

ARMIDALE REGIONAL - GLEN INNES SEVERN - GUNNEDAH - GWYDIR - INVERELL - LIVERPOOL PLAINS - MOREE PLAINS - NARRABRI - TENTERFIELD - TAMWORTH REGIONAL - URALLA - WALCHA

WELCOME

WE'RE PROACTIVELY HYBRID!

So much has happened in the last quarter here at Arts North West. We are living in a hybrid world, with activities online and with some small face-to-face events.

In the online world, we have launched our new ANW Connect website (see more information below). We have also been working with Tamworth artist Danny Stanley to produce a series of animated videos that cover grant writing tips. Check them out <https://bit.ly/3oDfFpC>

The NENW region is also beginning to open up. We find ourselves in a 'brave new world' of social distancing, hand sanitising and ensuring we sign in when attending any event.

ANW is starting to head out into the



region again and has been delivering a number of Professional Development workshops both online and in person. In October Julie McCarthy from Papers Past delivered a Disaster Planning Workshop for the NENW Museum network- in both **Tamworth** and **Tenterfield**.

Many arts and cultural organisations are now running small events for us all

to enjoy despite the challenges, from performing arts tours to exhibitions, literary events and so much more but the long-term wellbeing of the artists and arts-workers of our region relies very much on us all showing up.

Do go and have a look at the ANW arts calendar www.artsnw.com.au/event-calendar, like us on Facebook or subscribe to our e-news to give you up-to-date information on what is happening in our region.

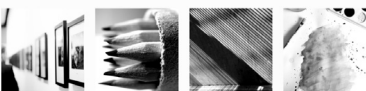
Finally we welcome Chris McIntosh to the ANW team. He is our new Admin Assistant and the first point of contact for all your general enquiries.

Hope to see you all out and safely about in the NENW.

Caroline Downer, OAM
Executive Director

ANW CONNECT

CREATIVE DIRECTORY OF THE NENW



We have a new website! Arts North West Connect is a valuable resource for the **entire New England North West region** - the most comprehensive database of all things creative and cultural in the region, disguised as a new snazzy and sleek website. The new layout has been separated into sections to capture the myriad of talents and skills in the region, arts and cultural

venues, artists portfolios, technical skills registry, comprehensive maps, and events.

We have been working with some emerging artists to develop their portfolio webpage which can be used as their main point of online contact for their arts practice. It includes a biography, artist statement, images, social media presence.

Instead of the usual art trail this year, we have decided to facilitate an online Market Place for the month of December. In order to skill up some of our stakeholders, Michael Burge ran two workshops (one zoom, one in **Glen Innes**) on how to manage a simple online shop – online retailer basics for creative small businesses.

www.artsnwconnect.com.au

ENABLE ARTS

ARTS AND DISABILITY PROJECTS

The Panorama Project is now on the road on its library tour. Check out the dates for the next 6 months:



- **Glen Innes** Library 17 Oct-9 Nov
 - **Our Place Café, Tenterfield** 11- 28 Nov
 - **Inverell** Library 29 Nov- 19 Dec
 - **Guyra** Library 3- 16 Jan
 - **Armidale** Library 17 Jan- 4 Feb
 - **Uralla** Library 5- 18 Feb
 - **Walcha** Library 19 Feb- 4 Mar
 - **Tamworth** Library (main) 5- 23 Mar2
 - **Werris Creek** Library 24- 30 Mar
 - **Quirindi** Library 31 Mar- 6 Apr
 - **Nundle** Library 7- 13 Apr
 - **Gunnedah** Library 15 Apr- 5 May
- www.artsnw.com.au/panorama-project

Arts North West is assisted by the NSW Government through Create NSW and the partnership of twelve local government authorities in the New England North West.

Arts North West acknowledges Aboriginal people as the traditional custodians of the lands we work on; we recognise the strength, resilience and capacity of Aboriginal people and respect the Aboriginal Elders past and present.

ARTS NORTH WEST ON TOUR

PERFORMING ARTS NETWORK

In November we welcome back the ANW on tour program with a covid safe community-building comedy/music show *Country Witches Association*.



