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ARTS NORTH WEST ANNOUNCES CASP FUNDING RECIPIENTS FOR 2023

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Arts North West is pleased to announce the successful recipients of the 2023 Country Arts Support Program (CASP) funding. The Country Arts Support Program (CASP) is an annual small grants program funded by Create NSW and managed by Regional Arts Development Organisations. These funds are granted to arts community groups, arts organisations and in the New England North West to support creative endeavours.

Arts North West are thrilled to present the following individuals and organisations as the recipients of the CASP funding for 2023:

Joanne Stead, for her project *'The Mannequin Project'*

Dorothea Mackellar Memorial Society Inc, for their initiative *'Writing for Children Workshops'*

Hester Fraser (Goldheist) through Kingswood Collective Productions Pty Ltd, for the project *'The House of Jazz Collective'*

Arts Gunnedah Inc, for their workshop *'Advanced Art & Ceramics Workshops'*

Manilla Community Choir for their *undertaking 'Manilla Community Choir - Performance Development for Local Community Events'* with Isis Ashton

Black Gully Printmakers, for their initiative *'Letterpress Printing Skills #2'*

Arts North West would like to congratulate the successful applicants and their respective communities and LGAs who will benefit from the outcomes of the CASP Grants. We want to acknowledge their creativity and contribution to the arts and cultural development in the region.

The CASP funding provides support to individuals and organisations in the pursuit of their artistic projects. Arts North West remains committed to supporting and promoting the arts in our region. We look forward to the achievements and impact of these funded projects and encourage everyone to stay connected with us for future funding opportunities.

Arts North West acknowledges Aboriginal people as the traditional custodians of the lands we work on;

we recognise the strength, resilience and capacity of Aboriginal people and respect the Aboriginal Elders past and present.

Arts North West is assisted by the NSW Government through Create NSW and the partnership of 11 local government authorities in the New England North West



About Arts North West:

Arts North West is a leading organisation of arts and cultural development across the New England North West region. With a long history and a commitment to community Arts North West empowers individuals and groups through various programs, initiatives, and partnerships to ensure the arts thrive. Our core business is providing quality advice, information and professional support to artists and organisations. Arts North West is committed to the development and delivery of services that foster opportunities for collaboration, facilitation, and experiences in the arts that reflects our diverse region.

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