



artspace mackay

EXHIBITIONS

ACTIVITIES & EVENTS



WELCOME to Artspace Mackay

Mackay's sesquicentennial year in 2012 culminated in the gallery's acquisition of two major artworks by Danie Mellor (opposite page). The works, commissioned to commemorate Mackay's 150th birthday now belong permanently to the people of the Mackay region and are on show from now until February in the Cox Rayner Gallery so don't miss seeing them!

2013 is a very exciting year for Artspace Mackay. It is our 10th birthday, and the gallery – your gallery – continues to go from strength to strength. Watch out for great exhibitions and join us for the celebrations and special events throughout the year.

We'll begin a real focus on indigenous art and artists this year, commencing with *Yulyurlu: Lorna Fencer Napurrurla*. While she has been frequently compared with the legendary Emily Kngwarreye, Yulyurlu (Lorna Fencer) became widely acclaimed in her own lifetime for her original interpretations of the stories of her country.

2013 marks the 150th anniversary of the arrival of the first South Sea Islanders who were brought to Queensland as indentured labourers. This is an important milestone for Mackay, and an opportunity to celebrate the valuable contribution Australian South Sea Islanders have made to our region and beyond. To commemorate the occasion, Artspace Mackay will host a variety of exhibitions including one which looks specifically at our region's Australian South Sea Islander community history, and two inspirational exhibitions which explore South Pacific Island and Maori culture - *Body on the line*, and *Siamani Samoa Selu La'au* (German Samoa hair combs).

This year we present the fourth *Libris Awards: The National Artists Book Prize*. The culminating exhibition will showcase the finalists selected from around the nation, all vying for a \$10,000 prize. *The National Artists Book Prize* is sponsored for the first time by Dalrymple Bay Coal Terminal, and will certainly enhance Artspace Mackay's reputation as a major supporter of artists books in Australia.

I encourage you all to come and experience our 10th year of fantastic exhibitions, activities and events at Artspace Mackay.

Anna Thurgood
Artspace Mackay Director

COVER IMAGE: **Lorna Fencer**
NAPURRURLA *Warna (Snake) –*
Lover Boy 1997. Synthetic polymer
paint on linen. 180 x 180 cm. Laverty
Collection, Sydney.

OPPOSITE: **Danie MELLOR**
Wambool Yuibera 2012. Mixed media
and wash with glitter and Swarovski
crystal on paper. 95 x 145 cm. Mackay
Regional Council Collection, Artspace
Mackay.

Danie MELLOR *A changing ecology*
2012. Mixed media and wash on
paper. 95 x 145 cm. Mackay Regional
Council Collection, Artspace Mackay.

Use this brochure in conjunction with the Artspace Mackay website www.artspacemackay.com.au to keep up-to-date with Artspace exhibitions, activities and events. Join Artspace's mailing list to receive brochures and invitations. Visit the website and sign up for convenient monthly Artspace eNewsletters to be the first to find out about art workshops.



ARTSPACE MACKAY GALLERIES AND SPACES



EXHIBITION GALLERIES

Artspace Mackay encompasses three impressive exhibition spaces: McAleese Gallery; Cox Rayner Gallery & Artspace Mackay Foyer.

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 and museums.

ARTSPACE MACKAY SEMINAR ROOM

The Seminar Room is Artspace Mackay's main 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.

For further information contact the Administration Officer, 4961 9722.

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 and visitors may transfer books into the Reading Room to read and research upon request.



KIDS' APT7 ON TOUR

10am-1pm Sunday 10 February, Artspace Mackay

Artspace Mackay invites children and families to celebrate the twentieth anniversary of the Asia Pacific Triennial of Contemporary Art series (APT) by participating in Kids' APT7 on Tour.

The program comprises a range of artist projects developed especially for children and family audiences, allowing our community the unique opportunity to experience the festivities locally.

Children can explore and experience diverse contemporary art styles and approaches through highly engaging activities including drawing, multimedia interactive and moving image.

It's a fun free day for the entire family with numerous art 'activity stations'. Drop in to Artspace on the day between 10am and 1pm – you can stay for 3 minutes, or 3 hours if you're having fun. No bookings necessary.

