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Gladstone Region RADF supports development of local arts and culture

Five new arts and cultural experiences will be undertaken across the Gladstone Region, supported by the recent round of the Gladstone Region Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF).

Gladstone Regional Council, at its July 3 General Meeting, endorsed the recommendations of the 2017-18 RADF committee, awarding \$25,167 in financial support.

Gladstone Region Mayor Matt Burnett said endorsement followed the RADF committee's assessment meeting held on June 13.

"Council is pleased RADF will support five diverse arts and cultural experiences across the Gladstone Region," Councillor Burnett said.

Councillor Cindi Bush said the Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) was a partnership between the Queensland Government and Gladstone Regional Council to support local arts and culture in regional Queensland.

"The RADF committee decide, in accordance with the RADF guidelines, if applications meet criteria and are eligible for funding," Cr Bush said.

Successful Round Two 2017-18 RADF recipients include:

- Creative Gladstone Region Inc.: *Landscapes: Mixed Media Masterclass*,
- Crow Street Creative Inc.: *Strategic Planning and Committee Training*,
- William Debois: *Signs of Life / Leaving Home*,
- Community Advisory Service: *2018 Seniors Week*,
- Gary Brighton: *2020 Vision QMusic workshops*.

Additionally, Council initiated Strategic Projects during 2017-18 include: *Pop Up Digital Public Art – Gladstone Region Art on Fleet* and the *Arts & Cultural Policy Review: Join the Conversation* led by *ArtReach Queensland*.

The Queensland Government, through Arts Queensland, is contributing \$2.08 million to the 2017-18 RADF partnership across 59 councils state-wide.

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