

Artspace Mackay

# EXHIBITIONS ACTIVITIES&EVENTS

July to December 2016



IMAGE: **Juli HAAS** *Not waving: Walrus box V* 1997.  
Pine timber box, brass clasp, hand-cut and hand-coloured paper. 11.8 x 17.0 x 7.5 cm.  
Mackay Regional Council Collection, Artspace Mackay.

# WELCOME

to the next chapter of our dynamic exhibition schedule which begins with *Animal Fanfair*, a show that explores our everchanging relationships with animals. Among the exhibition's creature features is a five metre taxidermied crocodile!

Continuing in creature theme, Rona Green's exhibition *You can dress them up but you can't take them out* brings us a motley crew of characters who bear the scars of past experience - Rona visited Mackay in June this year to judge the Mackay Show Association's very popular and successful art competition, Art on Show.

The *Rock Paper Scissors Art & Design Market* on Sunday 3rd July is a curated market showcasing some of the best art, design, craft, music and food our locals have to offer. So bring your cash because it's a great time to buy Christmas and birthday presents, and an even better time to indulge and spoil yourself. Bring the whole family for a glorious day outdoors in the green space behind Artspace Mackay.

The most important event on the 2016 Artspace Mackay calendar is our nationally renowned *Libris Awards: The Australian Artists Book Prize*. After a three year hiatus the competition returns to biennial status and promises to again bring entries from all over the country with a valuable \$10,000 main prize sponsored by Dalrymple Bay Coal Terminal, a \$2,500 prize for local artists living in the Mackay, Isaac and Whitsunday regions, and \$2000 Youth and Student Prize sponsored by Artspace Mackay Foundation.

The Libris Awards opening night celebrations including announcement of prize winners will take place on Saturday 27 August at Artspace Mackay. Winning works will be acquisitioned into the Mackay Regional Council Collection, adding to an already valuable and respected artists book collection – the largest of its kind in regional Australia.

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Acting Artspace Mackay Director

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# ANIMAL FANFAIR: HUMANS - ANIMALS - ENVIRONMENT

## Gallery One

This exhibition draws attention to humankind's changing relationships with animals which are complex and often contradictory. The artists examine human nature and challenge us to think about how we treat animals, asking us to question the ethics of keeping, killing and engineering new species of animals. The selected artists Katka Adams, Marian Drew, Hayden Fowler, Kelly Hussey-Smith, Owen Hutchison, Claude Jones, Sam Leach, Emma Lindsay, Rod McRae and Walter Stahl have dedicated much of their arts practice to this challenge.



# RONA GREEN: YOU CAN DRESS THEM UP BUT YOU CAN'T TAKE THEM OUT

## Gallery Two

Entering the creative world of Rona Green you will find yourself surrounded by misfits, loners and outcasts who bear the scars of past experience. The works of this prominent Melbourne based artist are a celebration of individuality and transformation. Green explores ideas of identity through her hand coloured prints, poppets, paintings and drawings. In this world of Rona Green we are all animals after all...

IMAGE: **Claude JONES** *Beast of Burden* 2011. Mixed media. 112 x 111cm. Photo courtesy of the artist.

**01 JUL**  
to 21 August



IMAGE: Michele SKELTON *Wave form* 2013.  
Woodblock print. Mackay Regional Council Collection,  
Artspace Mackay. **Libris Awards: Australian Artists  
Book Prize 2013 WINNER** Dalrymple Bay Coal  
Terminal National Artists Book Award.

# 2016 LIBRIS AWARDS: THE AUSTRALIAN ARTISTS BOOK PRIZE

## Gallery One

The *Libris Awards* is an Australia-wide competition and exhibition showcasing the latest and best in the field of artists books. An initiative of Mackay Regional Council through Artspace Mackay, these awards seek to develop awareness of the Council's significant collection of artists books, and to develop the collection further through the acquisition of new works by leading Australian artists. Winners announced at the exhibition opening 6pm Saturday 27 August.



## MICHELLE SKELTON: LOOKING IN/LOOKING OUT

### Gallery Two

Based in Sydney, NSW, Michelle Skelton began her career as a clothing designer. More recently, she has been developing a love of Artists Books using print making techniques. *Looking in, looking out* is a reflection of her travels along the east coast of Australia. Using copper plate etchings, woodblocks and monoprints, Michelle has transformed her memories and feelings into snap shots, frozen in time.