ARTY PARTY: FAMILY ACTIVITY DAY

On Sunday 10 February, Artspace will also be celebrating it's 10th birthday, so as well as great Kids APT on Tour activities, families can join our Arty Party & enjoy birthday cake and great party prizes!





LORNA FENCER NAPURRURLA: YULYURLU McAleese Gallery, Artspace Mackay

A stunning retrospective of the high profile senior Warlpiri artist Yulyurlu Lorna Fencer Napurrurla (c1924-2006). This exhibition will be the first major survey of the Lajamanu artist's work and will trace her development as a highly original artist during her twenty years of practice.

The exhibition will emphasise Yulyurlu's importance within the Lajamanu region and position her within the broader framework of the western desert art movement. This exhibition is presented by Artback NT: Arts Development and Touring in partnership with Mimi Arts and Crafts.



IMAGE: Lorna Fencer NAPURRURLA *Yarla* 1997. Synthetic polymer paint on cotton duck. 200 x 148 cm. Artbank Collection, Sydney

STILL LIFE: JOACHIM FROESE PHOTOGRAPHS 1999 - 2008 Foyer Gallery, Artspace Mackay

Over the last ten years Froese's work has concentrated on photographic still life and often explores personal family history. His photographic tableaux are laboriously assembled constructs that seemingly defy reality, and question the inherent nature of the photographic image as a reflection of the real. This exhibition provides a cohesive overview of the photographic practice of a significant Queensland artist of international standard.

Opening event: 6pm Friday 01 February
Exhibition Floor Talk: 11am Saturday 02 February

This exhibition is proudly supported by



**01 FEB -
17 MAR**



**TWO WORKS BY
DANIE MELLOR**
UNTIL 3 FEB

Artspace Mackay commissioned Mackay, born Indigenous Australian artist Danie Mellor to create a series of artworks based on the flora, fauna and community history of the Mackay region. These works will become part of the Mackay Regional Council Collection, commemorating Mackay's 150th anniversary (M150) celebrations, and providing inspiration and education on a local and national level, for generations to come. The Artspace Mackay Danie Mellor Project was made possible by a 2012 funding partnership between BHP Billiton Mitsui Coal, Mackay Regional Council, Mackay Regional Botanic Gardens and Artspace Mackay Foundation.

**HIGHLIGHTS: LIBRIS
AWARDS 2006 - 2010**
8 FEB – 23 JUN

The Libris Awards, Artspace Mackay's signature artists books competition was launched in 2006 and has become a popular nationwide event. This new exhibition in the Cox Rayner Gallery is curated from the Mackay Regional Council Collection and features prize winning entries and purchases from past *Libris Awards*.

**GREATEST HITS:
VOLUME 3**
8 FEB – 23 JUN

Greatest Hits: Volume 3 is an Institute of Modern Art touring show of recent video works by Queensland artists, Chris Bennie, Catherine Sagin, Sean Barret, Daniel McKewen, Alex Cuffe, Liam O'Brien, David Nixon, Sandra Selig and Grant Stevens.

IMAGE: Janis NEDELA *Typo no. 12* 2009.
Etched acrylic, 14 x 3cm. Purchased,
2010. Mackay Regional Council Collection,
Artspace Mackay.



BODY ON THE LINE & MANA PASIFIKA

McAleese Gallery, Artspace Mackay

Two exhibitions curated by Leo Tanoi from Sydney's Casula Powerhouse, *Body on the line* is a portrait exhibition by international photographer Greg Semu featuring some of Rugby League's current and former stars with South Pacific and Maori heritage including Jarryd Hayne, Fuihui Moimoi, Paul Aiton, Jared Waerea-Hargreaves and Petero Cioniceva.

Mana Pasifika depicts NRL stars in the traditional dress of their forefathers, paying homage to the cultural practices of the past. Photographed by Frank Puletua and Ethan Mann.



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**BODY
PASIFIKA**
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SIAMANI SAMOA SELU LA'AU (GERMAN SAMOA HAIR COMBS)

Foyer Gallery, Artspace
Mackay

Michel Tuffery is a New Zealand based artist of Samoan, Rarotongan and Tahitian heritage. This exhibition features a selection of intricate timber head combs recently purchased for the Mackay Regional Council Collection.

Consisting of 70 individual oversized plywood combs, *Comb over* by Sherrie Knipe presents a humorous view of an everyday object.

