

Cultural Development Network

Mini e-bulletin update: December 22, 2006

Dear members

We have reached the end of a busy year of activity at the Cultural Development Network, and are pleased to send you our last communication for 2006.

The office will be closed from this afternoon Friday December 22, and will re-open on Monday January 15.

We wish all our members and families the very best for Christmas and the New Year

Kim Dunphy and John Smithies
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Network events: coming up in 2007

The Cultural Development Network presents an interactive workshop

'Cultural Planning and Cultural Indicators: how do we measure what we have planned?'

**10 am – 1.30 pm, Friday February 16, 2007,
VicHealth Seminar Room, 15 Pelham St, Carlton**

This session will refer to the Victorian Community Indicators Project, a VicHealth funded initiative designed to support local governments develop and use community indicators as tools for measuring health, wellbeing and sustainability and for improving citizen engagement, community planning and policy making. Particular reference will be made to the developing area of cultural indicators; measures of cultural activity relevant to government, especially, local contexts.

This theoretical and practical workshop is designed for those who plan for and measure cultural activity. It is especially relevant to local and state government arts and culture workers, as well as social, community and urban planners. It will also be of interest to workers from arts and other non-government organisations who plan and measure cultural activity in specific contexts, as well as researchers interested in cultural policy and mapping.

Presenter: Professor Mike Salvaris, Institute of Community Engagement and Policy Alternatives, Victoria University

Cost including morning tea and lunch: CDN members \$44/ others \$55

Registration: Places are very limited. Please register by Friday February 9.

More information: www.culturaldevelopment.net/cdnevents.htm

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Second call for 'Expressions of Interest' for presenters

'Expanding Cultures' conference: arts culture in local government

26-27 July 2007,

Chapel off Chapel, Prahran, Melbourne

'Expanding Cultures' will be a forum for government (especially local) decision and policymakers and staff to come together to consider the contribution of arts and culture to the strength of local communities. This conference will explore themes identified as significant for local councils and will expand on themes explored in the Cultural Development Network's 2004 conference, 'The Fourth Pillar of Sustainability'.

Conference partners:

The conference is being organised by the Cultural Development Network, presented by the City of Stonnington and supported by the Cities of Yarra, Melbourne, Moreland, Maribyrnong, Moonee Valley, Boroondara and Port Phillip.

Conference themes:

- the significance of diverse communities and the changing shape of community cultures and their impact on local government in Victoria.
- arts as a vehicle for building and strengthening communities and facilitating social inclusion
- local government's engagement with indigenous art and culture
- improving evaluation of arts activities and community development programs
- increasing awareness of arts activities and their impact on health, education and economic development.
- innovative partnerships

Expressions of Interest from local, interstate and overseas presenters addressing conference themes are invited.

Closing date Friday February 26, 2007

Enquiries and further information: www.culturaldevelopment.net.au

kim.dunphy@culturaldevelopment.net.au or 61 3 9658 9976

News

New Head for OzCo

The Australia last week announced their appointment of new CEO, Kathy Keele, who is currently Chief Executive of the Australia Business Arts Foundation. Keele will work closely with businessman James Strong, current Australia Council Chair and former Chair of ABaF. She replaces former CEO Jennifer Bott who has taken up a new appointment as Chief Executive of the University of NSW Foundation.

Events in Victoria

'Securing Successful Partnerships'

Australia Business Arts Foundation (AbaF) two day workshop:

February 20 and 21 2007

The workshop will cover successful strategies for connecting with business partners; good-fit partnerships and the strategic benefits experienced by business and the arts.

Cost: \$275

Enquiries: Luisa Mastrangelo: mastrangelol@abaf.org.au or 02 9215 9318.

Professional development

Graduate Diploma in Community Cultural Development Community Arts Network SA Inc

The Graduate Diploma in Community Cultural Development is a unique course, combining the theory and practice of arts management with community development. It was developed by Community Arts Network SA Inc (CAN SA) and was first delivered in 1996. It is designed for students who have completed an undergraduate degree in creative arts, recreation, community, social work or health.

For further information please visit the CAN SA website www.cansa.net.au or ph (08) 8231 0900

Application Date Extended to Monday 22 January 2007

Jobs

Arts Project Officer, City of Whittlesea

Arts Project Officer (15 months fixed term Maternity Leave position).
Band 5A (\$44,076.40)

Applications Close: Wednesday, January 03, 2007

www.whittlesea.vic.gov.au/skysthelimit

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Opportunities

Expressions of Interest Open - Art in Public Places 2007

1st March - 30th April 2007

Art in Public Places 2007 invites expressions of interest from western region artists under three categories.:

Artists exhibiting in businesses
Galleries and Cultural Venues
Independent Events

Tania Blackwell, Hobsons Bay City Council. 9932 1000 / t
blackwell@hobsonsabay.vic.gov.au

Closing date: Friday, January 12, 2007

Enquiries: www.artinpublicplaces.com.au

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Artists in Residence: Footscray Community Arts Centre

Footscray Arts invites interested artists to apply for an Artist In Resident position. Whilst exploring their individual practice, resident practitioners will link into the Footscray Arts artistic projects and will have the opportunity to work in partnership with new and existing organisations and communities associated with Footscray Community Arts Centre. Artists with backgrounds in multimedia and performance who have an interest in community-

focussed arts practice are invited to apply.