#### PUBLIC PROGRAMS

**Opening event:** 6pm Sat 27 Aug

# 27 AUG

to 16 October

# INDO POP: INDONESIAN ART FROM APT7

## Gallery One

A selection of works drawn from the 7th Asia-Pacific Triennial of Contemporary Art (APT7) held at Brisbane's Queensland Art Gallery | Gallery of Modern Art (QAGOMA). APT7 featured the Triennial's largest representation to date of artists from Indonesia. *Indo Pop* showcases a diverse group of works in a variety of styles and media. The regional tour of *Indo Pop* includes video and digital works from artist collective Tromarama, together with the explosively coloured painting, *The Journey* (2011) by Uji Handoko Eko Saputro (Hahan).

QAGOMA  
TOURING



The Queensland Art Gallery | Gallery of Modern Art provides a program of touring exhibitions and related services to regional Queensland.

INDO POP  
INDONESIAN ART  
FROM APT7

# GIFTED: TEN YEARS OF ARTSPACE MACKAY FOUNDATION

## Gallery Two

Focusing specifically on purchases funded by the gallery's vital fundraising arm, Artspace Mackay Foundation, *Gifted* highlights the philanthropic support Artspace receives to develop the Mackay Region's diverse and vibrant collection. Artists books, prints and works on paper come together in this eclectic exhibition celebrating ten years of collaboration.

21 OCT

to 04 December

### PUBLIC PROGRAMS

**Opening event:** 6pm Fri 21 Oct

**Floor Talk:** 11am Sat 22 Oct

IMAGE: Edwin ROSENO *Green hypermarket (series)* 2011-2012. Digital print. 112 x 111cm. Gift of the artist through the Queensland Art Gallery Foundation 2013.







# COPIER JAM!

## Gallery One

Zines and independent comics are part of an ever-changing vehicle of expression that is accessible to all, and is constantly evolving with cultural shifts. *Copier Jam!* highlights the diversity of zines and independent comics and their creators currently being produced in bedrooms across Australia. Unwilling for others to tell and share their story, these DIY publishers utilise what they have on hand to get their work out there, rather than waiting and chasing that publishing contract. The Zine creators featured in this exhibition are some of the most prolific, talented and creative in Australia. Hailing from all over Australia and varied communities, they share a common passion, using analogue media to share their art, writing, views and comics.



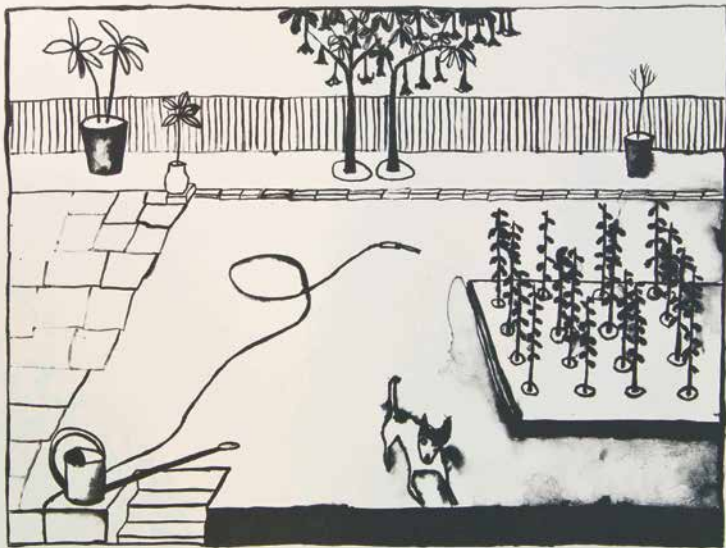
# THE MACKAY PET PORTRAIT PROJECT

## Gallery Two

*They're the furred and feathered friends who guard our door at night; greet with a smile each morning, and try with all their might; to love us unconditionally and keep the blues at bay. If there's one thing our pets know how to do, it's brighten up our day. So let us now pay tribute - take this opportunity; make a portrait of your pet and show the whole community!*

This exhibition will showcase our community's creative talent in a fitting tribute to our loyal, unsung heroes. Another great community art project brought to you by Artspace Mackay, follow us on facebook to find out how you can be involved. #mackaypride

**09 DEC**  
to 29 January



# VERY WOOFY: THE WORLD OF NOEL MCKENNA

## Gallery Three

Working in a variety of media including oil, enamel, watercolour, lithography, etching, ceramic and metal, Brisbane born artist Noel McKenna takes scenes from the everyday world and presents them in a unique and offbeat way. His artists books have been a much loved feature of the MRC Art Collection for many years. Artspace Mackay is delighted to present these works alongside the artist's recent donation of fourteen works on paper.

**COMING  
SOON!**

IMAGE: **Noel McKenna** *Backyard* 2011. Lithograph.  
32.0 x 42.1 cm. Mackay Regional Council Collection, Artspace  
Mackay. Donated by the artist through the Australian  
Government's Cultural Gifts Program, 2016.