IMAGE LEFT: **Greg SEMU** *Michael Jennings* 2010. Ultrachrome HDR print on paper. Permanent Collection of Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre.

IMAGES ABOVE: **Michel TUFFERY** *Lua Manumea at Siamani Kokosnusse Plantation* 2011. Rimu wood. 30 x 25cm. Edition of 50.

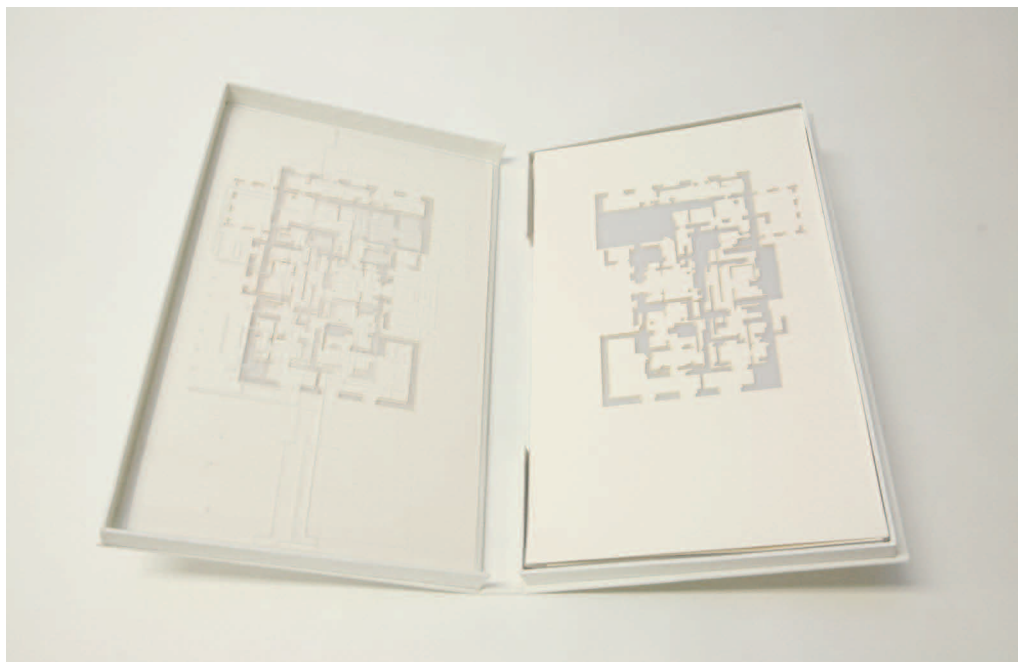
Michael TUFFERY *Coco with Koko Samoa at the original German Trading Building on Beach Road, Apia*, 2010-2011. Rimu wood. Edition 50. 30 x 31cm. Mackay Regional Council Collection, Artspace Mackay.

Opening event: 6pm Friday 22 March
Exhibition Floor Talk: 11am Saturday 23 March

This exhibition is proudly supported by



**22 MAR -
05 MAY**



2013 LIBRIS AWARDS: THE AUSTRALIAN ARTISTS BOOK PRIZE

McAleese Gallery, Artspace Mackay

The Libris Awards are Australia's premier national artists book prize. An initiative of the 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 working in this field.

The categories in 2013 are: 1. Dalrymple Bay Coal Terminal National Artists Book Award - \$10,000 2. Mackay Regional Council Regional Artists Book Award - \$2,500 and 3. Artspace Mackay Foundation Young Artists Book Award - \$2,000. Winners will be announced at the Libris Awards Presentation Dinner, Saturday 11 May 2013.



THE BOOK AS SITE: READING RESONANCE

Foyer Gallery, Artspace Mackay

Marian Macken was the recipient of Artspace Mackay's Libris Award in 2010. Through processes of transformation, involving folding, cutting, embossing and watermarking, Marian expands on the idea of architectural drawing.

**10 MAY -
30 JUN**

IMAGE: **Marian MACKEN** *Mies van der Rohe: built houses* 2009. Laser cut paper, blind letterpress, etched Perspex, boxboard. Edition 4.

OPPOSITE: **Karen ROBINSON SMITH** *Paper doll* 2011. Embroidery, collage and paper. Mackay Regional Council Collection, Artspace Mackay.