Enquiries: www.footscrayarts.com or 9362 8888/ reception@footscrayarts.com

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Community development worker and dance movement therapist seeks placement for professional development

Alex Jordan is a community development worker and dance movement therapist working in the Northern suburbs of Darwin NT. She currently working with mothers and children with varied abilities, as well as varied cultural groups in the suburbs and is interested in gaining experience in developing community dance-based performance pieces. Alex is interested in speaking or working with anyone who shares these interests and is working in this field as she hopes to spend some time in Victoria next year.

Contact Alex: jordan.andra@gmail.com or 0425 776 416

Funding opportunities

Festivals Australia Regional Residencies provide assistance to regional and remote communities to tell their stories and the stories of their communities, at a local festival or major community celebration.

Cultural, community and local government organisations that run festivals in regional and remote areas of Australia should apply.

Closing date 15 February 2007, for projects starting after 1 July 2007.

Information: www.dcita.gov.au/festivals 1800 819 461/02 6271 1661

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Arts Victoria funding program 2007

The Arts Development program supports Victoria's professional artists and independent small to medium arts organisations in the creative development and presentation of new work across all art forms.

Closes 1 March 2007

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The Arts Development for Communities program enables professional artists to collaborate with Victorian communities to create new artistic work.

The program accommodates different community contexts and settings in urban, regional and rural Victoria. By supporting opportunities for professional artists to collaborate with communities, access to the arts will become more widespread in Victoria.

Closes 1 March 2007

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Arts Programming aims to support a diverse mix of innovative and professional arts programming in urban, regional and rural Victoria.

Funding through this program is available to support arts organisations, ensembles and festivals to present a program of work occurring in Victoria within a discrete timeframe no longer than twelve months.

Closes 5 March 2007

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Touring Victoria is a cross artform funding program that enables access to professional artistic and cultural experiences for communities in outer-metropolitan, regional and rural Victoria and extends the life of performances, exhibitions and programs. Touring Projects offers financial assistance is available to offset the cost of touring a professional Victorian production, exhibition or program to a minimum of three Victorian destinations. Support is available for all artforms, including contemporary music.

Closes 1 February 2007

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Arts Residencies

The Arts Residencies program provides funding for arts companies, particularly those from the small to medium sector, to undertake residencies in partnership with a community host in outer metropolitan, regional or rural Victoria.

Closes 1 March 2007

For more information and to read a copy of the program document:

<http://www.arts.vic.gov.au/arts/publications/artsgrants/artsgrants/intro.htm>

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MAV/COTA Local Government Positive Ageing Project Phase 3 Demonstration Grants

Category 1: Grants of \$10,000 - \$20,000 awarded to councils to develop whole-of-council Positive Ageing approaches with identified action plans. Applications from rural councils where resources are a significant barrier are particularly welcome in this category.

Category 2: Grants up to \$20,000 to implement initiatives that have already been identified in existing Council strategies and plans.

Category 3: Grants up to a maximum of \$20,000 for projects addressing a specific Positive Ageing issue in one of the following environments:

- Economic
- Physical
- Social

Closing Date 27 January 2007

Further information: <http://www.mav.asn.au/social/ageing/positive>

Funding successes

Katrina Rank wins Caroline Plummer Community Dance Fellowship 2007

Congratulations to Katrina Rank, independent community dance artist, and former Nillumbik Council Cultural Development officer, who has been awarded the Caroline Plummer Fellowship in Community Dance at the University of Otago, New Zealand for 2007. Katrina's Fellowship project, "My Body is an Etching", involves developing a solo dance work for untrained older performers from the community. The dances will express their individual life histories through their movements. Katrina was inspired to apply for the Fellowship after meeting 2006 Fellow, Petra Koppers at a CDN workshop in February 2006.

Research request

Research study: 'Can the arts keep kids in school?'

Dr Anna Hickey-Moody, Postdoctoral Research Fellow at Monash University's Faculty of Education wants to find out whether the arts can help disenfranchised young people get an education. Her two-year research project called 'Creative Arts Engaging Youth at Risk of Leaving School Early' has an ethnographic element, focussing on refugee students at risk of leaving school early as well lower socio-economic students at risk of leaving school early. Dr Moody is looking for artists and teachers in arts programs in schools with disadvantaged young people to contribute to her research.

Contact her at anna.hickeymoody@education.monash.edu.au

Resources

Report published: 'Train Stations as Places for Community Wellbeing'

In 2006 VicHealth commissioned the development of a scoping paper focusing on existing arts practice designed to develop railway stations as community hubs.

The document investigates the possibility of railway stations becoming places that are inclusive, safe, facilitate social inclusion and cohesion and contribute to the development of strong communities.

<http://www.vichealth.vic.gov.au/Content.aspx?topicID=323>

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Australian Bureau of Statistics: Report on Children's Participation in Cultural and Leisure Activities, Australia, April 2006

This publication provides information about the participation of children aged 5 to 14 years in cultural, sporting and other leisure activities

<http://www.abs.gov.au/ausstats/abs@.nsf/mf/4901.0?OpenDocument>

IMPORTANT NOTE:

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