IMAGE: Ruth Wallace, Margaret Wright, Lesley Kane & Kay Blackwell enjoying morning tea at a *Friends of the Gallery* information and social day, 2016.



## FRIENDS OF THE GALLERY

**Would you like to further your knowledge in art and join an exciting team?** The Friends of the Gallery provide an invaluable service to Artspace Mackay by staffing our front desk, informing visitors about the exhibitions, workshops, events and other exciting opportunities and services offered by Artspace Mackay. They also provide valuable assistance at exhibition openings and special events. **To enquire about volunteering as a Friend of the Gallery, please call the Administration Officer, 4961 9722.**

## COMMUNITY EXHIBITIONS PROGRAM

The Community Exhibitions Program managed by Artspace Mackay provides local artists with opportunities to exhibit their work. There are two community exhibition spaces in the region, Mackay Town Hall Studio, Sydney St, Mackay and Sarina Art Gallery, Field of dreams, Sarina. **To find out how you can hold your own exhibition in either of these spaces, contact the gallery now, 4961 9722 // [www.artspacmackay.com.au](http://www.artspacmackay.com.au)**



# ART + FOOD = FOODSPACE

Simple, seasonal and fresh are the themes of Foodspace's delicious new menu at Artspace Mackay. Open from Tuesday to Sunday and specialising in affordable, creative food from delicious breakfast options to quick snacks, good coffee and gourmet lunch options. Overlooking the green spaces of the Civic Centre Precinct, Foodspace offers a welcome relief for diners in search of a cool, contemporary place to unwind. Enjoy convenient lunches and delicious gourmet deli options, eat in or takeaway. For reservations, bookings and enquiries regarding Foodspace, please call 4961 9719.

## FUNCTIONS AT ARTSPACE

Hold your function at Artspace Mackay, the most creative venue in town. Artspace can host community and corporate functions including meetings, workshops, training seminars as well as gala occasions such as dinners, cocktail parties and product launches. To book your next community or corporate function at Artspace, Mackay's most creative venue, contact the Administration Officer today, 4961 9722.

## ARTSPACE GIFT SHOP

Artspace Mackay's gift shop stocks creative giftware handcrafted by local and Australian artists and craftspeople. Choose from artisan jewellery, cards, handmade books, ceramics, sculpture and textiles, all at very affordable prices. The gift shop also stocks art magazines, exhibition catalogues and publications as well as various art books and books by local authors.

**GALLERY  
MEMBERS  
10% OFF\*  
GIFT SHOP**

\*Excludes magazines

# FLOOR TALKS

Artspace Mackay floor talks are often held at the beginning of each exhibition season, and are free for anyone in the region to attend. Floor talks are usually delivered by the artist or curator of the exhibition and offer participants insight into the work on show. Your participation in the floor talk and discussion afterward is invited and encouraged.

# GALLERY TOURS

Free gallery tours are available upon request for each exhibition at Artspace Mackay. Viewings of selections from the artists books collection, held in the Tate Adams Reading Room, can also be arranged. Tours aim to include content that will meet your group's needs and complement teaching and learning programs. We are happy to tailor tours to meet your needs. Gallery tours are available on the hour, from Tuesday to Friday between 10am and 4pm (Artspace Mackay is closed Mondays). A minimum of 15 days notice is required to secure a guide's services for tours and viewings of the artists' book collection, so plan ahead for your visit. **To book a gallery tour and/or viewing of the artists book collection, contact Artspace Mackay 4961 9722.**

# SCHOOL TOURS

Take advantage of our staff's in-depth knowledge of each exhibition, and their experience in designing/delivering tours aimed at any age level. We require one weeks notice for self-guided groups and two weeks for staff guided sessions.

School tours, both independent and staff-guided, are free. The gallery is available for school visits from 10am - 3pm Tuesday to Friday, except during exhibition changeover periods. **All groups must book in advance.** Confirm your tour with the Public Programs Officer, Billie-Jo Ogilvie 4961 9737 or [billie-jo@mackay.qld.gov.au](mailto:billie-jo@mackay.qld.gov.au)

IMAGE: Students from the Krukela Binbi Beerkou "See Good Tomorrow" program run by MARABISDA Inc. visit Artspace Mackay to see Being Tiwi, an aboriginal art exhibition by artists from the Tiwi Islands, Northern Territory on tour from the Museum of Contemporary Art (MCA.)





**"Call Artspace staff to arrange school & community group tours of the exhibitions!"**

# THREE EXHIBITION GALLERIES

Artspace Mackay encompasses three impressive exhibition spaces. These state-of-the-art facilities ensure residents and visitors to Mackay are provided with the opportunity to see art exhibitions by significant international, Australian and local artists, as well as touring exhibitions presented by Australia's largest art galleries.

