

# Geraldton Regional Art Advisory Committee

## Meeting Agenda

<b>Meeting Name</b>	Geraldton Regional Art Advisory Committee	<b>Meeting No.</b>	5 D-23-109684
<b>Meeting Date</b>	14 September 2023		
<b>Meeting Time</b>	1:00pm		
<b>Meeting Location</b>	Geraldton Regional Library Randolph Stow Rooms		
<b>Attendance by Electronic Means</b>	<i>In accordance with the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996 regulation 14C (2) - Attendance has been authorised by the Mayor for</i>		
<b>Attendees</b>	Cr Steve Cooper SC (Chair) Cr Michael Reymond MR (Proxy Chair) Cr Kim Parker KP Cr Jennifer Critch JC Fiona Norling FN CGG Trudi Cornish TC CGG Marnie Facchini MF CGG Mark Lennard ML Community Member Sari Jacobsen SJ Community Member Susan Smith SS Community Member Reni Kerley RK Yamaji Art Shauni Norman SN (Minutes)	<b>By Invitation</b>	
		<b>Apologies</b>	
		<b>Leave of Absence</b>	
		<b>Distribution</b>	As listed
<b>Purpose of Committee</b>	Refer to <a href="#">Committee Book</a>		

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[Meeting Procedures Local Law 2011](#)

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### 1 Welcome and Apologies

### 2 Acknowledgement of Country

I would like to respectfully acknowledge the Yamatji people who are the Traditional Owners and First People of the land on which we meet/stand. I would like to pay my respects to the Elders past, present and future for they hold the memories, the traditions, the culture and hopes of Yamatji people.

### **3 Disclosure of Interests**

### **4 Applications for Leave of Absence**

That the Committee by Simple Majority pursuant to Section 2.25 of the Local Government Act 1995 RESOLVES to:

1. APPROVE Leave of Absence for:
  - a. Name for the period Date to Date

### **5 Minutes of Previous Meeting**

# Geraldton Regional Art Advisory Committee

## Meeting Minutes

<b>Meeting Name</b>	Geraldton Regional Art Advisory Committee	<b>Meeting No.</b>	4 D-23-075994
<b>Meeting Date</b>	Thursday, 15 June 2023		
<b>Meeting Time</b>	10:00am		
<b>Meeting Location</b>	Geraldton Regional Library Randolph Stow Rooms		
<b>Attendance by Electronic Means</b>	<i>In accordance with the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996 regulation 14C (2) - Attendance has been authorised by the Mayor for Cr Michael Reymond and Cr Jennifer Critch to attend this meeting by electronic means.</i>		
<b>Attendees</b>	Cr Kim Parker KP Councillor (Proxy Chair) Cr Jennifer Critch JC Councillor (Electronic) Fiona Norling FN CGG Trudi Cornish TC CGG Marina Baker MB CGG Marnie Facchini MF CGG Annalise Fosbery AF Community Member Sari Jacobsen SJ Community Member Susan Smith SS Community Member Shauni Norman SN (Minutes)	<b>By Invitation</b>	
		<b>Apologies</b>	Cr Steve Cooper SC (Chair) Mark Lennard ML Community Member Reni Kerley RK Yamaji Art Cr Michael Reymond MR - Electronic
		<b>Leave of Absence</b>	
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### 1 Welcome & Apologies

The proxy Chair welcomed the members to the Committee and noted apologies from SC, RK and ML.

### 2 Acknowledgement of Country

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### 3 Disclosure of Interests

Nil

#### 4 Applications for Leave of Absence

Nil

#### 5 Minutes of Previous Meeting - 16 March 2023

##### **Committee Recommendation:**

RECOMMENDED that the minutes of the Geraldton Regional Art Advisory Committee held on 16 March 2023 as previously circulated, be adopted as a true and correct record of proceedings.

##### **COMMITTEE DECISION**

**MOVED: SJ, SECONDED KP**

**CARRIED**

#### 6 Action Log

The actions were noted and received by the Committee.

#### 7. AOIP Grant Funding and Advocacy

The City has been successful in the Arts Organisations Investment Program (AOIP) grant submitted in October 2022, with an allocation of \$170,000 p.a. over the next four (4) years. Noted that the other Galleries throughout the State have received the same level of funding, for example, Bunbury Regional Art Gallery and the North Midlands Project Inc. FN has begun advocacy to Minister Templeman and Local Member Lara Dalton to consider in reinstating the previous funding of \$340,000 p.a.

