



MINUTES OF MEETING

ARTS AND CULTURE COMMITTEE HELD TUESDAY 20 AUGUST 2013

PRESENT:

Councillors

Cllr Jean Hay AM, Mayor (ex officio)	Manly Council
Cllr Adele Heasman (Chair)	Manly Council
Cllr Candy Bingham	Manly Council

Community Representatives

Jeanette Bywater	Community Member
Gina O'Neill	Community Member
Janie Raffin	Community Member

Staff Representatives

Michael Hedger	Director MAGAM
Katherine Roberts	Senior Curator MAGAM

TO THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS OF THE COUNCIL

The Arts and Culture Committee met on 20 August 2013, to consider the matters referred to it and now provides the following advice to Council.

The meeting commenced at 4.00pm.

ITEM 1 WELCOME, APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Community members Akky Van Ogtrop, Margo Bavington and Sue McCuaig.

ACTION

ITEM 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

ITEM 3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES and MATTERS ARISING

MAGAM staff will meet with Graphics Dept on 21 August to discuss the proposal signage panels for the front wall of the gallery.

Adopted Minutes – Arts and Culture Committee 18 June 2013

Moved: Janie Raffin. Seconded: Cllr Heasman

ITEM 4 REPORT – Acquisitions, exhibitions, collection

Director outlined new acquisitions; the commissioning of a film on artist Chris Langlois to accompany his exhibition; the approach to an indigenous Gunnedah artist to exhibit in 2014; and that the photography of the museum collection objects is soon to be completed.

Recommendation:

The Committee recommends to the General Manager

- i) That the report be received and noted.
- ii) That the purchase of the Chuck Bradley photographs be made from Gallery funds.
- iii) That the donation of the Danie Mellor ceramic *The Millstream – a shield* (2006) by the artist be accepted.

ITEM 5 REPORT – Facilities Management

Director advised the Committee that a report with recommendations for the reinvigoration of MAGAM had been submitted to Executive; that an OH&S audit on the building had been done and that one on work practices will be completed on 2 September; and that a grant application for four humidifiers had been submitted to NSW Museum and Galleries.

Recommendations:

The Committee recommends to the General Manager that the report be received and noted.

ITEM 6 REPORT – Manly Arts Festival

Senior Curator updated the Committee on the Manly Arts Festival programs; advised that a 16 page booklet of the Arts and Jazz Festival programs will be inserted into the *Manly Daily* edition of 13 September; and that 10,000 other programs will be distributed throughout Manly next week, and invited all to the Art in Odd Places talk on 13 September and to the artists briefing on 28 August.

Recommendations:

The Committee recommends to the General Manager that the report be received and noted.

ITEM 7 Report – Education programs

Director advised the Committee on the new Wednesday *In the know* education programs and on the *Light and Science* program.

Recommendations:

The Committee recommends to the General Manager that

- i) That the report be received and noted.
- ii) That Council's media adviser write an article on the new learning initiatives at the gallery and that it be included in the Mayor's column.

ITEM 8 General Business

- i) That the request for the upgrading of the Braille plaques at Shelly Beach be referred to the Access Committee.

Director/Communications

Director/CSM

ii) That the cleaning of other plaques be referred to Parks and Gardens Dept.

Director/CUS

iii) The refurbishment of the Ruth Downes Market Lane mural and that the lettering that has been obliterated by new awnings be relocated to another area in the mural.

Director

The Committee recommends to the General Manager that the requests be received and noted

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 15 October 2013