

# ARTS EXTRAORDINAIRE ...

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CELEBRATING WHERE THE ARTS CAN  
TAKE YOU is Australia's first arts festival to  
celebrate the diverse creative talents and  
artistic skills of people with disabilities.

From 1st to 10th November this year,  
ACCESSIBLE ARTS, the state's foremost arts  
and disability organisation, will present a  
number of extraordinary arts events.  
ACCESSIBLE ARTS believes that people with  
disabilities have as much to teach the arts  
community as they have to learn from it.

Through ARTS EXTRAORDINAIRE, people  
with disabilities will be able to experience a  
variety of art forms, learn new skills, develop  
existing ones, share their methods and learn  
from others.

Well known ABC media personality and  
PATRON OF ACCESSIBLE ARTS, PETER ROSS  
is opening the doors between the arts  
establishment and people with disabilities.

The Powerhouse Museum, the ABC and  
Bondi Pavilion Community Cultural Centre  
have pledged ARTS EXTRAORDINAIRE  
their full support.





# CELEBRATING WHERE THE ARTS CAN TAKE YOU

*Be a stand-up comedian, painter, singer or actor!*

Whether you're a spectator, novice, enthusiastic amateur, or a fully fledged professional, **ARTS EXTRAORDINAIRE** has something for you.

The festival is a chance for well known and experienced artists to provide positive and inspiring role models for those who have secretly harboured artistic ambitions but didn't know where to begin. You don't have to be a genius, you just have to be genial!

**ARTS EXTRAORDINAIRE** is a celebration of where the arts can take you.

**Get carried away!**

## EXTRAORDINARY EVENT

### *Art Competition, Exhibition & Auction*

Major events of **ARTS EXTRAORDINAIRE** will include the art competition, exhibition and auction. Entrants from throughout NSW will have the opportunity to win prizes, exhibit their work and contribute to the success of future exhibitions.

A panel of judges will select up to 40 works in junior and open-aged categories. These will be exhibited in the gallery of the ABC building in Ultimo. Finalists' work will receive significant profile. Finally, certain artworks by artists with a disability and celebrated Australian artists, will be auctioned to help raise funds for ongoing art and disability programs.

**RING ACCESSIBLE ARTS ON (02) 555-1022 FOR MORE DETAILS AND AN ENTRY FORM. THE COMPETITION WILL BE JUDGED IN SEPTEMBER AND THERE ARE MANY FANTASTIC PRIZES AND PROMOTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES. THE ART COMPETITION WILL BE DIVIDED INTO THREE CATEGORIES - UNDER 16 YEARS, OPEN AND GRAPHIC ARTS OPEN.**

**Start preparing your masterpiece today!**



## ***Seminars & Workshops***

**ARTS EXTRAORDINAIRE** will open your mind with dialogue and experience. Topics will cover contemporary issues including the arts and disability, media representations of people with disabilities, the language of disability and access to the arts. Workshops will provide introductions by experienced practitioners to explore methods and techniques in the arts.

This will become a prestigious annual fund-raising event on the Sydney wine calendar. Money raised will again contribute towards new and ongoing arts projects.

**Tasteful art!**

**Have your say!**

***You Name It!***

Literally, **ARTS EXTRAORDINAIRE** is your celebration - tailored by your creativity. Let us hear from you - **fill out the enclosed questionnaire now.**

## ***Performances***

**ARTS EXTRAORDINAIRE** will provide a showcase for performances by people with disabilities - progressive, cutting edge productions of improvisation, original scripted works, dance, theatre, music, song, readings and more.

**Suit yourself!**

**Act now!**

## **EXTRAORDINARY OPPORTUNITY**

**ARTS EXTRAORDINAIRE** is about sharing enthusiasm for creative expression and discovering how the arts can change our lives for the better.

## ***Wine Auction***

Winemaking is an art. To celebrate this, in connection with **ARTS EXTRAORDINAIRE**, Australia's internationally acclaimed winemakers will be donating prize wines for auction. The auction will be held at the ABC gallery, giving patrons the chance to appreciate the works of the finalists from the art competition.

The challenge of **ARTS EXTRAORDINAIRE** is to share your creativity with others. *Everyone* is actively encouraged to join in! **ACCESSIBLE ARTS** invites you to take the first step and experience something new.

**Explore and Expand!**



**ARTS EXTRAORDINAIRE** is a state-wide event. Already ABC Radio has offered to run regional programs to coincide with the festival. **ACCESSIBLE ARTS** has many contacts throughout regional NSW and can help you organise local events. This depends on the interest shown by your community.

Enclosed is a questionnaire which we ask you to fill out and return to us by **30th July**. Your input will help us to make **ARTS EXTRAORDINAIRE** inspiring, vibrant, informative and practical.

**In a word - EXTRAORDINARY!**

## **ACCESSIBLE ARTS**

**ACCESSIBLE ARTS** is a state-wide organisation that promotes participation in all cultural experiences and art forms for people with physical, intellectual, psychiatric and sensory disabilities.

People with disabilities face extreme disadvantage in the areas of access, participation and arts skill development. The advocacy, information, training, support and development programs of **ACCESSIBLE ARTS** focus on providing opportunities for people with disabilities to identify and develop their creativity.

**ACCESSIBLE ARTS** promotes the creative needs, potential and artistic contributions of people with disabilities to the arts industry and the broader community.

*Art is the result when excellence is challenged. For people with disabilities, striving for excellence often demands a mighty effort. Through **ARTS EXTRAORDINAIRE**, the work of people with disabilities and celebrated known artists will be seen together for the first time. When experienced by the public, the end result should prove to be extraordinary.*

PETER ROSS AM  
PATRON OF **ACCESSIBLE ARTS**  
ABC PRESENTER

