



NOTICE OF MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that of a meeting of Art & Culture Advisory Committee will be held:

DATE: Tuesday 16 April 2013

TIME: From 4.00pm to 6.00pm – maximum 2 hours

PLACE: Manly Art Gallery and Museum

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Councillors

Mayor Jean Hay AM (ex officio)
Clr Burns
Clr Bingham
Clr Heasman

Manly Council
Manly Council
Manly Council
Manly Council

Other Representatives

Jeanette Bywater
Louise Rice
Sue McCuaig
Warren Langley
Akky Van Ogtrop
Gina O'Neil
Janie Raffin
Margo Bavington

Community member
Community member
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Community member

Council Staff

Michael Hedger
Katherine Roberts

Director MAGAM
Senior Curator MAGAM

All other Councillors are free to attend as observers and are invited to do so and to engage in discussions, but not in voting, on any matter before the Committee.


Kathryn Fayle
Divisional Manager HS&F
April 2013



Manly Art Gallery and Museum



MINUTES OF MEETING

ARTS AND CULTURE COMMITTEE HELD Tuesday 19 February 2013

PRESENT:

Councillors

Cllr Jean Hay AM	Manly Council
Cllr Adele Heasman	Manly Council (Chair)
Cllr Hugh Burns	Manly Council
Cllr Candy Bingham	Manly Council

Other Representatives

Janette Bywater	Community Member
Sue McCuaig	Community Member
Louise Rice	Community Member
Akky van Ogtrop	Community Member
Janie Raffin	Community Member
Margo Bavinton	Community Member

Staff Representatives

Beth Lawsen	Deputy General Manager
Michael Hedger	Director MAGAM
Katherine Roberts	Senior Curator

Visitors

Susan Milne
Greg Stonehouse

TO THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS OF THE COUNCIL

The Arts and Culture Committee met on 19 February 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

Mayor Jean Hay welcomed all members to the first meeting of the new Committee and announced that a new Chair needed to be appointed. Apologies were received from Warren Langley and Gina O'Neill, Community Member.

ITEM 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

ITEM 3 ELECTION OF THE CHAIR

Cllr Heasman was duly elected as Chair of the Committee and Cllr Burns was elected as Deputy Chair of the Committee.

ACTION

TERMS OF REFERENCE

Deputy General Manager reported that various items included on the Terms of Reference were outside of the Committee's brief and should be deleted. Director MAGAM will advise Secretariat of the changes and the amended Terms will be distributed at the next meeting.

MH

ITEM 4 REPORT – Exhibition program for 2013, loans and collection

- Senior Curator advised that a James R Jackson painting had been pledged by a lender to the recent exhibition.
- Change of loan dates to allow the Carrick Fox painting to be part of the Royal Academy exhibition had been negotiated with the National Museum and the National Gallery.
- Negotiations are continuing to bring both a Bennelong exhibition and a Robin Forster photographic exhibition to the museum.
- The Frameworks frames will be decommissioned and larger panels will be installed on the outside gallery walls.
- Meeting will be held with Sydney Ferries to negotiate banner signage and use of monitors for gallery advertising.
- Use should be made of the lampposts around Cove for flags, similar to Manly Vibe bunting.
- Meeting sought with Council's Marketing staff for social media advertising: project sheet required.

Recommendation:

- That the report be noted.
- That staff liaise with Marketing staff re social media engagement.
- That staff liaise with Chamber Centre Manager re social media strategies.

MH / KR

ITEM 5 REPORT – Public Art

Eramboo directors gave a presentation on the forthcoming visits by New York Public Artists Kendal Henry (March) and Ed Woodham (September). Mr Woodham's visit will be jointly sponsored by Warringah Council.

Recommendations:

- That the Committee endorses both Public Art projects.
- That Director MAGAM advises Secretariat that Council did not endorse the amalgamation of the Arts and Culture Committee with the Manly Arts Festival Working Group and that the latter be re-advertised and reformed..

MH

ITEM 6 REPORT - Facilities Management

- DGM advised that Facilities Manager had reported that roof repairs had been done and that the foyer lights would soon be installed.
- Meetings with consultant architects to reconfigure the gallery spaces without adding to the size of the building have still to be held.

Recommendations:

- That meetings with consultant architects be held.
- That the building's pergola and columns be painted.
- That quotes for new Museum showcases be obtained from Designcraft.

MH

ITEM 7

General Business

- Director MAGAM advised that gallery retail sales are averaging \$2.5k per month.
- That a special Mothers' Day sale will be held on the evening of 1 May and local artists will be invited to sell their works.
- Committee recommended that the final meeting date of 2013 be changed from 17 to 10 December. Director MAGAM to advise Secretariat.

MH

ITEM 8

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 16 April 2013.



