences to engage with screen events and by promoting Victorian creativity and innovation. The Regional Access stream: accepts applications on an ongoing basis; funds regional Victorian based organisations; supports delivery of film and television related activities such as festivals, events and exhibitions to regional audiences. Grants of up to \$20,000 are available. More information at <http://film.vic.gov.au/funding/engagement>, or phone 03 9660 3200.



Website:

## Latrobe Regional Gallery



### Gippsland Contemporary Art Group Community Access Gallery 25 February – 25 March



This exhibition brings together a group of established local artists referred to as the Gippsland Contemporary Art Group, established in 2009. 'Same View Different Strokes No 1' is a collaboration of five distinctive styles that coalesce into a

panoramic landscape of ideas, experiences and how each artist individually views the world and their place within it. The artists explore various themes such as earth, water and sky and use a continuous adjoining line or feature within each canvas to unite each series. Artists include Carolyn Henry, Chris Tompsett, Denise Campbell, Sue Coppock and Wayne Milner. **OPENING CELEBRATION:** Friday, 4 February, 6.00pm.

Image credit: Chris Tompsett, Wayne Milner, Sue Coppock, Carolyn Henry and Denise Campbell, *Facing the Elements*, 2011, Acrylic on canvas. Collection of the artists.



### Vessels for Containment

Meg Viney

21 January - 19 February

Creating sculptures from natural resources, Viney builds delicate containers with fibre, bark, twigs and obsessive stitching.

Image credit: Meg Viney, *Sipapu*, 2011, orchard prunings and paper. Collection of Karen Murphy.



### By This Unwinking Night

Gracia Haby & Louise Jennison

4 February – 1 April

Dear you, we have borrowed a line from J. Milton and assembled beneath it a gathering of works on paper new, recent, and near-to forgotten ... laid out for you By This Unwinking Night. Yours in paper covered, Gracia & Louise.

Image credit: Gracia Haby & Louise Jennison, *The retreat*, 2011, collage. Collection of the artists.



### Mellow as a Rose: Melrose Ware 1932-1940

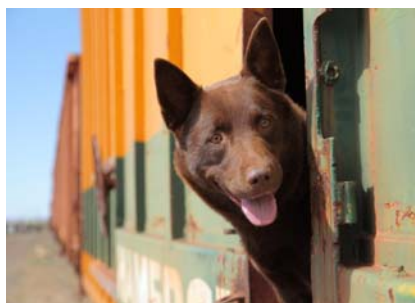
11 February – 11 April

Melrose Art Pottery tells the story of the Hoffman Brick, Tile and Pottery Company's survival during the 1930s Depression. Established in 1862, and located in Brunswick, a northern suburb in Melbourne, the company was the largest business of its type in the southern hemisphere.

**OPENING CELEBRATION:** Friday, 4 February, 6.00pm.

Image Credit: Vase [koala] c. 1932–1942, moulded earthenware, glaze. Transferred mark: MEL-ROSE/AUSTRALIAN/WARE

## Latrobe Performing Arts



### Latrobe Performing Arts Presents Red Dog

A warm-hearted story about a dog that becomes an outback legend. In the tradition of Lassie, this comedy, adapted from the Louis de Bernières best-selling novel is based on a true story and filmed in the spectacular Kimberley.

Monday, 20 February, 7.00pm.

Latrobe Performing Arts Centre, Grey Street Traralgon. Box Office 5176 3559.

## Switchback Gallery–Monash University Centre for Art & Design



### Counterfeits: the end/the beginning Until March 1

Curated by Rodney Forbes

Monday to Friday, 9.00am – 5.00pm or by appointment.

Building 6S, Monash University, Gippsland Campus, Churchill.

Image credit: Benjamin Teuben, Untitled, Acrylic and oilstick on ply.

## arc Yinnar



### I lived for the postcards Until 12 February

An exhibition of 440 handmade postcards created as part of an arts-based PhD inquiry into experiences of mother-daughter separation and dislocation by Janine Brophy-Dixon, artist, art therapist, and researcher. Exhibition from Friday 20th January to Sunday 12th February, 2012. Opening night Friday, 20 January, 6.00pm. Don't miss Janine's talk on Saturday, 4 February, 4.00pm.



### 30 Years – arc Anniversary – Join in the Celebrations!

Current and past arc Members are invited to submit artworks to this anniversary exhibition and celebration. Exhibition dates 18 February – 17 March. Opening event Saturday, 18 February 2.00pm-5.00 pm. Main Street, Yinnar. Phone 03 51 631310. Fax 03 51 631524.

