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## **Special funding round on offer to benefit local arts and culture projects**

Short-term local arts and culture projects starting after September 6 may be eligible to be considered for a special round of the Gladstone Region Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF).

Gladstone Region Acting Mayor Chris Trevor said the RADF Special Round 2016-17 would open from July 1 until 4pm on July 28.

"RADF supports professional Gladstone Region artists and culture workers, encouraging originality and innovation in the development of quality arts, culture and heritage initiatives," Councillor Trevor said.

Funding is offered in six categories: Developing Regional Skills, Building Community Cultural Capacity, Regional Partnerships, Cultural Tourism, Concept Development, and Contemporary Collections/Stories.

Gladstone Regional Council's Environment & Community Services Committee Chair Councillor Cindi Bush said mentoring assistance was available for applicants to discuss the development of their submissions.

"Applicants seeking guidance can complete an Expression of Interest before 4pm on June 30 for assistance from a committee member mentor," Cr Bush said.

RADF applications and guidelines are available from the Gladstone Regional Art Gallery & Museum or online at [www.gragm.qld.gov.au/radf](http://www.gragm.qld.gov.au/radf)

Submissions are assessed by a local committee of dedicated arts and community representatives, who make recommendations for funding to Council.

For further information contact RADF Liaison Officer Di Paddick on 4976 6766.

The Gladstone Region Regional Arts Development Fund is a Queensland Government and Gladstone Regional Council partnership program to support local arts and culture in regional Queensland.

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