



Arts North West seeks artists for Ephemeral Art project

Arts North West is seeking expressions of interest from New England North West artists wishing to strengthen their skills in the field of public art practice by participating in a Public Art Skills Development Project.

"The Ephemeral Art Project will give artists an opportunity to develop their skills and experience in the field of public art practice and gain professional contacts in the field," said Jack Ritchie, Regional Arts Development Officer at Arts North West.

The Project invites New England North West artists to respond to a brief created by internationally respected Public Art Consultant Pamille Berg in consultation with Arts North West, gallery directors, artists and councils.

Ten artists will be selected to participate in workshops conducted by Ms Berg who has an excellent record of inspiring individuals, communities and policy makers. The workshops will look at options to address a public art brief in a clear and creative way including drawings and maquettes.

Three of these artists will then create ephemeral public artworks – large-scale works to be located in prominent sites in the region for a short time.

According to Mr Ritchie, the Ephemeral Art Project offers many short and long term benefits for the region.

"It offers artists an opportunity to develop their skills, understanding and community awareness while further developing a collection of work. The project also encourages the further development of public art policies and builds connections between local artists, councils and community stakeholders. We hope that public art will be recognised as an important element of cultural plans."

The closing date for the receipt of Expressions of Interest by post or email is 5pm on Monday 18 August, 2008.

The Ephemeral Art Project has received funding support from the Regional Arts Fund through Regional Arts NSW. The Regional Arts Fund is an Australian Government initiative delivered in partnership with Arts North West, the University of New England Armidale, Tamworth Regional Council and Pamille Berg Consulting Pty Ltd.

For more information contact Arts North West on 02 6732 4988 or artsnw@northnet.com.au



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