[www.arcyinnar.org.au/index.html](http://www.arcyinnar.org.au/index.html)

## Cowwarr Art Space



2730 Traralgon/Maffra Rd Cowwarr. 5148 9321 Open: Fri—Mon, 11.00am to 5.00pm.

<http://www.cowwarr.com/>

A unique contemporary arts venue located in a magnificent restored heritage building.

Come and share an art experience, a great espresso coffee or local wine. Meet owner-director

Carolyn Crossley and visit the Australian Marble Sculpture studio of Clive Murray-White.

## Latrobe Contemporary Gallery

'if it's between death and magic'

Ryan McGennissen

11 Feb - 24 Feb

Rambler Collective Presents Ryan McGennissen's debut solo exhibition "if it's between death and magic".

As a child, Ryan was dragged by his parents all over the country on camping trips, spending weeks at a time on the beach, living from fire cooked meals, fishing and building huts out of sticks.

**OPENING:** 6.00pm-9.00pm Saturday, 11 February.

### Latrobe Contemporary Gallery 2012 Portrait Competition

Until 3 February

The current exhibition at Latrobe Contemporary Gallery is that of the 22 entrants into the 2012 Portrait Competition. The competition was judged by Anton Vardy, Director Gippsland Regional Gallery and Maria-Luisa Marino, Assistant Curator Latrobe Regional Gallery. Kerry Spokes' iPhone photograph *Ruby* was the winner, with the judges describing the portrait as a "surprise little gem".

Latrobe Contemporary Gallery is located at 209 Commercial Road, Morwell. 10.00am – 4.00pm Wednesday – Friday; 10.00am – 2.00pm Saturday and Sunday.

For further information about either the Portrait Competition, future events or submissions of proposed exhibitions contact Steph Sheilds on 0403 341 664, or email [lcontemporaryg@gmail.com](mailto:lcontemporaryg@gmail.com).

Image: Kerry Spokes with her winning portrait *Ruby*.



## Gippsland Art Gallery, Sale



### JUS' DRAWN

Vernon Ah Kee, Tony Albert, Richard Bell, Bianca Beetson, Jennifer Herd, Gordon Hookey, Laurie Nilson

28 January to 25 March 2012

Jus' Drawn is a Linden Centre for Contemporary Arts & NETS Victoria touring exhibition comprising new works from the group of artists known collectively as 'proppaNOW'. Consisting of urban Aboriginal artists who have already won individual acclaim, the group dispels the notion that

indigenous art needs to be from a remote area to be 'authentic'. These artists have developed a sophisticated city bred Aboriginal aesthetic in contrast to the mentality that casts indigenous culture as inherently static and primitive.

**OPENING:** Friday, 3 February 6.30pm by Richard Bell, Artist, proppaNOW Collective.

Image credit: Vernon AH KEE, *Unwritten* [detail] 2010, charcoal on paper. Courtesy the artist and Milani Gallery, Brisbane.



### IZABELA PLUTA

Reservoir

4 February to 25 March

The work of Sydney-based artist Izabela Pluta explores the various ways that place is manifested or experienced. Pluta's elegiac photographs and artefacts whisper of nostalgia and longing, and search for a sense of 'home' that has been lost in transit. She leads us to drift through the landscape – the everyday world which has become strange and unfamiliar.

Reservoir is a collection of work by Izabela Pluta that has been created in part during her 2011 residency at the Cowwarr Art Space.

**OPENING:** Friday 3 February 6.30pm by Simon Gregg, Curator Gippsland Art Gallery (doors open 6.00pm for **Artist Talk**).

Image credit: Izabela PLUTA, *Lifted bitumen* [detail] 2011, Chromogenic print. Courtesy the artist and Dianne Tanzer Gallery + Projects, Melbourne, and Galerie Pompom, Sydney.



## Art FX Sharon Anderson

Sharon Anderson creates a variety of art and craft from her Newborough studio. Original screenprints, pastel drawings, t-shirts, printed bags, tea towels, printed glassware, jewellery and giftware. Sharon's main interests include the process orientated medium of screen-printing and the rich, colourful, spontaneous medium of pastel drawing.