TO: Arts and Culture Committee

MEETING DATE: 16 April 2013

AUTHOR: Michael Hedger Director, MAGAM

SUBJECT: **Report 4 – Public Art and partnerships**

1. INTRODUCTION

Following MAGAM's plans to produce visual artworks outside of the gallery spaces to engage more local people, New York public artist Kendal Henry presented a workshop and Public Art program in March and this initiative will be followed in September by another public art project by New York artist, Ed Woodham. Because of the popularity of this program, MAGAM is developing partnerships with other Councils and galleries to present further projects.

2. INFORMATION

Eramboo initiated the workshop and program by New York artist Kendal Henry in March. This saw 20 works developed and installed between MAGAM and Manly Wharf and drew a very enthusiastic response from artists, locals, the press and other councils.

As part of the Manly Arts Festival, MAGAM and Warringah Council will jointly sponsor a program by artists from the *Art in Odd Places* group Ed Woodham, Terry Hardy and Irvin Moravan and curator Radhika Subramaniam. Thirty local artists will be invited to create temporal works over two weekends on The Corso (21 – 22 September) and at The Strand, Dee Why (14 – 15 September). Details on how artists can apply to join the group, the launch, workshops and artists' conditions will be posted on the Councils' websites soon.

Further partnerships include a joint 2015 exhibition about Sydney Harbour based on Olsen's painting and Slessor's poem *Five Bells* with Mosman Council; and a series of four seminars for local artists on professional development in 2014, a partnership with both Warringah and Pittwater Councils and Eramboo.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the report is received and noted.

Michael Hedger Director, MAGAM
10 April 2013



TO: Arts and Culture Committee

MEETING DATE: 16 April 2013

AUTHOR: Michael Hedger, Director MAGAM

SUBJECT: **Report 5 - Facilities Management**

1. INTRODUCTION

Following is an update on the maintenance of MAGAM.

2. INFORMATION

Foyer lights: Two new lighting tracks were installed to replace the spotlights.

Museum showcases: The showcase on the eastern wall has been removed and the whole room is being repainted and refurbished for the Chuck Bradley photographic exhibition which opens on 3 May. The swimwear exhibition will be edited to give the photographs more prominence. In September the Dr Keith Vincent-Smith exhibition on the Gamaragal clan of the north shore will open.

Foyer: The retail area, which is now branded as MAGAM Design Shop, will gain another shelving unit from where art materials may be sold and shelves are to be installed in the unit behind the front desk. Retail sales have increased since the area has been refurbished and new stock introduced. Staff will investigate storage suppliers for a unit to replace the plinths used to display the catalogues.

Sound system: The gallery sound system has been reworked and a new microphone installed.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the report is received and noted.

Michael Hedger, Director MAGAM
10 April 2013



TO: Arts and Culture Committee

MEETING DATE: 16 April 2013

AUTHOR: Michael Hedger, Director MAGAM

SUBJECT: **Report 6 – Exhibition program**

1. INTRODUCTION

The exhibition program for July – December 2013 is now available.

2. INFORMATION

Following *Courage to Care*, MAGAM will present three new shows from 3 May. These are Amanda Penrose-Hart's *Manly: Somewhere on the Australian Coast* paintings; John Ogden's *Highly Dangerous* photographs; and Chuck Bradley's *Nostalgica*, photographs of objects from the museum collection made during his artist in residency in March.

Highlights from the next six month exhibition program include retrospectives by artists Bill Leak and Chris Langlois; the Ranamok Glass Prize; the Gamaragal museum exhibition, the biannual Keeping Company Gallery Society exhibition, this year with a dedicated focus of making works based on MAGAM collection highlights, the Brookvale TAFE graduates' show and the dance performance *On View*, choreographed by Sue Healey and featuring local performer Raghav Handa. Public programs will be devised for all of the exhibitions.

The *Courage to Care* exhibition resulted in large school group attendances (35 groups and an estimate of 1,500 students (as of 10 April) and new audiences for MAGAM.

MAGAM was awarded a substantial development grant from The Australia Council for the *Midnight Oil* exhibition which will open in July 2014 and then tour to about 2 other venues. So many venues applied for the show but all cannot be accommodated. The grant will enable a professional museum and AV designer to be employed on the show.

The winners of the Manly Youth Art Awards were announced at the opening of Express Yourself 2013 on Friday 8 February. The recipient of the Theo Batten Youth Art Award of \$5,000 was Mariah Burton (NBSC - Mackellar Girls Campus). The *MAG&M Society Youth Art Award first prize* of \$1000 was awarded to Ninette Newcombe with two *Highly Commended prize* of \$500 each went to Letty Phillips and Kane Lehanneur. *The People's Choice Award* of a \$100 book voucher to Ondine Seabrook from Barrenjoey High School.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the report is received and noted.

Michael Hedger, Director MAGAM
10 April 2013