#### 8. Geraldton Regional Art Gallery Strategic Plan 2023-2027

The Committee noted that the plan has been updated to align with the revised funding over four (4) years until 2027. Budget projections, which were required to be included in the AOIP Grant application, were removed. Appendix two (2) updated with the 22/23 statistics and achievements. The plan will be presented to Council in July 2023 for consideration.

#### 9. Public Art – Budget Requests

The Committee noted the capital works request had included an item for renewal for the public art collection, furthermore a provision for acquisition of public art, maintenance and delivery will receive \$150,000 as an annual allocation. Noting the team focus 23/24 will be the GRAG mural.

#### 10. Report from Gallery Coordinator and Report from Public Art Officer (PAO)

Highlights from Coordinator Report:

*Stitched and Bound* Exhibition well attended during March to May.

Two (2) exhibitions by Aboriginal men (deceased) – *He is Myself: The Art of Nyaparu (William) Gardiner*, and *Faces and Places Revisited: Irwin Tasman Lewis*.

Three (3) planned workshops over the School Holidays.

The First Floor ceiling has been quoted for repair, waiting on confirmed dates for repair.

Highlights from Public Art Report:

Public Art Map is ready for printing, it will be available in hard copy and electronically.

The Walkaway bus shelter design is being finalised from the work of the year five class from Walkaway Primary.

The current Light Box Gallery has been presented by the DADAA group, with the next EOI due to circulate soon.

Foreshore Mural – Seeking concept design for proposed mural on the tail of the Fish at 2 Foreshore from young local artist who was also involved in the Chapman Critter Trail.

AMC Park, Spalding – EOI’s were posted for three public art opportunities - Facilitation of Log Artworks design and implementation; Multi Use Court Artwork design; and Sandblast Artwork design, to be integrated into the new concrete pathways.

Responses were received for the Log Artworks and Multi Use Court and these were evaluated by Officers, two (2) representatives from the GRAAC and a representative from UDLA. No responses were received with regard to the Sandblast Artwork and the UDLA Project Lead has advised they will instead consider direct approaching Yamaji Art.

The Log Work Facilitation sessions will be delivered in collaboration with the Bluff Point Primary School. The design for the Multi Use Court is still in the concept development stage and following final evaluation, will be presented to EMT for approval, as will the final designs for the Sandblast Artwork.

## **11. General Business**

### **11.1 Blue Heelers Development**

Enquiry what position the City is in with regard to the public art element. Noted the developers have presented a concept to Council on the interim plan, updates will be provided as they become available.

### **11.2 GRAG Mural**

The grant application for the mural on the rear outside wall of the Gallery included a community mural workshop element to provide opportunities for upskilling local artists.

### **11.3 Suburban Public Art**

Suggestion for more inclusion of public art on suburban playgrounds to tie it back into the CBD not just from a tourism perspective but a liveability element.

## **12. Date of next meeting**

The final meeting is scheduled for 14 September 2023 at 10:00am.

## **13. Close**

There being no further business the Proxy Chair closed the meeting at 10:45am

Signed: Proxy Chair Councillor Kim Parker: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## 6 Action Log

## Geraldton Regional Art Advisory Committee - Action Log (D-22-029021)

Log #	Meeting Date	Agenda Item #	Action	Resp. Person	Status (Ongoing / Complete / Next Agenda)
GRAAC-08	17/03/2022	6.5 Public Art Strategy	MR to propose ideas for committee's review and consensus to be achieved whilst reviewing strategy. This helps streamline project development and achievement of goals. MR to provide a draft proposal for committee's consideration.	Cr Reymond	<b>Ongoing</b> , not yet tabled
			Committee to recommend to Council an annual budget for public art maintenace and procurement to be considered as budget items in the next financial year	GRAAC members	<b>Ongoing</b> , not yet tabled
GRAAC-15	1/12/2022	6.3 Other Upcoming/Potential Future Public Art Projects	Advise the Project Team of the request for more shaded seating areas to activate the space for better public use (with regard to Chapman Rd)	Trudi Cornish	<b>Ongoing</b> , pending further details with regard to scope of works
GRAAC-21					
GRAAC-22					
GRAAC-23					
GRAAC-24					
GRAAC-25					

- 7. Update on Staffing Changes**
- 8. Update on Gallery Large-Scale Mural and Community Art Initiative**
- 9. Update on Mid West Art Prize 2023**
- 10. GRAAC Term Highlights**
- 11. Report from Coordinator**

## REPORT FOR JULY – AUGUST 2023

### COORDINATOR GALLERY AND PUBLIC ART - REPORT

#### Prepared by Trudi Cornish

- **Loan of artwork, *West Wallabies, Abrolhos Islands* by Larry Mitchell**

A generous loan by Perth businessman Sean Sicree to the Geraldton Regional Library via the Geraldton Regional Art Gallery has resulted in the display of a lovely artwork by former Geraldton local, Larry Mitchell. The painting is 2.7m long and will be on display for up to 2 years at the Library.