## ARTSPACE SEMINAR ROOM

The Seminar Room is Artspace Mackay's in-house facility for workshops and presentations. Artspace's regular programs for children including Kids Art Club, BMA Kidspace and Kids Holiday Workshops are all held in the Seminar Room. The room is set up for workshops, seminars and presentations by businesses and community groups, accommodating up to 40 people in a classroom/lecture style, and up to 25 people in table/seated format.

## TATE ADAMS READING ROOM

Artspace Mackay's Tate Adams Reading Room provides an ideal quiet space for visitors to sit and read from its broad, contemporary art reference book collection. The purpose-designed reading room is also the storage space for Mackay Regional Council's extensive and significant collection of artists books. It is here that artists books are brought out for small groups of visitors to explore, research and enjoy. The art reference book collection is an excellent resource for students and teachers. It is stored within the Artspace offices & community members may search for titles through the MRC Library online catalogue.

IMAGE: Being Tiwi, on tour from the Museum of Contemporary Art (MCA), on show in Artspace Mackay's Gallery One, 2016. Photography: Jim Cullen.





# BMA KIDSPACE

Join local artists and performers for creative art activities designed especially for toddlers and their adults. BMA Kidspace, our ever-popular toddler's program, gives children under five a chance to explore and have fun with art in a climate of co-operative learning. The program includes free artist-run workshops from 10am to 2pm and live musical entertainment for kids from 12pm to 1pm. Bring your children along for a fun day of art-making, singing and dancing. Proudly presented by BHP Billiton Mitsubishi Alliance.

## 2016 BMA Kidspace dates

**Tuesdays > 22 Mar / 19 Apr / 17 May / 21 June /  
19 July / 16 Aug / 13 Sep / 11 Oct / 15 Nov / 13 Dec**



# SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN

During school holiday periods, Artspace Mackay offers drop-in activities for families in conjunction with a creative program of workshops designed especially for kids aged 8 - 12yrs. The drop-in activities require parental supervision at all times and are free to attend. The workshop sessions vary in price and run for 2 hours. There are always plenty of sessions to choose from. These workshops are delivered by an experienced art tutor. Parents are encouraged to 'drop & go' so the children can learn great new art techniques independently building confidence and creative freedom.

# KIDS ART CLUB

**6 - 8 years > 10am - 12pm // 9 -12 years > 1 - 3pm**

Kids Art Club is Artspace Mackay's ongoing term-based art program for kids. Renowned local artists deliver this rich six week program of creative art for kids. Each week they explore and respond to the exhibitions on show at Artspace Mackay through fun-filled, exhibition-related art activities. \$150 per child, includes materials. Bookings are open now for Terms 3 & 4 and seats are limited so contact us today.

**TERM 3: Sat 6 Aug- Sat 10 Sep**

**TERM 4: Sat 22 Oct - Sat 26 Nov**

# BECOME A GALLERY MEMBER

As a Gallery Member, you have the exclusive opportunity to show your support, receive special discounts, and be a part of special 'members only' events. From only \$44 per year, your membership ensures you receive invitations to exhibition openings, members newsletters, discounts to workshops and selected events, 10% discount at Artspace's gift shop and selected Mackay businesses. To join today, contact Artspace Mackay Foundation 0400 005 958.

## ARTSPACE MACKAY FOUNDATION

The Artspace Mackay Foundation's goal is to raise funds and invest them in the Mackay regional community by funding ongoing educational community programs, workshops, exhibitions and other cultural events, as well as acquiring artworks for Mackay Regional Council's art collection which is stored and cared for at Artspace Mackay. The Foundation seeks to secure donations, individual and corporate partnerships, grants and bequests. For more information regarding the Foundation, contact Melissa Broadhurst 0400 005 958.

## CORPORATE PARTNERS

Artspace Mackay and Artspace Mackay Foundation would like to recognise the valuable contribution made by our sponsors and thank them for their ongoing support.



IMAGE: Artspace Mackay Foundation's next exciting fundraising event is HUNG UP: CLEM FORBES... If you own a Clem Forbes artwork, and would like to have it valued, visit [www.artspacemackay.com.au](http://www.artspacemackay.com.au) and take part in this fantastic fundraising valuation and sales event!







# Rock paper scissors

Artspace Mackay's Annual  
Art & Design Market!



sunday  
3rd july

**1-4 pm** featuring indie design, art & craft stalls, live music and Foodspace cafe.  
On the lawns behind Artspace Mackay, Gordon Street, Civic Centre Precinct, Mackay.

**For more information visit [www.artspacemackay.com.au](http://www.artspacemackay.com.au)**

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