

INTRODUCTION  
 DIRECTOR, ARTS MILDURA  
 GARETH HART

When I began to feel this program come together, a few really intense things were happening on both a local and national scale. Recently, Mildura has been the birthplace of the #toostrongforracism movement, highlighting a gap in our understanding of the complexities our first nations population experience within the ongoing impact of colonisation. Simultaneously, Australia is experiencing the most intense bush fires that I have ever seen, and ever hope this land and its people have to endure. Against the backdrop of such significant events, I can't help but feel that we need two things: to come together in solidarity, and to venture into places unknown. Because I believe the future will be (and needs to be) different to our past. And the best way to get there? Together.

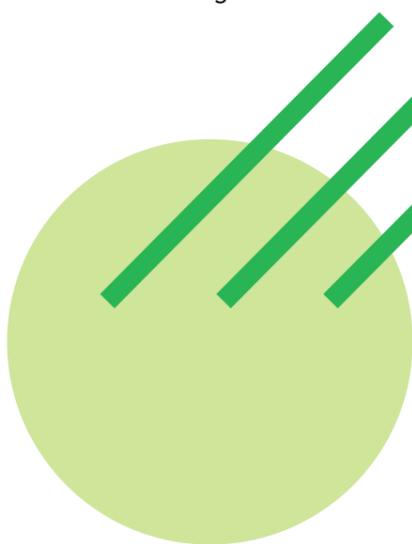
For together we are stronger, more resilient, more compassionate, and more able to make sense of this time, this place and our contemporary experiences. And I can think of no better way to navigate these unknown waters, than through creative expression. Our capacity to tell stories, make art and express complexity will be the tools of a brighter future.

I hope the Arts Mildura Season 1 2020 program brings you vast opportunity to think, act, embody and create the future we so desperately need. All of the work within this program does one or both of those things: venture into uncharted territory, or celebrates our collectivity.

In 2020, Arts Mildura continues to strive to achieve it's vision of 'transforming our community through exceptional art experiences'.

Please join me on this journey.

Gareth Hart  
 Executive Director  
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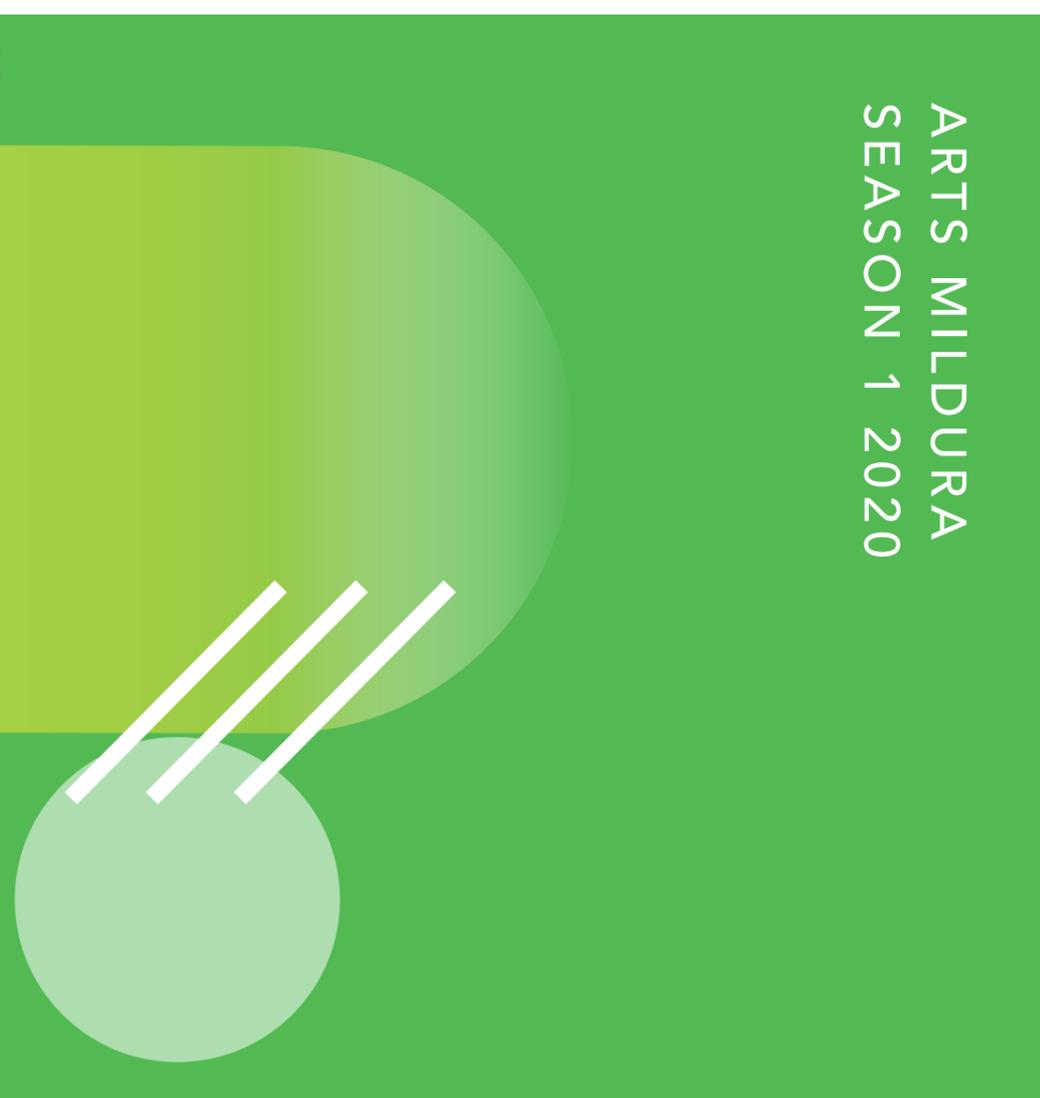