17 Rutherglen Road, Newborough. P 0409 436 268. E [artfxpaint@bigpond.com](mailto:artfxpaint@bigpond.com). [www.sharonanderson.com.au/](http://www.sharonanderson.com.au/)

## Rhonda Hunt – Faeries with Attitude

Workshops are available in Churchill in Rhonda's well equipped, air-conditioned studio. Enjoy the pleasant garden surroundings while you complete your sculpture. Sculptures can be made in a variety of fabric colours and patterns. All materials supplied. Rhonda Hunt Phone/Fax 03 51221429 Mobile: 0429 115 555

<http://www.faerieswithattitude.com.au/index.html>

## Gecko Studio Gallery

15 Falls Road, Fish Creek, Victoria, 03 5683 2481 / [info@geckogallery.com.au](mailto:info@geckogallery.com.au), Yarram, Victoria. 5182 6553.

Open 10.00am - 5.00pm Thursday – Monday.

## Maffra Exhibition Space

T: 03 5142 3372. Open Monday 10am - 6pm, Wednesday to Friday 10am - 6pm, Saturday 10.00am – 12.00pm. Closed Tuesday & Sunday. Free Entry.

## Stratford Courthouse Gallery

66 Princes Highway, Stratford. Open 10.30am to 5.00pm, Thurs – Mon. <http://www.stratfordcourthouse.com.au>

## Yarram Courthouse Gallery

122 Commercial Road, Yarram, Victoria. 5182 6553 e: [courthousegalleryyarram@gmail.com](mailto:courthousegalleryyarram@gmail.com)

<http://www.yarramchgallery.blogspot.com> Open 10.00- 4.00 daily except Wednesdays.

## Laurie Collins

[www.lauriecollins.com.au](http://www.lauriecollins.com.au) 420 Main Jindivick Road, Jindivick. Email: [info@lauriecollins.com.au](mailto:info@lauriecollins.com.au)

## Education & Public Programs @ Latrobe Regional Gallery

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### Art After School Kids Program 7-12 Years, 9 Week Program

Thursdays commencing February 2 until March 29



The Art After School program is designed for children aged 7 to 12. It encourages development and expansion of creative skills in a relaxed atmosphere. The aim of this nine week program is to allow participants to explore art mediums with the aim of producing an original work at the end of the nine weeks. All materials supplied. An adult is required to walk the child in and out of the Gallery. Cost: \$110 or \$100 Gallery Friends member. Bookings and payment essential by Friday, 27 January.

## **Creative Edge Youth Program 13-16 Years, 9 Week Program** **Tuesdays commencing 31 January to 27 March**



Creative Edge workshops are designed for youth to encourage development and expression of creative skills in a relaxed atmosphere. Sculptural works, wire construction, and themed art workshops provide a variety of activities that will add to participants' knowledge of materials and techniques. Cost: \$110 or \$100 Gallery Friends member. Bookings and payment essential by Friday, 27 January.

## **Life Drawing Adult 9 Week Program** **Wednesdays commencing 1 February to 28 March, 5.30pm – 7.30pm**



This program is an opportunity for participants to engage with other artists and improve their drawing and observation skills in a relaxed atmosphere. Drawing easels, boards, clips and light refreshments are included. Participants are required to provide their own materials including paper, charcoal, pencils, inks etc.

\$110 or \$100 Gallery Friends Member. Bookings and payment essential by Friday 27 January.

## *Extra Bits*

A celebration of state-wide community regeneration through music & song

# Fiddlehead Festival

COME ALONG AND HEAR, SEE AND EXPERIENCE THE POWER OF MUSIC IN STRENGTHENING AND BUILDING COMMUNITY RESILIENCE

**MUSICAL PICNIC**

**FIDDLEHEAD CONCERT**

**ALL SINGING ALL PLAYING Music Muster**

**YINNAR RECREATION RESERVE**  
JUMBURK ROAD YINNAR  
(MELWAYS REF 628 C8)

**SATURDAY 18th FEB**  
**12:30-5:30pm**  
ENTRY IS BY DONATION

An uncoiling, new fern frond, or fiddlehead, symbolises the return of life after a bushfire. Come along and hear, see and experience the power of music in strengthening and building resilience in Victorian communities at the Fiddlehead Festival.

### **Fiddlehead Festival Saturday, 18 February**

Yinnar Recreation Reserve  
Jumbuck Road, Yinnar, VIC

The concept behind the Fiddlehead Festival is to get communities from across Victoria together to share and celebrate with the broader public their powerful experiences of community music making - not only as a means of aiding recovery from disaster such as fire and flood but as an effective way to create vibrant, strong communities. It will provide an opportunity to everyone who attends to participate in and experience community music making first hand as well as hear how music making strengthens communities and see some great performances from community singers, musicians and artists.