ARTSPACE MACKAY GIFT SHOP

Artspace Mackay Gift Shop stocks creative giftware handcrafted by local and Australian artists and craftspeople.

Choose from artist-created jewellery, handmade books, pottery, sculpture and textiles, all at very affordable prices. The gift shop now also stocks more art magazines and publications than ever before. We stock the latest issues of Australian Art Review, Imprint, Habitus, Design Quarterly, Indesign, Sculpture + the enemies, Art Guide, Eyeline and more.

Gallery Members receive 10% discount on all gift shop purchases, and eftpos facilities are available. (See further information about becoming a Gallery Member on the inside back cover of this booklet).

LOCAL ARTISTS & CRAFTSPEOPLE WANTED

If you're an artist or craftsperson in the Mackay region and you've designed a creative handmade product that would be suitable for selling in our gift shop, please contact Artspace Mackay for information on how to apply, 4961 9722.



ADULT WORKSHOPS & EVENTS

Throughout the year, Artspace Mackay offers a creative program of workshops, artist talks and events for adults.

These programs are a great way to introduce beginners to new creative ideas and techniques, and for experienced artists to further develop their skills and learn from the process of others.

For a full program of workshops and events for children and adults, visit www.artspacemackay.com.au or contact Artspace Mackay to join our eNewsletter for regular updates.

KIDS ART CLUB

Artspace Mackay Seminar Room

Term 1 > Saturday 16 February to 23 March

Term 2 > Saturday 11 May to 15 June

6 - 8 years > 10am – 12pm

9 – 12 years > 1pm – 3pm

Kids Art Club is Artspace Mackay's ongoing term-based art program for kids. Renowned local artist, Rosemary Payne, delivers this rich six week program of creative art for kids in two age groups. Each week they explore and respond to the exhibitions on show at Artspace Mackay through fun-filled, exhibition-related art activities. \$142 per child, bookings essential, and seats are limited so contact Artspace Mackay, 4961 9722.

KIDS HOLIDAY ART WORKSHOPS & ARTSPACE-TO-GO

During holiday periods, Artspace Mackay hosts Holiday Art Workshops for kids at the gallery, as well as Artspace-to-go Holiday Art Workshops, an outreach program of workshops bringing artists to deliver art classes for kids in outlying Mackay regions.



BMA **Kidspace** at Artspace Mackay

BMA KIDSPACE **Artspace Mackay Seminar Room**

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.

10am – 2pm with music between 12 and 1pm

Tuesday 5 March 2013
Tuesday 16 April 2013
Tuesday 7 May 2013
Tuesday 4 June 2013

BMA Artspace-to-go

In partnership with BHP Billiton Mitsubishi Alliance, Artspace Mackay brings vibrant children's workshops to Moranbah each year in it's BMA Artspace-to-go program. Join Artspace Mackay's eNewsletter distribution list to keep up-to-date with this and other Artspace workshops. Visit www.artspacemackay.com.au.

IMAGE: Georgie enjoying a butterfly activity at BMA Kidspace in 2012.



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FLOOR TALKS

Artspace Mackay floor talks are usually held at the beginning of each exhibition season, and are free for anyone in the region to attend.

Floor talks are often delivered by the artist or curator of the exhibition and offer participants insight into the work on show in both the McAleese Gallery and the Artspace Mackay Foyer. Your participation in the floor talk and discussion is invited and encouraged.

Artspace Mackay are also pleased to offer **Audio Floor Talks** on MP3 players to enhance your gallery visit. If you're unable to make it to the scheduled floor talks, you'll be pleased to know that, where possible, Artspace Mackay now records them for all to enjoy. You simply borrow an MP3 player, headphones and map of works from the front desk.

BEHIND THE LOOKING GLASS

The Artspace Mackay *Behind the Looking Glass* program is designed to bring locals and visitors closer to the Mackay Regional Council Collection. Artspace Mackay houses an extensive collection of more than 600 artists books and prints of national significance.

Behind the Looking Glass is a special enjoyable and social evening program, scheduled in response to exhibition periods, where Artspace staff open the glass display cabinets in the Cox Rayner Gallery to give participants a rare and special hands-on experience with artists books from the collection.