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 SEASON 1 2020



The museum of innocence and Gallery F are both located in the Arts Mildura building: 31-33 Deakin Avenue, Mildura.

Thursday & Friday 10am - 4pm  
 Saturday & Sunday 10am - 2pm

Arts Mildura would like to acknowledge all the traditional Aboriginal tribes on whose land we work, being the first people of this place and whose sovereignty has never been ceded. We pay our respects to elders past, present and emerging, and welcome all Indigenous people into this building and our program.

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Coming together  
 in places unknown



## Arts Mildura Exhibitions

Within our premises at 31-33 Deakin Avenue, you will discover the curious space that is the museum of innocence. Within, you will encounter our annual exhibition program of contemporary visual, spatial and performance artists. Exhibitions feature artists from all over Australia, and our program reflects the nuance of our contemporary experience of place and politics.

## Arts Mildura creative spaces

Have you noticed an array of intriguing people wandering around the building? Chances are you have encountered some of our artists and community in residence! Arts Mildura offers a range of short term, long term, project based studios and incubator spaces to artists and community led initiatives. Through this, Arts Mildura continues to champion and support the development of strong regional voices through the creative and community sectors. Come and meet our in-residence tenants and get to know your local leaders.

### // BUT WILL 29 FEBRUARY – 12 APRIL

Using contemporary feminism as a departure point to interrogate narratives of personal and political positions. Featuring work by three exceptional and intriguing artists: Hannah Raisin, Sophia Hewson and Belle Bassin.



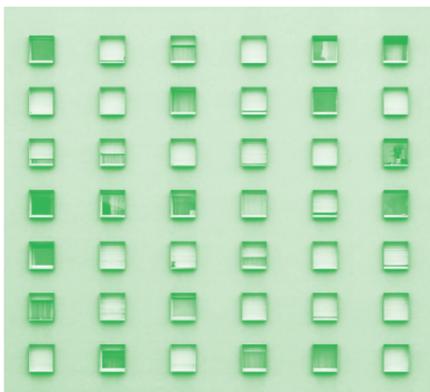
### // HEATHER FAIRNIE: ELUSIVE SYNTHESIS 2 – 24 MAY

Elusive Synthesis, continues a journey for Heather Fairnie, unraveling her connection as “witness” to Country in the Greater Mallee region. Fairnie deliberates intersections that (is) Country beyond the panoramic of landscape and the microcosm of the central focus, (me). An interdisciplinary body of work negotiating Country through a monochrome palette.



