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Mentoring to assist with applications for funding of regional art projects

Local arts and cultural groups and individuals can access mentoring to assist when applying for the latest funding round of Gladstone Region Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF).

Gladstone Region Mayor Matt Burnett said Expressions of Interest (EOI) were sought for short-term projects in the Gladstone Region starting after July 4 this year.

Projects may be eligible for funding in the following categories: Developing Regional Skills, Building Community Cultural Capacity, Regional Partnerships, Cultural Tourism, Concept Development and Contemporary Collections/Stories.

Councillor Cindi Bush said applicants would be able to access valuable mentoring assistance following submission of their EOI by 4pm on Monday, April 30.

“Applicants can gain mentoring assistance from a RADF committee member to discuss further development of their funding application,” she said.

Free training opportunities will also be offered at three locations across the Gladstone Region, in early May, with *Creative Regions*’ Creative Producer Di Wills.

Sessions include:

- Tuesday, May 8 - Nagoorin Hall
- Wednesday, May 9 - Tannum Sands Surf Club
- Thursday, May 10 - Gladstone Regional Art Gallery & Museum.

Group workshops will be held from 10.30am to 2pm to focus on grant writing, project development and documentation. One-on-one, 40-minute, culture checkup sessions with Di Wills will follow, to work closely on individual funding applications and focus on planning projects for a successful outcome.

Bookings are essential for all workshops and sessions and can be made by phoning the Gallery & Museum on 4976 6766 or email gragm@gladstone.qld.gov.au

RADF guidelines, Expression of Interest and application forms are available from Council customer service counters, venues and libraries, as well as online at www.gragm.qld.gov.au/radf

The Gladstone Region RADF 2017-2018 Round Two applications close 4pm on Friday, May 25.

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

The Queensland Government, through Arts Queensland, is contributing \$2.08 million to the 2017-18 RADF partnership across 59 councils statewide.

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