

## Exhibition on show for local audience

The Yarrabah State School Junior Secondary Campus, in collaboration with the Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council's Arts & Cultural Precinct have created an exhibition partnership program which will celebrate an official opening in the community next month, Manager Darrell Harris says.

'Djabu Gilga Yigan Land Sea Sky', which was installed at the Art Centre in early April, will officially open on Thursday 9 May at the Menmuny Museum Gallery from 1-3pm.

The event will include a welcome from the Yarrabah Council, Yarrabah State School leaders, who will be supported by staff and community members, a dance performance by YSS students and a fashion parade featuring junior school girls with fashion and make up supplied by the Arts Centre.

"The program aims to engage YSS students with the Arts and their community, and to provide work experience opportunities through learning and implementing skills to hang and install artworks for an exhibition," Mr Harris said.

"Students will access three arts industry workshops over the next six months which included the actual exhibition installation at the beginning of last month, as well as artwork packing and storing at the end of the exhibition in June and a three day workshop on canvas stretching on a date to be confirmed.

"Exhibition installer Jaivan Bowen, from Hopevale, will mentor and detail the required education, skills and associated occupations in the Creative Arts.

"Jaivan will also outline his career journey, provide industry insights and field questions from students."

He said the Year 10 students who worked with Mr Bowen would gain certificates for their participation and work.













MAKING OUR TOWN BETTER...were local YASC workers Ross Maloney, Zac Mossman, Graeme Mudu, Cadmus Sands and Michael Geoghegan, pictured here putting together a new footpath outside of the Daycare Centre on Workshop St. Good job fellas!

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# Proud to be Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council



#### Pam Mundraby, what do you do?

I am the Indigenous Knowledge Centre Coordinator for the Yarrabah Shire Council.

#### Where are you from?

I grew up in Yarrabah and have been here all my life.

#### Best and Worst things about your job?

I just love working with Council, I love everything about it.

My favourite thing is helping my community, I love interacting and working for the community members of Yarrabah.

The break-ins are a nuisance, but I respect these young people for who they are and I know they will still come and talk to me and I talk to them – I'll still communicate with them no matter what they do.

#### What do you hope for in future?

I hope for a better outcome for them, such as more activities over the weekends, they're just bored at the moment, so I'd love to see more for them to do. And I hope to be working at the council over the coming years.

#### Favourites<sup>1</sup>

Music Country, sometimes rock and roll, I love all sorts of music.

Team Yarrabah Seahawks...and Manly is my team too!

#### **Colour** purple

**Food** everything! I love anything...

**Bush food** I love turtle, dugong, crabs, oysters and even sweet potatoes (yam) and mangoes as well.



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arty Foundation was funded to expand new communities in New South Wales er the next three years.

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and stakeholders across

Cairns, Mossman and the Tablelands to identify communities interested in having our programs in their area," they said.

Co-founder of the organisation, John Moriarty, said they were warmly welcomed.

"Everyone we spoke to was very positive about our football programs and the impact they will have on the region's children," he said.

"We look forward to continuing the relationships we have developed during the consultation."



Moriarty Foundation said they were currently reviewing all the information they had to guide them on the types of delivery which might work best for communities, and where to base.

The Moriarty Foundation was established in 2012 and runs programs that follow a child's life cycle from birth to 18, including Indi Kindi (for 0-5s), Indi Footi (2-5s), John Moriarty Football (6-16s) and John Moriarty Football Scholarship Program (12-18s).

### Monday 17 June is Foundation Day!

There will be a re-enactment of the arrival of Fr Gribble followed by a service at the cross in morning, followed by community celebrations in the church grounds. There will be an evening celebration fellowship the same evening. All will be invited to 'Coming of the Gospel' celebrations on Foundation Day.

### Women's corporation elects new chair

As Chair of the Yarrabah Aboriginal Corporation for Women I would like to introduce our organisation by offering a brief update about what is happening with our Shelter and our plans for the year, Thelma Yeatman writes...

Our role is to ensure we provide ongoing safe and appropriate care services for the women at all levels of our community in collaboration with local stakeholders, making our community safe and healthy.

I wish also acknowledge and thank our previous directors, and congratulate our new board who are: myself, Thelma Yeatman, as Chair; Georgina Harris as Secretary; Maria Richards as Treasurer and our Directors Karen Yeatman and Atina Atkinson.

We would also like to acknowledge our current funding providers, the Department of Child Safety, Youth & Women, as well as the assistance we receive from RATSICC and the many other services we network with.

Their support is vital to our service.

We are keen to encourage more members to come and register.

Becoming a member allows you to have an input into where we are headed and a voice to help us to build our shared vision of success for our staff and stakeholders.

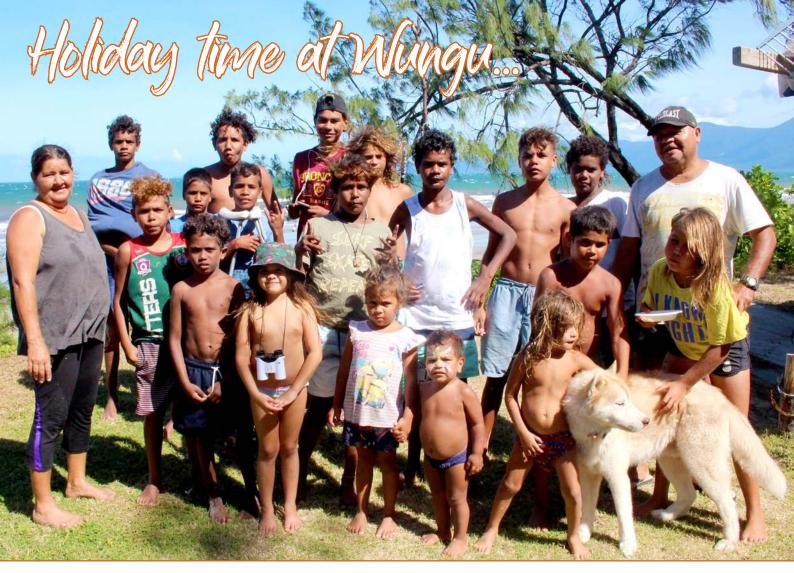
We are also keen to take up membership the Yarrabah Leaders' Forum to help us strengthen our voice and take on a universal approach to more funding opportunities, so we have the capacity to deliver a more effective service.

Our desire is for all our local agencies to join and assist us in playing an essential role in our community, and work together to address all the social, physical and emotional needs which impact our Community lifestyles.

Our work with the Yarrabah Leadership Forum will help us in our goals of making our community a stronger, safer and healthy one.

Our success will be determined by our shared vision of Love, Family and Community Healing.





## YASC CEO announces resignation

Yarrabah CEO Janelle Menzies has regretfully informed the Council she will be leaving her position in early May.

"I wish to advise I have made a very difficult decision to resign from my position as the CEO at Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council," she said in an email to Council staff.

"I have really enjoyed work here in Yarrabah, it has been a challenge at times but it has made me resilient and a much stronger woman and leader."

YASC has advertised for her position as

well as for an Independent Audit Committee Member & Chair and a General Manager for Wugu Nyambil Ltd.

All applications close on Monday 29 April. Information about the application processes and Position Descriptions are on the YASC website at http://www.yarrabah.qld.gov.au





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