### // SMALL WORKS PRIZE 30 MAY - 28 JUNE

Arts Mildura’s annual small works prize returns! This year, artists are asked to respond to the theme ‘regarding tomorrow’. A national call out for artists to create small work, of large scale. Cash prizes and more.



Arts Mildura partners with, auspices and enables some of the regions most exciting community driven projects. In 2020 these include the Murray River Music Festival, Mildura Writers Festival, Mildura Fringe, Mallee Pride and Walk Wentworth Sing. Be sure to save all the dates in your diary - and see art throughout the Mallee in unexpected and wonderful places.

### DUO VIRTUOSI (MURRAY RIVER MUSIC FESTIVAL) 29 JAN

Tagliamento joins Scattolin in a program of classical music works written by virtuosos, to be played by virtuosos, and perfectly suited to the superb acoustics of the Wentworth Town Hall.

### SERGIO DE PIERI PLAYS THE STEINWAY (MURRAY RIVER MUSIC FESTIVAL) 26 APR

In this recorded performance, Sergio de Pieri will entrance us on the Mildura Arts Centre’s Steinway piano, with preludes and fugues from Bach’s Well Tempered Clavier, and a selection of Sergio’s favorite romantic and contemporary repertoire.

## Partnership Projects

### MUSICA SOAVE (MURRAY RIVER MUSIC FESTIVAL) 21 JAN

Two course dinner from Stefano’s kitchen, with an exquisite and intimate performance of contemporary and romantic harp music by Elisabetta Ghebbioni.

### JOURNEYS (MURRAY RIVER MUSIC FESTIVAL) 21 JAN

A program that explores life, and the journeys that fill its course, including Shauntai Bartzke’s recently commissioned song cycle of “crossing to the other-side, from dreaming to knowing, exploring elements of the deep sea, eternal voice, promised lands and perfect love”.

## Gallery F Exhibitions

**Cairo Loy | Feb 2020**  
Odd Jobs and Bibs and Bobs

**Kerryn Finch | Mar 2020**  
Inside Outside

**International Women’s Day Exhibition  
Mar 2020**  
Postcards to her

**Sandra Tierney | Apr 2020**  
New works

**ArtRageUs | May 2020**  
Works on paper 2020

**Gallery F Group Show | June 2020**

GALLERY F is an exhibition and workshop space run by artists for artists. The Gallery F committee is a dedicated group of volunteers, passionate about fostering the creativity of local emerging and established artists, makers and crafts people by facilitating exhibitions and workshops locally and developing national and international networks. Gallery F exists as a not for profit community organisation and an Arts Mildura project.



## Events

### // MILDURA WRITERS FESTIVAL 16 – 19 JULY 2020

This year’s 25th gathering will bring together some of Australia’s finest writers to share their work with an engaged audience over delicious food and wine. Be sure to set aside this whole weekend in winter for the inspirational and thought-provoking ideas that it always delivers.

### // ART AUCTION AND GALLERY DINNER 25 APRIL

Join us for a curated dinner experience within the museum of innocence. Featuring an art-inspired menu, and a live art auction of some of the regions most exciting Artists and their new work. Tickets strictly limited.

### // WALK WENTWORTH SING MARCH & MAY

Walk Wentworth Sing is an inspirational community music event for people of all ages and levels of music experience. James Rigby will lead community and school workshops from March 14 - 17, sharing magnificent new music with singers and instrumentalists, and culminating in an incredible day of inclusive performances on Sunday May 24 at the iconic Wentworth Town Hall. Further information 0420 939 229.