This is an ideal opportunity for people of the Mackay region to explore and learn from a growing collection that belongs to them.

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. For example, you may wish to combine a viewing of the artists book collection with a guided tour of an exhibition. Gallery tours are available on the hour, from Tuesday to Friday between 10am and 3pm (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 books collection, call Artspace Mackay on 4961 9722.



ARTSPACE MACKAY 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 and Sarina Art Gallery.

Mackay Town Hall is situated at 63 Sydney Street in Mackay's central business district. The studio space is well positioned for local artists or artist groups wishing to exhibit their work.

Sarina Art Gallery is located in the Field of Dreams Parkland, just off the highway in Sarina. It is a small exhibition space that is ideal for local artists and artist groups.

Both spaces are open to the public during exhibitions only, from 10am – 4pm. Visit our website, join the mailing list, or sign up for the bulletin to keep up-to-date with Artspace Mackay exhibitions, workshops & events. www.artspacemackay.com.au

COLLECTORS CABINET

Located in the Artspace Mackay Foyer is the *Collectors Cabinet*. This is another way locals can be a part of our community exhibitions program.

The idea behind the *Collectors Cabinet* is to highlight unusual and interesting collections belonging to local residents.

Are you a collector of intriguing objects? If you think you have an interesting collection that might be suitable to show in our *Collectors Cabinet*, we'd like to know about it.

EXHIBITION SPACES AVAILABLE NOW!

If you are a local artist or craftsperson interested in holding a solo or group exhibition, contact Artspace Mackay now and book your space! 4961 9722.

IMAGE: Artspace staff installing an exhibition of handcrafted Fabergé eggs in the Collectors Cabinet, Artspace Mackay Foyer Gallery.



ARTSPACE MACKAY VOLUNTEERS

Would you like to further your knowledge in art and join an exciting team?

Artspace Mackay Volunteers provide an invaluable service to the Gallery 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, help with preparation and facilitation of public programs and special events.

Our volunteers enjoy interacting with the public, have good communication skills and a willingness to help wherever needed. Volunteers are vital to the ongoing success of Artspace Mackay.

To give the gift of your time, become an Artspace Mackay Volunteer by contacting the Administration Officer, 4961 9722.



TASTE@SPACE

New to the precinct, taste@space promises to indulge your senses and complete your creative art gallery experience with gourmet food, coffee and service. Overlooking the green spaces of the Civic Centre Precinct, the cafe offers a creative, informal atmosphere and a welcome retreat for diners. A great place to begin, or perfect way to end your visit to the exhibitions on show at Artspace Mackay! After renovations are completed, taste@space will re-open for trading in January 2013. Phone 4961 9719 or 4961 9722 for more information.

FUNCTIONS & BOOKINGS

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.

Bookings are essential. Contact Artspace Mackay, 4961 9722 for further information.



BECOME A GALLERY MEMBER

As a Gallery Member you have the exclusive opportunity to show your support and keep in touch with what's happening. From \$44 membership per year, you have the privilege of receiving invitations to exhibition openings, newsletters, discounts to special art workshops and events, 10% discount at Artspace Mackay's gift shop and other selected businesses. To receive a membership form, contact Artspace Mackay on 4961 9722.

ARTSPACE MACKAY FOUNDATION

The Artspace Mackay Foundation's goal is to raise funds and invest them into the Mackay regional community by funding ongoing educational community programs, workshops, exhibitions and other cultural events. The Foundation seeks to secure donations, individual and corporate partnerships, grants and bequests.



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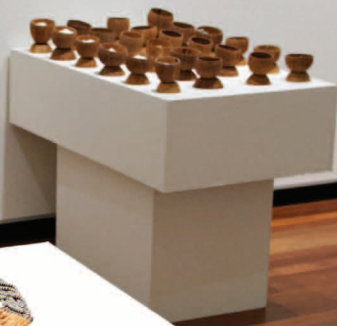


ABOVE: Kerrin Phillips and Ruth Wallace with valuer Warren Joel at Artspace Mackay Foundation's Vintage Valuation Day in 2012. Photograph by Khara Deurhof.

BACK COVER IMAGE: Donnielle Fatnowna's installation in *Looking Forward Looking Back: 150 years of Mackay*, on show in the McAleese Gallery at Artspace Mackay in 2012.



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