Contact: Jane Coker

Org: Community Music Victoria

Tel: 03 9662 1162

Email: jane\_cmv@netspace.net.au

Web: www.cmv.org.au

### **Regional Arts Victoria Arts Recovery Project Officer Position**

An exciting opportunity is available for a great communicator with a strong track record of working in a community context to deliver the final twelve months of support to artists and communities in all areas of bushfire fire affected Murrindindi Shire. Following the 2009 bushfires, Regional Arts Victoria worked closely with Arts Victoria, the Victorian Arts Centre and the federal government to establish an Arts Recovery Project Officer (ARPO) to support artists and communities to develop arts and cultural activity to assist in the recovery effort. With the recent resignation of the



original ARPO after two and half years, the position is now vacant and is offered on a full-time basis for the fixed term of twelve months. The role will be managed by Regional Arts Victoria and will work from offices throughout the Shire including Marysville, Kinglake and Alexandra.

The successful applicant will have solid understanding of effective, inclusive and sustainable models of project delivery in a community context and the proven ability to work independently, yet collaboratively, in a complex and sensitive environment.

For a detailed position description please email [enquiry@rav.net.au](mailto:enquiry@rav.net.au) or phone 03 9644 1800. Applicants MUST address the key selection criteria in their application. It is expected the successful applicant will be available to start in early to mid-February 2012. For more information about Regional Arts Victoria, and the Arts Recovery Project Officer role visit the website: <http://www.rav.net.au>

Please note: this position has been re-advertised – previous applicants need not apply. Applications Close: Friday 27 January 2012. Salary: \$50,000 plus 9% superannuation plus fully maintained vehicle for professional and personal use.

## Australia Day Celebrations across the Valley

Australia Day is here once again and as always there are ceremonies happening in 13 places in the Valley on Thursday, 26 January. There will be bbqs and music at most, with flag raising ceremonies and community awards. For a comprehensive guide go to [www.latrobe.vic.gov.au/events](http://www.latrobe.vic.gov.au/events).

## ABC Big Diary

<http://www.abc.net.au/thebigdiary/> Once you register with the ABC Big Diary you can upload any events you are involved in. This enables the ABC to help promote your activities and also provide people with a place to go and get more details.

## Gippsland Artists website

<http://www.gippslandartists.com/>

Gippslandartists.com is a private business that aims to serve the artists of Gippsland through providing a low cost web presence to any Gippsland artist, and providing a comprehensive list of artists to the public.

## Regional Arts Australia Conference — Goolwa 2012

From 18 – 21 October 2012, South Australia will host the eighth Regional Arts Australia National Conference, the largest arts gathering in Australia. Following the success of Junction 2010 in Launceston, the conference will be a survey of the nation's latest regional arts practice and thinking, informing us of where we are now and indicating signposts to the future. You will swap stories, exchange ideas, be refreshed and re-energised alongside the opportunity to experience some of the nation's best work from regional artists, organisations and communities. Goolwa 2012 is a conference for professional artists, arts workers, volunteers, local shire and council employees interested in fostering and maintaining their local arts and culture. We encourage you to present your ideas, workshop or presentation in a creative, inclusive and innovative way. **Applications close on Tuesday 28 February.** Visit [www.artsalexandrina.org.au](http://www.artsalexandrina.org.au) to discover how you can be involved.

## ARTS CONTACTS

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[Jenny Peterson Park Road Studios](#)

[www.lauriecollins.com.au](http://www.lauriecollins.com.au)

[Kerrie Warren](#)

[Latrobe Theatre Company](#)

[Art On Track](#)

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## FESTIVALS

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[Next Wave Festival](#)  
[Noise Festival](#) - Australia-wide youth media/arts festival

## FUNDING – RESOURCES

### **Cultural Organisations**

<http://www.competitionsforartists.com/>  
[Arts Victoria](#)  
[Australia Council](#)  
[NAVA](#)  
[Arts Victoria](#)  
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[Res Artis](#)  
[Samstag scholarship](#) - University of South Australia

### **Dance**

[Chunky Move](#) – Melbourne  
[Dancehouse](#) - Melbourne

### **Directories**

[Art Almanac](#) - Australian gallery guide  
[Art.net.au](#) - Australian galleries and artists  
[e-flux](#)  
[Pandora Archive](#) - National Library of Australia  
[The Program](#) - Australian youth arts resource and directory

### **Funding Bodies**

[Australia Council](#)  
[Vic Health](#)  
[Festival Australia](#)  
[Film Victoria](#)  
[Victorian Multicultural Commission](#)

### **Journals / Zines**

[Art MARGins](#)  
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### Melbourne

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[Cultural Development Network](#)  
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