Irish folk musician Àine Tyrrell and Australia's beloved comedian Mandy Nolan whip up plenty of audience participation via a meeting 'agenda' that is a riotous and heartfelt homage to the CWA's role: bringing support, connection and hysterical observations of everyday dilemmas.

Bonshaw Hall: Wed 18 Nov
Royal Theatre Quirindi: Thur 19 Nov
Town Hall Gunnedah: Fri 20 Nov
Deepwater School of Arts: Sat 21 Nov
Tenterfield School of Arts: Sun 22 Nov

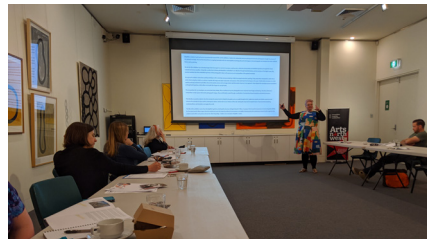
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

BUILDING COMMUNITY CAPACITY

The focus of ANW's PD has been on "pitching". On 15 September in **Armidale** we hosted *Gift of the Gab: how to write an awesome artist statement* presented by Rachael Parsons, Director at NERAM. Monica Davidson from Create Plus Business will be delivering an online workshop "Pitchface" on 8 December.

Two ANW developed Eresources are now on our website www.artsnw.com.au/anw-eresources *How to Pitch* and *The Arts Marketer's Handbook: A simple guide to creative promotion*.

In November Caroline will also be delivering the workshop *Art Handling and Installation* in **Narrabri**.



ABORIGINAL CULTURAL SUPPORT PROGRAM

SUPPORT, ADVICE AND ASSISTANCE FOR ABORIGINAL ARTISTS AND COMMUNITIES



Yesterday Today Tomorrow exhibition was shown at the Dhiyaan Centre in **Moree**.

ANW was successful with a Federal grant to support the delivery of the ANW NENW Aboriginal Arts Strategy across **all 12 LGAs**. Mentoring, a series of PD workshops, and an Aboriginal leadership program are in development and will be rolled out in the first half of next year.



ANW MICRO GRANTS

SUPPORTING OUR CREATIVE COMMUNITIES



Isabelle Devos (photo: David Elkin)

We had such a great response to the the ANW micro grants that we have been able to fund another round. Below are the latest successful recipients:

1. Sally Alden Photography, **Quirindi**
Purchase of portable LED lighting for use in photography business.
2. Art Life Studio, **Inverell**
Camera purchase for high resolution documentation, reference library.
3. Bronwyn Clarke, **Armidale**
Camera purchase for videos and audience engagement.
4. David Allan, **Armidale**
Home-base residency to design patterns for fantasy creatures.

5. Isabelle Devos, **Armidale**
Working en plein air – New England National Park.
6. **Gunnedah** Eisteddfod Society Inc
Website management and technical support for online portal.
7. Roger (Buddy) Knox, **Tamworth**
Online mentoring and teaching.
8. Rams Gully Workshops, **Walcha**
Workshop studio furniture.
9. Loren Ryan Music, **Tamworth**
Contribution to studio time and production for 2 original songs.
10. The Musicians of **Armidale** Inc
Live-streaming Black Gully Festival.
11. NE Writers' Centre, **Armidale**
A series of 2-3 minute videos by local writers, illustrators, editors and publishers.
12. Maryanne Piper, **Tamworth**
Musical compositions based on interactions with nature in the NENW region.
13. **Tamworth** Art Collective
Supporting covid-safe collateral for the "Blind spot" exhibition.

DEFINITELY OUT AND ABOUT

CONVERSATIONS, NEWS, NETWORKING, SKILLS



The ED has continued to provide assistance to a number of individuals across the region on a range of issues including information on funding opportunities and letters of support.

Caroline is working with **Bingara** on a new community gallery. She has chaired the **Armidale** Arts Culture and Heritage Advisory Committee, and attended the two arts and cultural advisory committees for **Tamworth** Regional Council.

Caroline also curated Rosamund Greig's exhibition *Sunny* which opened on 10 October (World Mental Health Day) at **Tamworth** Regional Gallery.

