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### **Music videos among local art projects to receive RADF assistance**

A project to film three music videos featuring local artists and stories will be one of nine art and cultural initiatives to financially benefit from the latest round of Gladstone Region Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF).

Gladstone Region Acting Mayor Chris Trevor said Gladstone Regional Council this week accepted recommendations of its RADF committee to allocate a total of \$52,330 for the Gladstone Region RADF Special Round July 2018.

The RADF is a partnership between the Queensland Government and Gladstone Regional Council to support local arts and culture in regional Queensland.

“As per the RADF agreement with Arts Queensland, there is provision for a special funding round where quality applications are received and there are surplus funds within the financial year,” Councillor Trevor said.

“This special funding round will financially assist with the delivery of various artforms including music, visual arts, craft, writing, new media and design.

“These projects will either be experienced and undertaken within our region or will enable our local artists to access training or professional development.”

Successful Special Round July 2018 Gladstone Region RADF recipients include:

- AWSUM Inc.: *AWSUM UKE JAM 2018*; Host three-day music event attracting ukulele groups and players, including performances and workshops,
- Baffle Art Group: *Life Drawing Workshop*; Host introduction to life drawing workshop, led by local artist Jenny Fournier,
- Frances Schulze: *National Basketry Gathering 2019*; Travel and attend April 2019 National Basketry Gathering, in Aldinga, South Australia,
- Gladstone Arts Council Inc.: *GAC Celebrates 50 Years – a history*; Research and write the 50-year history,
- Jack Viljoen: *Music video, three songs*; Local film crew on location in the Gladstone Region to film three music videos, featuring local artists and stories,
- Jennifer Ryan: *My RhuPus Life, from orange socks to orange trees*; Solo exhibition at the Gladstone Inclusion Centre, with multi-modal art tools to tell personal health story,
- Luke Graham: *Sharko*; Project and teaser development for feature length documentary based on local rugby league immortal Mark Graham,
- SES: *Gladstone SES History*; Artwork layout for history book of the SES in Gladstone,
- WIN Inc: *Gladstone Inclusion Centre Art Direction*; Engage local artist to develop an Art Direction plan document for the newly established centre.

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Queensland Arts Minister Leeanne Enoch said the Queensland Government, through Arts Queensland, would contribute \$2.08 million in 2018-19 in partnership with 58 councils statewide to deliver cultural experiences which align with local priorities.

Gladstone Regional Council further endorsed the appointment of the 2018-19 Gladstone Region RADF advisory committee.

“Each year, a public invitation is extended to regional residents to become involved in the administration of RADF through appointment to its committee,” Cr Trevor said.

“The RADF committee decide, in accordance with the RADF guidelines, if applications meet criteria and are eligible for funding.”

At Gladstone Region RADF’s annual general meeting in September, the following committee members were elected: Tina Skyring-Quirk, Adrienne Ward, Jennie Ryan, Michael Lunan, Wesley Walker, Belynda (Bindi) Waugh, Hannah Rodda, Lorna McGrath, Michael Connolly and Chantelle Johnson.

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