

Media Release

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Call for nominations for Regional Arts Development Fund committee

Gladstone Regional Council's Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) is seeking nominations from interested community members during its 2020 Annual General Meeting (AGM).

The AGM will be held at the Gladstone Regional Art Gallery & Museum (GRAGM), corner of Goondoon and Bramston Streets, Gladstone at 5pm on Wednesday 16 September.

Gladstone Region Councillor and RADF chair Glenn Churchill said the volunteer role is a great opportunity for community members to help develop and enrich art and culture in our region.

"Each year Council lodges an official application for funding from Arts Queensland and together, with an allocation from Council and through locally determined policy and assessment procedures, RADF funds the development of arts and cultural activities throughout the community," Councillor Churchill said.

"RADF funding provides support for initiatives and activities which have the capacity to deliver benefits for our entire Gladstone Region.

"This ranges from assisting artists to access professional development opportunities to helping community groups engage a professional artist for workshops or community projects."

The submission for the 2020/21 RADF year proposes two community funding rounds, as well as two strategic projects for the region, including a collaborative artist project and training opportunities.

"When groups and individuals make an application to be funded for specific activities each round, it is the role of the Committee to decide, in accordance with the RADF Guidelines, if the application meets the criteria and is eligible to recommend for funding," Cr Churchill said.

Nominations for RADF committee members close on Tuesday 15 September ahead of the AGM on 16 September.

The current committee has prepared an informative video for potential nominees to consider.

The video, as well as the ability to download a nomination kit, can be accessed via <u>http://gragm.gld.gov.au/radf</u>.

For further information or to RSVP to the AGM, please email <u>gragm@gladstone.qld.gov.au</u> or contact RADF Liaison Officer Di Paddick on 4976 6766.

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