- **GRAG Strategic Plan, 2023-2027**

The Geraldton Regional Art Gallery Strategic Plan 2023-2027 was endorsed by Council at the Ordinary Meeting held 25 July 2023.

- **Large-Scale Mural and Community Art Initiative**

In July 2023 the City undertook to procure a large-scale mural to be painted on the rear and adjoining side wall of the Geraldton Regional Art Gallery. The procurement also required the delivery of an upskilling workshop, which would result in the delivery of a smaller scale, community mural. An EOI opportunity and Artist Brief was circulated and closed 25 August 2023, with 19 responses from both local and across the state received.

In Stage 1, following evaluation of EOI's by GRAAC Council and Community representatives, 5 responders were shortlisted and invited to submit detailed Concept Designs, including the artwork and the community upskilling plan. In Stage 2, shortlisted artists will be evaluated, with the successful party being appointed by a formal Artist Instrument of Agreement. A maximum payment of \$40,000 has been budgeted for payment to the successful artist. Ideally the large-scale mural is to be completed by early December and the second smaller mural (at a site yet to be determined) early in 2024.

- **Ceiling Works at Gallery**

Ceiling works begun at the Gallery Monday 28 August to repair damage to the First Floor which occurred some years ago when an air conditioner water pipe burst. A delay in the opening of the exhibition *Prize Collection* was managed with minimal disruption and the Gallery reopen in its entirety on Saturday 9 September.

- **Mid West Art Prize 2023**

Entries are open until 8 September, with 110 entries already received at time of this report writing (6/9/23). Event application submitted for 9 December, to utilise Post Office Carpark area (rear of GRAG).

- **Other**

- Exhibition Opening, 25 August, of *Single Channel* from the National Gallery Australia, 2023 Y12 Nagle Catholic College Media Students' Films and *Media Perspectives 2022* with 60 people in attendance, including many students and their families from Nagle.
- Acquittal for Youth Week Mullewa Banner project completed.
- Activities Report for DLGSC 2022-2023 Reporting Acquittal completed.
- GRAG Garden bench seats were installed during August and have already been seen to be in use by visitors.
- Accessioning and tagging of artworks hanging at Mullewa District Office completed.
- Gallery Floor Plan maps updated to show hanging dimension of internal walls.
- City Cultural Collections – Report into Future Storage Needs, final draft in process of preparation, researched and written by Tanya Henkel and Trudi Cornish.
- Next Opening Night coincides with the Big Sky Readers and Writers Festival 2023: *The Art of Words* and will see the opening of *Behind the Lines*, *Genesis 2023* plus work from Clontarf Aboriginal College on Friday 29 September. Guest speakers will be West cartoonist Dean Alston and graphic novelist, Dr Bruce Mutard. There will also be a Zine Workshop and a Flicks Film Night held in the Cinema over the Big Sky weekend. *Focus 2023* (Geraldton Camera Club exhibition) will be mounted at the Library and opened at the Big Sky Festival opening night, 28 September.

## Exhibition Attendance Figures

July/August 2023 – 1,840 visitors



Gallery Team at work installing *Prize Collection*.

Trudi Cornish

06/09/2023

- 12. Report from Public Art Officer**
- 13. General Business**
- 14. Close**

## GRAAC PUBLIC ART REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2023

### Crabbie Critter Mural – Two Foreshore Café

Local artist Luke Barlow was invited to provide a concept which was fun and engaging for children and their families. “Crabbie” critter was selected and has been introduced to the owners of Two Foreshore and they are happy to welcome him.

Luke is scheduled in for the school holidays in December to complete the mural, something the kids can watch in progress.



### Walkaway Bus Shelter

The new Walkaway Bus Shelter has been installed. Arranging for a photo to be taken with some of the Walkaway Primary School students who completed the design.

### Chapman River Road Bridge Mural

Chapman River Road Bridge underpass mural by students from Bluff Point and Spalding Primary Schools received full support from GRAAC, design now in development which will be then circulated to Executive and GRAAC.

### Post Office Lane Lightbox Gallery

Currently Exhibiting: Peta Riley

A body of works representing coastal Western Australia in a bright maximalist story.

*Image credit: Manners, Peta Riley*



### AMC Park Spalding

Dates still to be confirmed and approved to complete the painting of the log seats.

### Public Art Maintenance

An audit is required for the Public Art Collection and will be actioned in October/November 2023.